

DAVEY — THE FUTURE OF AUSTRALIA'S CAVES

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OVERUSE OF CAVES — AVOIDING AND REPAIRING : A CASE STUDY

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Abstract

Moondyne Cave (Augusta, W.A.), a former tourist cave, was studied to assess the potential for avoiding and repairing damage due to "normal wear and tear." The potential for repair is limited and it is necessary to avoid damage before the repair stage is necessary. This conclusion is applied to the more difficult problems of cave management in wild caves.

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RECREATIONAL CAVING IN W.A. : SOME HARD DATA

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Abstract

The annual number of visits to caves in W.A. has been estimated for paying tourists, the adventurous public and speleologists. The high number of visits to wild caves by the public presents some serious problems of management. This is contrasted with the problems of less intensive but more extensive use of caves by speleologists.

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