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Change of web name

Further to our change of name the web site address has also been changed to www.iom3.org.hk. However in the short term logging on to the old web site (www.imm.org.hk) will result in an automatic redirection to the new site.

Professional Status of Engineering Geologists

Further to the announcement in the previous edition of IMMpress in June, the Branch is making progress on this issue and is currently finalising a list of “specialisms” which will be circulated to the membership prior to being finalised. It is hoped the “List” will be formally launched in the Autumn.

Ground Investigation Working Party

The final report has now been issued to HKIE (they originally requested IMM to lead the working party) for their action. A copy of the final report will also be placed on our web page.

Technical Talks

A number of technical talks and site visits have been /are being organised. A full list of talk is now available on our web site (<http://www.iom3.org.hk/meetings.htm>).

30th August 2003 saw a site visit to investigation drillholes for the KCR Shatin to Central Link (Lion Rock Section) with some 16 people taking part.

4th September 2003, we had a joint technical talk with HKIE (Geotechnical) by Dr David Petley of the International Landslide Centre, University of Durham on "Landslide movement patterns and processes" with over a hundred people attending.

In late November, the IMM together with AGS, Geol Soc Regional Group and the GSHK have arranged for Prof. Peter Fookes to come to Hong Kong to take part in a series of talks and seminars. Peter is an engineering geologist of international repute.

27th November 2003, HKCEC Theatre 1, Prof. Peter Fookes on “Geology for Engineers: the Geological Model, Prediction and Performance – an update” (an updated of his 1997 Glossop Lecture).

29th November 2003, HKUST, One day seminar: Ground Investigation and Modelling for Engineering in Saprolite and Weathered Rock. Prof. Peter Fookes will give a keynote address and will be followed by 8 local practitioners giving a range of talks.

2nd December 2003, HKU Rayson Huang Theatre, Prof. Peter Fookes on “Total Geological History: a model approach to the anticipation, observation and understanding of site conditions for engineers.” (an updated of his award winning GeoEng Melbourne 2000 paper co-authored with Fred Baynes and John Hutchinson).

Full details will be supplied nearer the date.

Young Members Committee

A Young Members Committee has been established with the aim of encouraging younger members to actively participate in the Institute. Interested parties should contact Dalton Wong at daltonimm@yahoo.com.hk.

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