

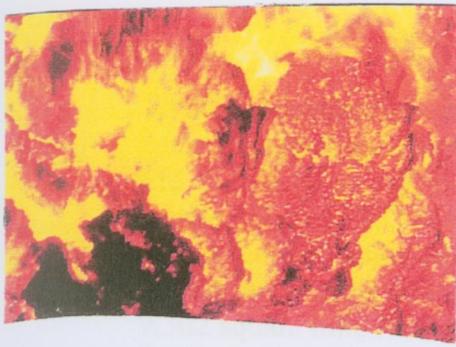


A BASIC REVUE OF THE GEOLOGY RELATING TO LAKE WINNIPESAUKEE FROM THE LAKE SHORE PARK PROSPECTIVE

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Rocks on the entrance road where children are known to play. The picture is facing south. The rock on the left could be the bed rock. The Lake Shore Park Country Rock is Winnepesaukee Quartz Diorite. The rock on the right may be a glacial "erratic," therefore something else.



PREFACE



This work could be heavily flawed, as the author, my knowledge and skills lie in the vegetation management area. In understanding the world around us, a starting point is needed. Therefore, I picked geology. We live in a beautiful and pristine environment. To begin to appreciate it, let us start with the basics, the ground and what makes up this ground. What is the lake's background? Geologists try to piece certain natural aspects together and draw some conclusions to what happen in the past. This is my attempt to take a brief look at his subject and interest my grandson as well.



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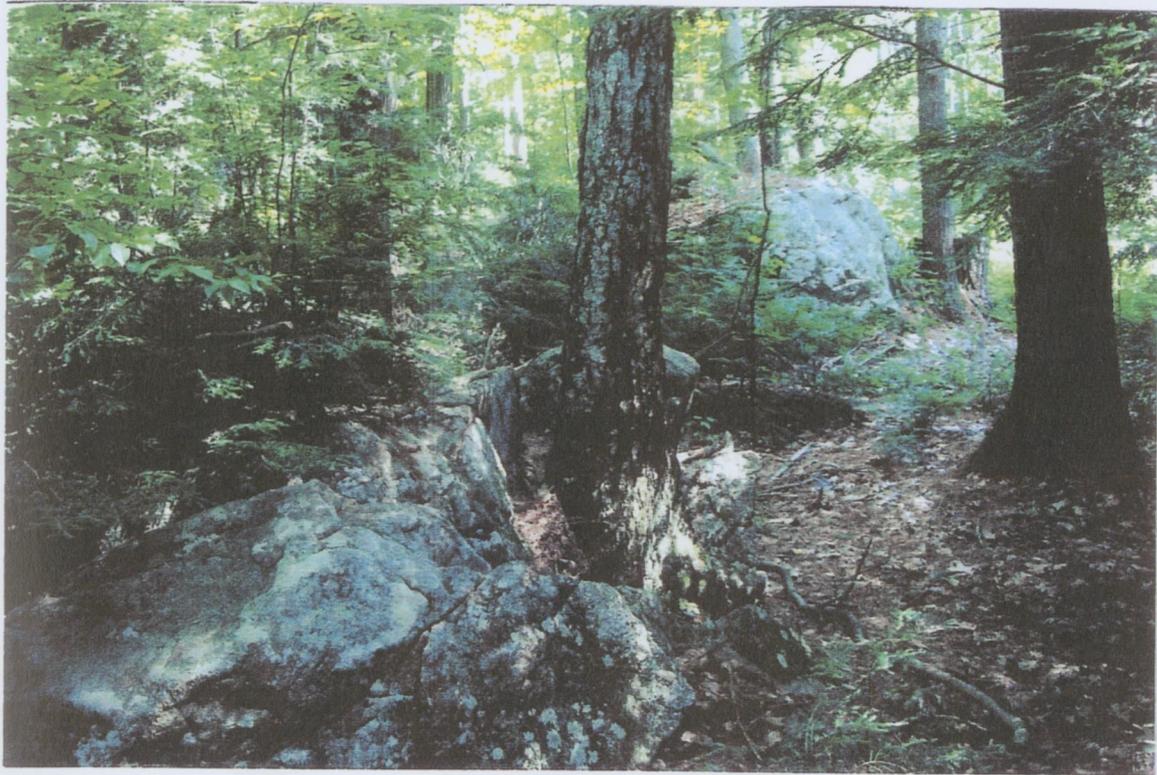
To begin to appreciate the pristine factors of Lake Winnepesaukee one can start at the basis with geology. Geology is the science dealing with the history of the earth and its life, especially as recorded in rocks. The lake has 183 miles of shoreline, an area of 71.8 square miles (54,952 acres), dimensions are 9 1/2 miles wide, by 21 miles long, altitude of 504 feet and a flotilla of islands often estimated at 356. The lake ranks very high among the world's inland waters. It is the largest of nearly 1,311 ponds and lakes in the 9,302 square mile New Hampshire. The depth of 169 feet of water lies beneath your boat South-East of Rattlesnake Island, with most of the lake resting between 200 and 100 feet deep. The elevation is changed by annual Spring runoff and by an occasioned drought (in 1941, the lake contained approximately 14,600,000 less cubic feet of water than normal and in 1836, it may have been even lowered). Before man dammed the falls at Lakeport over 150 years ago, the level was more than three to five feet below the present level. Prior to 1932, the Weirs Channel was "a shallow way and a short river," before the advent of down stream damming, of about a three foot drop over a possible width of 150 feet, until the 1803 bridge was built.

