

## “The Origin of Life” – a virtual tour

Format for a website:

### Index page

Introduction to an area of extra curricular investigation.

Director of the Monash Science Centre, Prof. Patricia Vickers-Rich and her colleagues, staff and students have been studying and analysing the unique Precambrian fossils found in Farm Aar, Southern Namibia for years in order to fill in the vast gaps in our current understanding of the Origins of Life.

- What is the Precambrian?
- What are Precambrian fossils?
- What kind of Precambrian fossils are there?
- Where have these fossils been found?
- What is special about the Precambrian fossils found at Farm Aar in Southern Namibia.

### Fossil Sites - Page

What is special about this area of Namibia? What is it about the geology that allows for these Precambrian fossils to be preserved and eventually exposed for discovery.

#### Link to a page for each fossil site

- ***Ernietta* (Teapot site)**
- ***Pteridinium* and *Rangea* (near waterfall)**
- **Bag structures and small *ernietta* (Second channel site near Ernietta Hill)**
- **At the Farm – on display**

Each page will detail the following:-

- What you can find at the site: fossils, plants, animals, interesting information about the geology.
- Further information about the Precambrian fossils found here.
- Who discovered the site and the fossils? Who is working on these?
- Photos/Videos

### Other historic sites – page

Brief overview of the history of Farm Aar, who lives there, who built it, what farming takes place, who may stay at there, what the accommodation entails.

#### Link to a page for each historic site

- **“cave” drawings**

- **Rack carvings and river**
- **German outposts**

Each page should include similar details:-

- What is the main feature of this site?
- In what time and by whom was this created?
- For what purpose?
- Further details of points of interest.
- Other possible features eg. Flora and fauna.