

A DAY AT THE BEACH

(300 million years ago that is)

By Lawrence Nicoll

I have had the pleasure of joining Ken Adams for fascinating trips to local geological sites. These interpretive tours are wonderful opportunities to understand the geology of the Maritimes, and learn about the ancient life that once roamed the land or swam the oceans. This was a lot of fun to join a group to tour our coasts, take wonderful photos and learn about what happened to create the land we live on.

Lawrence Nicoll's website includes many more photos of the tours to help you decide on which ones you want to join in the gallery "Bay of Fundy Guided Walks" at: <http://lrnphotographic.ca/site/#/page/home/>

Those participating in the tours come from all corners of the globe, with many Nova Scotians making the trip to Parrsboro a mini-vacation. Their trip itinerary usually includes making a reservation for overnight accommodations, taking the museum's interpretive walk, eating at local restaurants and then finishing off their trip by attending a performance at Ships Company Theatre.

Ken Adams, Director / Curator of the Fundy Geological Museum says the interpretive walks are good in many ways, as it gives people a better understanding of the area's rich geological past and natural heritage, but perhaps more important it increases the museum's contribution to

the local economy. Visitor's don't who take the walks don't come just for a few hour visit, they normally stay overnight, adding more to the local economy through meals at the town's local eateries; overnight accommodations and many use the evening time to take in a performance at Ships Company Theatre.

Since undergoing a major renovation and expansion in 2009 and 2010, the museum has noticed an increase in traffic and more people are interested in learning about the geological past and natural heritage of the area.

The following is an extract from Fundy Geological Museum website at: Curatorial Walks July -August 2011.

Ken Adams, Director/Curator of the Fundy Geological Museum will offer interpretive tours on Fridays and Saturdays during July and August. While the primary

focus of the walks is geological they are also intended to help visitors and residents learn about the area's rich geological past and natural heritage.

Tours depart from the Museum, last three and five hours depending on length of drive to the site visited, and are planned in accordance with the tide schedule. The walks are conducted to a variety of locations with good road and beach access, low/moderate to higher cliff sections, sand to cobble shoreline, and recognizable tide related hazards.

Participants must provide their own transportation. All Curatorial walks are free. Please visit the Fundy Geological Museum website for more information on upcoming tours:

<http://museum.gov.ns.ca/fgm/en/home/whattoseedo/curatorialwalks/default.aspx>



Ken Adams Explains the Geology of the Cliffs
Fundy Geological Museum -Curatorial Walks - Clarke Head - Parrsboro - NS



Fundy Geological Museum walk with Ken Adams
Diligent River -Bay of Fundy - at Ramshead



Explaining the Geology of Clarke Head Area
Fundy Geological Museum -Curatorial Walks - Clarke Head - Parrsboro - NS



Vince, Sue, Matt & Emily Kjosinski
On the Red Rocks of Cape Chignecto Park, Nova Scotia



Fundy Geological Museum walk with Ken Adams - Cape Chignecto Provincial Park
Spicer's Cove - Bay of Fundy - Nova Scotia



300-315 Million Year-old Fossil Track (likely amphibian)
Important - This is a protected site - Collecting is prohibited
Fundy Geological Museum -Curatorial Walks - Wasson Bluffs - Parrsboro - NS



Fundy Geological Museum walk with Ken Adams
Bay of Fundy - Five Islands: Moose Island with Two Islands and Wasson's Bluffs in the background



The Dinosaur Cliffs Described
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