

Medals and Awards

● Recipients 1970-2023


FOUNDER'S MEDAL

1970	Mr Walter William Herbert
1971	Sir George Deacon CBE FRS
1972	Rear Admiral G S Ritchie CB DSC
1973	Mr N L Falcon FRS
1974	Mr Christian Bonington CBE
1975	Sir Laurence Kirwan KCMG
1976	Dr Brian Roberts CMG
1977	Professor Michael J Wise CBE MC
1978	Major General R L Brown CB CBE
1979	Dr David R Stoddart OBE
1980	Professor William R Mead
1981	Professor Keith J Miller
1982	Mr Michael Ward FRCS
1983	Sir Peter Scott CBE DSC
1984	Sir Ranulph Twistleton-Wykeham-Fiennes Bt
1985	Mr David Attenborough CBE FRS
1986	Mr Timothy Severin
1987	Dr Anthony Laughton FRS
1988	Professor Peter Hall FBA
1989	Dr Monica Kristensen
1990	Dr John Hemming
1991	Professor Andrew Goudie
1992	Professor Alan Wilson
1993	Professor Kenneth Gregory
1994	Professor Ronald Cooke
1995	The Earl of Cranbrook
1996	Professor John Woods CBE
1997	Professor Sir Tony Wrigley
1998	Professor Robert Bennett
1999	Professor Mike Kirkby
2000	Professor Brian Robson
2001	Professor William Graf
2002	Professor Bruno Messerli
2003	Professor Mike Goodchild
2004	Professor Leszek Starkel
2005	Professor Sir Nicholas Shackleton
2006	Professor Derek Gregory
2007	Professor Roger Barry
2008	Professor Julian Dowdeswell
2009	Dr Alan Baker
2010	Professor Diana Liverman
2011	Professor David Livingstone
2012	Professor Charles Withers

2013	Professor Keith Richards
2014	Professor Geoffrey Boulton
2015	Professor Michael Batty CBE
2016	Professor Michael Storper
2017	Sir Gordon Conway KCMG FRS
2018	Paul Ian Rose
2019	Professor Trevor Barnes
2020	Professor Heather Viles
2021	Andy Eavis
2022	Sir David Hempleman-Adams
2023	Andrew Mitchell

PATRON'S MEDAL

1970	Dr Haroun Tazieff
1971	Dr Charles Swithinbank
1972	Dr Michael D Gwynne
1973	Professor E H Thompson OBE
1974	Dr Gordon de Q Robin
1975	Dr J P Kuettner
1976	Rear Admiral Sir Edmund Irving KBE CB
1977	Professor Frederick K Hare
1978	Professor Mieczyslaw Klirnaszewski
1979	Mr Robin Hanbury-Tenison OBE
1980	Professor Preston James
1981	Professor Valter Schytt
1982	Mr Douglas Warren CMG
1983	Commander John Young NASA
1984	Professor Pierre Gourou
1985	Walter Smith CB OBE
1986	Professor Peter Haggett
1987	Professor Richard J Chorley
1988	Mr Nigel de N Winser
1989	Professor Keith Clayton CBE
1990	Dr Richard Leakey
1991	Dr Helge and Dr Anne Stine Ingstad
1992	Dr Martin Holdgate CB
1993	Colonel John Blashford-Snell MBE
1994	Professor Ghillean Prance FRS
1995	Professor David Harvey
1996	Professor John Thornes
1997	Professor David Rhind
1998	Dr David Drewry
1999	Mr Doug Scott CBE
2000	Sir Crispin Tickell GCMG KCVO
2001	Reinhold Messner
2002	Dr David Keeble
2003	Harish Kapadia
2004	Sydney Possuelo
2005	Professor Jean Malaurie
2006	Professor Jack Ives
2007	Professor Paul Curran
2008	Professor Jesse Walker
2009	Professor Lord Nicholas Stern
2010	Jack Dangermond
2011	Dr Sylvia Earle
2012	Alastair Fothergill
2013	Michael Palin
2014	Hans Rosling
2015	Paul Theroux
2016	Bob Geldof KBE
2017	Lindsey Hilsum



