

# Sprigg, Glaessner and Wade

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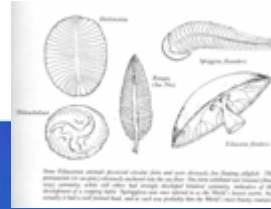
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Reg Sprigg's drawings from his book *Geology is Fun*

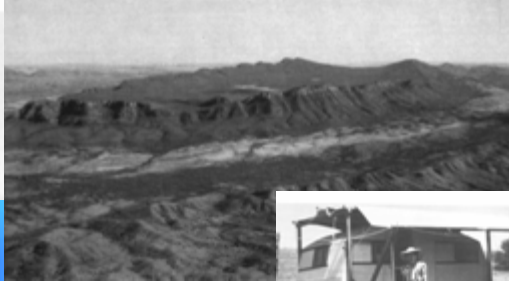


1946 Reg Sprigg after a concerted effort finds the first fossils and publishes in 1947 and 1949

At 1947 ANZASS Reg shows 'jellyfish' to Glaessner & Teichert - both first doubt organic origin but Teichert gives Reg advice and joins him in the field

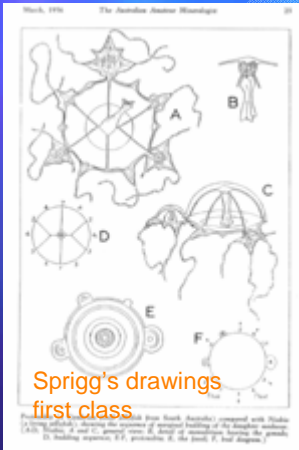


Young Reg Sprigg in the Flinders Ranges with fellow University of Adelaide undergrads and Sir Douglas Mawson



1950s Reg with wife Griselda collect Ediacara fossils

Understanding the importance Reg sends a letter to 'Nature' Oct. 15th 1947 - rejected!



Sprigg's drawings first class



*Tribrachidium minchami* Gl.

1957 amateurs Hans Mincham & Ben Flouder's finds go to Glaessner

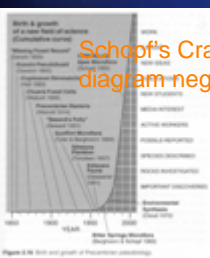
With Univ. Adelaide student Brian Daily in 1957 Glaessner starts to take interest - blitzes the 'top' journals

Compare contemporary restorations



Scientific American 1961

Later in life, Reg uses his 'oil wealth' to buy a Flinders Range wildlife reserve



Schopf's Cradle of Life diagram neglects Reg

Ediacara section and site from Selden & Nudds 2004



Sprigg 1940s



Robert Allen QM with Mary 1980s for Glaessner cover

1984 Glaessner's 'Dawn of Animal Life' ~ 2nd edition planned but did not come to fruition

Dr Mary Wade then a Demonstrator at UA goes on to write many papers in 60s to 70s following their 2 joint works

