

A free case of beer is just a trilobite away.....



Dave Edwards trying to remember about rocks.

Al Hildebrand led geology-oriented excursions.

The biology trips travelled to Deer Island via ferry through strong tide rips and examined shorelines on the island. The geology trips were shoreline sections along differing parts of the St. Andrews peninsula followed by some inland exposures before lunch.

After lunch most groups rendezvoused at a fossil-collecting locality where varieties of clams, crinoids, and brachiopods could be collected. (Incidentally there is a standing offer of a crate of beer if anyone can find a trilobite in the outcrop.) Under the attack of so many enthusiasts the outcrop, a roadcut, receded another six inches from the pavement.

The last stop before supper was the top of Chamcook Mountain which is reached by a steep half-mile hike. The beautiful weather justified the effort, though, as the surrounding countryside was laid out for miles in all directions. A large part of Maine (just across Oak Bay) was visible and Nova Scotia was discernible on the horizon. All the big islands as far as Grand Manan were clearly visible.

Chamcook Mountain has so exceptional a view that people have climbed it for years (two centuries to be exact). The entire mountain top is bare rock with some stunted trees and mosses. Into this bedrock, over an area of half an acre, are chiselled names, initials and dates. The oldest found on this trip was 1800 but they reportedly date from the 1700's. Unfortunately weathering of the rock has destroyed some old dates and some recording should be made of those left before all are gone.

After a quick run down the mountain everyone headed for supper although some were delayed by a visit to a government store in downtown St. Andrews.

No description need be given of Saturday night although it should be noted that before things got out of hand a large telescope,

belonging to the Physics Department, was assembled and many saw the Jovian system and Andromeda Galaxy for the first time.

Sunday morning, another crisp, clear day, everyone packed and headed for home with a vow to return.

The weekend of September 24, 25 and 26 was blessed with near perfect weather and the joint Biology-Geology field trip to St. Andrews thrived as a result.

presented by Dr. M.L.H. Thomas (a professor at UNBSJ) and Dr. Nicholas Rast (chairman of UNB's geology department).

These topics bordering between biology and geology were in keeping with the interdisciplinary nature of the trip. Subsequently independent field trips were arranged for the next day. The trips were set up in such a way that geology students went into the field with a biology leader and vice versa. This trip design was followed so each faculty would get a chance to see how the other half lives.

Dr. M.L.H. Thomas, Dr. G.B. Bacon, and Mike Burzinski led biology-oriented field trips while Bob Quartermain, Al Doherty, and

The idea for this joint excursion to the Anderson Residence (located near the Huntsman Marine Laboratory) originated during the summer months with Barbara MacKinnon, president of the Biological Society. When presented to the biology and geology societies early in September it was enthusiastically adopted as the first project of the year. All told approximately 35 students arrived at Anderson House early Friday evening.

After supper lectures on geobiology and biogeology were



Dr. Rast & Co. on Chamcook Mountain

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