

Cave Exploration Group (South Aust)
c/o S.A. Museum,
North Terrace, ADELAIDE.
3rd February, 1957.

Dear Member,

Your attention is drawn to the forthcoming **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** of this Group to be held on 27th February, 1957 at 8:00 p.m. at the National Fitness Clubrooms, 69-70 South Terrace. On this date the term of office of the present Committee is terminated and the new Committee for 1957 has to be elected.

As both the President and Record Keeper and Trip Secretary have resigned from those positions, and as the Treasurer will be unable to stand for re-election, it is expected that there will be a lot of new members on the incoming Committee, and it is all important that you give careful consideration to your nominees well before this meeting.

To allow a reasonable period before voting, nominations will be called for the Office Bearers for 1957 before the opening of this coming meeting, and it is requested that no nominations be made after the meeting commences unless it is essential to fill some position.

Enclosed with this letter you will find the 1st Annual Report and Financial Statement to be presented at this meeting for approval. This will be the main item on the agenda.

You are also reminded that your financial status comes under consideration from 28th February, the end of the financial year. To continue your membership you are requested to complete this following form and return it to the secretary with an enclosed remittance as soon as possible.

The Secretary C.E.G.S.A.

from Mr, Mrs, Miss.....at present Member.
Please find enclosed.....being my fees for the forthcoming year
1957-1958 as.....Member.

In order to bring the Group's Records up to date, please fill in
list of caving areas visited during 1956-57.

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Present address and phone Nos.....
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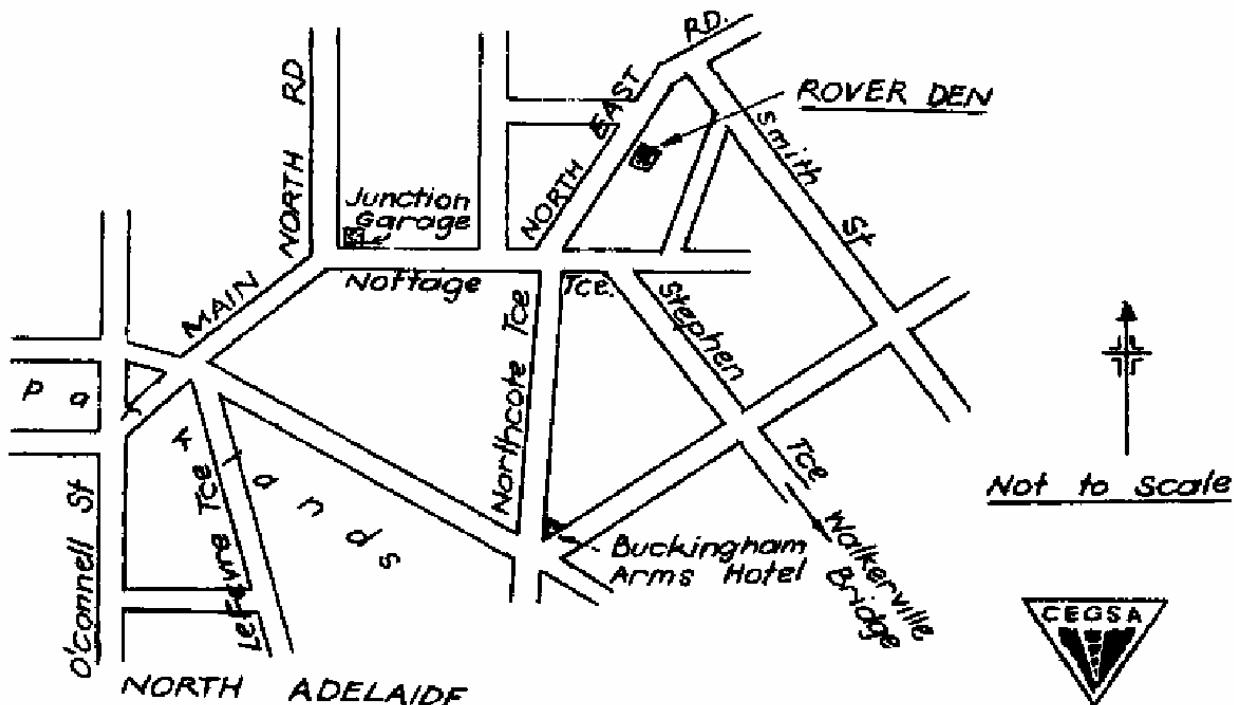
Yours faithfully,
A. L. Hill,
Hon. Secretary.

