

**QUEKETT PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES 2024**  
**CORRECT AS OF 17<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2024**

Please check the programme on the club website before travelling to events or signing in to zoom.

Addresses for regular meetings

Natural History Museum (NHM) Cromwell Road, London SW7 5BD	Anglian Microscopy Group Crowfield Village Hall, Stone Street, Crowfield, Suffolk IP6 9SZ	Milton Microscopy Group Milton Community Centre Lounge at Coles Rd, Milton CB24 6BL
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Day and Date	Time	Event	Meeting location, topic / details
<b>JANUARY</b>			
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 12.00	Wimbledon Common Nature Club	Wimbledon Common Information Centre SW19 5NR, Quekett members will be participating as part of our outreach programme.
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup>	2.30 – 5.30	Milton Microscopy Group	Milton Community Centre, see regular addresses, Contact Chris Thomas at <a href="mailto:bulletin@quekett.org">bulletin@quekett.org</a> for more information.
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 – 8.00	Gossip meeting	Zoom only event, topic - My latest acquisition
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 3.00	Anglian Microscopy Group	Crowfield Village Hall, see regular addresses. Foraminifera and sands (dry mounts); photomicrography. Contact Gordon Brown at <a href="mailto:gordon.gosbeck@gmail.com">gordon.gosbeck@gmail.com</a>
<b>FEBRUARY</b>			
Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	2.30 – 4.40	Committee meeting	Zoom only
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup>	2.00 – 5.30	Gossip meeting	Room PA135, NHM, see regular addresses. Practical slide making – crystals melts and dry mounts (seeds, sand and forums) led by Chris Thomas
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 3.00	Anglian Microscopy Group	Crowfield Village Hall, see regular addresses, Polarised light, crystal melts; photomicrography. See January for contact details.
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 4.00	Home Counties Meeting – Surrey	St. Andrews Church Hall, Downside Bridge Road Cobham KT11 3EJ. Short talks, gossip and practical microscopy. Further information from Joan Bingley at <a href="mailto:eatonfarm@aol.com">eatonfarm@aol.com</a>
<b>MARCH</b>			
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	2.00 – 5.00	Gossip meeting	Angela Marmot Centre, NHM, see regular addresses. Gossip topic – Hairs, collecting, looking at and Identification, led by John Gregory
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	5.00 – 7.00	AGM	Angela Marmot Centre, NHM, see regular addresses. Election of the committee for the coming year.
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 – 5.00	Quekett Spring Sale	Sonning Common Village Hall, Wood Lane, Sonning Common, Surrey RG4 9SL. This is a new sales only event for 2024 taking the place of the Reading Convention. Prebook your sales table by contacting <a href="mailto:springsale@quekett.org">springsale@quekett.org</a>
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Tbc	Outreach in Poole	Main Library, Poole. Quekett have been invited to set up a microscopy display as part of British Science Week. Contact Pam Hamer at <a href="mailto:Outreach@quekett.org">Outreach@quekett.org</a> for more information.
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	10.00 – 3.00	Anglian Microscopy Group	See January meeting for address details. Basic microscopy; photomicrography. See January for contact details.
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 4.00	Committee meeting	Angela Marmont Centre, NHM, see regular addresses. Strategy meeting in person event
<b>APRIL</b>			
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup>	2.00 – 5.00	Workshop	Angela Marmont Centre, NHM, see regular addresses. Stains and staining.
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 – 8.00	World microscope day – 1	Zoom only. Microscopy techniques and technology. More details from Robert Ratford via <a href="mailto:membership@quekett.org">membership@quekett.org</a>
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 4.00	Gossip Meeting and Excursion - Lockington	Lockington & Hemington Village Hall, Leicestershire. Emphasis on freshwater biology. Details from D.T. Hope at <a href="mailto:dth@quekett.org">dth@quekett.org</a>
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 – 8.00	World microscope day	Zoom only. Microscopes types, history, maintenance and restoration. Details from Robert Ratford above.
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup>	11.30 – 3.30	Milton Microscopy Group	Norris Museum St Ives, 41 The Broadway, St Ives, GB PE27 5BX. (what3words ///inquest.pheasants.heartless). Contact Chris Thomas for more details (see above)
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 – 8.00	World microscope day +1	Zoom only. Specimens, slides, photomicrography of specimens, drawing, sculpture and art. More details from Robert Ratford details above.
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 3.00	Anglian Microscopy Group	Crowfield Village Hall, see regular addresses. Plant microtomy (buds); photomicrography. See January for contact details.
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 – 3.30	PMS – Gossip meeting	Langton Matravers Village Hall, BH19 3HA. For more information contact Pam Hamer details above.
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 – 4.30	East of England open meeting	Village Hall, Bradfield St George, Suffolk, IP30 0AS. Gossip, exhibits and lectures. More details from Robert Ratford details above.
<b>MAY</b>			
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	2.00 – 5.00	Gossip	Angela Marmont Centre, NHM, see regular addresses. Gossip session on Victorian Slides
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	5.00 – 7.00	Presidential Address	Neil Chalmers Seminar Room, NHM, see regular addresses (also Zoom). Terry Hopes first address, please contact Lisa Ashby with any queries <a href="mailto:secretary@quekett.org">secretary@quekett.org</a>
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 3.00	Anglian Microscopy Group	Crowfield Village Hall, see regular addresses. Pond dipping; Photomicrography. See January for contact details.
<b>JUNE</b>			
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Tbc	Home Counties Meeting – Essex	Naze Nature Discovery Centre, Old Hall Lane, Walton-on-the-Naze, Essex, CO14 8LE. Excursion to collect fossils followed by practical microscopy and talks. Details from Robert Ratford see above.
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 3.00	Anglian Microscopy Group	Crowfield Village Hall, see regular addresses. Pond dipping; Photomicrography. See January for contact details.

