

MCG NEWS

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NEWSLETTER OF THE MENDIP CAVING GROUP

The Wessex Challenge 1986

The first Wessex Challenge was issued by the Wessex Cave Club in 1984. The aim was to start a series of annual events providing friendly rivalry and social intercourse between the caving clubs on Mendip. Each year's challenge is issued by the previous year's winner, and this year the MNRC challenged all comers to a Sedan Chair Race.

After months of careless planning and feverish inactivity and with only a handful of MCG members (5 in all) on Mendip it took all day to design and construct our Sedan Chair and a few costumes for the two teams to wear.

Our intrepid designers and constructors were Phil Ingold, Ian McKechnie, Yvonne Ward, Roy Kempston and Helen Ingold. Their main concern was that of the chair staying together, over, under and through the obstacle course! Don't worry about the passenger's comfort (no one's volunteered to be the victim yet!!)...the seat belt will hold them in!!!

After a lot of drilling, sticking with a selection of adhesive tapes, dustbin sacks, 3 cans of silver paint and MCG logos our chair eventually looked like this:-

Much smaller than the maximum dimensions of 9' x 5' x 2½' our Sedan Chair measured 5' x 3½' x 2'



An essential training trip to the Hunters was required, followed by a look over the figure of 8 course in the field next to the MNRC's new cottage. By this time, after weeks of sunshine, the weather was cold, grey and drizzling - perfect for the skimpy sheets the teams were going to wear.

I think we all gasped at the size of the course and even more at some of the obstacles. The worst appearing to be a swing bridge over a pool of pigsh!! The smell was putrid! There was also a 'tower' of pallets and scaffolding about 12' high that looked very arduous. Towards the end of the course was a sump in a leach and water filled drinking trough that all team members had to dive through.

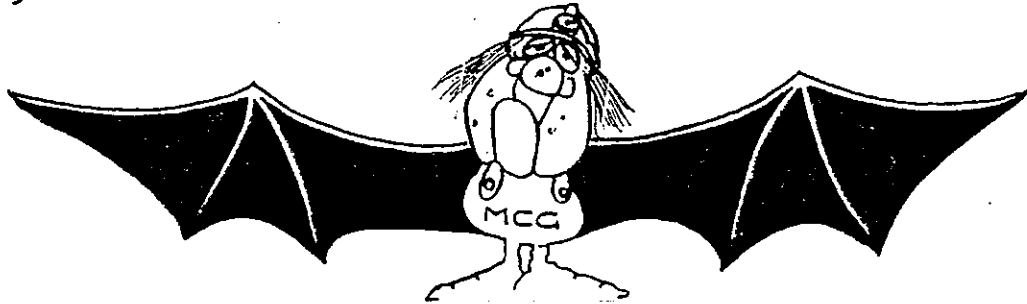
Back at Nordrach Cottage Yvonne and Helen quickly made the 'Togas', by which time we had to decide the team of nine. Adrian Duckett and Alan Mellon had arrived to take a group of Army lads down Manor Farm, and after looking at the course we decided we definitely needed their help. Especially as they were from E Section of the Surrey Field Ambulance Team and very used to carrying stretchers!

A little concern was creeping in as their ETA was 7pm and the race started at 6.30. Roy and Ian then took a quick trip over to John Beauchamp's place in the vain hope he might be able to help....no luck.

Helen, Phil and Simon then left with the Sedan Chair so that it would be ready for the 'Public Scrutiny' at 5.30pm. Somehow Yvonne had now agreed to be the victim. As the chairs slowly arrived it was obvious a lot of effort had gone into building them. Mostly they looked very Professional and sturdy, and then then the barracking started as to whose would stand the course.

Bob Speleobat
says...

GO BATTY...



come out of hibernation and fly to

PRIDDY (hall) BARN

to hang out at the

'MCG "half-yearly" BARN DANCE'

on OCTOBER 11th - 8 'til 12:30pm

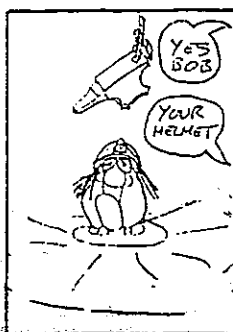
you can home in on

BAR, BUFFET, MUSIC, CALLER, DIS-ORGANISED GAMES

all for **£3**

ADMISSION is by ticket only and can be bought in advance from Gordon Lister.