Lake Shore Park is in Gilford, New Hampshire, 128 acres in size with approximately 1,500 feet of shoreline. Off Route 11, Lake Shore Park is on the south, central side of Lake Winnepesaukee, below the Belknap Mountains.

Lakes differ in size, shape, age and geological origin. Rivers flow but lakes move only imperceptibly, Rivers can kill lakes with sediment. Lakes and rivers depend on the hydrological cycle for water; Groundwater, precipitation and evaporation are important factors. Any water bearing layer of rock, such as sandstone, limestone or gravel is an aquifer. This aquifer moves through pores in the rock formation and not channels. Wells release groundwater. When groundwater intersects with the surface, this is a spring... Groundwater seepage supplies lakes and precipitation runoff from neighboring lands is a source of water re-supply.

Many of the world's largest, deepest and oldest lakes developed from vertical and horizontal movement of tectonic plates that make up the earth's crust. Lake Winnepesaukee may not have existed prior to the last ice age. The quartz diorite, the primary rock of the Winnepesaukee basin, was decomposed (climatic and chemical weathering) in place, before and during the glacial age. The power of the ice, towards the end of the Pleitocene Epoch, gouged out the loosen rocks. This left hundreds of hills, which are our picturesque islands. Geologically, the water level has remained about the same. The Winnepesaukee River drainage has not changed much either.

Oak Tree growing amongst glacial "erratics"



The Winnepesaukee Quartz Diorite or Tonalite cradles the lake and abuts the Belknap Mountains. It is younger than the Meredith Porphyritic Granite, light gray, coarse to fine grain equigranular rock. It is composed of feldspar, quartz, biotite, mica and muscovite mica. Rattlesnake Island is a monument to rock durability. Rattlesnake Island is composed of lake quartz sienite penetrating the Winnepesaukee Quartz Diorite. These Devonian plutons were deep and have been preserved. Country rock, the most volcanic, and the White Mountain Magma pried apart and intruded the quartz diorite in some locations.

Diorite often has a salt and pepper appearance and texture is usually medium to fine to equigranular. It is usually considered as a fairly rare rock and a limited portion of a pluton. Principle minerals are plagioclase, feldspar, hornblende and biotite mica lss like gabbo. Silica is the foundation for all these plutonic rocks. Conway Granite is the only acidic plutonic rock in the Belknap Mountains. Conway Granite was a source of quarried granite.

The Belknap area lies in Gilford, Gilmanton and Alton. It is 11 miles long and 6 miles at its greatest width and contains porphyritic gneiss. Some rock is similar to Quincy, MA. rock. Diamond Island is made up of a fined grained sienite and presumably Rattlesnake Island is composed of the same material.



MAP OF THE LAST ICE AGE

Geology involves the study of rocks. There are three major rock groups, igneous from lava, sedimentary from the basic crust and usually layered, and metamorphic from mechanical, chemical and climatic weathering of the first two. Rocks are made up of minerals from crystallization. Rocks can have historical factors through fossils involving the field of Paleontology.