CAVE EXPLORATION GROUP OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.
SEARCH AND RESCUE ORGANIZATION.
FEBRUARY 1957.

1. The attached list of people have been approached, and are willing to undertake rescue work in any emergency requiring the aid of experienced cavers.
2. In the event of an emergency, members will be contacted, and be expected to make their own way to the rallying point - Gilberton Rover Scout Den - bringing only the necessary caving gear.
 - i.e. (1) overalls.
 - (2) lamp, prickers, matches.
 - (3) torch and spares.
 - (4) helmet.
 - (5) sleeping bag and ground sheet.
3. Gear is to be picked up from the store at Gilberton Rover Scout Den (which is never locked.)
 - (1) stretcher, blankets, triangular bandage.
 - (2) safety ropes, odd lengths of rope, wire ladders.
 - (3) carbide, shellite, water containers (to be filled before leaving.)
 - (4) matches, gas goggles, prickers.
 - (5) emergency supply of food (in sausage bag.)
 - (6) search and rescue maps.
4. Transport to the caving area will be provided by the police, and the gear should be packed into the transport by the first arrivals. Vehicle's used to travel to the pickup point can be left on the property if necessary.

(R.T.SEXTON.)

Committee member for Search & Rescue.



NOTE. Gilberton Rover Scout Den occupies the second floor of an old stable beside the Main North East Road, on Mr.W.Menz's property. ("Balig")

Copies to:- Police, (1), A.B.W.(1) and to attached and previous list of Search and Rescue Members.

CAVE EXPLORATION GROUP (SOUTH AUSTRALIA)
SEARCH & RESCUE. FEB. 1957

N.J.Mollet,	33 Milner Street Prospect. Gerard & Goodman, Rundle Street,	ML 6076 W 1541
R.T.Sexton,	45 Tusmore Avenue, Leabrook. Burnside Council, Greenhill Road, Tusmore.	F 5356 FA 1134
A.L.Hill,	28 Struan Avenue, Warradale Park. C.O.R. North Terrace, Adelaide.	X 8756 W 2541
E.E.Hogben,	96 Alma Terrace, Woodville West (res & Bus)	M 7986
A.J.Marlow,	87 Tynte Street North Adelaide. Dept.of Mines, Conyngham Street, Glenside.	UX 1662
C.W.Giles,	60 Harrow Road, St.Peters.	MF 1451
D.K.Lanyon,	28 Salisbury Cres., Reade Park. Newton McLaren Ltd., Gilbert St. Adelaide.	UM 3915 LA 0111
G.C.Kelly,	34 Grange Road, New Hindmarsh. Philips Electrical Industries, Hendon.	LU 7491 M 7181
D.Mullan,	16 Brook Street, West Mitcham. Post Master General's Dept.	LA 9648
P.Love,	18 South Terrace, Plympton Park. F.H.Fauldings.	LF 3871 LA 0121
J.Somerton,	25 Second Avenue, Sefton Park. Bristol Aircraft Co.	ML 2021 LX 9
D.Collins,	18 Maxwell Terrace, Dunleath.	X 1531
F.H.Sanders,	8 Wattlebury Avenue, Lower Mitcham. Austral Elevators, 142 Hindley St Adelaide.	UM 383 LA 3459
A.Wright,	25 Second Avenue, Sefton Park. 238 Main North Road, Prospect.	ML 2021 ML 3693

For Calls to Kangaroo Island Only.

M.Glenn,	30 Sutton Avenue, Seacombe Gardens. Dept. of Agriculture, Gawler Place, Adel.	W 0266
G.D.Seton,	Curator, Kelly Hill Caves, Kangaroo Is. Flinders Chase.	2 G

For Calls to York Peninsula Only.

E.Smith,	c/o R.Arbon, (Butcher) Minlaton. (Res)	96 or 136
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For Calls to South East Only.

