



On 9 and 10 December 2017, the voluntary docents of Friends of the Observatory led guided tours for more than 400 visitors and showed them the physical warning signals on display at the Cheung Chau meteorological station in looking back at the evolution of the tropical cyclone warning signal system.



On 13 December 2017, Mr Shun Chi-ming, Director of the Observatory, gave a lecture on "Droughts and Earthquakes" at the Civil Service Training and Development Institute.



On 7 January 2018, guided by former Director Mr Lam Chiu-ying and local villager Mr Tsang Wai-keung, members of the Hong Kong Meteorological Society, CWOS Ambassador, Friends of the Observatory and HKO Staff Association explored the natural scenery of Lai Chi Wo and learnt about the history of the evolving Hakka villages spanning over a hundred years.



On 7 January 2018, Dr Cheng Cho-ming (sixth from left), Assistant Director of the Observatory, together with Observatory staff and volunteers from Friends of the Observatory, led a team to participate in the 26th Cheung Sheung Hiking Festival for promoting the health benefits of hiking activities.



On 13 January 2018, Friends of the Observatory docents visited the Geopark at High Island, and shared experience with docents of the Hong Kong UNESCO Global Geopark.



The Drainage Services Department and the Hong Kong Observatory jointly received the ACEHK Annual Awards 2018 from the Association of Consulting Engineers. The winning project applied data from the Observatory's "SWIRLS" nowcasting system to facilitate the implementation of river works and the reduction of flooding risk.



For details of the activities, please visit:  
<http://www.hko.gov.hk/wisnew.htm>  
<http://www.hko.gov.hk/hknews/indexe.htm>