2018	Yadvinder Singh Malhi FRS
2019	Dame Fiona Reynolds
2020	Michael Jones
2021	Dr Rita Gardner CBE
2022	Professor Dame Jane Francis
2023	Professor Felix Driver

VICTORIA MEDAL

1970	Dr Raleigh Ashlin Skelton
1971	Professor O K H Spate
1972	Professor Emeritus G H J Daysh
1973	Professor E E Evans CBE
1974	Professor C A Fisher
1975	Professor Emeritus C O Sauer
1976	Professor J N Jennings
1977	Professor Emrys Jones
1978	Dr Terence Armstrong
1979	Professor T Hagerstrand
1980	Professor Jean Gottmann FRS
1981	Professor Julius Bodel
1982	Professor H J Jusatz
1983	Dr B H Farmer
1984	Professor Richard Hartshorne
1985	Professor J T Coppock FBA
1986	Professor Ren Mei-e
1987	Professor Emeritus Chauncy Harris
1988	Professor Brian Berry
1989	Professor David Simonett
1990	Professor Ron Johnston
1991	Professor John Clarke
1992	Professor John Goddard OBE
1993	Professor Norman Graves
1994	Professor Doreen Massey
1995	Dr Helen Wallis OBE
1996	Professor Ron Abler
1997	Professor Emeritus David Lowenthal
1998	Professor Ian Simmons
1999	Professor Robin Butlin
2000	Professor Des Walling
2001	Professor Peter Dicken
2002	Professor Angela Gurnell
2003	Professor Nigel Thrift
2004	Professor Michael Watts
2005	Professor Ray Hudson
2006	Professor Jim Rose
2007	Professor Peter Jackson
2008	Professor Linda McDowell
2009	Professor Philip Rees
2010	Professor Rick Battarbee
2011	Professor John Lowe
2012	Professor Stuart Lane
2013	Professor Paul A. Longley
2014	Professor Susan J. Smith
2015	Professor Stephen Daniels
2016	Professor Ronald Martin
2017	Professor Andrew Cliff FBA, DSc
2018	Professor Wendy Larner FRSNZ FAcSS
2019	Professor David Thomas
2020	Professor Jonathan Rigg
2021	Professor Chris Philo

2022 Professor Paul Cloke
2023 Professor Anson Mackay

CHERRY KEARTON MEDAL AND AWARD

1970 Mr Henry Hamilton Beamish OBE
1971 Mr Eugen Schuhmacher
1972 Mr David Attenborough CBE
1973 Mr Heinz Sielmann
1974 Des and Jen Bartlett
1975 Mr Eric Ashby
1976 Dr Pamela Harrison
1977 Mr Jeffrey Boswall
1978 Mr Anthony Smith
1979 Mr Rick Mason
1980 Mr David Hughes
1981 Mr Barry Paine
1982 Mr Hugh Falkus
1983 Mr Mike Andrews
1984 The Hon Lucinda Buxton
1985 Mr Adrian Cowell
1986 Mr Hugh Miles
1987 Mr Colin Willock
1988 Dr Bradford Washburn
1989 Mr Adrian Warren
1990 Mr Julian Pettifer
1991 Mr Peter Jones
1992 Mr Mark Edwards
1993 Mr Douglas Allan
1994 Mr Jonathan Scott
1995 Mr Paul Harris
1996 Mr Alastair Fothergill
1997 Mr Adrian Arbib
1998 Professor Jonathan Kingdon
1999 Dr Martha Holmes
2000 Carol Beckwith
Angela Fisher
2001 Les Hiddins
2002 Mr Tony Foster
2003 Not awarded
2004 Pat and Rosemarie Keough
2005 Michael Martin
2006 not awarded
2007 not awarded
2008 not awarded
2009 Simon King
2010 Frans Lanting
2011 Dale Templar
2012 Andy Rouse
2013 Yann Arthus-Bertrand
2014 Jens Bjerre
2015 Sebastião Salgado
2016 Dr Wendy Darke
2017 Harry Hook
2018 Andy Goldsworthy
2019 Tacita Dean
2020 Steve McCurry
2021 David Coulson
2022 Nicholas Jones
2023 Harriet and Rob Fraser