P.Wyld,	73 Broadway, Glenelg. Adelaide Teachers College.
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IMPORTANT.

1. Please inform the C.E.G. committee of any change of 'phone numbers or addresses.
2. Keep this notice where it will be found quickly in an emergency.
3. This list supersedes that of July, 1956.
4. Copies to Police, A.B.W., above list of members and previous list of members.
5. This applies to 1957 only and will be superseded later.

PLEASE DESTROY YOUR PREVIOUS LIST.

CAVE EXPLORATION GROUP (SOUTH AUSTRALIA)
PROGRAMME - APRIL-JUNE, 1957

6th, 7th April Curramulka - leave Friday night.
 Leader - Town Cave - J. Marlow 'Phone work UX1662.
 Leader - Corrells Cave - M. Corey 'Phone W LA4395.

9th April 8 p.m. Museum Lecture Room - Members' paper night -
Tuesday "A possible structural origin of Kelly Hill caves"
 by G.L. Hill, and
 description of Cave pearls by J. Marlow.

19th-22nd April Narina Ck. area - leave Thursday night.
EASTER **Leader** - V. Links, 'Phone home ML4839

24th April 8 p.m. National Fitness Rooms - General Meeting.
Wednesday Viewing of members' slides.

4th, 5th May Tantanoola area - leave Friday night.
 Leader - N. Mollet 'phone home ML6076, work W1541.

14th May 8 p.m. Museum Lecture Room - Equipment that may be
Tuesday used in underwater caving - by Mr. J. Mitchell.

22nd May 8 p.m. National Fitness Rooms - General Meeting.,
Wednesday Lecture - "Problems in using radio in caves"-
 D.Mullan.

11th June 8 p.m. Museum Lecture room.
Tuesday Lecture to be arranged.

15th-17th June Naracoorte-Penola area. Leave Friday night.
Queens Birthday **Leader**: J. Somerton, 'phone work IX9, home ML2021.

26th June 8 p.m. National Fitness Clubrooms, General Meeting.
Wednesday Talk - "Correct methods of belay" - by B. Sexton,
 and N. Mollet

NOTE: If interested in any trip please notify leader at least seven days in advance as transport is difficult to organise. Trip fees and costs are expected to be paid to the Leader during the Trip - not after. If your name is on a trip list and you are unable to attend, notify Trip leader IMMEDIATELY. The Museum Lecture Room night is held every second Tuesday. Committee nights at Gilberton Rover Den every third Tuesday. General Meeting Night at National Fitness Rooms 69-70 South Terrace every fourth Wednesday.

CONTACT LIST.

<u>PRESIDENT:</u>	R.T. Sexton.	
<u>SECRETARY:</u>	A.L Hill.	
<u>TREASURER:</u>	E. Hogben.	
<u>INFORMATION & TRIPS</u>	Miss J. Marlow, 'phone	Work: UX1662
<u>C.E.G. SEARCH & RESCUE</u>	R.T. Sexton, 'Phone	Home: F5356.
		Work: FA1134.
	or N. Mollet, 'Phone	Home: ML6076.
		Work: W1541.

ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: HON. SECRETARY,
 CAVE EXPLORATION GROUP (S.A.)
 SOUTH AUSTRALIAN MUSEUM,
 ADELAIDE. S.A.

PLEASE FILE THIS AND FUTURE ISSUES FOR REFERENCE.

CAVE EXPLORATION GROUP (S. AUST).

c/- S. Aust. Museum,
North Terrace, ADELAIDE. S.A.

Dear Friend,

At last the closing date for Nullarbor Applications has come, and the Nullarbor Subcommittee is hard at work planning all details. In order to keep all in touch with the progress made, this is the first of a series of newsletters.

GENERAL ORGANIZATION: Once in the field, the expedition will be divided into 3 units, each based on a five ton truck and each self-contained. These units will each have their own leader who will coordinate his unit with others through radio communication with the expedition leader.

Activity on the plain will centre about exploration, research, and mapping. The expedition is NOT a Cook's Tour.

Applications have closed, and later applications can only be accepted if someone else finds himself unable to attend.