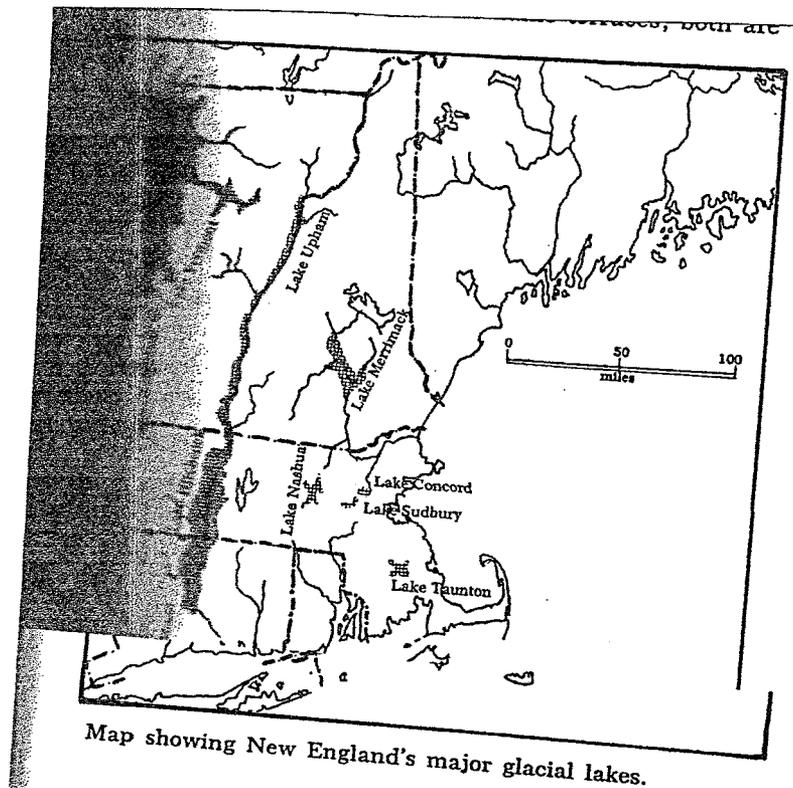
The upper most part of the earth's crust is called the regolith and that part of the regolith which can support rooted plants is the loose soil. Streams, as geological agents, move water from land to the sea, carrying sediments. Streams and mass wasting are the prime sculptures of lands. Open movement of water and sediments are sheet erosions, as opposed to gully erosions. Streams flow between defined banks. Streams can be classified as to size and flow rate.

Groundwater has a role in the water cycle and there are various roles in the water table concerning permeability and porosity of various zones. Aquifers provide for underground water movement. Small mammals and other fauna provide for percolation and vegetation holds soil and sediment in place with roots. A spring is the flow of groundwater emerging naturally on the earth's surface. An artesian well causes water to rise above the aquifer. Recharge is the addition of water to the zone of saturation.

Glaciers and glaciation represent water in the solid state. They are usually in a steady state and depend on climate. They are a body of ice containing mostly recrystallized snow. Glaciers flow on a land mass. There are Cirque, Valley and Piedmont Glaciers. Ice sheets are broad glaciers of irregular shape, generally blanketing a land form. A small ice sheet is an ice cap. Granite ledges split by a series of joints is a sheet joint. A ridge in glacial debris is a moraine. Glaciation is the alteration of a land surface by massive movement over it by glacier ice. Glacier boulders or glacial "erratics" are boulders carried many miles by the ice and set down in a region of different bedrock. There is evidence of this in Lake Shore Park. Some boulders dragged just a few miles may be from near by ledges. These boulders usually lay to the south or southeast of their parent rock. These erratic rock groups can be called boulder trains. Probably some huge upheaval in the Arctic Ocean sent waters rushing southward across New England, resulting work of an ice sheet. These boulder trains give valuable information about glacial movement, some thing to consider at Lake Shore Park

Twenty nine percent of the entire land was covered by glaciers. Only ten percent of land is covered by glaciers presently, and 84 percent of the glaciers are in the Antarctic.

Erosion is an important factor of glaciers. There are glacial depressions of the earth's crust and impacts on sea levels. There are large, extinct lakes in New England that are easy to spot. The lake sediments gradually smoothed out the irregularities on the lake bottoms, producing a very fine, flat area are distinctive.



Map showing New England's major glacial lakes.

ERA

PERIOD

AZIOC(?)