1971	Dr Claudio Vita-Finzi
1972	Dr D R Harris
1973	Professor J Leonard
1974	Captain D W Haslam OBE RN
1975	Professor H C Brookfield
1976	Dr Keith J Miller
1977	Professor Ronald Cooke
1978	Dr Andrew Warren
1979	Professor J B Sissons
1980	Professor Kenneth Gregory
1981	Dr Bruce Atkinson
1982	Dr Edward Derbyshire
1983	Dr W B Whalley
1984	Dr John Townshend
1985	Dr D E Walling
1986	Professor John Dawson
1987	Dr Stan Openshaw
1988	Dr Denis Cosgrove
1989	Dr Richard Battarbee
1990	Mr Rex Walford
1991	Dr Allan Findlay
1992	Professor Paul Mather
1993	Dr Linda Newson
1994	Mr Michael Eden
1995	Lt Col J O M Roberts
1996	Dr Rory Walsh
1997	Professor David Livingstone
1998	Professor Jamie Peck
1999	Professor Michael Batty
2000	Dr Susan Owens
2001	Professor Linda McDowell
2002	Professor Andrew Gillespie
2003	Eleanor Rawling
2004	Professor Rob Imrie
2005	Dr Andrew Brookes
2006	Professor Graham Haughton
2007	Professor Mike Bradshaw
2008	Professor Richard Black
2009	Professor Danny Dorling
2010	Professor Chris Hamnett
2011	Professor Edmund Penning-Rowsell
2012	Professor Simon Hay
2013	Professor Jane Wills
2014	Professor David Gibbs
2015	Professor David Martin
2016	Professor Colin R. Thorne
2017	Professor Harriet Bulkeley
2018	Professor Hester Parr
2019	Professor Frank Turner
2020	Professor Andy Tatem
2021	Professor Terry Marsden
2022	Dr Fiona McConnell
2023	Jane Rumble OBE

CUTHBERT PEEK AWARD

1970	Major John Blashford-Snell MBE
1971	Dr R Murray Watson
1972	Dr Anthony Young
1973	Mr Michael P Ward FRCS
1974	M A J Williams
1975	Dr Andrew Goudie
1976	Professor J K St Joseph OBE FSA

1977	Mr David Brook
1978	Dr John Doornkamp
1979	Dr David Drewry
1980	Dr David Sugden
1981	Dr A Waltham
1982	Mr David K C Jones
1983	Dr Keith S Richards
1984	D C Ford
1985	Mr Geoffrey Sherlock
1986	Dr Peter Bull
1987	Dr Bill Knight
1988	Dr John Wilkinson
1989	Dr Peter Smart
1990	Dr Helen Rendell
1991	Professor Martin Parry
1992	Dr Timothy Unwin
1993	Dr Sheila Ross
1994	Dr Timothy Burt
1995	Professor Michael Jones
1996	Professor James Duncan
1997	Dr Robert Allison
1998	Professor Paul Curran
1999	Environment Agency
2000	Professor Mike Barnsley
2001	Not awarded
2002	Professor Michael Stocking
2003	Professor Sarah Whatmore
2004	Not awarded
2005	Professor Lynne Frostick
2006	not awarded
2007	not awarded
2008	not awarded
2009	Dr Christine Dunn
2010	Dr Jerome Lewis
2011	Professor Martin Wooster
2012	Professor Giles Foody
2013	Dr Lee Chapman
2014	Not awarded
2015	Professor Heiko Balzter
2016	Professor Dominic Kniveton
2017	Dr James Allen Cheshire FRGS
2018	Professor Keith D. Lilley'
2019	Paul Knight
2020	Chris Hill
2021	Professor Philip Ashworth
2022	Professor Alex Singleton
2023	Dr Lisa Wedding