We would be very grateful for some volunteers to help with the food. If you could give your offers of help and ideas to Yvonne Ward (0252-876783) then she can make sure we don't end up with a mountain of lettuce and millions of sausage rolls!



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 MCG's in fact was the lightest albeit that two steel tubes held the chair, covered in bin sacks, in place. Most of the others used scaffold tubes as a base and wood (very heavy).

A number of chairs met at Green Ore and formed a procession down the road led by a Chinese Dragon oozing a green liquid from its rear end and breathing fire and smoke over everyone! - very impressive, so were the fire crackers.

BEC's chair was built on a mountain rescue stretcher, with a black box fitted with black curtains. The 'paul' bearers wore black mourning suits and black toppers and marched along to a funeral derg. (Tony Jarret really looked the part).

With all the chairs lined up for the public scrutiny there was only one disqualification - a large dustbin that had no seat belt and no carrying handles.

At 6.30 all the teams lined up and the marshalls stood by the obstacles to ensure the teams went under, over or through them in the correct manner. There was a sprint to the first and second barriers which almost decided the order to the finish as the teams then had to queue at the next obstacle.

Yvonne had had a whiskey just before the start (to help get into the spirit of things!), and was carried by Phil, Roy, Ian and Alan for the first half and then by Darren, Neil, Bob and Paul (Army) for the second half.

Under the scaffold tower proved easy for our team as the size of the chair was small. At this point we were in second place (7 teams entered). Running over several layers of car tyres was quite difficult but was followed by a crawl under a tarpaulin with Yvonne managing to stay upright in her seat while being heaved through. Most other passengers and chairs had to go through on their sides with some difficulty.

Next it was a run to burst some balloons, by which time our team was getting very tired and only just had enough energy to get to the changeover point.

As the Army lads took over Yvonne undid her seat belt ready for the swing bridge, just in case they dropped her into the 18" deep pigsh!! In fact the team ran straight through the 'soup' and Yvonne stayed dry. They then shot off with such gusto that there was no time to do up the seat belt while trying to hang on for dear life.

Yvonne then fell out of the side of the chair, to which one of the team shouted, "Who told you you could get out here?". She rejoined the chair, fastened the seat belt and they ran on. The MNRC had managed to overtake at this point.

The next obstacle was the pallet/scaffold tower, about 12' high. Although it looked hairy the chair passed speedily over and then on to the sump. Our co-opted Army team and Yvonne (her first sump) dived through, no problem. Finally, there was a slippery ramp and then a sprint to the finish.

The MCG/Army team were 3rd. Our chair was looking very dilapidated at this point. All teams managed to finish, the last team home being a good 5 minutes behind, with their chair little better than a bundle of firewood.

The food laid on by the MNRC was magnificent with 17 barrels of Dorchester bitter! The evening continued with some 'traditional' games of which the Army group especially enthused at the Sofa Rugby, joining in with great gusto. Final score 3-0 (impossible to tell which team won!) A very good spectator and participation sport. It beats snooker, rugby or football any day. The final game was human jousting which seemed to be won by the BEC.

Many thanks to Darren Howard, Neil Casey, Bob Shaw and Paul Lufuran who enabled the MCG to enter a complete team.

Everyone seemed to enjoy the evening and the Wessex Challenge is certainly an event to be recommended. Next year we hope to see the MCG there in force.....

Helen, Phil and Simon Ingold.

Bureaucracy: A Threat to Caving?

Who would have believed that bureaucracy could kill caving, that most unbureaucratic of sports. But that is what has happened in Priddy recently, and is in danger of happening in other areas, following the application of new rules on Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI's).

SSSI's are not new; all the major Mendip caves were designated as SSSI's over 30 yrs ago. Then, in 1979, the Nature Conservancy Council (NCC), who administer SSSI's, began a review of areas for geological conservation, and enlisted the BCRA, NCA, and regional caving councils as advisors. Their recommendations were published in 1981 and accepted by the NCC.

Also in 1981, the Wildlife and Countryside Act was passed. This made a crucial change to the rules; a list of potentially damaging operations would be added to the conditions of an SSSI, and any damage to protected features would result in a heavy fine. The NCC began contacting farmers and landowners, and when they got round to Priddy earlier this year the trouble started.