PROTEROZOIC

PRECAMBRIAN 630 MILLION YEARS AGO
OTHER LIFE FORMS; PLANT-ALGAE AND
ARCHAEOCYATHIDS

CAMBRIAN 570 MILLION YEARS
AGOCNIDARIANS, LAPHOPHORATES;
ARTHOPODS, MOLLUSKS, SEALILLIES,
CEPHALOPODS, ECHINODERMS, VERTEBRATES,
ALGAE, SPONGES, AECHACOCYATHIDS,
STROMATOPPOROIDS, GRAPTOLITES, JAWLESS
FISH, ANNELIDS, MONOPLACUPHORANS,
CHITONS, GASTROPODS, RUSTROCONCHS.
BIVALVES

ORDOVICIAN 510 MILLION YEARS AGO ALL
ABOVE WITH CORAL, SCAPHOPLDODS, BIVALVES
SESA CUCUMBERS, SEA URCHINS, SEA STARS,
BRITTLE STARS, ARCHAEOCYATHIDS GONE

SILURIAN 439 MILLION YEARS AGO ALL ABOVE
CHELICERATES NEW, PSILOPHYTES NEW

DEVONIAN 409 MILLION YEAR AGO LYCOPODS
NEW, FERNS HORSETAILS; INSECTS, SHARKS AND
RAYS NEW, MAMMALS NEW PSILOPHYTES GONE

PALEZOIC

CARBONIFEROUS 290 MILLION YEARS AGO
MISSISSIPPIAN AND PENNSYLVANIAN: CYCADS
NEW, AMPHIBIANS AND REPTILES NEW

PERMIAN 240 MILLION YEARS AGO
TRIBOLITES GONE, ROSTOCONCHS GONE
BLASTOIDS GONE AND GRAPTOLITES GONE

TRISSAIC 208 MILLION YEARS AGO DINOSAURS
NEW

JURASSIC 195 MILLION YEARS AGO NO
CHANGES

MESOZOIC

CRETACEOUS 146 MILLION YEARS AGO
ANGIOSPERMS NEW, STROMAPERIODS GONE
DINOSAURS GONE

CENOZOIC

TERTIARY 65 MILLION AGO NO CHANGE

QUARTENARY

The Belknap Mountain area lies in Gilford, Gilmanton and Alton, New Hampshire. It is 11 miles long and 6 miles at its greatest width. It contains porphyritic gneiss and rock is similar to Quincy, MA rock. Diamond Island is made up of a fine grained sienite and it is presumed Rattlesnake Island is composed of the same materiel. Lake Winnipisogee (old name) Gneiss is suggestive of the Laurentian age or "Atlantic," between the Laurentian and the Huronian age. Eagle's Island is also composed of porphyritic gneiss and the same for the south end of Governor's or Davis Island. Red Hill in Moultonborough and Belknap Mountain are true sienite. The porphyritic gneiss is most beautiful near Meredith.

Rising magma eventually crystallized into plutonic rock, some of which now cradles Lake Winnepesaukee. Metamorphic rock, mostly mica schist, directly abuts the Belknap Mountains to the west. The Taconian, the Acadian and the Alleghenian ages are considered separate building phases resulting in the ultimate formation of the Appalachian Mountain chain. The igneous rock that intruded the metamorphic rocks are called plutons. The largest of these masses consists of a rock called the Winnepesaukee Quartz Diorite (wqd). It cradles the lake for which it is named, the country rock through which the future White Mountains would intrude. Blocks, most likely were large chunks of the roof, consisting of the Meredith porphyritic granite, the Winnepesaukee quartz diorite and a slab of the moat volcanics that fell inward and settled to their present position.

LSP has Winnepesaukee Quartz Diorite (Tonslite), median grained, light gray quartz diorite. It is 360 million years old, late Devonian, New Hampshire Plutonic series. Metamorphic and igneous rocks contain xenoliths. Plutonic rocks are created from igneous magma that crystallized below the surface.

Meredith porphyritic granite and the Winnepesaukee Quartz Diorite and Rangely metamorphic formations are wide spread and among the oldest rocks in central New Hampshire. The Winnepesaukee Quartz Diorite or Tonslite cradling the lake and abutting the Belknap Mountains, is younger than Meredith Porphyritic granite, light gray, coarse to fine grain, equigranular rock, composed of feldspar, quartz, biotite, mica and muscovite mica.

