

## **April Field Trip Update**

**1) Um Tais field trip April 25th 2008.** Welcome to the April field trip, the detailed announcement is attached below. This field trip is arranged jointly with the Geological Society of Qatar, and the participation in the beach traverse is limited to 30 persons (15 QGS and 15 QNHG). Participation will be on a first come first serve basis and you can now **sign up to the undersigned by email** (See attachment - deadline Tuesday April 22). The beach clean up and overnight camping is not limited.

**2) Saturn not Jupiter:** In the last newsletter, in the field trip report, from the February 29th camp out trip, I wrote that we saw Jupiter in the telescope. That was not right - it was of cause Saturn with the ring and not Jupiter. Saturn is relatively close to us whereas Jupiter is much further away and not visible in a small telescope. We all learn something new (or something we just do not remember!) all the time!

See you out and about the next time  
Kind regards

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# Umm Tays Field Trip and Beach Cleanup

April 25, 2008

The field area is found on a modern coastal environment of grain-rich tidal shelf and channel system (see AAPG Memoir 33, Chapter 4). We will visit several locations where a typical tidal environment can be observed. Field trip leaders include Dave Puls and Jens-Ole Koch (Geologists), Renee Richer (Botanist), and Ian MacDonald (Biologist) who will lead discussions on geologic history and modern bedforms, plant life, and marine biologic conditions. The field trip is signup limited to 30 people, but all are welcome to join in the beach cleanup to follow.

## Walking Traverse of Um Tays Preserve

9am-3pm (tide dependent) April 25

*Limited to 30 people*

Sign up with Jens-Ole Koch ([randiogsole.koch@gmail.com](mailto:randiogsole.koch@gmail.com))

All participants to provide your own transportation to Al Shamal and parking point (see satellite image below). Be prepared to walk ~1km across tide flat (water up to knees) in hot sun (hat, water shoes, drinking water required). We will meet up with the beach cleanup group, spend an hour picking up trash, and then enjoy lunch and a swim on the beach (bring your own food and drinks).

## Beach Cleanup

11am-3pm (tide dependent) April 25

Unlimited participants to walk the barrier beach of Um Tays and clean up the beach.

Organized in conjunction with the SCENR. Participants should provide their own transportation to the meeting point at Al Shamal (image below) at 11am. The group will caravan out to the island across the tidal flat as directed by the SCENR.

Those who wish to stay overnight on the island may be able to campout until the low tide on the following day. More information will be available (subject to approval by SCENR). Please let Dave Puls know if you are interested in camping.

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