GILL MEMORIAL AWARD

1970	Mr Michael Chisholm
1971	Dr D B Grigg
1972	Professor D Harvey
1973	Dr S Vince OBE
1974	A R H Baker
1975	Professor T W Freeman
1976	Professor M J Kirkby
1977	Dr Denys Brunsden
1978	Professor A Wilson
1979	Dr John Sheail
1980	Dr Judith Rees
1981	Professor Tim O'Riordan

1982	Dr Frederick Boal
1983	Dr M J Clark
1984	Dr Alan Gilbert
1985	Dr David Keeble
1986	Dr Malcolm Anderson
1987	Dr R J C Munton
1988	Professor A Henderson-Sellers
1989	Dr Peter Taylor
1990	Dr Roger Kain
1991	Flight Lieutenant K W Hankinson RAF
1992	Dr Thomas Spencer
1993	Dr Ian Ashwell
1994	Dr Graham Humphrys
1995	Dr Johathan Raper
1996	Professor Philip Rees
1997	Mr John Davey
1998	Professor Julian Dowdeswell
1999	Dr Anthony Long
2000	Professor Gill Valentine
2001	Dr Andrés Rodríguez-Pose
2002	Dr Alison Blunt
2003	Dr Adrian Smith
2004	Dr Mark Mulligan
2005	Professor Noel Castree
2006	Dr Alison Stenning
2007	Dr Kath Browne
2008	Dr Rachel Pain
2009	Dr Katie Willis
2010	Dr Colin McFarlane
2011	Dr Peter Hopkins
2012	Dr Mustafa Dikec
2013	Dr Richard Powell
2014	Dr Katherine Brickell
2015	Dr Charlotte Lemanski
2016	Dr Harriet Hawkins
	Dr Joanna M. Nield
2017	Dr Sarah Lesley Mills
2018	Dr Hilary Geoghegan
	Nick Malleson
2019	Dr Gemma Catney
2020	Dr Kimberley Peters
	Dr Helena Pimlott-Wilson
2021	Dr Sarah Marie Hall
	Dr Louise Slater
2022	Professor Christina Hicks
	Dr Junxi Qian
2023	Dr Sarah Bell
	Dr Jovan Scott Lewis

NESS AWARD

1970	Dr John D Thornes
1971	Lieutenant Colonel J D C Peacock
1972	Major David N Hall RE
1973	Dr D J Moffat
1974	Colonel J M Adam OBE and Ian Douglas-Hamilton
1975	Mr Adrian Thompson
1976	Squadron Leader Tom Sheppard MBE RAF
1977	Lieutenant Colonel H R A Streater OBE
1978	Miss F A Street
1979	Mr Nigel de N Winser
1980	Mr Richard Snailham



1981	Chief Petty Officer S R Williams
1982	Miss Shane Wesley-Smith
1983	Mr Roger Chapman MBE
1984	Mr Andy Eavis
1985	Mr Paul Vander-Molen
1986	Dr Caroline Sargeant
1987	Miss Nicola Bennett-Jones SRN
1988	Dr John Matthews
1989	Mr Steve Bowles
1990	Mr Dick Willis
1991	Dr Richard Crane
1992	Mr Mandip Singh Soin
1993	Mr Michael Asher
1994	Mr Alasdair Kennedy
1995	Mr Paul Salaman
1996	Major Alastair Rogers
1997	Mr John Birdsall
1998	Mr Michael Palin
1999	Mr David Rattray
2000	Nick Danziger
2001	Peter Drake
2002	Dr Nicholas Middleton
2003	Ray Mears
2004	John Hare
2005	Neil Laughton
2006	John Pilkington
2007	Paul Rose
2008	David Wright
2009	Neil Oliver
2010	Professor Iain Stewart
2011	Colin Thubron CBE
2012	Simon Reeve
2013	Wade Davis
2014	Nicholas Crane
2015	Robert Macfarlane
2016	Andrea Wulf
2017	Kathleen Jamie
2018	Rory Stewart MP
2019	Dervla Murphy
2020	Nancy Campbell
2021	Isabella Tree
2022	Lemn Sissay
2023	Alastair Humphreys