CAMPING: Cooking will be done on a rotation system within each truck. Food is all to be packed in daily ration boxes to simplify issue on the plain. Water will be scarce - drinking supplies will be under a strict issue system, and will be as full as any extra supplies permit us to make it. In any case supplies will be adequate for drinking, but washing can only be done in underground water.

Screens will be erected in camp for toilet purposes and changing. A shade will be erected for meals, but no sleeping tents are provided. It is suggested that women should therefore include a small hike tent in their personal gear.

SCIENTIFIC WORK: In order to be fully effective and to also provide adequate coordination of scientific equipment, it is essential that research shall be coordinated. If any members have plans for individual projects, please contact us immediately, so that overlapping is avoided. Various individuals will later be asked to undertake specific responsibilities for their truck party.

Our constitution states that all specimens collected shall ultimately become the property of the South Australian Museum. Naturally, however, this does not preclude research work upon specimens by any personnel before ultimate hand-over. This rule however. Has been made to ensure permanent preservation of specimens, which is, naturally, essential to any research work.

LONGER TRIP: If sufficient numbers are interested, a truckload will work on the plain for an extra period. Please let us know **immediately** if you are willing to remain until either the 20th January or 27th January (return to Adelaide dates). Extra cost would not be very great, being mainly for food and only a little extra mileage.

PERSONAL GEAR:	2 Shorts.	2 Towels.
	2 Shirts.	1 Cloth suitable tea towel
	1 long trousers (Warm)	
	1 boots caving.	sleeping bag,
	1 Sandshoes.	Groundsheet.
	1 Sweater, L.S.	2 Plates, Mug,
	4 Socks,	Knife. Fork. Spoon.
	2 Sets under-cloths	Hussif.
	Standard army water-bottle	Safety Helmet (ESSENTIAL).
	1 Overalls - Trog suit.	
	Toilet Gear.	

PERSONAL GEAR: (Contd).

Optional items: Torch.

Camera and Accessories.

Sunburn Cream.

Sunglasses.

Pencil, Notebook, Writing paper.

Musical instruments provided:

1. You can play them.
2. You feel they are robust enough to stand the journey.
(but please let us know as soon as convenient).

NOTES ON PERSONAL EQUIPMENT:

1. NO extra or superfluous gear. Truck capacity is limited.
2. Please pack in sausage bag - yes, we know they are awkward, but, again, they pack on a truck. Definitely NO frame packs will be taken. Sensible substitutes for sausage bag considered.
3. Pack cameras, etc. in DUSTPROOF containers. The dust is really deadly. Flash lighting will be organised for each party, as most caves are too large to light with flash bulbs.

DEPARTURE OF PARTY: All party members will join truck at the Federal Conference on the morning of the 29th December. Therefore you must be at Conference by (at the latest) 3 a.m. on that date! We enclose with this an application form for the Conference, as well as your receipts (sorry if a little slow) for your fivers.

We look forward to meeting you all, and trust you will all find us good organisers and good company. Next bulletin will, we hope, give you approx. itinerary, confirmation of cost, details of truck organization and preliminary job allotment, along with more general news items.

Yours speleologically,
ELERY HAMILTON-SMITH.

All South Australian members asked to attend next subcommittee meeting on Tuesday 4th September at 69-70 South Terrace.

CAVE EXPLORATION GROUP (S. AUST.)

C/- S.A. Museum, North Terrace. ADELAIDE

NULLARBOR NEWSLETTER NO. 2

PERSONAL KIT LIST:

Add to essential items one hat, wide brimmed, for protection from the sun.

Add to optional items	Bathers
	Lip salve to prevent cracked lips.
	Small can of band aids or elastoplast dressings.
	Fly veil.

If you have a trog lamp (miner's carbide lamp) bring it along. These will only be used in smaller caves, so if you have not got such a lamp, it is not necessary to buy one.

SUNTAN:

Start getting a good suntan as soon as weather permits. It may save discomfort on the plain.

