

Ailsa Craig, curling stones island, Scotland, United Kingdom

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Fig. 1 - S2 (28.10.2019) - Ailsa Craig is an island of 1 km2 in the outer Firth of Clyde, 16 km west of mainland Scotland & south of Arran island.



Its prominence is due to its pluton's microgranite's hardness, more resistant to erosion than the surrounding sedimentary rocks into which it was intruded.

Fig. 2 - S1 (17-26.01.2020) - It is mostly a bird sanctuary, providing a home for huge numbers of gannets and an increasing number of puffins.

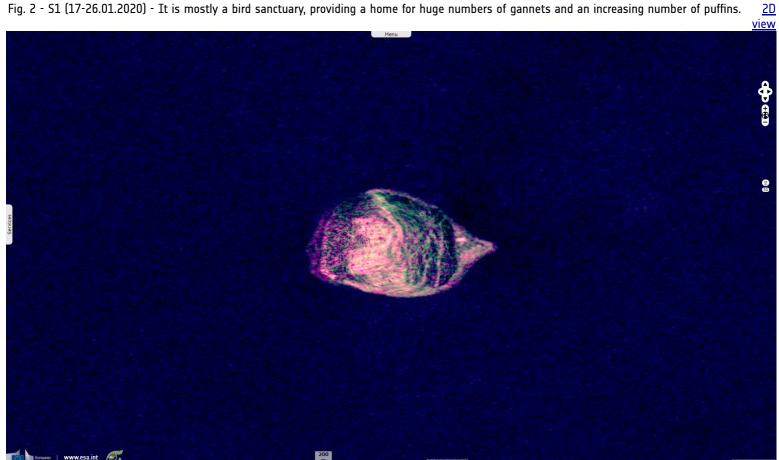
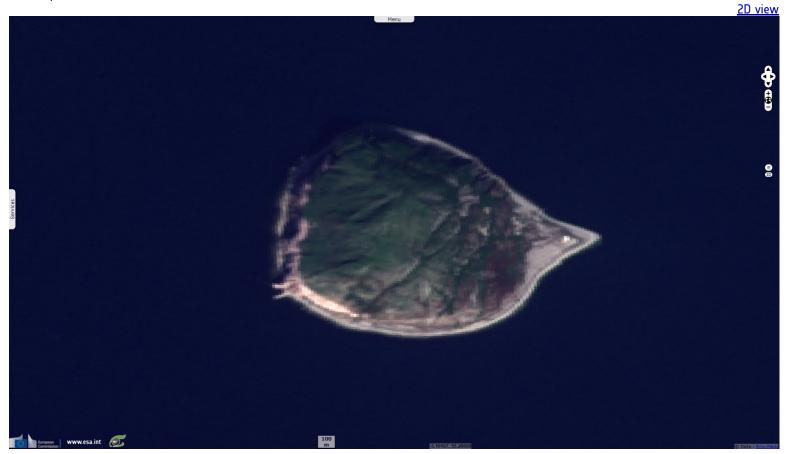
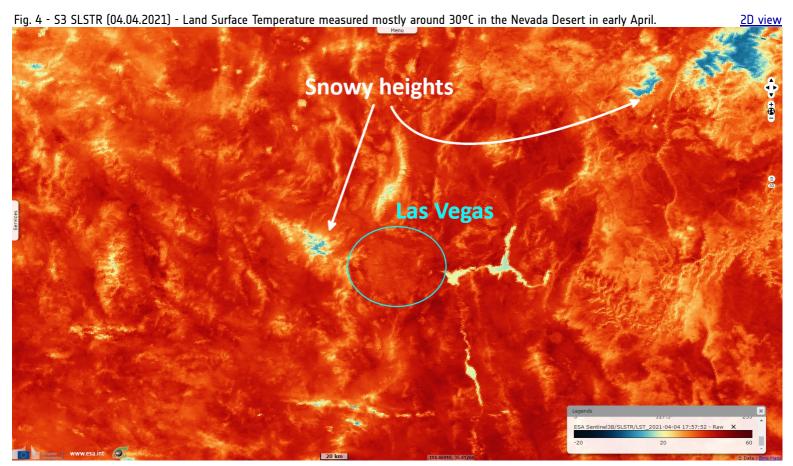


Fig. 3 - S2 (25.08.2021) - As of 2004, most curling stones in use were made from granite from the island. It's one of only two sources for all stones in the sport.





While Canadian and Swedish teams hold are the most titled in curling, this sport is also practiced in non-icy and even warm locations: Nevada has two clubs and the next World Men's Curling Championship will be held in April 2022 in Las Vegas.

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