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ERA

PERIOD

PHAMEROZIC ERA

EPOCH
RECENT

PHYSICAL EVENTS(NORTH AMERICA)
Past Glacial, Glacial melting, Shore erosion, water action

LIFE

QUATERNARY

PLEISTOCENE
2 my to 10,000 y

Four glacial and three interglacial warm climates, many lakes
Western mountain building through volcanism

Rise of man, stone, bronze and iron ages;
Living organisms to present distribution
Cro-magnon man, modern types of plants
are dominant; some extinction

TERTIARY

PLIOCENE
MIOCENE
OLIGOCENE

Climate cool but semiarid
Climate with temperature fluctuations
rapid decline from old climate

rise of present organism distribution
Advances in mammals
Archiac mammal extinction, subtropical
Widely distributed
Dominance of early mammals
Reptiles subordinate, modernization
Of plants

EOCENE
PALEOCENE

Lack maximum warm climate
Continued cooling

Great extinction of older groups, decrease
of gymnosperms, eruption of flowering plants
Dinosaurs peak, but some extinction of ruling
reptiles and earliest birds

UPPER CRETACEOUS

Climate more uniform and warmer eastern uplift
And Appalachian Highlands arching

Dawn of birds, spread of archaic mammals
marine, flying and giant reptiles common
Dawn of mammals, ruling reptiles dominant
Wide spread extinction of older forms of life
mammal-like reptiles and insects, vascular
plants

LOWER CRETACEOUS

Temperatures generally uniformly high, climatic
Diversity and seasonal changes

Ancient forms of life rare, more coal forming
plants
Dawn of reptiles, Amphibians numerous, Early
coal forming plants dominant

JURASSIC

Temperatures much like lower cretaceous, but generally
Less climatic diversity

Dawn of amphibians, Age of fishes, First know
trees, First brown algae "moss"

TRIASSIC
PERMIAN

Temperature rise, more arid climate
Climate mystery, perhaps some glaciation in eastern US
Third cycle of world wide uplift. Mountain building,
Appalachian revolution

First air breathing animals, First insects, Rise of fishes.
Expansion of land plants
First vertebrate fossils(armored fish) corals, and
trilobites abundant. First red algae fossils, Algae still
dominant plant
Most to all plant and animal phyla definitely present

PENNSYLVANNIAN OR
UPPER CARBONIFEROUS

Gradual temperature, Climate very moist

MISSISSIPPIAN OR

Uniformly warm and mild climate, topography low, shallow
seas, active movement in southern Appalachians and
Rockies, folding of New England Acadian mountains
Start of eastern coal deposit

DEVONIAN

Temperature drop, then rise widespread sea cover 40% on North
America. Acadian mountains form by volcanism and folding
In second uplift cycle
Uniformly warm

SILURIAN

ORDOVICIAN

Gradual temperature rise to Silurian, Greater North America
Submerge(60%) Mountain formation along Northern Atlantic
Coast of US

CAMBRIAN

Rapid temperatures from conditions like now, perhaps early
Glaciation. Sea invades much continent and withdraws. Land
Generally low

PROTEROZOIC
ERA

Climate of repeated glacial and warm moist interglacial periods.
Dawn of Actualistic Period of geological history

Age of primitive life, marine algae the probably
dominant life. Probably a time of the early
Development of all phyla

ARCHEZOIC

Probably hot to very warm with dense cloud cover and
Torrential rains to more moderate conditions. First great
Mountain formation(volcanic). Like Proterozoic in many respects

Dawn of life, Photosynthesis

AZOIC ERA

Birth of Solar System, earth, ocean; first erosion cycle

Inorganic materials to organic compounds that begin
The basis of life

MESOZOIC

CRPTOZOIC EON

PRECAMBRIAN PERIOD

PREACTUALISTIC ACTUALISTIC

The Earth's oldest rocks are a granitic formation of western gneiss terrace in West Australia. The most common rock forming minerals include quartz, olivine, amphibole(hornblende), pyroxene(augite), muscovite and biotite. Humans need calcium iron sodium, potassium and phosphorus in their food. We get fuel from geological influence, such as wood, coal, petroleum and natural gas. The metal we use, iron, Chromium, tungsten and platinum. Nonmetallic minerals are graphite(Chrysolite and selenite)

Rocks to consider for collection:

Igneous-Granite, Rhyolite, Obsidian, Andesite and Basalt

Sedimentary-Breccia, Conglomerate, Sandstone, Mudstone, Limestone, Chert, Flint and Evaporites

Metamorphic-Marble, Quartzites, Slate, Shist and Gneiss

More common rock forming minerals are Halite(sodium and chlorine), silicates, carbonites, oxides, sulfides, halides, sulfates and phosphates. Pegmatites were mined in New England. They are a coarse blend of feldspar, mica and quartz. Feldspars were used for porcelain and scowling powder. Clear quartz was mined for optical use.

