

**27<sup>th</sup> February 2013**

**The National Geograph Project - Anne Burgess (Highland Geological Society)**

Following the Society's AGM, Anne gave members a short talk about the National Geograph Project, which has been running for 8 years. The project is sponsored by the Ordnance Survey and the aim is to acquire photographs of every grid square in the UK (and Ireland). To qualify as a 'geograph', the picture must be taken in the grid square and show a mapped feature within the same square. Photographs that don't meet the strict criteria can be posted as 'supplemental' images so may show, for example, architectural details over a church door-way. Many of the images already posted show geological features and the database is searchable using a list of features or image tags.

Anne showed us photographs of recumbent folds, pillow-lavas and chevron folds in rocks from Scotland, Anglesey and Cornwall and gave a live demonstration to show how easy the website is to use. Images are displayed with a resolution of 640 pixels so it is best to load the photographs at this size. All the images are free of copyright - people can email the photographer and ask for a higher resolution picture, usually in return for a small charitable donation.

Anne suggested that members might like to upload their own photographs – more details can be found at: <http://www.geograph.org.uk/>