



VMSG Annual Meeting – Glasgow 2010

This year's VMSG Annual meeting will be held in Glasgow from 4th to 6th January. The meeting will be entirely based in the Glasgow University Union at the University of Glasgow.

Full information on the meeting can be found at the following website: <http://web2.ges.gla.ac.uk/VMSG>. A forwarding link from the main VMSG webpage (www.vmsg.org.uk) can also be found. Here you will find extensive information on the programme, accommodation and travel, and most importantly, details on registration and abstract submission.



Volcanic and Magmatic Studies Group 2010

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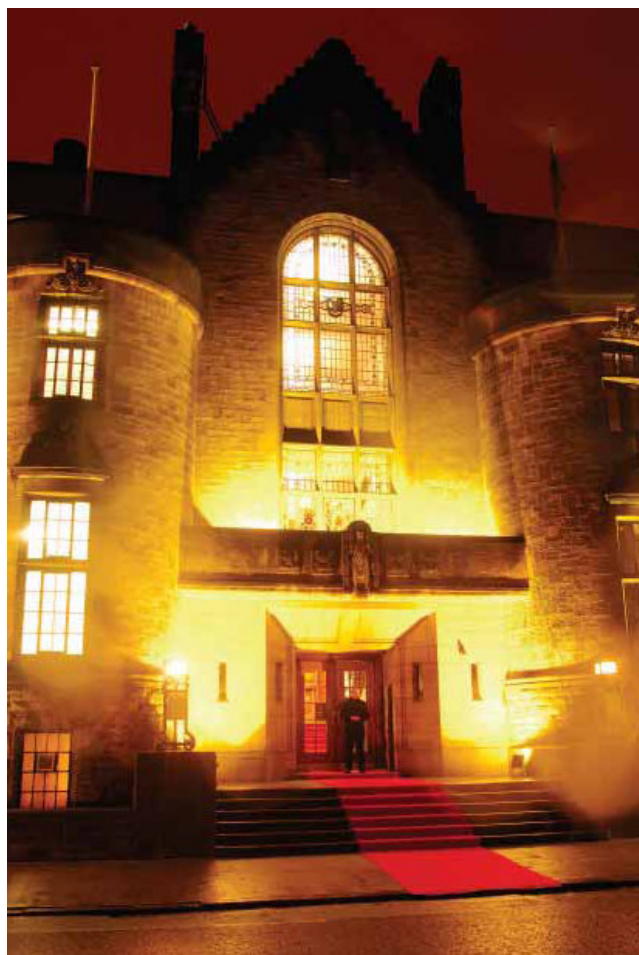
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Registration for the meeting will include the full scientific programme, abstract volume, all teas, coffees and lunches, a 4 course conference banquet, whisky tasting, a traditional

Scottish ceilidh, an icebreaker reception, and drinks reception during poster sessions. At £80 for students we think this represents exceptional value. We have also secured discount accommodation at a number of nearby hotels (all within 5 minutes walk of the conference venue).



The Glasgow University Union (GUU), meeting venue

We are planning the following sessions:

- Magma transport versus magma storage (VMSG Award session in honour of Steve Blake)
- Geochronology of igneous processes
- Isotopes as records of magmatic processes
- Transport, dispersion & deposition during volcanic eruptions
- Volcano-tectonics: lessons from the field & laboratory
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Please note that this list is provisional and we will tailor the final programme to suit the submitted abstracts. As before, we hope to have a large number of student talks, together with keynotes from leading researchers in the VMSG community. The meeting will close with a public lecture (organised by the Mineral Deposits Studies Group) on “Supervolcanoes” by Jake Lowernstern, Chief Scientist at Yellowstone National Park.

The deadline for early bird registration is **Friday 30th October**. We strongly encourage you to register by this date: it's cheaper and makes our life much easier! The abstract submission deadline is also **Friday 30th October**.

The conference starts at ~4pm on Monday 4th January with an Icebreaker and dedicated poster session. Please remember to allow for this in your travel plans. While poster sessions will also be held on the 5th and 6th this is an excellent extended opportunity to view the posters (we all know how much work goes into producing a poster!).

An A4 flyer is attached to the newsletter. Please feel free to display it in your department!



A ceilidh!

Feedback

The Committee would like to take this opportunity to provide some feedback to the survey conducted at the Bournemouth annual meeting. Several of you expressed concern at the “profit” made at recent annual meetings and suggested that this money should be used to reduce registration fees at subsequent meetings. We would like to reassure you that the meetings are not run as “money-

making exercises” and we fully understand the financial pressures our members are under. However, the money made from the annual meetings is critical in allowing the VMSG to flourish. Our annual stipend from our parent societies is largely used to support our postgraduate and conference bursaries. Therefore, any other monies to support external conferences and/or field trips have to be generated by other means. The annual meeting is not budgeted in order to maximise profit, and we always endeavour, for example, to keep early bird registration fees below £100 for students. However, our parent societies and host universities require that all meetings must be organised such that they at least break even, and based around a conservative estimate of the number of delegates (~100). If the numbers exceed this amount then a profit is made; however, if the meeting figures were based on 125 or 150 people and delegate numbers were to fall short, then the financial repercussions are potentially severe.

Forthcoming Events

LASI IV (Physical Geology of Subvolcanic Systems)

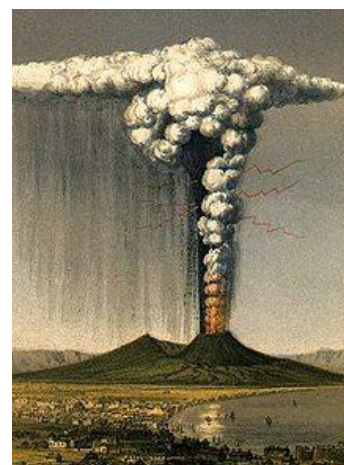
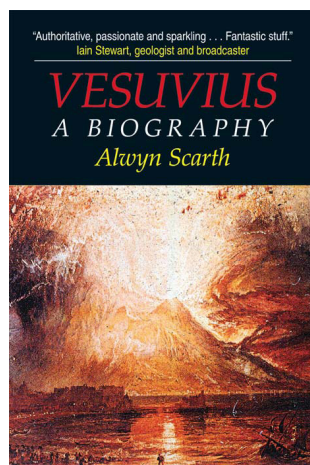
From 20th – 23rd September 2010, LASI IV will be held in Moab & Mount Hillers, Utah, U.S.A. The conference will include two days of talks and posters, along with two days of field trips to the classic laccoliths and sills of the nearby Henry Mountains. See <http://lasi.lmtg.obs-mip.fr> for details.

Funding

A reminder of the 15th December deadline for postgraduate travel grants. <http://www.dur.ac.uk/d.a.jerram/VMSG/funding.html>

Vesuvius

A new book of interest to the community: “Vesuvius: a biography” by Alwyn Scarth (<http://www.terrapublishing.co.uk>).



Editorial

Deadline for next newsletter: 5th October '09.

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