Winnepesaukee Quartz Diorite, the country rock of LSP, is in the granite types rocks. Igneous rocks are derived from magmas. WQD is similar to Gabbo and Conway Granite. WQD and Rangely metamorphic formations are wide spread and among oldest rocks in central New Hampshire.

Lakes can be classified by their origin and there are 11 categories. Six include types of lake basins, rare and highly saline. There are lakes caused by earthquakes, horizontal sliding of tectonic plates or tectonic uplift, limestone beds causing overlying rocks to collapse, groundwater dissolving great holes in the underground, erosion and sediment deposits by rivers, landslide sealing a basin and wind blown sand damming streams in a valley. Winnepesaukee could have derived from a glacier making basins, maybe less than 25,000 years ago or an ice sheet advance, during the same period, wiping out old lakes and creating ones.

The Huronian time of the Precambrian period could go back 2.7 to 2.3 billion years ago. There were two Precambrian glacial episodes, one over 2 billion years ago and the Snowball Earth, 650 million years ago. This was the late Paleozoic ERA or the Carboniferous and Permian Periods. The present ice age began 40 million years ago. It grew from an Antarctic Ice Sheet, intensified three million ago during the late Pliocene Epoch. It continued into the Pleistocene Epoch. There were recent cycles of glaciation 40,000 to 10,000 years ago. The most recent glacial period ended about 10,000 years ago. This may have impacted Lake Winnepesaukee, The power of ice had gouged out rock at the end of the Pleistocene Epoch.

Winnepesaukee refers to "Beautiful Water of the High Place." Winnepesaukee was also spelled Winnepisseoke or Winnepiseogee Pond. Prior to the last Ice Age, there was no Lake Winnepesaukee. The sites of large extinct glacial lakes are usually easy to spot by geologists.

Lake Shore Park appears to have a Boulder Train of Glacial "erratics." There are rocks at the dumpster, on the south side, indicating this, There is also a line of rocks heading to the ball field on the north side. This boulder train runs north to south. A north compass

point leads to the west side of the unit at 29 Railroad. However, boulders are more evident 50 feet to the east by the unit at 26 Railroad. The largest exposure of bedrock appears to be on the west side of 17 Railroad.

The **regolith** is the upper portion of the earth's crust. The area of regolith that can support plant life is called **soil**, usually with four profile zones. Factors affecting soil are referred as **edaphic** factors. Life in this area is called **terrestrial** life. Inorganic or geological material that contributes to soil is referred to as **parent material**.

GENERAL GEOLOGY TERMS

- ABSOLUTE AGE Correct time in past history
ACADIAN Orogeny in Nova Scotia
ACID ROCK pH lower than 7
AGGLOMERATE Rock composed of volcanic fragments
ALLEGHENIAN Appalachian orogeny
ANORTHOSITE Composed almost entirely of feldspar, in Adirondacks and Labrador (Labradorite)
ARKOSE Derived by mechanical alteration of a granitic rock
ATLANTIC Late Quaternary, Long Island Plain
BRECCIATED Rock, sharp fragments held in fine grained material
BRECCIA Similar to conglomerate, except pebbles are more angular and pebbles not rounded by water
BRECCIA marbles often seen in decorative stonework
CATACLASTIC Violent change or upheaval
CAULDRON Mountainside depressions
COUNTRY ROCK Native to an area
CHILL ZONES Rocks cool in ground
CONGLOMERATE Rounded water worn pebbles, usually quartz
CRYSTAL Body form of a single element
COARSE GRAIN TEXTURE Rough texture
DIATOMITE Siliceous material derived from a diatom, filter like
DOLOMITE Resembles Limestone, except chemically richer in magnesia, maybe altered limestone
DIORITE Darker than granite, but similar occurrence, more plagioclase, less quartz than granite
EQUIGRANULAR Even grain consistency
EROSION Washed away surface material
EXOTIC TERRAIN Area not consistent with major surrounding
FINED GRAIN TEXTURE Smaller more plentiful grains
FOSSILS Characteristic of sedimentary rocks
ERRATIC BOULDERS Rocks different from bedrock
GNEISS AND SCHIST Difference are hard to find
GABBRO Granite like, lower in silica and darker color
GLACIAL DRIFT Movement of material from glaciers
HALF LIFE Wearing away of radioactive material
HYDROTHERMAL ACTIVITY Warming from water below ground
HURONIAN GLACIATION 2400 million years ago
HORNFELS Compact fine grain black rock
HORNBLende Like granite
ISOSTASY Equilibrium the earth's crust maintained by gravity flow of rock
ISOTOPES Different number neutrons in chemical elements
INORGANIC MATTER Once was living organism
IGNEOUS ROCK From lava or magma
KIMBERTITE So. Africa, pyroxene-olivine mixture matrix of diamond
LIME DIORITE More anorthite molecules
LAURENTIAN Precambrian to late Ordovician, mass extinction, in Canada
LIMESTONE Calcium carbonate (calcite) very fine grain texture
LITHOSTATIC Related to the earth's crust
LABORITE Granite like, in Canada
MANTLE Cliff like, usually in the ocean
MINIMUM DEPTH
MOAT VOLCANOS
MASS WASTING Down slopes of the regolith, influence by gravity
MARBLE Like quartz, forms from limestone and dolomite
MAGMA GASES Carry metallic elements and silica in solution
MOUNTAIN GROUPS Orogeny in Maine