The landowners saw the letters as a serious infringement of their freedom to work their own land, and the local papers were full of such headlines as "Big Brother down on the Farm". Cavers were immediately blamed for the difficulties, and as a result Swildons, Eastwater, Hunters Hole, Sludge Pit, Nine Barrows and North Hill were then closed for an indefinite period. Years of goodwill between cavers and landowners was lost at a stroke.

The Council of Southern Caving Clubs (CSCC) set up an open meeting during May 1968 to discuss the situation. A representative from the NCC was there to answer questions, and received considerable criticism of the NCC's handling of the affair. He stressed, however, that the NCC had no intention of interfering with cave access in any way, and that these difficulties had arisen from a misunderstanding.

The major criticism of the NCC's actions has concerned their handling of the notification to landowners. Their letter of notification (see appendix) listed a wide range of potentially damaging operations, most of them irrelevant to the sites in question, and many of them guaranteed to strike terror into the heart of an honest farmer. The NCC can now issue a consent letter, excluding the landowner from liability for some of these operations - but the consent letter must not be sent out until after the notification letter! Why not just delete some of the items on the list in the first place?

That's bureaucracy!

The NCC say they are now rewording their letters and intend to reissue them. The caving bodies - CSCC in particular - are applying effort to re-establishing a relationship with the landowners. But at present, the fact remains that most of the caves in the Priddy area are closed, and will remain so until the matter is finally resolved.

If there is any lesson to be learnt from this episode, it is perhaps that the "faceless bureaucracy" must be kept away from cave conservation and access. The access arrangements on Mendip have worked adequately for many years under the control of good, old-fashioned personal contact and goodwill. We can but hope that when the current SSSI fiasco has been resolved, personal contact will give us back the Priddy caves.

APPENDIX:

Operations likely to damage the features of special interest:-

1. Cultivation, including ploughing, rotovating, harrowing and reseedling.
2. Grazing.
3. Stock feeding.
4. Mowing or other methods of cutting vegetation.
5. Application of manure, fertilisers and lime.
6. Application of pesticides, including herbicides (weedkillers).
7. Dumping, spreading or discharge of any materials.
8. Burning.
9. The release into the site of any wild, feral or domestic animal*, plant or seed.
10. The killing or removal of any wild animal*, including pest control.
11. The destruction, displacement, removal or cutting of any plant or plant remains, including tree, shrub, herb, hedge, dead or decaying wood, moss, lichen, fungus, leaf-mould, turf.
12. Tree and woodland management including afforestation, planting, clear and selective felling, thinning, coppicing, modification of the stand or underwood, changes in species composition, cessation of management.
- 13a Drainage (including moor-gripping and the use of mole, tile, tunnel or other artificial drains).
- 13b Modification of the structure of water courses (eg streams, springs, ditches, dykes, drains), including their banks and beds, as by re-alignment, regrading and dredging.
- 13c Management of aquatic and bank vegetation for drainage purposes.
14. The changing of water levels and tables and water utilisation (including irrigation, storage and abstraction from existing water bodies and through boreholes).
15. Infilling of ditches, dykes, drains, ponds, pools or marshes.
16. Freshwater fishery production and management, including sporting fishing and angling.
20. Extraction of minerals, including peat, sand and gravel, topsoil, sub-soil, chalk, lime and spoil.
21. Construction, removal or destruction of roads, tracks, walls, fences, hardstands, banks, ditches or other earthworks, or the laying, maintenance or removal of pipelines and cables, above or below ground.
22. Storage of materials.
23. Erection of permanent or temporary structures, or the undertaking of engineering works, including drilling.
24. Modification of natural or man-made features (including cave entrances), clearance of boulders, large stones, loose rock or scree and battering, buttressing or grading cuttings, infilling of pits.
26. Use of vehicles or craft likely to damage or disturb features of interest.
27. Recreational or other activities likely to damage features of interest.
28. Game and waterfowl management and hunting practices.

* "animal" includes any mammal, reptile, amphibian, bird, fish or invertebrate.

mCG ~ shop

Here, at last, is a report of what Malcolm holds in stock in the shop and the shop rules:

ITEMS IN STOCK AT NORDRACH COTTAGE:

(Prices may vary in time according to inflation, etc.)

