

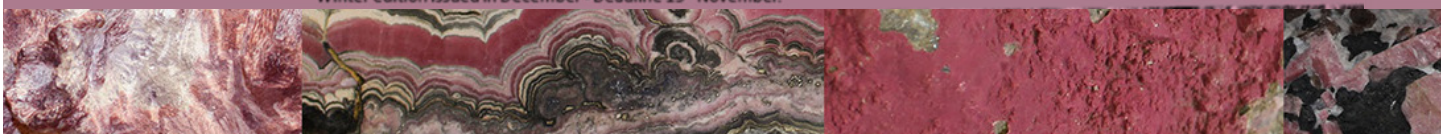


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Events

Symposium on Vertebrate Palaeontology and Comparative Anatomy (SVPCA) : 6th-9th September 2023 at the University of Lincoln. Registration closes on Monday 21st August.

Symposium on Palaeontological Preparation and Conservation: 6th September 2023 at the Minerva Building, Lincoln, UK, in conjunction with the SVPCA.

How to Cartoon Geology (Geological Society's Public Lecture): 29th August, hybrid in person at Burlington House and Virtual via Zoom.

What are Subject Specialist Networks and how could they help you with your collection? : 7th September; online event by West Midlands Museum development.

Origins of Ireland's Biodiversity: evening of Thursday 7th September to midday on Saturday 9th; Conference at University College Cork.

2023 PalAss Annual Meeting : 11th-15th September in Cambridge (register until Tuesday 22nd August).

Museums Association Conference: 7th and 9th November in Gateshead and online.

Geological Society's Digital Geoscience: Unleashing the Power of Data and Technology in Earth Sciences Conference: on 13th and 14th November. Submit abstracts for oral and poster contributions by 7th September (hybrid event).

EXHIBITIONS

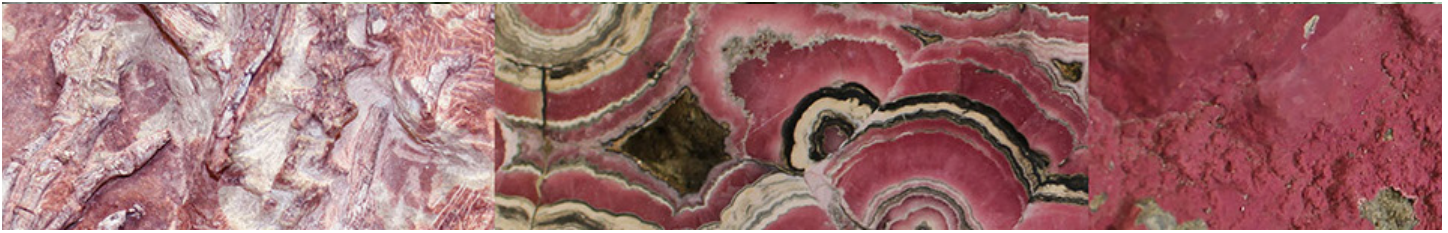
Mary Anning Rocks: Yorkshire Museum's new exhibition, from 14th July to 20th September.

Hart of the Wood (Ways of the Plant): at the Lapworth on 8th August. It is a bold new multidisciplinary art and film project.

The Polar Silk Road photographs by Gregor Sailer: at the Natural History Museum until 24th November.

Geologist's Association's annual geology photographic competition: at the Festival of Geology on 4th November (deadline 1st September).

Many thanks to Robert Theodore,
GCG Blog Editor, for collating this information

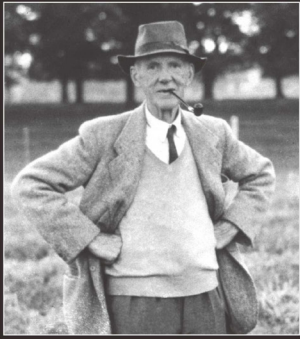


Good News

We have the pleasure to communicate that **Roy Starkey has been honoured by King Charles with the British Empire Medal for ‘Services to Mineralogy’** in the King’s Birthday Honours List.

