A belated happy New Year to all readers.

2013 was a busy publishing year for the Mineralogical Society. Three volumes appeared in the EMU series, DHZ was published. We had extra issues in both Mineralogical Magazine and Clay Minerals at no extra cost to the reader! 2014 continues in the same vein, starting with the latest (eighth) ‘Cambridge Diagenesis’ special issue of Clay Minerals.

DHZ History
On 27 November, the Society held a launch event to mark the publication of the third edition of Introduction to the Rock-Forming Minerals by Deer, Howie and Zussman. A speech by Prof. Jack Zussman was recorded and has been placed on YouTube. Watch it at www.minersoc.org/DHZ.html/.

Copies of DHZ continue to be available from the Society’s online bookshop (www.minersoc.org), through the MSA and from the Geological Society (London). Orders may also be placed through Amazon.

Call for Nominations for Society Medals
The deadline for nominating a colleague for a Society medal for 2015 is 25 April 2014. Please visit the awards page on the Society website (www.minersoc.org) for details on how to make a nomination.

British Zeolite Association Annual Meeting
Registration and abstract submission for the 2014 meeting of the British Zeolite Association are now open. The meeting website, complete with registration links, is at www.chem.gla.ac.uk/bza2014/.

ERES – European Rare Earth Resources Meeting
This, the first ERES meeting, will take place in Milos Island, Greece, on 4–7 September 2014. Topics to be covered include:
- REE importance for Europe (supply and demand issues)
- REE exploitation policy issues
- REE occurrences in Europe
- REE processing
- REE urban mining and recycling
- Environmental impacts
Further information is available at http://eres2014.conferences.gr/.

PPV@10 – A meeting for the 10th anniversary of the discovery of post-perovskite
A series of papers published in 2004 reported the discovery of a post-perovskite phase transition in the MgSiO_3 system that dominates the mineralogy of Earth’s lower mantle. This discovery acted as a catalyst for research into the properties and behaviour of the lowermost mantle where the phase transition explains a raft of previously unexplained observations. To mark the tenth anniversary of this event, and to explore the questions that remain, we are arranging a two-day interdisciplinary meeting “ppv@10” at the University of Bristol in June 2014. Further information, including registration details, can be found online at www1.gly.bris.ac.uk/ppv/.

EMU Notes in Mineralogy Series
Did you know the Society has now co-published seven titles in the EMU Notes in Mineralogy series? Read more about each of the titles and place an order at www.minersoc.org/EMU-notes/EMU-notes.html.