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| Plastic rain suits, 2 piece (yellow) | £ 9.00 |
| Gloves, short elastic | £ |
| Gloves 16" | £ 1.50 |
| Gloves 18" | £ 2.00 |
| Plastic boiler suits | £ 5.00 |
| Plastic boiler suits, Beefeater (green) | £ 9.00 |
| Bootees (size 6) | £ 6.00 |
| Duracell batteries (each) | £ 1.60 |
| Petzl zoom headlamps | £10.00 |
| Battery boxes (red) | £ 2.30 |
| Nylon boiler suit (blue) | £ 6.75 |
| Furry suits, thick, stretch | £23.00 |
| Furry suits, Lunai | £23.00 |
| Furry suits, Polar, stretch and non-stretch | £18.00 |
| Jackets | £13.00 |
| Jackets, fur lined | £22.00 |
| Petzl stop descenders | £14.93 |
| Petzl Halogen bulbs | £ 2.62 |
| Petzl 300mm bulbs | £ 0.30 |
| Petzl load-bearing belts | £ 5.18 |
| Petzl pulley wheels | £ 0.66 |
| Lyon alloy karabiners | £ 3.00 |
| Lyon steel karabiners | £ 2.48 |
| Maillon rapides, 7mm, alloy | £ 0.99 |
| Maillon rapides, 7mm, steel | £ 0.62 |
| Wellies, various sizes | £ 6.90 |
| Nylon overtrousers | £ 8.00 |

SHOP RULES:

1. Payment - by cash but preferably cheque, made payable to MCG Caving Shop.
2. Make out receipt in triplicate book -
One for purchaser, one to be left in box or bring back (see below) and one to be left in book.
3. Cash and cheques should be periodically brought back and given to Phil Ingold or Malcolm Cotter together with 'box copy' of receipt.
4. If cash exceeds £5 please bring back or make out cheque to cover amount.
5. Cheques with receipt (box copy) can be sent to the treasurer in envelopes provided for cottage fees (in lecturn) - at the same time.

Note: If you require something from the shop you will need to see a committee member as they have the combination to the lock. If there are no committee members at the cottage then contact John Beauchamp at St Hughs Cottage, Charterhouse.

August Bank Holiday '85 - Yorkshire

I was picked up from Roy Kempston's house by Geoff Barton at 5.00 on the Friday evening and we headed up to Swindon and Birmingham, together with a fair percentage of the rest of the population of southern England. After heavy traffic, a chip shop and a pub or two we finally arrived at Green Close, headquarters of N.P.C. around 1.30 in the morning.

Saturday morning: We drove over to Bull Pot farm on Leck Fell. There were five of us making up the 'B' team, me, Geoff, Roy, Liz Price and John Beauchamp. We had Lancaster Pot and County booked and bumped into Andy Hall of the Red Rose Club who offered to point us in the direction of the Manchester by-pass, the alternative dry route to County pot, and in the end became our guide for the day. We rigged the first 35m pitch (or rather the others did) with both SRT and ladders. I didn't have any SRT gear so laddered. Our journey through was rather swift and some of the detail has blurred. Near the bottom of the first pitch was a small detour leading to the 'clonade chamber' containing three fine stal columns, thence down Bill Taylor's passage to an impressive large chamber connecting to Cow Pot. We descended a fixed ladder then climbed up the other side, away from the main drain, which is the more usual route to County. Andy took us the higher route owing to the amount of water at the lower level. Montague east is a muddy passage which follows the same direction as the main drain only 30m higher up with occasional holes in the floor dropping directly to the master cave below. Descending into Stake Pot, which as I remember is not dissimilar from the chamber near Cow pot, again we took the higher route passing more holes (Scylla & Chabillis) and descending down once again to the master cave and streamway at Oxbow corner. We inspected the Oxbow and the streamway, various nameless (Geoff Barton) members of the party making libations in the stream. After a brief poke about and mutterings about the level of the stream Andy led off once again down-stream, passing through Cornes Cavern to Snail Cavern, our Rendezvous with the 'A' team consisting of Adrian, Neil, Steve and two others who's nomenclature escapes me. After a break for chocolate bars we set off again in the direction of Eureka Junction. More streamway, stooping passage on which we successfully lost the 2nd party, Geoff heading back to retrieve them (we lost him too) whilst the rest of us pottered about in and around the shower bath and an amazing meandering streamway cut 3m through the rock in a slot just wide enough for the average caver. After a brief delay and a lot of persuading on Roy's part Andy wandered back to find the others, and following a certain amount of confusion we all made it to the next pitch, kindly rigged by a group of local cavers from Green Close. Geoff and Steve de-tackled and shortly afterwards we emerged just above Ease Gill beck where we had a splash around and then a plodge across the fell back to the cars.