WATER:

As from 31st, no more fresh water can be obtained. Each truck will carry 200 gallons, and this will be sufficient providing care is taken. Each member is asked to bring a standard army water bottle, and this amount will be issued each day to each individual. No other water will be taken from tank except for cooking purposes and this MUST NOT be wasted. Any washing of self or utensils will be done in underground water, bore water, or sea water, all of approximately the same salinity. Salt tablets will be available, and in the Nullarbor, it is most advisable that these should be used to maintain health. In obtaining your water bottle, make sure it is covered with felt or wool otherwise it will be unbearably hot.

FINANCE:

Further details on finance not yet available. Please note that cheques, etc. should in future be made payable to "Cave Exploration Group No. 2 A/C;".

TRUCK ORGANISATION:

Each individual will be asked to undertake, camp jobs, during the expedition. Certain periods will be set aside for camp jobs, and all are asked to cooperate in carrying out camp work ONLY during these periods so that a minimum of time is used in this way. Appointments to these jobs apart from those listed below among general expedition jobs, will be made by truck leaders at the commencement of the trip.

Suggested times to be allotted to compilation of camp duties are:

Morning	1½ hours
Lunch	as required, max. 45 minutes; may be taken into caves in many cases.
Evening	2 hours.

Job categories will include firemen, cooks, camp engineers, washer-uppers, etc.

ITINERARY:

Dec.	29th	All leave Adelaide 4 a.m. Camp at Kyancutta.
	30th	See Kyancutta Museum, move on to Sinclair
	31st	All move to Nullarbor H.S. Truck No. 1 remain at Nullarbor.

Jan.	1st	Trucks No. 2 & 3 move to Koonalda H.S. and Eucla respectively and work from these centres.
	7th	Truck No. 1 moves to Koonalda; Truck No. 2 to Eucla.
	8th	All camp together at Eucla. Those remaining for additional week transfer to Truck No. 1.
	9th	Truck No. 3 to Koonalda H.S.
	10th	Trucks Nos. 2 & 3 to Nullarbor H.S.
	11th	Trucks Nos. 2 & 3 depart for home.
	13th	Trucks Nos. 2 & 3 arrive Adelaide.
	20th	Truck No. 1 arrives Adelaide.

You will note that this programme is arranged so that all members see the large caves near Eucla and Koonalda, while at the same time, each truck is able to carry out more intensive exploration within its own area.

EXPEDITION JOBS: The jobs in the list below are, for the most part, separate from camp jobs mentioned earlier in the Circular. This suggests the responsibilities to be undertaken by various specialists with regard to the expedition, as a whole.

TRUCK LEADER

- To be responsible to expedition leader for truck movements.
- To coordinate camping, exploring, research, and survey.
- To be directly responsible for safety precautions of party.
- To safeguard the use of drinking water.

SURVEYOR

- To map route of expedition, exact location of caves, and general surface features. Accuracy to 30".
- To supervise underground survey.

FIRST-AIDER

- To carry out general first aid, and watch general health.
- To issue salt tablets and vitamin B-complex tablets.

RADIO OPERATOR

- To maintain schedule of contacts with leader.
- To contact Ceduna Flying Doctor base in case of emergency.

PHOTOGRAPHER

- To maintain and operate special flash equipment for party.
- To advise less experienced members (when asked).

QUARTERMASTER

- To supervise all loading or unloading of truck, and issues from bulk stores. To issue all water.

COOK

- To supervise the work of the cooking team.

NOTE ON RECORDS Each truck must keep a complete record of its work for incorporation in group records and for the compilation of the expedition report. Research Workers in various fields will naturally combine to produce specialist reports, and surveyors will keep their own records. Apart from this the leader must see that all explorations are recorded on the spot. This does not mean that the leader does all the recording - only that he must keep records - and he may delegate various people to write up various parts of the whole. A future bulletin will detail the of information required.

Various people will be approached by personal letter to undertake the jobs listed above, as well as certain research work. At the moment, we have urgent need of one surveyor. Let us know if you can do it.

PARTY TO STAY ADDITIONAL WEEK:

There are still 10 vacancies in this party. Let us know as soon as possible if you are keen to fill one.

GENERAL:

We are all very happy here with arrangements to date, and our problems are still smallish ones. The menu is being compiled, equipment is being arranged, and more details of itinerary worked out. Negotiations are under way for a full movie coverage of the expedition by a commercial film unit, but nothing definite on this yet.

