

## GEOLOGY GROUP

For our first field trip for over a year we went to the Sedgwick Trail by the Clough River just east of Sedbergh. Fourteen of us followed the trail which crosses the Dent Fault. To the west are the older Silurian fine-grained mudstones of the Howgills and to the east are the classic Carboniferous limestone rocks of the Dales. The fault is not a distinct line but a zone of fragmented and disturbed rock. The limestone layers are separated by layers of shale formed as the level of the sea fluctuated and more silt was drained off the land mass to the north. All the layers have been folded and tilted as a result of the pressure during the period of faulting which was about 300 million years ago. The trail is named after Adam Sedgwick who was born and raised in Dent, educated by his father, the vicar at Dent, then at Sedbergh School and became Professor of Geology at Cambridge University where there is a museum named after him.

**Keith Waterson**



## WALKING CRICKET

The inaugural Settle and District u3a Walking Cricket event took place on June 7th, when a motley crew of intrepid members of the Sport Appreciation Group took to the greensward of Settle CC to hone their long-neglected skills. After a two-hour work-out, we felt supremely confident to indulge in an actual game the following Monday, using equipment generously loaned by SCC Chairman Andy Davidson. A keenly-fought, though ever jocular struggle ensued with the winning boundary being scored with a classic off-drive from the last ball of the match by none other than a former sdu3a chair. Three more games are scheduled for July, when we must again remember to 'Walk, don't run!'

(Quiz Question: Who had a hit with an instrumental single of that title in 1960? There are two acceptable answers)

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## GREAT LIVES

Sadly the planned June meeting as a group did not happen due to the deferred lifting of Covid restrictions so the talk by Keith Bradshaw on Ernest Rutherford will now take place on 15th September, the start of the new season, restrictions permitting.

There are still opportunities for speakers to fill in gaps in our programme for next year and there are many famous people who achieved great things, for example during the 20th century, who have not been offered as subjects to the group. We have yet to hear about any US president after FDR and any British PM after Churchill, to say nothing of world changers such as Nelson Mandela. If you are looking for inspiring subjects and are new to the group, please contact either John Parry on [jamatcv@gmail.com](mailto:jamatcv@gmail.com) or myself. New members are always welcome. **John Jebson**