Sunday morning: Our start was 'steady' and it was decided to make a bid for Gaping Gill. We set off in a drizzle and arrived at Clapham in a downpour then sat around trying to psyche each other up to get changed. We learnt that the winch had closed down and that no more people were being allowed down. What to do? We made an intrepid decision to have a look at Short Drop cave. Making a 'short drop' into a streamway, the route turns downstream avoiding a crawl through the stream by a tight detour which caused John and Geoff some inconvenience, the latter in particular making innumerable attempts at one section. The abandoned streamway joined the 'rift passage' fortunately of larger dimensions, regaining the stream and a winding vadose passage in the process. Tripping over rocks and through the stream in the direction of the 'main inlet' we emerged into 'south inlet' a significant improvement in size, a 13m rift, stream cut, with an active stream rushing along the bottom, vigorous and a rich brown from the recent downpor and local peat. This was my first experience of a really active streamway and I enjoyed it immensely. We gradually descended the cave following the stream. The rift was carved and scalloped by water. There were two pitches in the cave and we made our way as far as the second, rigging only the first 20ft pitch, a drop into a pool into which the stream descended rapidly and forcefully. Bits of the stream were quite tricky and

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up to a metre deep. We peered down the second pitch which roared uninvitingly and after Geoff and Liz had a good scramble around we returned the way we had come. I got a lot of enjoyment out of wandering around in the stream, the only thing that marred it was that I was chilly most of the trip and the rubber bands I used to seal the bottom of my new 'Troll' suit cut off the circulation to my feet which consequently lost all significant feeling (except pain). We drove back to Green Close and there met Adrian and Neil who had attempted Hernal Moss but aborted after 10m of 70m owing to large amounts of water competing for occupancy of the cave.

Monday morning: We kitted up, paid our 15p's for the nature trail and walked the couple of miles and 500m up to Bar pot up Clapham beck and Trow gill. 14m entrance pitch starting in tight rift, widening at the bottom, followed by descending passage and chamber to a larged flat roofed chamber with a large pot taking up most of the floor. This was the Bar pot, 30m laddered. Geoff set up a safety line with a butterfly knot on the belay karabiner (causes drag taking much weight off the arms). The pot was fantastic and reminded me of the huge concrete cassons making up a surge chamber in Dinorwic. The view up and down was tremendous, and when I got down some more caver's lights appeared at the top, illuminating the ceiling. Once we were all down we had a look at the neighbouring pot, at the bottom of which is a little hole connecting with Dis, then back towards South East pot which is 45m deep, 33m of which is below the traverse level making for careful footwork. We made our way along low sandy tunnels with very large scalloped features in the rock and passed a suggestive hole in the ceiling which I was persuaded to stick my head into. From here a few more short tunnels of similar character led us to Gaping Gill. Gaping Gill is tremendous, the cavern is huge with a more or less flat, bouldered floor, and a couple of water spouts descending from the ceiling, hammering down on the cavern floor and surrounded by clouds of spray. There were groups of cavers dotted around and a queue for the winch which was not long so we stood in the queue for maybe 20 minutes watching the lights of parties of cavers emerging in the cavern and wandered around the further reaches. We all had a 100m shower-bath to get clean. I was last up in our group, the view is tremendous going up, the pot is huge, apparently narrowing towards the top. The chair really shifts up the first half, the people at the bottom rapidly becoming a distant knot of figures, and disappearing half way up in the clouds of spray. The top third is very close to the rock, slightly unnerving but I arrived safely and emerged dripping in the sun to join the others. We made a rapid departure, calling at the cottage for a shower and pilchards on toast. On the way home Geoff took a detour so that we could get views of Ribblesdale and Pen-Y-Gent. ■

RICHARD STANSFIELD.

Fairy Quarry Caves: staying closed

FOLLOWING the rejection of Hobbs Holdings planning application for the show cave development it is understood that all access to the quarry caves will continue to be denied. This will last until the SSSI issue, and any future development plans, have been resolved.

