

Recent Fluvioglacials

These coarse gravels/boulder fields are products of small mountain glaciers of the Jukes, Darwin, Sorell and Strahan ranges. The glacials are composed almost entirely of Owen Conglomerate and sandstone blocks for twofold reason:

- a) resistant rock type forms highest peaks
- b) jointed brittle outcrops ideal for glacial plucking, unlike massive foliated volcanics which have been ground by ice rather than plucked.

The most extensive fluvioglacials located to north of Snake Spur occur as a thin mantle, streams frequently cutting through to bedrock on higher slopes, but in valley floor bedrock is almost totally obscured.