



Welcome to the latest Newsletter

I, Ruth, am back from my travels, which saw me and my husband cruise right round the world. It was truly brilliant, but it gave limited, actually, no, opportunities to collate pictures for Geograph. It did, however, allow me to learn a huge amount about what my camera is capable of, and I am looking forward to making the most of it over the coming months and years.

AGM 2024

This year's AGM was held in Llandudno, at the Venue Cymru. Everyone there seemed to have an enjoyable time, with excellent speakers at the meeting, and a good opportunity to socialise during the rest of the day, and indeed the day before. The venue was ideal, and the catering first rate, so all in all it was a good meet-up. It was a pity there were not more people there, as it is such a good chance for us to get to know each other. See later on in this newsletter regarding possible meets. Our thanks to Christine for her hard work in organising this event.

Next year's AGM is planned on being in Bradford, but the date is yet to be decided.

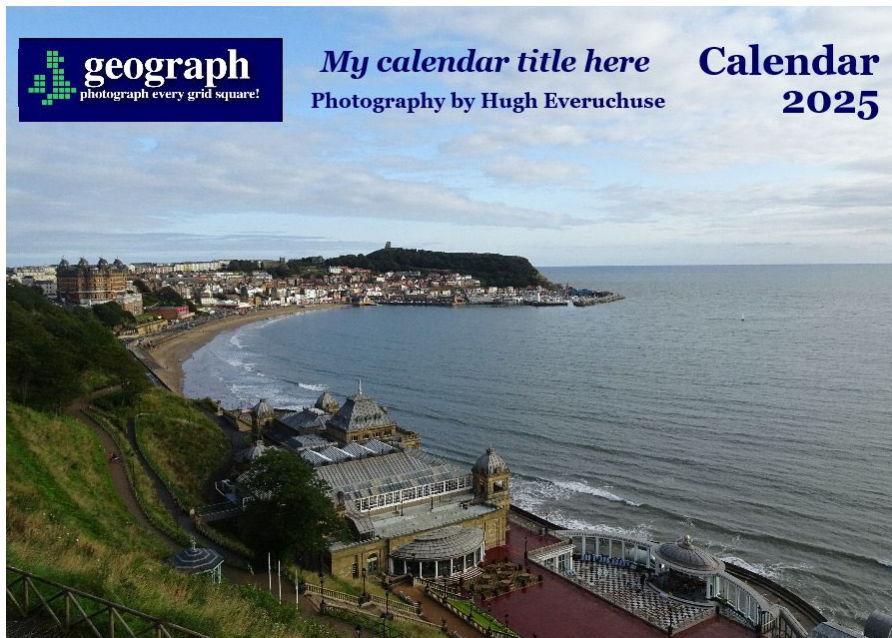
From the Trustees

The impact of Michael Dibb's untimely and very sad death earlier in the year is still being felt, and a team of Trustees is working hard to keep the good ship Geograph afloat, particularly in sorting out financial protocols. We all owe them our thanks for persevering with what is proving to be a tedious task.

Calendar 2025

Now is the time to pull your ideas together for your personal Geograph calendar. Alan Murray-Rust has once again kindly agreed to take on the business of co-ordinating orders, and he would appreciate your participation at your earliest convenience – we left it a bit tight last year!

Alan has designed a new layout for the calendar cover, which can be seen below.



This will allow you more scope in your choice of cover image. The most important thing to remember when selecting your photos is to ensure they are of high enough resolution to look good printed out at A4 size. We recommend nothing smaller than a width of 2000 pixels, or higher if possible. We shall be emailing everyone with details of how to order in a few weeks – this is just to remind you to get selecting!

Further fundraising idea

Treasurer Team member Richard Rogerson has been in touch with a company called Free Wills who would like to place a link on the Geograph site to invite people to make a Will using their services. The potential benefit to Geograph would be from people leaving a legacy to the organisation. The Trustees would like to know how you feel about our going down this route. It's something Michael was looking into at the time he died, so we feel it's only right to follow it up and at least give it some thought and discussion. However, we realise that now may not be the best time to implement it in case it leads to additional work for the Trustees on the Treasurer Team.

Please share any views you have on this or any other potential fundraising topic with the Trustees on the 'contributor/trustee dialogue' section of the Forum:

<https://www.geograph.org.uk/discuss/index.php?&action=vtopic&forum=22>

or otherwise use the email address

trustees@geograph.org.uk

Please note that the issue of the sale of images on eBay has come up for discussion again. The Trustees collectively affirmed that Geograph is not in a position to offer the "print and send" service which the eBay sellers are providing. The eBay sellers are doing nothing wrong, we cannot stop them, and furthermore we do receive donations from them.

Geograph's 20th Anniversary in 2025

How should we celebrate this major milestone, which falls on 12th March 2025? Please put your ideas into the proverbial "hat" and let us know what you'd like to see done.

Meetings

One of the good things about the AGM is the opportunity to meet fellow members and supporters of Geograph. After all, we all have something in common, so conversations always flow. The problem with the AGM is the distance so many people have to travel, and the associated cost, wherever we hold the meeting. So we'd like your views on the idea of more "regional" meets, whether this is something you would like to organise in

your area, and what (if anything) you'd like to do on such occasions. We are becoming less and less connected with each other in this cyber world, so maybe membership of this on-line organisation could become, ironically, a way to meet up with more people in real life. What do you think? Please let us know on the Forum or by email.

Contact us

We always value comments and suggestions, whether on the "Trustees" section of the Forum at <https://www.geograph.org.uk/discuss/index.php?&action=vtopic&forum=22> or direct to us by email: trustees@geograph.org.uk



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