Gough's diving to go deep

DIVING continues at the new extensions in Gough's Cave, Cheddar Gorge. Rob Palmer and Rob Harper have dived in sump 2 for 200ft.

The sump is big and they stopped at a large descending rift from which the main water flow comes. It looks like the deep diving is just about to begin.

'SNIPPETS'

Car thefts on the hill

THEFTS from cavers' cars on Mendip continue - in particular by GB Cavern and Longwood Swallet.

For several consecutive weekends cars have been broken into and belongings and caving equipment taken. Phil Romford of Bat Products had his underpants taken, though no-one cares to imagine why.

More disturbing now is the fact that these thieves are not fussy about how they get into vehicles. Lately, smashing windows and door locks seem favourite. Looks like the only thing left to do is to bring in the heavy mob and lay a trap for these people-donations of underpants gratefully received.

MRO anniversary

THIS YEAR marks the first fifty years of the Mendip Rescue Organisation. To celebrate this occasion, various activities are being arranged over the weekend of September 26/28th.

These will include film and slide shows, a demonstration of the sump rescue kit at Wookey Hole, an activity in Gough's Cave, Cheddar, and the now traditional Mendip event of a buffet/disco with silly games and the infamous rescue game. This will be held at Priddy Village Hall on the Saturday evening.



MCG INSTRUMENTATION

No it's not a new business name but more seriously a note to say that as a result of a camera going missing from the library drawer the clinometer, compass and altimeter will no longer be kept there. Pending finding somewhere more secure, they will be held by Tony Knibbs should anyone need them.

DRY UP!

Phil Ingold has supplied a drying rack at the cottage for wetsuits, etc. but we need any surplus hangers that you might have to use it efficiently.

ROPE CUTTER

Is there anyone willing to make a rope cutting device for the tackle store? It was agreed that it was not worth spending £30 on buying one when it is a relatively easy thing to make. Any offers to Alan Dougherty.

CHARTERHOUSE

As you may or may not know the club has two nominated club leaders for Charterhouse Cave. These positions have now become vacant. John Beauchamp has volunteered to fill one of the vacancies so we just need one more - if you think your the man (or woman) please contact Tony Knibbs.

NEWSLETTER

The next issue of the newsletter will be sent out Tuesday 14th October. If you are busily writing away at your articles could you please let the editor have them by 1st October at the latest.... she looks forward to receiving them all!

Letter to the Editor

Sir,

What has happened to the journalistic skills of the MCG?

In past years, the Editor was kept supplied by the members with a steady stream of meet reports, news and opinions. This gave him the opportunity of providing a newsletter which was up to date with the latest caving news, as seen from the MCG point of view.

It appears, however, that the present Editor is being sadly neglected by the journalists and writers of the club. As a result, we see caving "news" on such vital topics as the SSSI situation only as the layman sees it in the "Wells Journal".

Come on, you lazy lot! Write down your news, and send it to the Editor! I want to read the facts as you know them, not as adapted by a reporter who has never been near a cave.

News-hungry
Nordrach-on-Mendip.

MCG GETS ME DOWN!

There are still plenty of sweatshirts for sale plus the new 'MCG gets me down' T-shirts, all in many sizes and colours.

If you want to fly the flag for the club then Gordon Lister is the man to see.

He will have a selection of T-shirts at the Mawson Arms on Thursdays but if you want a sweatshirt could you please let him know in advance.

The T-shirts are £3.50 each
The sweatshirts are £6 each.

OLDHAM MINING CAP-LAMPS

We have acquired a limited number of ex-NCB Oldham type T cap-lamps. These will give approx. 10hrs of light and are in good serviceable condition. They are priced at £15 each, which is considerably less than prices asked by caving retail outlets for the same thing. For an extra £2 you can purchase a contact set to allow charging through the head piece. TONY KNIBBS.

