



Discovery Trip 2010 Northern Ireland

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A few interesting facts about Northern Ireland

- The capital is Belfast
- It is home to the Giants Causeway
- 5.459 square miles
- Northern Ireland has a little over 1.6 million people

My Hosts

- I had a great two weeks in Northern Ireland and this would not have happened without
- John Mcfridge from Garvagh YFC
- Rebecca McConnell from Rathfiland YFC

Young Farmers Activities

- Ulster AGM
- Gala Dinner
- Stock judging
- Written pub quiz
- Watching the production of Garvogh YFC one act drama production



All Exchanges



- Rachael
- Neil from Scotland
- Trystan from Wales
- Ruth from Wales
- Heather from Scotland
- Me



Ulster AGM is a lot smaller compared to ours but just the same about of fun and plenty of stories to tell.



Stormont Information

- The building was made so that it is a replica in the way the house of commons is run.
- The Stormont is Northern Irelands equivalent of the house of Parliament in Westminster.



Giants Causeway.

How did the causeway columns form?

As it cooled, the surface of the lake of lava shrunk very evenly. The drying/cooling produced a regular pattern of cracks a little like drying mud.

The cracks ran from the top to the bottom of the lava pool forming the columns.

Horizontal cracks in the columns gave rise to ball and socket joints with convex and concave surfaces.

There are approximately 40,000 columns. They are mainly 5 or 6 sided but there are examples of 4, 7 and even 8 sided stones.



Sight Seeing Photos



My thoughts & Feelings on my Trip.

- This was a great trip which I really enjoyed.
- Had a great time.
- I made new friends.
- I would definitely recommend this trip to anyone, you learn so much, make new friends, experience so much and it's a chance of a life time that's for sure.