ORDNANCE SURVEY AWARD (First awarded in 1998)

1998	Ms Linda Thompson
1999	Paul Machon Mike Morrish
2000	Bob Jones Adrian Wyles
2001	Dr Ian Selmes Douglas Greig
2002	Mr Andrew Leeder Mr David Rayner
2003	Noel Jenkins Steve Martin
2004	Pauline Marsden Richard Cope
2005	Kenneth Dunn Anne-Marie Emmett



2006	Paula Cooper Val Vannet
2007	Louise Ellis Alan Parkinson
2008	Stuart Cousins Ian Dixson
2009	Graham Goldup Rebecca Kitchen
2010	Adrian Taylor Helen Young
2011	Bob Lang Ruth Ware
2012	Paul Cornish Lydia Williams
2013	Maria Larkin David Rogers
2014	Dr Simon Oakes Elizabeth Phipson
2015	Andrew Emms Raphael Heath
2016	Joanna Debens Kate Otto
2017	Claire Power Mr Paul Turner
2018	Laura-Jayne Ward Aidan Hesslewood
2019	Jennifer Monk Rob Chambers
2020	Emma Metcalfe Charity Mhlanga
2021	Hafsa Bobat Garcia Kate Stockings
2022	Alistair Hammill Iram Sammar
2023	Ellie Barker Simon Holland

EDWARD HEATH AWARD (First awarded in 1984)

1984	Professor Emeritus Axel Somme
1985	Dr Hugh Clout
1986	Dr Russell King
1987	Dr Roderic Dutton
1988	Dr Nigel Thrift
1989	Dr Ray Hudson
1990	Dr David Turnock
1991	Professor Michael Mortimore
1992	Dr Henk Meijer
1993	Dr John Salt
1994	Professor Piers Blaikie
1995	Dr Allan Williams
1996	Professor David Drakakis-Smith
1997	Dr Frank Carter
1998	Professor Ash Amin
1999	Dr Brian Hoyle
2000	Professor Mark Blacksell
2001	Professor Carole Rakodi
2002	Dr Darius Campbell
2003	Professor Michael Dunford
2004	Dr Alun Jones
2005	Dr Janet Townsend

2006	Professor Paul White
2007	Professor Janet Momsen
2008	No longer awarded

GEOGRAPHICAL AWARD (First awarded in 1990)

1990	Shell International Petroleum Company Ltd
1991	Barclays Bank Plc
1992	Land Rover
1993	The RTZ Corporation Plc
1994	British Airways
1995	British Petroleum
1996	Tate & Lyle Plc
1997	ESRI
1998	Silva (UK) Limited
1999	Troll Climbing Equipment
2000	Not awarded
2001	Captain Mick Jenkins, Royal School of Military Survey
2002	not awarded
2003	not awarded
2004	John Murray Publishing House
2005	Education team, Ordnance Survey
2006	not awarded
2007	The British Schools Exploring Society
2008	not awarded
2009	not awarded
2010	MapAction
2011	not awarded
2012	United Kingdom Antarctic Heritage Trust
2013	Not awarded
2014	Jamie Buchanan-Dunlop
2015	Alain Hubert
2016	Jurassic Coast World Heritage Team
2017	The Duke of Edinburgh's Award
2018	Dwayne Fields
2019	Mark Evans
2020	Charmouth Heritage Coast Trust
2021	Dr Suresh Paul/Equal Adventure
2022	Black Girls Hike
2023	Endurance 22 Expedition

HONORARY FELLOWSHIP


2003	Professor Peter Fookes
2004	Ian Blackburn Michael Butcher Malcolm Reading
2005	Harold Gould Gary Gray Dr Margaret Mackintosh
2006	Tony Thomas
2007	not awarded
2008	Lord Chorley Lord Mark Fitzalan Howard
2009	Rachel Bowles Pat Wilson
2010	not awarded
2011	not awarded
2012	David Lyon
2013	not awarded
2014	Michael Jackson