Yours sincerely,

Elery Hamilton-Smith

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN MEMBERS:

Next meeting at 69-70 South Terrace on Tuesday 2nd, October 1956

CAVE EXPLORATION GROUP (STH. AUST).

c/- S.A. Museum , North Terrace, ADELAIDE.

NULLARBOR NEWSLETTER NO. 3.

PERSONAL KIT LIST.

1. Photographers will require a tripod and cable release for best results.
2. Trog lamp owners please note that carbide will be supplied.
3. If you want a map of the area, we are using for general planning the Nullarbor Plains sheet of the Australian Geographical Series published by the National Mapping Office at 2/-

HEALTH MATTERS.

A first aider has been appointed to each truck and is O.C. health. The expedition, through its radio contact with the Flying Doctor Service is closer to medical help in case of an emergency than the average week-end caving trip

Many of our members have been inoculated with anti-Tetanus serum as a precaution in case of serious accident. This is not essential, but it may commend itself to you.

It is not recommended that any alcoholic liquor be carried by members. We are NOT wowsers, but we do realise that in a hot climate, alcohol actually increases an individual's water requirements, and so will induce discomfort rather than the usual pleasant after-feelings.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS: We feel that the following points should be drawn to the notice of you all -

1. Don't wander off underground, either alone or with a group, without notifying your leader where you are going and how long you expect to be.
2. Always wear a helmet underground.
3. Carry a spare light with you at all times.
4. Move carefully on vertical pitches - don't dislodge stones on others below - don't stand at the foot of such a pitch when anyone else is moving upon it.
5. Do not descend a ladder without a lifeline.
6. Be particularly careful of underground water it is probably much deeper than it appears.

FILMING OF EXPEDITION: The Shell Company is very interested in this project and is at present carrying out considerable research into the problems of underground lighting. If this problem can be resolved, the film will become a certainty.

WRITING OF REPORTS: Truck leaders may ask you to assist by handling the report on a specific cave. The necessary information to be gathered is -

1. Location – cooperate with surveyors
2. Name if any - see leader or local informants
3. History, ditto
4. Tackle required to enter.
5. General description of cave.
 - note especially presence of formation or other mineral deposits.
 - rock fall areas.
 - type of entrance.
 - any bone deposits in floor.
 - presence of water.
 - animal life within cave.
6. Suggestions as to any future investigation.

THE BUSINESS END: Conference applications are due by the 30th Nov. Can you be certain to forward these on time and to make cheques, etc payable to "Cave Exploration Group/ No. 3 A/c".

The final cost of the Nullarbor Expedition will, so far as we can judge, be within the stated price of £25. We hope, sincerely that no unforeseen expenses will cause this to rise higher. Can we please have the additional £20, if possible, by the 30th November. Make payable to "Cave Exploration Group No. 2 A/c".

Finally, any individuals who can get to Adelaide early in December and so lend a hand with packing of food, etc. will be doubly welcome. Let us know if you can help out on this.

GENERAL NEWS: David Taylor, of C.E.G., who has contacted many of you regarding scientific research, has, unfortunately, had to move to Papua to take up an appointment there, and so cannot join us. Queries on this aspect can now be directed to myself.

We are still waiting with bated breath for the first major calamity to overtake our organization, but so far, all is proceeding remarkably smoothly. The cooperation of all people so far asked to undertake various jobs has helped greatly, and this cooperation is really appreciated from this end, believe me!

Yours sincerely,

ELERY HAMILTON-SMITH.

NEXT MEETING 6th NOV

CAVE EXPLORATION GROUP (STH. AUST)

C/- S.A, Museum,
North Terrace,
ADELAIDE, South Australia.

NULLARBOR NEWSLETTER NO. 4.

This is the final issue of this series of circulars.

PERSONAL GEAR: Cave temperatures approx. 70°, surface may be 100° Therefore you do NOT need extra clothes to wear under trog suit. But you do need sweater and warm sleeping bag, as nights may be cold.

A tarpaulin shelter will be erected at each camp. Hike tents are suggested for ladies only who desire the additional privacy. Light poles would be useful, 6" nails make the best pegs, while cord to anchor tent to rocks is also useful.