Day and Date	Time	Event	Meeting location, topic / details
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 4.00	<i>Bournemouth Natural Science Society &amp; Museum (BNSSM)</i>	<i>BNSSM, Bournemouth, 39 Christchurch Road, BH1 3NS. Gossip with demonstrations and access to the museum. For more information contact grenham_ireland@hotmail.com</i>
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup>	All day	Excursion – Keston, Bromley	Keston Ponds and Keston Village Hall 132 Heathfield Rd, Bromley, BR2 6BF. Pond dipping and practical microscopy. Suggest bringing a packed lunch. Contact Lisa Ashby for more details Secretary@quekett.org
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup>	2.30 – 5.30	Milton Microscopy Group	Milton Community Centre, see regular addresses. See January for contact details.
<b>JULY</b>			
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 4.00	<i>Northampton Natural History Society (NNHS) – Annual Exhibition</i>	<i>NNHS, The Humfrey Rooms, 10 Castilian Terrace, Northampton, NN1 1LD Exhibition of Microscopy. Includes sales, exhibits and talks. Sales and exhibits in the morning, with lectures in the afternoon. Contact Tim Newton, Secretary, on tim.carabids@gmail.com</i>
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	2.30 – 4.30	Committee meeting	Angela Marmont Centre, NHM, see regular addresses
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	5.00 – 7.00	M C Cooke Lecture	Neil Chalmers Seminar Room, NHM, see regular addresses (and Zoom). Topic TBC
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	6.00 – 8.00	Gossip meeting	Zoom only. Diatoms – finding, collecting, cleaning, viewing.
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 3.00	Anglian Microscopy Group	Crowfield Village Hall, see regular addresses. Pollen slides; Pollen identification; Photomicrography. See January for contact details.
<b>AUGUST</b>			
Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.00 – 4.00	Excursion - Warnham	Warnham LNR, Horsham, RH12 2RA. Collect samples at this varied nature reserve. For details contact Graham at warnham@quekett.org
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 4.00	Microscopium	Letchworth Settlement, Hertfordshire, SG6 4UB. The Quekett sales event. To book a table contact microscopium@quekett.org
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 3.00	Anglian Microscopy Group	Crowfield Village Hall, see regular addresses. Bee legs; Photomicrography. See January for contact details.
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup>	All day	Down House Microscopy Weekend	Down House, Luxted Road, Downe, Kent, BR6 7JT. Quekett will be participating as part of our outreach programme.
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> – Monday 26 <sup>th</sup>	All day	Microscopists weekend	Cranedale Centre, Kirby Grindalythe, North Yorks, YO17 8DB . For more information – contact Steve Gill microcat@btinternet.com.
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>			
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	6.00 – 8.00	Committee Meeting	Zoom
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 – 4.00	Wimbledon Common Open Day	Wimbledon Common Information Centre SW19 5NR. Quekett will have a stand as part of our outreach programme.
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 – 8.00	Gossip meeting	Zoom only. Converting to LED – led by Gordon Brown
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup>	10.00 – 3.00	Anglian Microscopy Group	Crowfield Village Hall, see regular addresses. Insect Wings; Photomicrography. See January for contact details.
<b>OCTOBER</b>			
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> – Monday 14 <sup>th</sup>	All day	New Scientist Live	ExCeL, London, E16 1XL. Quekett will have a stand as part of our outreach programme. Volunteers are welcome please contact Robert Ratford for details, see above.
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 – 8.00	Pre Quekex Lecture	Zoom only. Please contact Lisa Ashby for more information, details above. Topic TBC
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 4.00	Quekex – Annual Exhibition of Microscopy	Elm Court Community Centre, Mutton Lane, Potters Bar, EN6 3BP. Lectures, demonstrations, displays and members exhibits. Please contact Lisa Ashby for more information, details above.
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 3.00	Anglian Microscopy Group	Crowfield Village Hall, see regular addresses. Parasites; Photomicrography. See January for contact details.
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> – Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup>	All day	National Honey Show	Sandown Park Racecourse, Surrey KT10 9AJ. Quekett will have a stand as part of our outreach programme.
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup>	2.30 – 5.30	Milton Microscopy Group	Milton Community Centre, see regular addresses. See January for contact details.
<b>NOVEMBER</b>			
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	2.30 – 4.30	Committee meeting	Zoom only
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	5.00 – 7.00	L V Martin Lecture	Zoom only – Ted Kellock Slide Collection – by Stromness Museum
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 3.00	Anglian Microscopy Group	Crowfield Village Hall, see regular addresses. Owl pellets; Photomicrography. See January for contact details.
<b>DECEMBER</b>			
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	6.00 – 8.00	Gossip meeting	Zoom only. Darkfield led by Steve Trehwella
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 – 8.00	Lecture and Christmas Quiz	Zoom only. Lecture and Christmas Quiz.
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup>	10.00 – 3.00	Anglian Microscopy Group	Crowfield Village Hall, see regular addresses. Christmas plants; Photomicrography. See January for contact details.

Items in italics are joint meetings. Items in grey are arranged by others, and enquiries for these should be directed to the local organiser. Any enquiries regarding the content of the programme should be addressed to the Meetings Secretary via [meetings@quekett.org](mailto:meetings@quekett.org)