

DOWNLOADING THE JOURNALS

An overview:

Please be aware that these are very large files (4.1 GB), and so inevitably will take quite a time to download – with standard broadband it could well require almost an hour.

This download is provided in six separate parts. You can download some of them, then return at a later time to get the rest. If your connection should drop out at some stage, you just have to go back and make a fresh start with that part.

When you eventually have the six parts, they can be made to re-combine to give you all the files.

Step-by-step instructions:

[These instructions relate to a computer with Windows 10 and Windows Explorer. Nevertheless it is hoped they will prove helpful guidance to anyone using a different operating system.]

- 1.** First set up a folder somewhere suitable on your hard drive. Name it 'GERS Journals 1 to 180', or whatever you wish.
- 2.** Because Journals are available to members only, you will not be able to download them immediately. Instead we must first check that you are indeed a member, then send you a link by email. (This will happen within 24 hours at the most, and normally much sooner than that. If you don't receive it, check that it hasn't gone into your spam folder.)

You will get a link to click on:-

Here is your link to the GERS Journal DVD files:-

[J1-180.DL](#)

The DVD is split into 6 zip files. You need to download all parts separately. Then start by unzipping the un-numbered (.zip) file and this will then incorporate the others (.zNN) in the decode.

We recommend the free 7-zip program for decoding.

3. Follow the links to arrive at a screen like this:-

J1-180.DL

Sorted by name



J1-180.DL.z01



J1-180.DL.z02



J1-180.DL.z03



J1-180.DL.z04



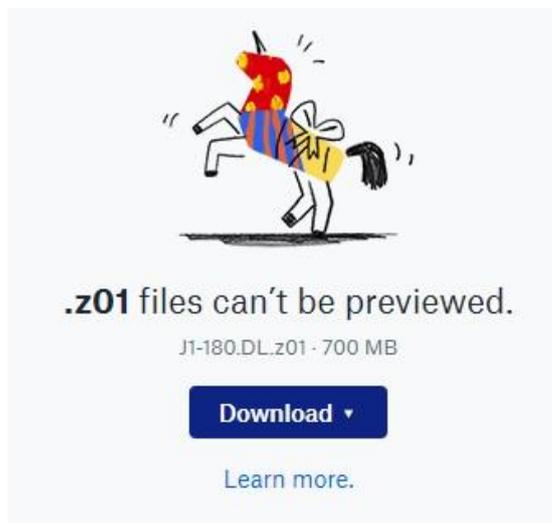
J1-180.DL.z05



J1-180.DL.zip

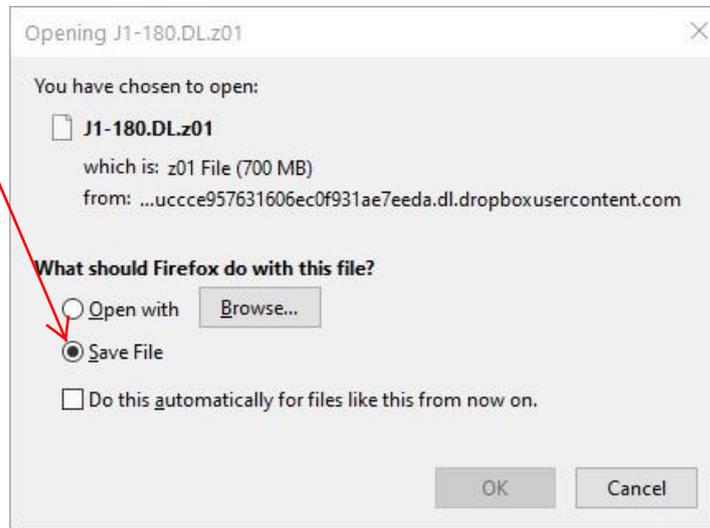
These are your six downloads. They are distinguishable from one another by their endings – z01, z02, z03, z04, z05, and zip.

