



Quaternary Research Association

CIRCULAR HIGHLIGHTS

OCTOBER 2021

1. QRA Annual Discussion Meeting 2022

Quaternary Glaciations: Processes, Environments and Reconstructions

The 2022 Annual Discussion Meeting (ADM) will take place between **Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th January 2022**, and will be hosted by the University of Sheffield. The meeting will address a broad array of themes around Quaternary glaciation, including:

- Glacial-interglacial climate and environment reconstruction
- Modelling ice masses
- The depositional and erosional imprint of ice on the landscape
- Glacial to interglacial sea level change
- Dating glacials
- The response of flora, fauna and humans to changing ice masses
- Using the Quaternary record to decipher glacial processes

Organisers:

Jeremy Ely, Chris Clark, Ann Rowan, Mark Bateman, Jennifer Doole, Stephen Livingstone, Grant Bigg, Darrel Swift. To contact the organising committee please email: gra2022@sheffield.ac.uk

Meeting Format:

It is currently envisaged that the meeting will be a hybrid (in person and online) event.

Abstracts and Registration:

Abstracts are invited on the themes listed above. Submit your abstract and register for the ADM via the conference registration page: – <https://gra2022.org/>

Deadline for Abstracts: 6th December 2021

Registration Fees:

In person registration fee: £210
Postgraduate registration fee: £150
Online only registration fee: £30

The in person registration fee includes lunches, coffee/tea and the conference dinner.

Deadline for Registration: 21st December 2021

2. QRA Annual General Meeting 2022

The Annual General Meeting will take place during the afternoon of **Thursday 6th January 2022**. Further details of the time, format and joining instructions will be made available via the website and email news briefings.

3. QRA Executive Committee Nominations

As noted in the June Circular, five positions on the QRA Executive Committee will become vacant in January 2022. The following nominations have been received for the vacant posts; these officers will begin their appointments in January 2022:

Vice President:	Dave Roberts (Durham University)
Honorary Secretary:	Adrian Palmer (Royal Holloway, University of London)
Awards Officer:	Will Fletcher (University of Manchester)
Publications Secretary:	Cathy Delaney (Manchester Metropolitan)
Conservation Officer:	Michael Dempster (Northern Ireland Environment Agency)

4. QRA Awards: qra.org.uk/grants-awards-prizes/

The next deadline for Awards applications is **15 January 2022**. In this round we welcome applications for the following awards: **New Research Workers' Award; Quaternary Conference Fund; Quaternary Research Fund; The Bill Bishop Award; Radiocarbon Dating Short Course Bursaries; ¹⁴C-CHRONO Centre Radiocarbon Dating Award**. Please consult the QRA website for eligibility criteria and application procedures, or contact the Awards Officer (awards@qra.org.uk).

5. QRA Outreach Fund: qra.org.uk/outreach/

The QRA encourages its members and others to promote and foster engagement between Quaternary Science and a wide and diverse audience. To support this, we operate an Outreach Fund with awards of normally up to £1000, although larger requests are also considered. Please contact the Outreach Officer, James Lea for more details (outreach@qra.org.uk). The next application deadline is **1 March 2022**.

6. Calendar of QRA Meetings: qra.org.uk/meetings

Further details of forthcoming meetings are available from the QRA website.

Jan 2022 **Annual Discussion Meeting:
Quaternary Glaciations: Processes, Environments and Reconstructions**
Hosts: University of Sheffield (hybrid format meeting)
Dates: 5–7 January 2022
Contact: Jeremy Ely (email: qra2022@sheffield.ac.uk)

See front page of this Circular for details. *Registration is now open*

Mar 2022 **Joint QRA / EGWG Field Meeting - Quaternary Engineering Geology of the
West Cumbria region - Expression of Interest requested***
Location: West Cumbria
Dates: 17–20 March 2022
Contact: Jon Merritt (jwm@bgs.ac.uk)

** To help the leaders plan logistical aspects of the meeting, please send an email with an EOI by 30th November 2021.*

If you would like to apply to host a meeting, please contact the Meetings Officer, Emrys Phillips (meetings@qra.org.uk). We welcome meetings of different durations and formats, from informal half-day events to residential fieldtrips spanning several days. We also co-sponsor meetings. For further details please refer to the website: <https://qra.org.uk/meetings/>

This flier identifies key upcoming activities within the QRA. Further details can be found on the QRA website. For any enquiries regarding QRA activities please consult qra.org.uk or contact the Honorary Secretary: Helen Roe (secretary@qra.org.uk), School of Natural and Built Environment, Queen's University Belfast, Belfast, BT7 1NN.