NATIONAL CAVING CONFERENCE 1986

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LECTURES

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Norway '86
Tennegebirge, Austria
Turkey '86
Austria '86
Andros '86
Morocco '86
Tonga '86
Canada '86
Canada '86
Mexico '85-86,
Kenya '86
Aqua, Tresviso '86
Java '86
Greece '85
Matienzo Video

EXPEDITIONS

J. Cordingley
T. Faulkner
N. Briggs
M. Pagannuzzi
H. Lambert
R. Palmer
Cerberus
D. J. Lowe
A. Bennett
Imperial C.C.C.
Oxford University
J. Walker
S. Stoddard
G. Crossley
J. Corrin

LECTURES

Caves of the Manifold Valley
Caves of North Wales
Notts Pot Extension
P5 Extension
Progress in Daren Cilan
and Llangattlock
Golcaoda Cavern, Derbyshire
The Cheddar River Cave
Explorations in Ireland

UK & Ireland

M. Milner
P. Appleton
NPC
LUSS
C. Gardener
J. Jones
R. Stevenson
T. Fogg

SRT skills D. Edwards
Ladder skills D. Edwards
Early Underground photographers C. Howes
Media and Caving D. Rose
South Wales J. Adams
Caves of Berry Head, Devon C. Procter

COMPETITIONS:

Photo Salon Competition
Best Colour Slide **Marlow Ropes Prize**
Portfolio of 5 prints **Premier Trophy**
Best Monochrome Print **Buffalo Sleeping Bag Prize**
Best Colour Print £25 prize
Fun Shoot £5 prize
Cave Life £25 prize
Caving Supplies SRT Race
Best Club Stand **Descent Prize**

EVENING ENTERTAINMENTS

Live Band Disco
Quiet Bar Ceilidh

COMMERCIAL & CLUB EXHIBITIONS

A chance to shop around the big names in the caving world. Also see club displays of expeditions and latest UK finds.

The building will be open for the registration of delegates and erection of exhibition stands from 6.00 to 10.00p.m. on the Friday evening. The refreshment bar will be open 10.00 to 4.00 Saturday and Sunday. The Bar will be open during hours on the Saturday, and on Sunday lunchtime. All exhibitors are requested to book space in advance on the Conference booking form. Club stands will be free. *Bed and Breakfast is available on Campus in Chandos Hall at the reduced price of £8.50*
Book early!

BCRA AGM will be held at 5.00p.m. on Saturday. An Open Debate on the future structure of British Caving, will follow at approx. 5.30p.m. A detailed programme will be available from Graham Proudlove, 061-442 8832 after 10th September.

YV'S DROPPINGS

Roy K: "Mine goes in all the way but
won't work when it gets there".

Ian Mck: "Mine goes in all the way, is
stiff and works".

Yvonne: "My hole is too small so it it
only goes in about a half inch".

A committee member:

"Wetsuits - I can't even get mine off by
myself let alone get anything else in it".

"Adrian is a boring old fart he'll
be on the committee next year".

For those who are interested, the answers
to April and May's 'Whatsisname?' are:
April - Gordon Lister, Mike Hazelden,
Geoff Barton, Ian Mckechnie,
Louise Curley and Lesley Robbins.

Jon Roberts won the pint of beer.

May - Denise Samuel, Jonathen Roberts,
Simon Knight, Yvonne Ward,
Martin Rowe and John Beauchamp.

Gordon Lister won the pint of beer.

And this months WHATSISNAME?

VERY HARTY PEE ATE ORAL KEY

SEEN A LORD TROLL WEARING GOON

SLAP WHAT? IS LA FRENCH TARDIS

Who are they?

MCG MEMBERSHIP LIST JULY 1986

P=Probationary, F=Full, H=Honorary, A=Associate. Dates show admission to P,F,H,A categories, and current membership. Membership no. based on 1982 Journal review of past and current members. Members living in Somerset and Avon area in CAPITALS.