4. Click on the z01 icon to start its download. This will take you to a screen like this:-

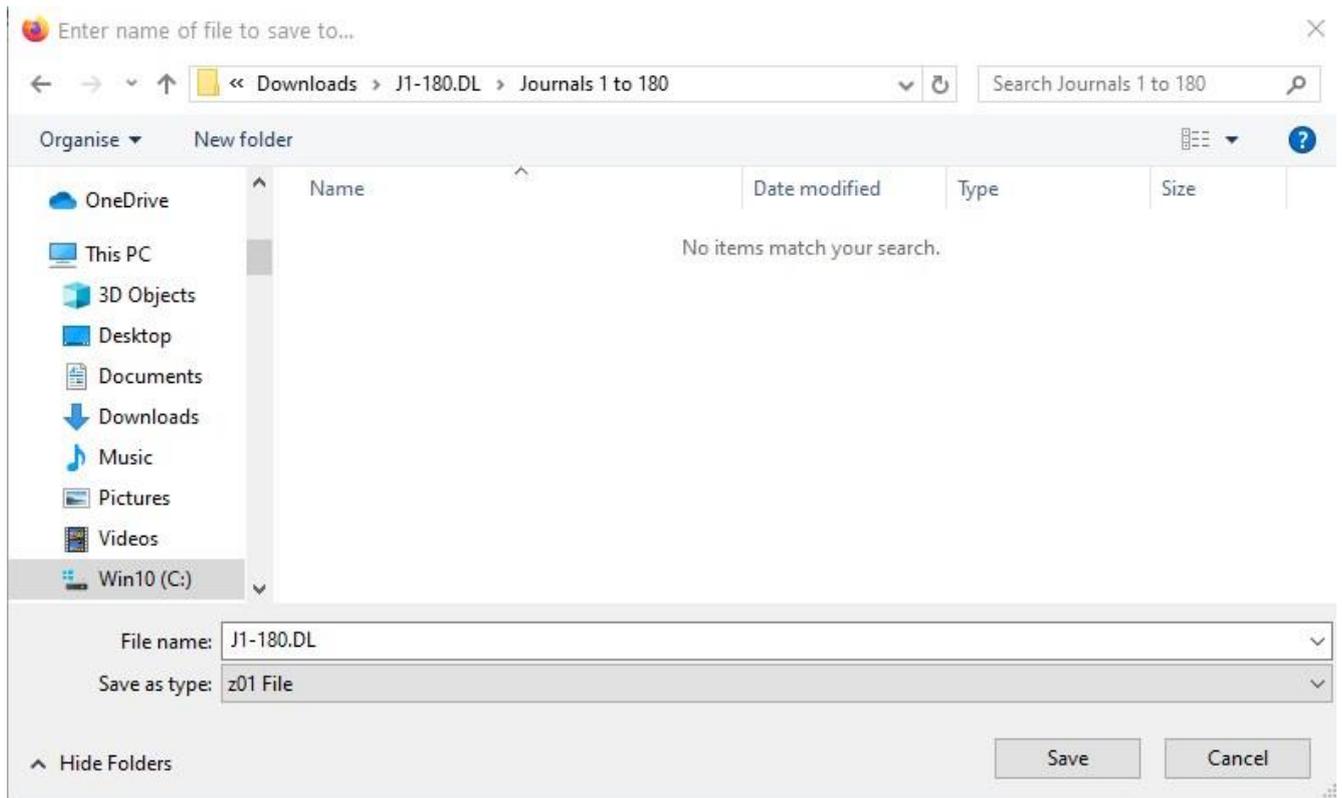


Don't be alarmed by the message that .z01 files can't be previewed. Just click 'Download'. If you are given a choice at this point, opt for 'Direct download'.