A frameless rucksack is O.K. for packing gear. Note that it will not be necessary to walk with gear at all.

ADD to essential list:-

Small haversack for daily needs.
compass, pocket or prismatic.
torches - transfer from optional list.
whistle - to use on ladder pitches.

ADD to optional list:-

gas goggles for dust protection.
mosquito repellent.
tobacco, matches, etc.

"Seagull" or similar salt water soap has been suggested. However a previous party found this rather unsuccessful in Nullarbor water.

TRUCK LOADING: The only really long trips will be the journeys out and back. We are loading each vehicle to its full space capacity to keep the trip at an economical price, and trust that any minor discomforts of crowding on the long trip will be forgiven. Once on the plain, each day's journey will be much shorter. Each vehicle has a canopy, but we have found it preferable not to fit seats. The only seats available for this sort of thing are not conspicuously comfortable, and one can be much more at ease by improvising with one's luggage, etc. Therefore pack delicate goods such as cameras in your haversack and sit on the remainder!

Each truck has, among its number, a Q.M. and asst. Q.M.! These two chaps are responsible for ALL loading and unloading of expedition gear, food, etc. Please leave it to them and do NOT interfere.

Final allotment of personnel to specific trucks is not yet decided. We have, in the case of many people allotted to jobs, fixed their positions, and final allotment will be an effort to:

- (1) balance skills and interests in each truck,
- (2) place a cross-section of all societies in each truck.

If you have any special wishes, please **let us know immediately**. Final allotments will be announced at Conference, and as this involves considerable planning we would prefer to avoid last minute alterations.

SPECIMENS & RECORDS: You have already noted that under our constitution, any specimens become the property of the South Australian Museum. However, researchers are quite free to work on material providing this is ultimately lodged with the Museum.

Each truck will carry specialists in various fields. Please see that any material of interest is shown to these people. In particular each member should obtain from the truck zoologist a few specimen tubes so that cave insects, etc. will not be lost through lack of collecting gear.

We want the final record of the trip to be as complete as possible, so that our knowledge will be passed on to future expeditions. Certain people will be asked to report on certain specific aspects, but any written comments on any aspect whatsoever of the expedition will be welcome.

STORAGE IN ADELAIDE: If you wish to store gear, clothing or vehicles in Adelaide during the trip please notify the organizer of the Conference. If you can make private arrangements, do so, but otherwise we will make necessary arrangements. Make sure you have a suitable labelled case or bag for storing personal gear.

SUNDAYS: It is planned that during the expedition a short service of prayers and bible reading will be held on each Sunday. Attendance is quite voluntary.

PHOTOGRAPHY: The truck photographer will provide flash lighting using "Diprotodon Mk II" For any particular shot, the guide No. will be given and all are expected to share each flash as much as possible.

For good colour rendition the following are suggested:

Kodachrome type A with 81B or 81C filter, can be used in daylight with 8S filter.

THE MERCENARY SIDE: If you have not already paid £25 to us, please do Immediately. We have already spent much money in purchase of food supplies. etc. At present we anticipate paying all costs out of £25 per head, but if anything upsets our budget, we may have to ask for an additional pound or two.

If for any reason you are unable to attend, please notify us IMMEDIATELY on the other hand if you have friends who wish to attend, ask them to contact us In case of any withdrawals.

Finally, a number of people have not, at this stage, forwarded Conference applications. Please do so - arranging catering and so on is quite a job without the added problem of late applications.

If your receipt is not already forwarded, it will be issued at the Conference - we are running short of time, and cannot post out individual receipts on payments after the due date.

EXTRA WEEK PARTY: Cost will probably be about £5 or £6 per head. Itinerary for this party will be decided at Eucla on the 8th January.

ASSEMBLY OF EXPEDITION: A meeting of the expedition is to be held at the Conference on 28th December. Final assembly and departure will be on the morning of the 29th December from the Conference. We hope to have all trucks on the road at 4 a.m. sharp.

If you desire to join the party at any other point, please notify immediately in WRITING.

BEFORE LEAVING: Read all these newsletters again. Make sure you have not forgotten anything.