Roy Starkey has been an avid supporter of the British mineralogical community for a long time. He is a freelance mineralogist, photographer, curator and author of many articles, especially in the Russell Society Journal and the British Micromount Society. He has devoted much of his time to volunteering in numerous museums (he currently volunteers at the Lapworth Museum of Geology where he has been since 2012), collating and advising on their mineral collections. This experience has exposed him to some of the best British mineral collections allowing him to share this knowledge with fellow collectors and the wider public through his publications; Crystal Mountains Minerals of the Cairngorms, Minerals of the English Midlands and Making it Mine Sir Arthur Russell and his Mineral Collection.

Making it Mine
Sir Arthur Russell and his Mineral Collection


Roy E. Starkey

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MINERAL TALKS LIVE

Episode 64
Roy Starkey
Mineral Book Author; Worcestershire, United Kingdom
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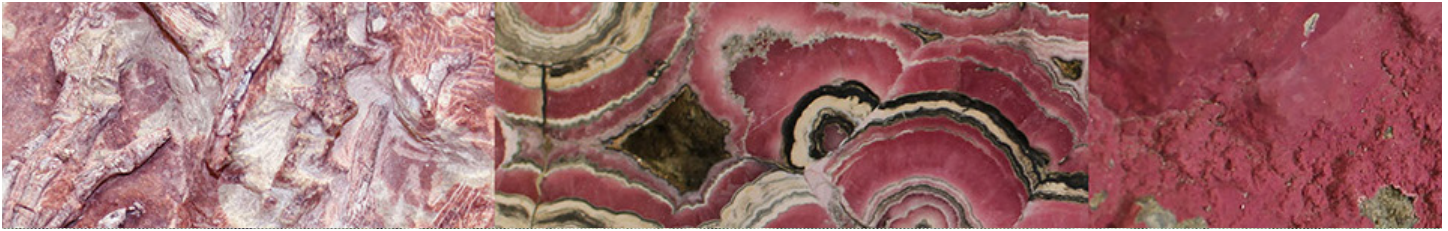
<https://go.MineralTalksLIVE.com/Episode64>

Roy is a longstanding member of the GCG and we have enjoyed many of his talks at our AGMs over the past few years. If you want to know more about this fantastic mineralogist, you can follow on Twitter and/or check out his website!

@roy_mineral
<https://britishmineralogy.com/wordpress/>

Congratulations Roy!

Cinzia Ragni, GCG newsletter editor



SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions for 2023 were due in January, and I thank those who have already paid, but there are a small number still to pay for this year.



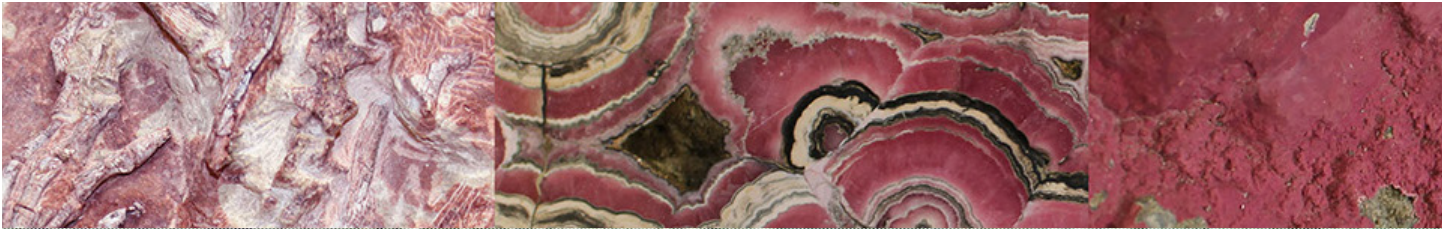
If you think you may be outstanding, please do log onto our website www.geocurator.org/membership and check the current status of your account (or you can email or ring me).

We have just opened our new bank account and will soon be sending round details so that members and subscribers can change over their Standing Orders.

As always I'd like to assure GCG members and supporters that I'm happy to respond at any time if you have queries about membership.

Cindy Howells, GCG membership secretary





Guess the Coprolite

Please send guesses to coprolite@geocurator.org
The answer and winner will be announced in the next quarterly newsletter. If there are several correct answers, one winner will be selected at random.



Last time no one tried to our GUESS THE COPROLITE, but now you have another chance!

To help you, we have placed another coprolite from the same site. Try again!

Many thanks to Nigel Larkin for the photos.

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