

Preface

The International Workshop on Agglutinated Foraminifera (IWAF) is a series of meetings held approximately every four years devoted primarily to the systematics, (palaeo)ecology and evolution of the largest single group of foraminifera. The IWAF meeting in Plymouth was the fifth meeting in this series and followed previous meetings held in Amsterdam (1981), Vienna (1986), Tübingen (1989), and Kraków (1993). The meeting was held in the Robbins Conference Centre of the University of Plymouth and was sponsored, in part, by the British Micropalaeontological Society and the Grzybowski Foundation.

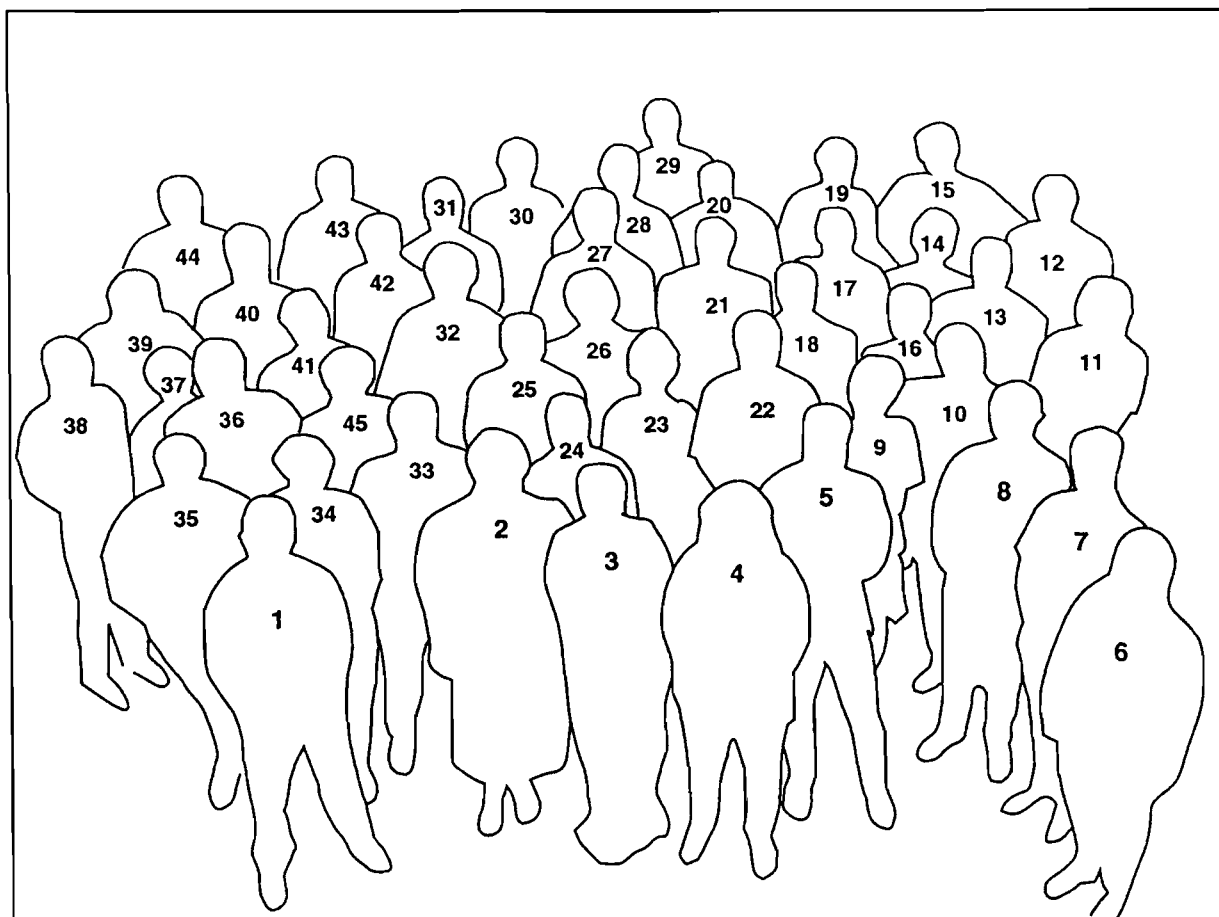
Many participants arrived in Plymouth on Saturday 6th September and were available for two field excursions to the local area on Sunday 7th September. Dr Roland Geherels and Mrs Sheila Stubbles led one excursion to the Erme Estuary, just east of Plymouth, in order to inspect and sample some of the sub-environments present in the area. The other excursion, led by Professor Malcolm Hart, visited Dartmoor, the Bovey Basin and the Torquay area, looking at both the local scenery and the regional geology (Devonian to Oligocene). The four days of papers at the conference provided the opportunity for a very high standard of presentation from all speakers, together with times for posters and microscope work. On the Monday evening a reception at the “Dome” on Plymouth Hoe allowed participants an opportunity to visit a visual history of Plymouth in an award-winning tourist attraction. The Conference Dinner, held on Wednesday 10th September, concluded with a fireworks display (not provided by the conference organisers!). On the 12th September fifteen participants set off on the post-conference field excursion to the Dorset Coast and five days of glorious sunshine.

A great many people helped make this IWAF meeting a great success, most important among which were the participants who gave some memorable presentations during the meeting. The conference and catering staff of the University of Plymouth are also thanked for their attention to detail in making the meeting run both effectively and efficiently. We wish to thank all those that assisted in the review process, the authors who responded to the comments in good spirit, and Sorin Filipescu for his assistance with the final preparation of the book.

The Editors

Participants at the Fifth International Workshop on Agglutinated Foraminifera outside the Robbins Conference Centre, University of Plymouth, U.K.





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