MINERAL Pure substances of definite chemical composition

METAMORPHIC ROCK Heat, pressure, moisture, oxygen, carbon dioxide transformation

MICA silicate minerals, usually igneous rock

MUSCOVITE White mica

NUCLEATION Centralization of atoms in crystals

OXIDATION Chemical change, loss of charged particles in molecules

OVER SATURATED Excess of one material over another in a geological item

ORGENY Mountain developing or generating

PORPHYRIES Like a frozen rock mush with detached crystals(signs of growth over a long period of time-phenocryst)

PEGMATITE Coarse granite, (feldspar, quartz and mica)

PERIDOTITE OR PYROXENITE Mostly dark minerals, olivine and pyroxene; North Carolina Dunite

PYROXENITE Pure pyroxene

PLUTONIC ROCK Igneous rock, magma cooled and solidified deep in earth's crust, Example are Granite and Gabbro(Plutons)

QUARTZITE From sandstone and shows the same colors

QUARTZ MONZONITE Plagioclase, feldspar, albite feldspar, calcium feldspar and anorthite

RING DIKES Circular natural dams probably due to glacial activity

RELATIVE AGE Uncertain time in history, though to be close

ROTTENSTONE Decomposed siliceous limestone used for polishing

RADIOACTIVITY Spontaneous emission of charged particles by decay disintegration of certain, usually heavy elements

SILTSTONE Stone harden silt

SHALE Very fine grain particles of quartz and clay minerals; consolidated mud deposited in water bodies like lakes

STOPPING A delay in a development, historical

SHIST Mixture of hydrated and oxidized minerals, predominately mica ,cleavage, garnet, staurolite and alsite(kyanite)

SILICA Contains silicon and oxygen

SPECIFIC GRAVITY is the relative weight of a material compared to the weight of an equal weight of water

SOLUTION Homogeneous mixture of 2 or more substances , one being a liquid and can be separate by simple processes

SLATE New mica particles are larger

SANDSTONE Sand grains cemented more or less firmly together, often stained with iron

STRATIFICATION Deposits become thicker and thicker and merge to become cemented masses

SODA DIORITE Albite molecules in the feldspar

SODA GRANITE Albite present

SYENITE Like granite, lacks silica quartz

In concluding these observations, general information tells us an ERA is one of five major geological divisions of time, a Period is portion of time in which something come to an end and is ready to begin again, an Epoch is an extended period and an Age is a period in history. Geological literature about Lake Winnepesaukee leads us to belief the lake is very young. It was gouged out 10,000 to 25,000 years ago, by glacial activity. Many mounds or hills were left and they became the islands of the lake. The glacial activity created a boulder train, running north to south, through Lake Shore Park. The boulder train is best viewed by the dumpster entrance road. However, when running a compass point straight north to the shoreline, the entrance appears to be a little northwest. This took place in the late Pliocene ERA, as we are now in the Quaternary period.

Arson traces in our aquifer could be due to geological rock formations. Conway Granite is an acidic rock and could be the source of the arson. There are many rocks in Lake Shore Park with different geological backgrounds and studying them could bring enjoyment to some members or their families.

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