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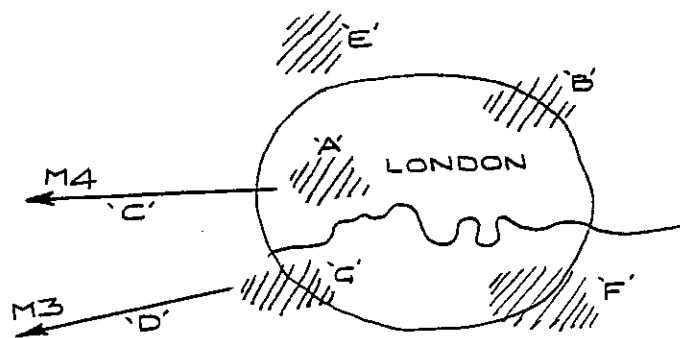
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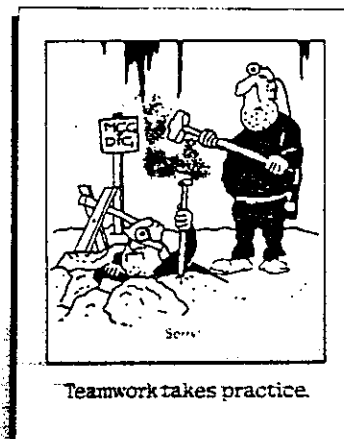
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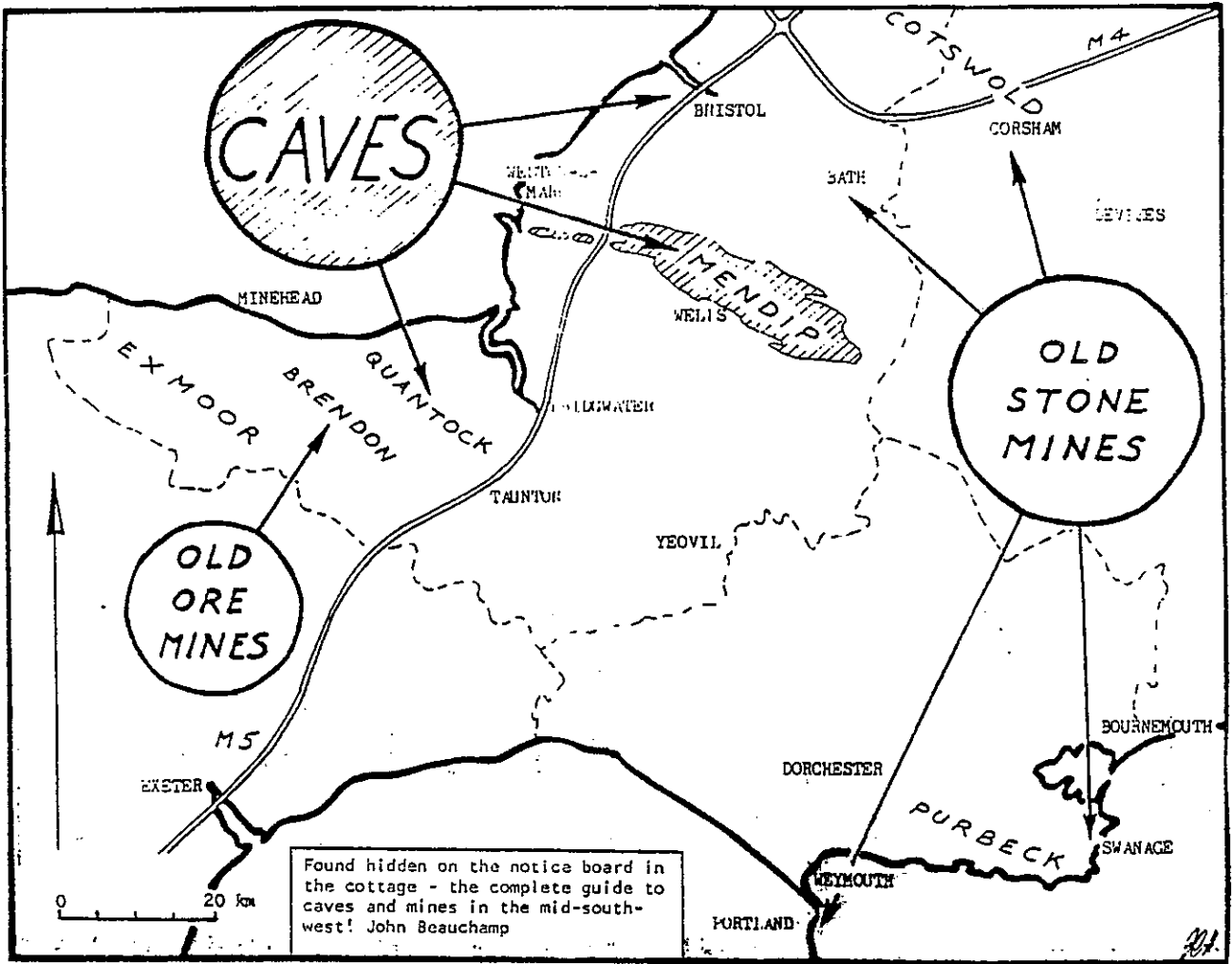
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