

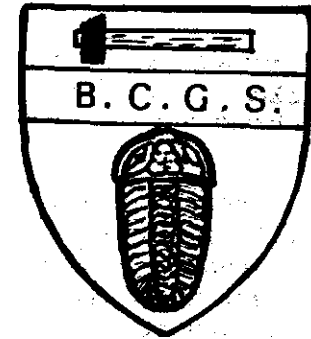
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History:

- Sir Roderick Murchison – The Silurian System (1839);
- 1842 to ~ 1867 - The Dudley and Midland Geological Society;
- ~1880s to 1912 – Dudley and Midland Geological and Scientific Society and Field Club;
- 1956 – Wren’s Nest founded as the world’s first national Geological Nature Reserve;
- 1975 – The Black Country Geological Society – document and conserve geological sites;
- Website: www.bcgs.info



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- **Springvale Park**, Wolverhampton – Wolverhampton & BBC Wildlife Trust, Carboniferous Coal Measures;
- **Moorcroft Wood**, Walsall – BBC Wildlife Trust, Slag Deposits;
- **Wren's Nest**, Dudley – Dudley MBC & BBC Wildlife Trust, Silurian Wenlock limestones;
- **Barr Beacon & Pinfold Lane Quarry**, Walsall – Walsall MBC & BBC Wildlife Trust, Permo-Triassic Hopwas Breccia, Kidderminster Conglomerate;
- **Barrow Hill**, Dudley – Dudley MBC & BBC Wildlife Trust, Carboniferous Dolerite and Etruria Marl;
- **Saltwells Local Nature Reserve**, Dudley – Dudley MBC & BBC Wildlife Trust, Silurian Limestones / Mudstones and Carboniferous Coal Measures;
- **Portway Hill Quarry**, Rowley – BBC Wildlife Trust, Carboniferous Dolerite;
- **Sedgley Beacon**, Dudley - BBC Wildlife Trust, Silurian, Aymestry Limestone;
- **Lickey Hills LNR**, Birmingham – Birmingham CC, Ordovician Lickey Quartzite;



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Barnt Green Lane Quarry – Lickey Hills LNR.



Dalton's Clay Pit – Saltwell's LNR.



Square Coral *Goniophyllum pyramidae*
Wrens Nest Inner East Trench

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BLACK COUNTRY GEOPARK

- 48 Sites around the Black Country covering all four boroughs:

Dudley Archives & Local History Centre [001]

Saltwells Local Nature Reserve [004]

Cotwall End Valley [007]

Dudley Canal & Tunnel Trust [010]

Galton Valley [013]

Walsall Arboretum [016]

Red House Glass Cone [019]

Wednesbury Geotrail, Museums & Art Gallery [022]

Norton Covert [025]

Hay Head Quarry [028]

Bromsgrove Road Cutting [031]

Wightwick Wedge & Smestow Valley [034]

Compton to Tettenhall Ridge [037]

Coombswood Valley [040]

Stafford Road Cutting [043]

Wren's Nest National Nature Reserve [002]

Barrow Hill and Tansey Green [005]

Sedgley Beacon and Beacon Hill Quarries [008]

Brownhills Mining Heritage Monuments [011]

Sandwell Valley Country Park [014]

Castle Hill and Dudley Zoo [017]

Walsall, Geotrail, Museums & Art Gallery [020]

Blue Rock Quarry [023]

The Leasowes [026]

Daw End Railway Cutting & Linley Wood [029]

Wychbury Hill [032]

Barnford Hill Park [035]

Coseley Canal Cutting & Tunnel [038]

The Gorge, Sedgley [041]

Holloway Street Quarry [044]

Barr Beacon Local Nature Reserve [003]

Moorcroft Wood Local Nature Reserve [006]

Bantock House [009]

Bumble Hole & Warrens Hall Local Nature Reserve [012]

West Park, Wolverhampton [015]

Black Country Living Museum [018]

Wolverhampton Geotrail, Museums & Art Gallery [021]

Shire Oak Quarry Local Nature Reserve [024]

Northcote Farm, Wolverhampton [027]

Ketley Quarry [030]

Park Lime Pits Local Nature Reserve [033]

Buckpool and Fens Pools Local Nature Reserve [036]

The Rowley Hills [039]

Hayes Cutting Lye [042]

Stourbridge Olf Town Gasworks [045]