Geological Map of Great Britain

North Staffs is well situated near many of the more geologically interesting areas of England and Wales and this allows the NSGGA easy access to many areas which we visit for our field meetings.

North Staffordshire Group of the Geologists' Association

Come and join us!

We hope this leaflet has aroused your interest to find out more, or perhaps you have already had your interest awakened from some other source, or just by visiting places where the geology forms the basis of spectacular scenery such as in Wales or Scotland or somewhere abroad.

We extend an open invitation to all, whether beginners, keen amateurs or practicing professionals, to develop your interest by joining us for our indoor winter programme and our summer programme of field events.

As a beginner, the NSGGA will help you to a better understanding of the history of our planet; as a keen amateur you will have the opportunity to broaden your knowledge and as a professional you can keep up to date with the wider field of geology outside your specialism.

Please use the attached membership application form and return it completed to our Membership Secretary.

For more information on the North Staffordshire Group of the Geologists’ Association, please visit the website at: https://nsgga.org

For information on degree courses in Geology, Geography and the Environment at Keele University please visit our website at: www.keele.ac.uk/gge

Cover photos
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Mow Cop Folly built in 1754 on a prominent Millstone Grit ridge.
Geological map of the Bradwell area
Large glacial ice transported boulder, or erratic.
The NSGGA in the field.
Interested in the Earth and our Landscape, Minerals, Rocks and Fossils?

Then join the North Staffordshire Group of the Geologists’ Association!

Background to the Group
The Geologists’ Association (GA), founded in 1858 and based in London, is a body of amateur and professional geologists with similar interests. The North Staffordshire Group of the Geologists’ Association (NSGGA), the fourth local group to be formed, was established in December 1948 on the initiative of John Myers, a well-known local geology teacher. A full programme of meetings ran in 1949, and in the same year the Group was recognised by the GA Council.

The NSGGA Today
The core activities of the Group are:-

• Winter lecture programme with guest speakers from leading geologists in universities and industry, and also enthusiastic amateurs.

• Summer field events with venues both local and further afield such as The Lake District and Wales.

What Do We Do?
Guest Speakers etc.
In winter we have monthly meetings, usually in the William Smith Building at Keele University, where an invited guest speaker gives a talk. Subjects range widely, for example they have included volcanoes, oil and Cambrian fossils of China. At Christmas we have a social event with the opportunity to bring along your rocks and fossils and to discuss these with others, or to show some of your photographs with a geological flavour, or view those of others. The AGM takes place at the end of the winter season which includes a talk by the Chair on a subject of his/her particular interest.

Field Visits
We arrange field visits throughout the summer months. Some of these will be day trips, others may be evenings only and there will usually be one weekend trip in the programme. Recently we have visited Mid-Wales, Mam Tor and Treak Cliff Cavern, Lake District, and Alderley Edge.

And
The Group actively supports GeoConservation Staffordshire – an organisation dedicated to the appreciation, conservation and promotion of local geological and geomorphological sites, and also, from time to time arranges events for youngsters in association with museums and other organisations.

You are welcome to attend as many or as few of the above as you wish during the year. Our activities are well publicised in advance in our Bulletin published four times a year. The Bulletin can be viewed anytime on our website. Why not have a look at it today!

https://nsgga.org

APPLICATION FOR NSGGA MEMBERSHIP

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Cheques should be made payable to the: “North Staffordshire Group of the Geologists’ Association” or “NSGGA”

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* for insurance purposes, please list the names of all members of the household to be included.

** students, please name your full-time course.

For our records, we would like to know if you are currently a member of the national Geologists’ Association? Yes ⡱ No ⡱