2015	Stephen Henwood Professor Peter Wood Professor Kenneth J Gregory CBE
2016	Mrs Hokey Bennett-Jones Neville Shulman CBE
2017	David Riviere
2018	Peter Davies Andrew Linnell Paul S. Slawson and Mary C. Slawson
2019	Alexander Maitland Carol Beckwith Angela Fisher David Hempleman-Adams
2020	Andy Eavis Professor Bojie Fu Clare Hadley Michael Hand
2021	Paul Brown Professor Allan Findlay Dr John Hemming Mark Humphreys Professor John Lewin
2022	Professor Patricia Daley Dr Joanne Norcup Professor Divya Tolia-Kelly Nigel Winser
2023	Professor Simon Catling Derry Corey Ted Grey Alasdair MacLeod

ALFRED STEERS DISSERTATION PRIZE

1995	Mr Stuart Black
1996	Miss Anna Mallet Mr Adrian Manning
1997	Mr Richard Perkins
1998	Miss Sarah Selby Miss Deborah Johnson
1999	Mr Joseph Ballard Mr Adam Millard-Ball
2000	Nicholas J Rosser
2001	Ms Frances Morton Ms Katherine J Wilson
2002	Ms Sarah Wall-Budden
2003	Alexander T Lewis Gary Davis
2004	Guy Schumann Katrina Hann
2005	Laura Pitcher
2006	Caroline Parks
2007	Gerard Jennings
2008	Hugh Wright Luke Studden
2009	Heather Dinsdale
2010	Joseph Jenkinson Lucy Stapleton
2011	Flora Hinks
2012	Sophie Devall
2013	Will Rosser
2014	Jonathan Collings



2015	Christine McKenna
2016	Rachel Meunier
2017	Alex George Alan Henry
2018	Natasha Wallum
2019	Fumika Azuma
2020	Rupert Stuart-Smith
2021	Alice Collins
2022	Jessica Edgley
2023	Roisin Gilloch Boyle

TAYLOR AND FRANCIS AWARD (first awarded in 2000)

2000	Professor Alan Jenkins
2001	Ifan Shepherd
2002	Professor Vince Gardiner
2003	Professor Janice Monk
2004	Professor Mick Healey
2005	Professor Pauline Kneale
2006	Dr Gordon Clark
2007	Brian Chalkley
2008	Professor Michael Bradford
2009	Professor Iain Hay
2010	Professor Martin Haigh
2011	Sharmila Ray Kumam
2012	Professor Kenneth Foote
2013	Professor Derek France
2014	Dr Richard Harris
2015	Professor David Lambert
2016	Dr Margaret H. Byron
2017	Ian Cook et al
2018	Professor Helen Walkington
2019	Dr Jennifer Hill
2020	Dr James Esson
2021	Catherine White
2022	Professor Nicola Thomas
2023	Dr Matt Finn

AREA PRIZE (first awarded in 2002)

2002	Mr Matt Bradshaw
2003	Dr Richard Powell
2004	Dr Markus Hassler
2005	Dr Pauline Cooper
2006	Clare Herrick
2007	Dr Christine McCulloch
2008	Jessica Graybill
2009	Dr Emilie Lagace
2010	Edmund Harris
2011	David Bassens
2012	Karin Schwiter
2013	Martin Muir
2014	Dr Thomas Birtchnell
2015	Dr Rory Horner
2016	Sam Halvorsen
2017	Brendon Blue
2018	Junxi Qian
2019	Simon Dixon
2020	Dr Menusha De Silva
2021	Dr Ingrid Medby
2022	Dr Samantha Saville
2023	Rosie Hampton



REGIONAL ANNIVERSARY AWARDS 2010

Northwest	Hokey Bennett-Jones
East Anglia	Michael Hand
Yorkshire and Northeast	Brian Hogg
Southern	Brian Hoyle
West and South Wales	Geoff Parkes

REGIONAL ANNIVERSARY AWARDS 2011

South West	Chris Brightman
Cheshire and North Wales	Kathleen Oldfield
South West	John Russell

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West and South Wales	Brig John Hemsley
North West	Stuart Hepburn

SPECIAL MEDAL 2010

Geographical Society of China