

# WESTMORLAND GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

## E-MAIL NEWSLETTER No. 58 - June 2021

### **September Field Trip**

The date of the September field trip has been changed to 18<sup>th</sup> September.

### **June 5<sup>th</sup> Field Trip**

*Closehouse Mine and the Lunedale Fault system. Led by Lesley Collins from the Craven and Pendle Geological Society. Meet at NY873212 at 10.15pm.*

From the meeting point we will drive up the private Wemmergill road to the large hard standing parking area at the mine (NY 8522) where we will view the unique setting of the main ore body at Closehouse Mine. After an early lunch, we will walk up the estate track via the Eastern Hushes to Standards Shap to see the dramatic landscape along the fault zone. There will also be an opportunity to view the Great Limestone at the base of the Namurian, at a small disused quarry on the estate road. Facilities available: toilets, cafés, Co-op store in Middleton, toilets & shop with hot drinks machine in Brough, but there are no facilities on site at Closehouse so bring drinks, packed lunches, etc and be prepared for all weathers on this exposed moorland site. Stout walking footwear and waterproofs essential. Hard hats recommended for those wishing to view the rock faces & dumps close up.

### **Coniston Copper Mines**

The Society's first field trip of the year was an instructive, although rather damp, experience.



The trip was led by Carolina Goodship and Warren Allison (with the walking stick). Warren is from Cumbria Amenity Trust Mining History Society (CATMHS) who is an expert on the copper mines and their history.

### **Down to Earth**

The May edition of Down to Earth Extra accompanies this Newsletter.

### **Geology from your Sofa**

Yet more material has been added to the GA website and can be found at:-

<https://geologistsassociation.org.uk/sofageology/>

### **Cumbria GeoCon**

The latest report from Cumbria GeoCon is attached with this Newsletter.

### **Fossils**

A collector and former Society member who lives in Burneside is downsizing and reluctantly has to part with his fossil collection. There are some excellent specimens including corals, ammonites, plants, etc and are free to anyone who wants them. Please contact him on 01539 728237 to arrange to view.

