

LOCHABER GEOPARK

25th May - 7th June 2008

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Focal point	Activities / events
1. Geo & Geo	<p>Sun, 25th May -Bio/Geo-diversity walk at Inchree : A final event for Scottish Biodiversity Week and an initial one for the Geopark Weeks combines the two disciplines with a walk through Inchree Forest and the 'Dry Gorge' looking at the special fauna and landscape in the area.</p> <p>Tue, 27th May -Smirisary & the White Beach : Look back into the hardships of old crofting life. See the results of change in the 21st. Century, then lunch at the aptly named "White Beach"</p> <p>Thu, 29th May -Brinacory & Lochan Stole : Skirt the fringes of the deepest Loch then climb to lunch at the finest viewpoint. Once satiated there only remains the slow descent of the circle back to the start.</p> <p>Sat, 31st May -A guided walk by Glenuig caves, below Samalaman House : A combined walk looking at geology, local history and ecology. The walk will take you to look at glacial striae, raised beaches, dykes and sea caves that were used for habitation. Great views of Rum and Eigg volcanics.</p> <p>-Rock Detectives at the West Highland Museum : Time for the children who wish to be 'Rock Detectives' and discover more about planet Earth. An illustrated talk with some experimentation that might work!</p> <p>Sun, 1st June - Land Rover Safari : Let us transport you through the Glen, going slightly off the beaten track. We'll give you three hours of history, geology, wildlife and more!</p> <p>Mon, 2nd June - Fire and Ice and All things Nice : A short, low-level walk looking at how volcanoes and glaciers shaped the Glen to what we see today.</p> <p>Tue, 3rd June -Crofter's Wood : Enjoy a boat trip across the loch to the start of a walk along shoreline and through woodland with stunning views of Fort William and Ben Nevis. Finishes at the village hall where you can purchase teas and homebaking.</p> <p>-Sniper's Valley : Stretch your legs past the tumbling waters of "Allt a Bhuiridh" and the shoulder of "An Stac" to dine on the special view of Loch Ailort and the "Small Isles"</p> <p>Wed, 4th June - Hidden Hanging Valleys : A guided walk to Coire Gabhail - Glencoe's infamous Coire of Capture. Wildlife, history and geology abound in this special place.</p> <p>Thu, 5th June - Charcoal & the Devil's Staircase : Enjoy a gentle historical/magical wander on the old road above the loch, whilst appreciating the skills and successes of our forebears.</p> <p>- Glaciers, Granite and Garnets : Follow the old stalkers path above Steall gorge to find spectacular views of the waterfall an Steall. A journey through time, we will look for clues to unravel the story of the landscape from fiery volcanoes to icy glaciers.</p> <p>- Land Rover Safari : Let us transport you through the Glen, going slightly off the beaten track. We'll give you three hours of history, geology, wildlife and more! (not geology themed, but geology covered)</p> <p>Sat, 7th June - Glencoe Rocks : Fun stuff for kids! Make your own volcano, see it erupt before your eyes, hunt for fossils and other games.</p> <p>-Rock Detectives at the West Highland Museum : More for the 'Rock Detectives'. Is the world really 4,600,000,000 years old and which gets bigger faster, your fingernails or the distance between Fort William and New York?</p>