

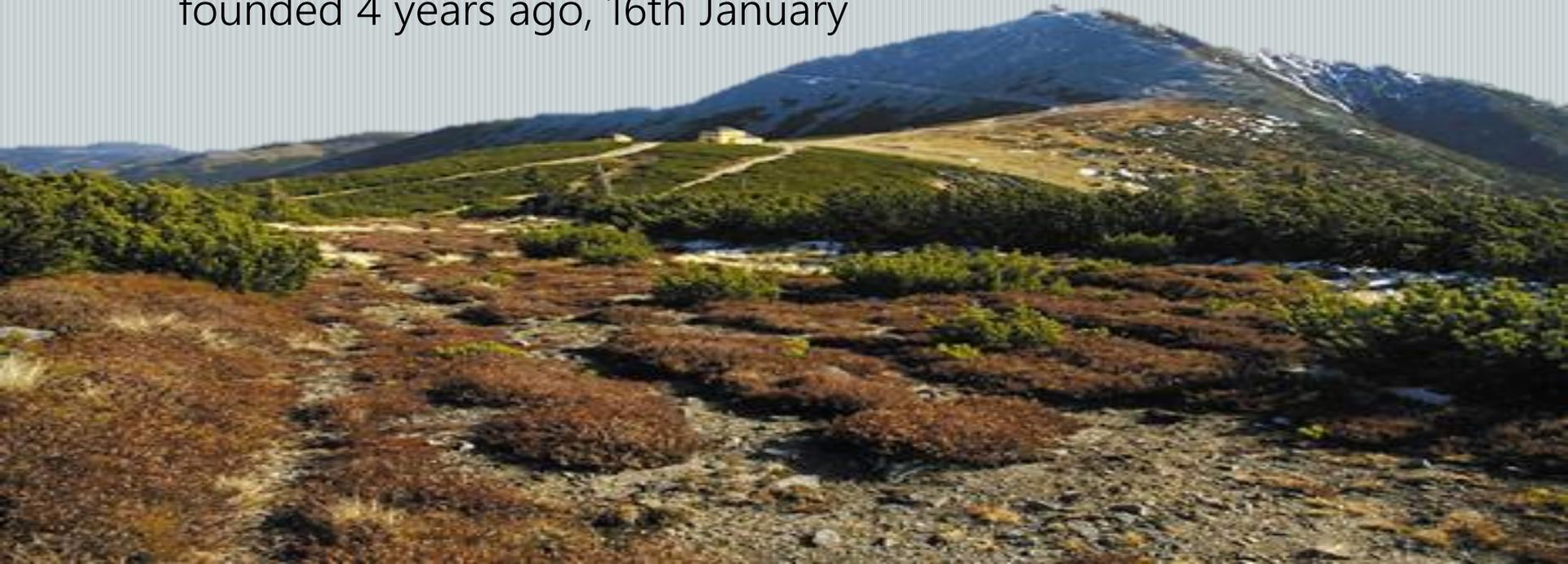
# *WE ARE THE IMPRESS CREW!*

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# KRKONOŠSKÝ NÁRODNÍ PARK

- The National park Krkonoše was founded on 17th May 1963
- There were **two reasons** of the foundation (establishment)
  - **Protection** of the beautiful and unique nature
  - There had already been **Karkonoski Park Narodowy** in Poland founded 4 years ago, 16th January



# THE FIRST LOGO



Picture of Willow gentian



- This logo was used until 2008
- Willow gentian (*Gentiana asclepiadea*)
  - It's typical plant for the Giant Mountains (Krkonoše)
  - It's protected and endangered

# THE SECOND LOGO



Old one for the comparison ↴



- This design was used from 2008 to 2013
- There are 3 main changes:
  - ✦ There is of course gentian but they added a bud
  - ✦ Added MAB inscription
  - ✦ Changed the shape a lot to the circle

# THE CURRENT LOGO



Old one for the comparison ↴



- The 3rd logo was created, because Czech and Polish parts joined into one national park
- There are the same things but something added
  - ✎ There is the second plant - Campanula bohemica (Zvonek český)
    - ☐ It is an endemit occurring only in the Giant Mountains (Krkonoše)
  - ✎ Secondly, there is the highest peak of Giant Mountains in the background