Looking forward to meeting you - very soon,

ELERY HAMILTON-SMITH.

Photographic information typed on Page 2 is incorrect, see following instructions:

Best combination -

Type A film with following filters.

Daylight use	- Wrappen 85
Electronic flash	- Wrappen 85
Flash Bulbs.	- 81B or 81C
Special Flash Apparatus	- 81EF or 2-81B

Alternative combination -

Daylight Film with following filters.

Daylight use	- no filter or sky filter.
Electronic Flash	- no filter or sky filter.
Flash Bulbs or	
Special Apparatus	- Walz Blue filter.

Those using Black and White film are recommended to use medium or slow speed film, otherwise over-exposure will occur.

RECORDING

The final record of the expedition requires, not only the report on each cave visited, but full details on all special studies made as well as on general organization. I realise that no very profound study can be made in a short period, but I do wish that all we do know should be recorded, so as to act as a basis for future expeditions. Each reporter is asked to get all possible information from other individuals on similar jobs and to incorporate this in his own report. If dealing with organization do not be afraid to be critical.

GENERAL ORGANIZATION	K. RENWICK.	(B. Nurse, J. Love)
SURVEY.	J. McQUIE.	(A. Sexton, R. Bailey)
HEALTH.	E. HOGBEN.	(McLean, McGilchrist)
RADIO.	G. BOWEN.	(Crocker, Mullan, Bailey)
PHOTOGRAPHY	H. FAIRLIE-CUNNINGHAME.	(Brown, Draper)
EQUIPMENT.	B. UTTING. & B. CROCKER.	
GEOLOGY.	J. JENNINGS.	(A. Gallus, M. Innes)
ZOOLOGY.	J. EADIE.	(J. Maddern, C. Warner)
		(Incl, list of identifications).
BOTANY.	H. & D. ADAMSON.	(A. Hunt.)
ORNITHOLOGY.	F.K. ARCHER.	(P. Roberts, C. Warner)
ANTHROPOLOGY.	A. GALLUS	(R. Sexton, P. Rose)
AIR MOVEMENT, METEOROLOGY ETC	A. HUNT, L. BISHOP.	

If your name appears on the above list in brackets please see that your information and report goes direct to your Principal reporter, who can then incorporate all information for final reporting.

E. Hamilton-Smith.

NULLARBOR NEWSLETTER NO.5

I am sending out this newsletter as under the auspices of two societies, as the new Victorian society has undertaken the organisation of the expedition reunion.

Finance

You will all be pleased to hear that the expedition has not run itself into debts beyond our assets. With a narrow working margin and a few unforeseen emergencies, we were worried, but all is well. We have made a bonus payment to Bob Haines to recompense him in some measure for his bad luck during the trip.

Lost Property

Jack Love is holding a camera tripod in a leather case which was left behind at 69 South Terrace after the trucks were unloaded. Any claimant?

Reports

I would like to see reports and maps as soon as these can be prepared. Compilation and editing of final report cannot commence until these are all sent in. My address from now on is C/- Brotherhood of St. Laurence, 67 Brunswick Street, Fitzroy. N.6., Victoria.

Reunion 18th - 19th May.

At Rob Bailey's place, 15 Riverside Road, Ivanhoe, Victoria. Bring hike tent and usual camping gear - this means that you do not have to worry about booking for the reunion and paying hostel fees, etc. Just come along. Arrange your own catering, apart from tea on Saturday night, which we will organize.

Programme tentatively includes showing of slides and photographs, beano on Saturday night, and a short meeting to wind up business affairs and discuss the report. Primarily the reunion is an opportunity for all to meet up with friends made during the trip and discuss the experiences of the trip again, so programme will not be over full.

If you cannot locate Rob's place, phone him at JX1180. Nearest public transport is train to Darebin Station, and we can arrange to pick you up from there if you telephone.

On looking back

I feel now that the expedition succeeded beyond my expectations. The cooperation of all members of the party led to an efficiency which we had not anticipated. I am confident, from the letters I have received from a number of you, that it was also a success from the point of view of each member. So I would thank you, one and all, for your part in achieving this.

Yours, with caving best wishes,

Elery Hamilton-Smith.