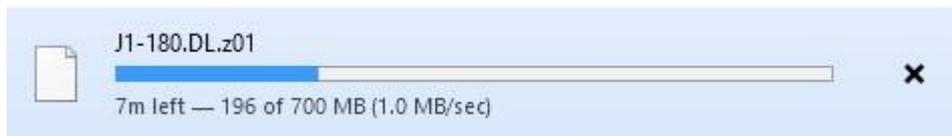
5. Choose to save the file:



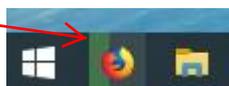
Put it into your prepared folder, then wait until it is all there:



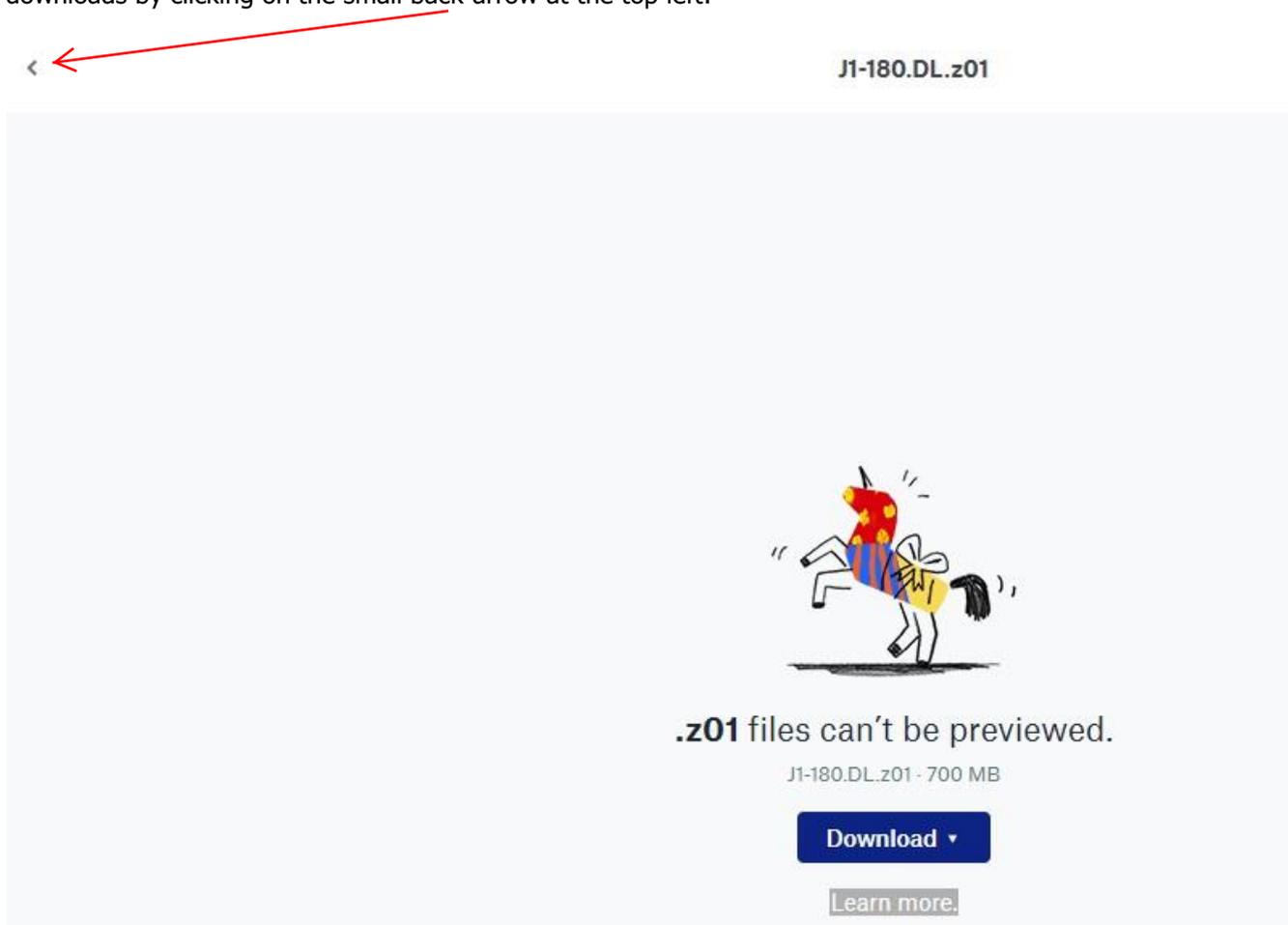
You can track its progress from the above screen by holding 'CTRL' and tapping 'J':-



