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SUSSEX MINERAL & LAPIDARY SOCIETY 2025 Programme



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Friday 3 rd January	General Meeting: Minerals from Leicestershire By Frank Ince: Sponsor Nick Hawes	
Friday 7 th February	General Meeting: Charles Rashleigh and his mineral collection By Phil Taylor: Sponsor Nick Hawes	
Wednesday 5 th March	Field Trip to Sheppey Coordinator Colin Brough	Low tide 09:44
Saturday 22 nd Feb.	Essex Gem & Mineral show. 10.00 am-4.00 pm North Romford Community Centre, Colliers Row, Romford	
Sat – Sun 28 th Feb – 1 st March	Rock 'N' Gem Show 10.00am-5.00pm Kempton Park Racecourse, Staines Rd. East	
Friday 7 th March	General Meeting: Mining Adventures in the Congo By Tomek Praszkier (Spirifer Minerals): Sponsor Nick Hawes	Zoom Only
Wednesday 19 th March	Field Trip to Samphire Hoe Coordinator Colin Brough	Low tide 09:44
Sunday 16 th March	Oxford Mineral and Fossil Show 10.00am – 4.00pm Exeter Hall, Oxford Rd, Kidlington, North Oxford	
Sat – Sun 22 nd – 23 rd March	Rock 'N' Gem Show 10.00am – 5.00pm Brighton Racecourse, Freshfield Rd, Brighton	
Friday 4 th April	General Meeting: Northern Ireland Field Trip By Nick Hawes: Sponsor Colin Brough	
Saturday 19 th April	Yorkshire Mineral and Fossil Fair The Market House, Hawes North Yorkshire. 10:00 0 17:00	
Friday 2 nd May	General Meeting: Mineral Quiz Night and social evening Coordinator ??	TBC
10 th – 17 th May	Field Trip to Skye Coordinator: Catherine Foley	
Sunday 11 th May	Oxford Mineral and Fossil Show 10.00am – 4.00pm Exeter Hall, Oxford Rd, Kidlington, North Oxford	
16 th -18 th May	2024 Annual Russell Society Meeting (ASM) NW England. Location TBC	
Friday 6 th June	General Meeting: Indian Carnelian: Bronze Age to New Age By Rob Tripp: Sponsor Colin Brough	Confirmed
Saturday June	Field Trip to Chipping Sodbury Coordinator Chris Finch	ТВС
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Thurs - Sun 26 th -29 th June	Sainte-Marie-Aux-Mine Mineral and Gem International Show	
Friday 4 th July	AGM, 'Show and Tell' social evening Coordinator: Colin Brough	
19 th -20 th July	North Pennines Mineral Expo. Village Hall, St Johns Chapel, Weardale, County Durham.	
Sunday 20 th July	Oxford Mineral and Fossil Show 10.00am – 4.00pm Exeter Hall, Oxford Rd, Kidlington, North Oxford	
Sat – Sun 26 th – 27 th July	Rock 'N' Gem Show 10.00am-5.00pm Kempton Park Racecourse, Staines Rd. East	
Saturday 9 th August	SMLS Summer Gathering Coordinator: Nick Hawes	
Friday 5 th September	General Meeting: Update on Zeolites By Colin Brough	
20th Sept	Hampshire Mineral Show Oasis Academy, Lord's Hill, Romsey Road, Southampton SO16 8FA	
Fri -Sun 12 th – 14 th Sept.	2024 BMS Symposium. Salwarpe Village Hall, Droitwich.	
Friday 3 rd October	General Meeting: Gypsum, Evaporites and Sussex Mines By David Alderton: Sponsor Colin Brough	Confirmed
Sat/Sun 11 th – 12 th Oct.	Bakewell Rock Exchange 10.00am – 5.00pm Lady Manners School, Bakewell, Derbyshire	
Friday 7 th November	General Meeting: Mineral Myths and Legends?? By Colin Brough: Sponsor Samantha Durrant	Confirmed
Sat – Sun 8 th – 9 th Nov.	Rock 'N' Gem Show 10.00am – 5.00pm Kempton Park Racecourse, Staines Rd. East	
Saturday November	Festival of Geology University College London	TBC
Sat – Sun 15 th -16 th Nov.	Rock 'N' Gem Show 10.00am – 5.00pm Brighton Racecourse, Freshfield Rd, Brighton	
Saturday 15 th November	SUSSEX MINERAL & FOSSIL SHOW 10.00am - 4.30pm, Haywards Heath	
Saturday Nov	Mineral Gem and Fossil Show Amateur Geological Society, Finchley, London Trinity Church, Nether Street, Finchley, N12 7NN	TBC
Sunday 23 rd November	Oxford Mineral and Fossil Show 10.00am – 4.00pm Exeter Hall, Oxford Rd, Kidlington, North Oxford	
Friday 5 th December	General Meeting: Diamonds By David Binns: Sponsor Nick Hawes	Zoom only

All meetings held Methodist Church Hall, Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath. 7.30pm to 10.00pm. Jan/Feb/Dec meetings are zoom only Items in italics are for members' information only.