# SNOWDONIA NATIONAL PARK

*Let us introduce the logo of Snowdonia National Park in the UK*

- You can see two daffodils
- The highest mountain of England Snowdon - 3,560 ft (1085 m)
- And the inscription Parc Cenedlaethol Eryri, that's in Welsh and it means Snowdonia National Park, Eryri is the Welsh name of area of Snowdonia



# THE HISTORY OF THE GIANT MOUNTAINS (GM)

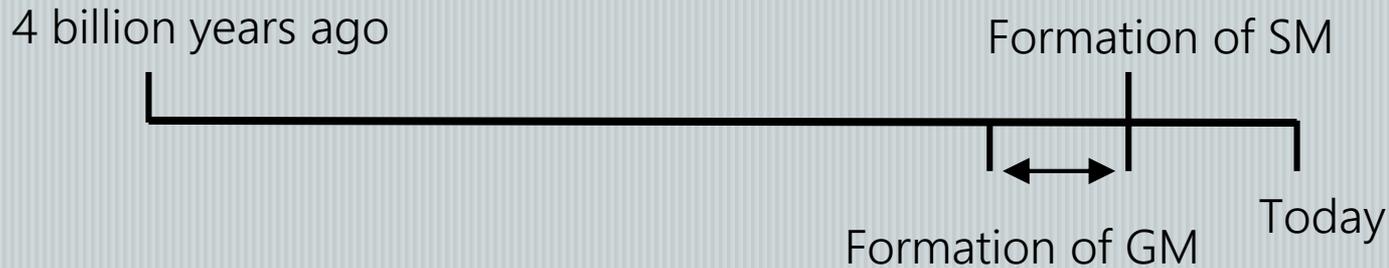
- The Giant Mountains are very old mountains - they were formed between **proterozoic** and **paleozoic era**
- In numbers it is between 1 billion years ago and 600 million years ago

## But why are they so pointed?

- As you probably know, **old mountains** are not pointed due to weather, but because there was an **iceberg** which reshaped the mountains, thanks to that the Giant Mountains were **pointed again**

# SNOWDON MASSIF (SM)

- Snowdon massif is much younger than GM
- It is 625 million years old, so it was formed in proterozoic era



# THE GIANT MOUNTAINS MASSIF

## What rocks is The Giant Mountains massif made of?

- **Crystalline slate** (krystalická břidlice) is the **most common rock** in the Giant Mountains. It appeared in the Paleozoic era about **500 million years ago**.
- Other common rocks are **granite** (žula), **schist** (svor), **sandstone** (pískovec) and **limestone** (vápenec).
- The major part of the **Polish Giant Mountains** and the whole main ridge from **Harrachov** to the **Sněžka** mountain consists of **granite**.
- **Crystalline slate** is much **more resistant** to erosion than **granite** so the ridges formed of this rock are **not so smoothed** and slopes are **much steeper**. (Kozí hřbety, Obří hřeben, Sněžka,...).



# GLACIAL CIRQUES

- During the ice ages of **Quaternary Era** several **glacial tongues** appeared in the **Giant Mountains**.
- After the glacier disappeared **moraines remained**. The front **moraines** sometimes **locked** the valley and the **melted ice** created **glacial lakes**.
- **Glacial lakes** can be found mostly on the **Polish side** of the Giant Mountains. In the Giant Mountains glacial lakes are marked with Polish expression "**staw**" (Wielky Staw a Maly Staw).



# GLACIAL RELICTS

- they came with the iceberg which pushed them to the north
- Všivec sudetský
- Šídlo horské
- Okáč horský
- Sasanka narcistická



# KRAKONOŠ

Krakonoš is the main guardian of the Krkonoše mountains. We can imagine him as someone **between Radegast and Gandalf the Grey** from the Hobbit or as a dear looking creature called **Rýbrcoul** that has its **origin** in an **old pagan face**. We can see **Rýbrcoul statue** made by Paulina Skavova in **Trutnov**. He **protects the** Krkonoše and everything in it **from the villians** such as poachers and greedy treasurehunters. He appeared in a Czech fairytale "**Krkonošské pohádky**" where he protected the mountains from **Trautenberg** the main villain of the story.

