

Biennial Conference

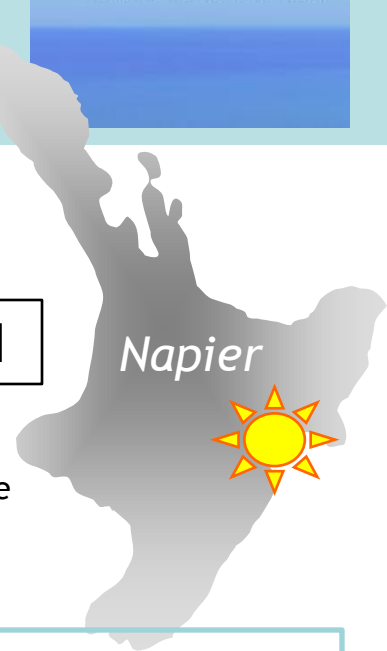
New Zealand Geochemical and Mineralogical Society



8 - 10 November 2009

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS & REGISTRATION

The 2009 biennial NZGeMS conference is being held at the War Memorial Conference Centre on the beach front in sunny Napier. The venue is close to the town centre, and to a wide range of accommodation and food options.



This only happens once every 2 years! Come and join us for 2 days of New Zealand Geochemistry. Special guest speakers will be:

Dr Travis Horton (University of Canterbury) “New and Novel Stable Isotopic Proxies for New Zealand Systems”.

Travis is a relatively recent appointment in geochemistry in the Geology Department at University of Canterbury, and is using stable isotopes in new ways (e.g., in mud snails, kauri and speleothems) for paleoclimate reconstructions.

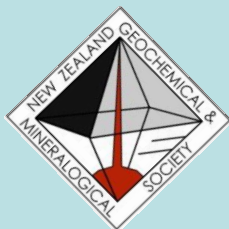
Dr Alan Limmer (Stonecroft Wines) “All Roads Lead to Wine”.

Alan has worked on the isotopic and REE chemistry of wine, as well as pioneering the use of Gimlet gravels for wine making, and introducing Syrah wines to New Zealand.

Registration and an icebreaker function will be held on the evening of Sunday the 8th Nov, followed by 2 days of oral presentations, a poster session and a half day fieldtrip of wine, art and earthquakes. A pre- or post-conference fieldtrip to the Cape Kidnappers sedimentary sequence is also proposed. The conference will include the BGM and a conference dinner on Tuesday night.

The Registration Form (with abstract submission details) may be attached to this notice, or can be found on our website (www.nzgems.org.nz).

Deadline for registration and abstracts: 2 October 2009



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Supplementary information

Proposed programme:

| | Sunday 8 Nov | Monday 9 Nov | Tuesday 10 Nov |
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| AM (9-12am) | | ORAL Session | ORAL Session |
| Lunch | | | BGM from 1 pm |
| PM (1.30-4.30 pm) | Registration (from 4pm) | ORAL Session | Half-day FIELDTRIP |
| Evening | ICEBREAKER | POSTER Session | CONFERENCE DINNER |

Fieldtrip: (led by Dr Chris Hendy)

In addition to the programme of events above, a pre- or post-conference fieldtrip (7th or 11th Nov) is proposed to the sequence of sediments from Clifton to Black Reef (Cape Kidnappers section), which starts at Clifton as terrestrial gravels about 300,000 years old and extends back through interbedded marine/terrestrial to fully marine Pliocene sediments. Viewing of the gannet colony will be included. Interest in this field trip can be registered on the Registration Form

Catering:

Conference registration will include morning and afternoon teas at the venue, but lunch will be self service in town.

Accommodation:

The venue is close to a wide range of accommodation options, from Backpackers to 5 star hotels. See www.napier.nz.com for more details of available accommodation.

Prizes:

There will be a prize for best student poster and best student oral presentation. On a less serious note there will of course also be the traditional NZGeMS chocolate fish for the most vacuous abstract submitted (be warned!).

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