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SYDNEY UNIVERSITY SPELEOLOGICAL SOCIETY ..

Circular.

Box 35, The Union, University of Sydney. 1 st May , 1953.

Dear Speleo.

1. ELECTION OF OFFICERS - 1958-59.

At the 9 th Annual General Meeting, the following Committee was elected.

President Adrian Hunt
Secretary Noel Fraser Secretary Treasurer Doug Denning John Hinwood Committee Members Kel Stillman

Ian Williams

Associate Comm. Mmbrs. Warren Peck Peter Knowland Immed. Past President Laurie Bishop.

2. SUBSCRIPTIONS.

It was decided that no change shoul be made in the subscription rates. Members are reminded that these are now payable, and are as follows:

Fresher, Undergraduate and Associate under 17 yrs 7/6 Undergraduate Graduate or Associate 17/6

3. NEW MEMBERS.

At the 53th Committee Meeting the following were accepted as full members of the Society. Doug Dunnet, Doug Miles, Toni Rittie and Tony Rodd. Congratulations.

Coolamon. Doug Denning led a trip to the Coolamon area during Easter to familiarise members with the caves there. .

Foul Air. A party of five members led by Noel Fraser continued Foul Air research over the Easter weekend. Readings were taken at Molong, Wellington and Bungonia Caves, and corroborated results obtained in earlier investigations by this team. As further readings are required, particularly in the Bungonia area, additional quinea pigs are required for this work. Any persons noticing foul air in any w.S.W. cave are asked to contact Noel Fraser, WL1027.

Cave Creek. Adrian Hunt led a party of 16 in a visit to the Cave Creek (Talbingo Area) Limestone deposits during Anzac week-end. The trip examined the general geology of this interesting area and made a preliminary search for caves. Despite the arduous wark involved, most of those present intend to revisit the area as it would appear most promising.

5. APPOINTMENTS.

Programmes Officer . Ian Williams, JY1694, should be notified of all proposed and intending trips. He is glad to give information to those interested in doing a trip. Records Officer. Warren Peck is still anxiously awaiting those trip reports and maps that you were going to do on the last trip.

Cartographer. John Hinwood is hounding a team of mapping enthusiasts and is busy determining the best methods to be used. Keen slaves are invited to contact John at JW1175.

Search and Rescue Sub-Committee. is continuing its deliberations.

6. FEDERATION CONFERENCE, 1958.

Full details on next page.

AUSTRALIAN SPELEOLOGICAL FEDERATION CONFERENCE 1958.

I WILL BE ATTENDING THE a HOBART CONFERENCE

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6. FEDERATION CONFERENCE 1958.

The second conference of the Australian Speleological 🍪 Federation will be held in Hobart Tasmania, from 26 to 30 December 1958 (approx). It is anticipated that the cost will be about £ 3. Following the Conference, trips will be organised in 3 groups.

1 week at Mole Creek Caves. Field Trip 1

l week at Hastings/Ida Bay and l week at Mole Creek Caves, Field Trip 2 l week at Florentine/Junec and l week at Hastings/Ida Bay and a third week at Mole creek. Field Trip 3

As Xmas-New Year is the height of the Tasmanian tourist season, transport should be booked early. This applies particularly to car shipping bookings, for which MAY would be the deadline. It is necessary that we inform Hobart of the number of members attending, so a form has been attached to this circular on page 1. If you are coming (and who isn't after the 1 st Conference in Adelaide and the Mullabor trip?), please fill this form in and hand to the nearest member of the committee. Interested persons will then get more detailed information.

The A.S.F. bat banding programme progresses satisfactorily, with Canberra Speleo. Society busily banding bats in that area. The first recorded bat movement in Australia has been recorded over a distance of 12 miles. S.U.S.S. members are reminded that bats are protected in N.S.W.. However if any banded bats should surrender themselves to a member, that member should take note of the locality, date, type, sex (if obvious) and the name and address of the finder, and send these details (together with the band if the bat be found dead) to the Wildlife Survey Section, C.S.I.R.O, Camberra, ACT.

Photographs of the wall markings at Koonalda Cave have been forwarded to Dr Gallus. He has compared them with examples of aboriginal art and is reported to be wildly excited and determined to do another trip to the site. As the Hobart Conference will be held during Christmas this year, it seems that Christmas 1959 may see a big anthropological trip to the Nullabor.

9. SCRAP BOOK.

Laurie Bishop is curator of the S.W.S.S. Scrap Book. Anyone having or finding suitable scraps to add to this monumental collection should forward them (under plain cover) to Laurie or drop them in Box 35.

Kel Stillman, XB1761, has been appointed editor in chief of the S.U.S.S. Journal for 1958-59. Kel eagerly awaits articles of the usual high standard for inclusion in the next issue which is timed to appear by early June.

N. Fraser per AH.