An alternative indication is the icon at the bottom of the screen, where a green tint slowly progresses all the way across it:-



6. When z01 has been downloaded, do the same for z02. You can get back to the screen which displays the six downloads by clicking on the small back-arrow at the top left:-



As each part is downloaded it appears as a white icon in your destination folder:-

Name	Date modified	Type	Size
 J1-180.DL.z01	27/03/2020 05:38	Z01 File	716,800 KB
 J1-180.DL.z02	27/03/2020 05:50	Z02 File	716,800 KB
 J1-180.DL.z03	27/03/2020 06:02	Z03 File	716,800 KB

Just leave them there. **Don't expect to be able to open them.**

7. Download all six parts. When you come to the last part, 'zip', you may get a very disconcerting message by the download button such as '.zip files are supported but something went wrong' or 'the maximum size for a zip file is 512 MB': just ignore it!

Your destination folder should finally look like this:-

Name	Date modified	Type	Size
 J1-180.DL.z01	27/03/2020 05:38	Z01 File	716,800 KB
 J1-180.DL.z02	27/03/2020 05:50	Z02 File	716,800 KB
 J1-180.DL.z03	27/03/2020 06:02	Z03 File	716,800 KB
 J1-180.DL.z04	27/03/2020 06:48	Z04 File	716,800 KB
 J1-180.DL.z05	27/03/2020 07:29	Z05 File	716,800 KB
 J1-180.DL	27/03/2020 07:48	Compressed (zipp...	664,176 KB

8. **You do not need to touch the white-icon parts.** To get your files, all you have to do is to unzip the yellow zipped folder, using whatever software you have for that purpose.

N.B. it is quite likely that your built-in unzip programme will not be able to cope with the huge task which is being asked of it, and instead comes up with an error message. It so, do not be alarmed: consult 'Trouble shooting' below.

9. Your unzipped ready-to-go Journals folder will have these contents:-

Name	Date modified	Type	Size
 1. Seeing the Journals at their Best	22/03/2020 09:29	File folder	
 2. Finding Your Way Around	22/03/2020 09:29	File folder	
 3. Information and Help	22/03/2020 09:29	File folder	
 The JOURNALS and JOURNAL SPECIALS	22/03/2020 09:30	File folder	
 READ FIRST, please	19/03/2020 16:41	Adobe Acrobat D...	178 KB

Trouble shooting:

If you are using Windows Explorer, your method of unzipping a compressed folder may be to right-click on it to get a menu, then choose 'Extract All...'. If it works, that's fine.

More likely, however, it will come up with a nonsense error message ('The same volume cannot be used as both the source and the destination' is one example).

The problem doesn't lie with your downloads. The unzipping required to extract them is large and complex, and what your built-in unzipping system is really saying is that it can't cope with the task.

The solution is to install a piece of software which is dedicated solely to the work of unzipping. For **Windows** we recommend something called 7-zip. You get it from <https://www.7-zip.org/>. It is absolutely free, with no strings attached. (You will need to know whether you want the 32-bit or 64-bit version. To find out, open your Windows pane (the one you go to when you want to turn the computer off). Type '64' and up will come a suggestion "See if you have a 32-bit or 64-bit version of Windows": that will take you to the answer.)

7-zip downloads and installs quite quickly. Once it is there, the menu you get when you right-click on a zipped folder now includes an additional entry which reads '7-zip >'. This leads to a series of choices, and if you now click on 'Extract files...' the job will be done. You can trace its progress via the 7-zip symbol at the bottom of your screen.

For Mac users we understand that The Unarchiver does the job for free: go to <https://theunarchiver.com/> .
