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SOCIAL:

Bill Rouse's party on the 20th July was really something. For a complete, uncensored, unabridged account from beginning to end ask Malcolm W.

TRIP REPORTS:

Trip to the Caves of Buckalowie Creek, 8th-10th June, 1963:

The aims of the party on this trip were:

1. Exploration of Mairs (F3) and Clara St. Dora (F4) Caves.
2. Collection of fossil bones.
3. Cave searching in the area.

Geologically the trip was very successful and the dig that was started in 1957 was continued and many specimens were collected for the Museum. The only find during the cave search was a natural adit about a third of a mile west of Mair's Cave and the party thinks that it is doubtful that it extends for any great distance. Two small bats were seen in the area, one in each of the caves explored. It is reported that these caves are well worth travelling the long distance from Adelaide to see. (the slides taken of the hexetites certainly back that up).

Trip to Punyelroo 5th-7th July, 1963:

The purpose of this trip was to survey as much of the cave as possible and to train some more surveyors. The cave was also explored in the hope of finding further extensions. On the same trip three more caves were discovered, two at Bowhill and one at Murray Bridge.

The Discovery of the Bowhill Caves.

Bob Davies gave us his only map and we left Punyelroo on Saturday at lunchtime. The map was hopelessly inaccurate and we spent most of the afternoon looking for the ferry at Bowhill, before finding there wasn't one. At one stage we drove within 200 yards of the caves without knowing it. We finally obtained concrete directions from the storekeeper at Purnong, and located the caves at Dusk. Only two were investigated and there may be others.

PDC.

The Bowhill Caves occur in the cliffs along the Murray and are not very extensive. Y6 contained fauna - white crickets and small spiders. The Murray Bridge Cave is quite extensive but further exploration is stopped by the passage going below water level.

EMERGENCY RADIATOR REPAIRS

All South Australian trogs are only too well aware of the possibilities of our roads for minor casualties, such as blown tyres, busted springs, holed petrol tanks and even radiators. For the last item, the ubiquitous 'skid' or even 'Dawn' - no more than two sheets boiled to a pulp in a small billy, then top up with soapy water. Any South Australian water will do, as it is bound to contain ample calcium and magnesium to form the necessary extracts for plugging those leaks, the skid cannot cope with.

This mixture is boil-proof, engine safe, non-abrasive, hygienic, odour free and non-habit forming.

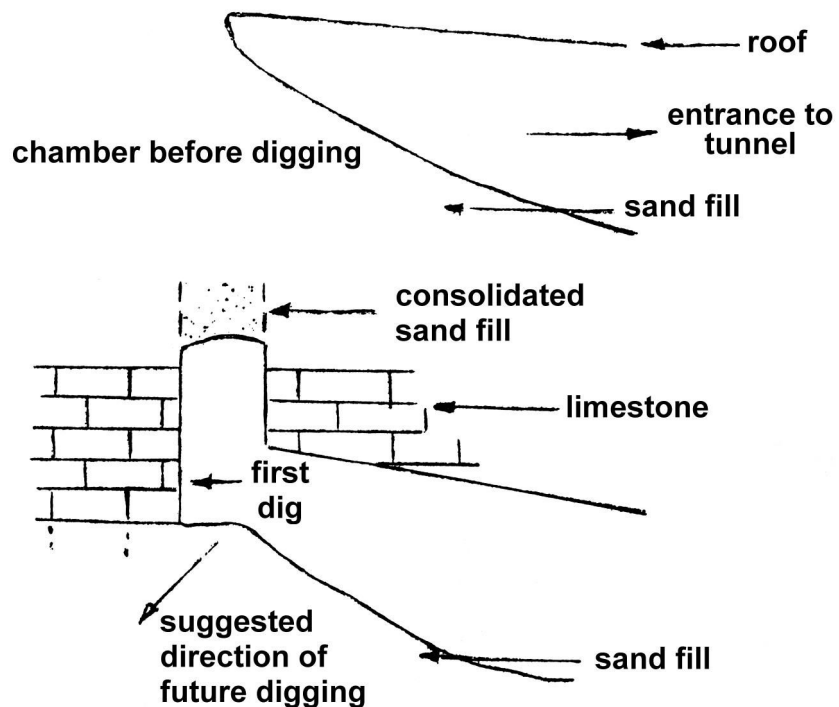
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IT REALLY WORKS

Fred.

DIG REPORTS:

Report on the Dig in Correll's Cave, Curramulka 18-19th May, 1963.
The Dig in Richard's Extension:



From a longitudinal section of the chamber it seems that the sediment came from the roof at the far end of the chamber. It is thought that the sand may have come down a hole at the intersection of two joint planes and that the chamber might continue on the other side of the joint planes. A dig was started but a rock face was exposed after digging a distance of approximately 5 ft. It is thought that further digging along the rock face (i.e. at right angles to it) might prove more profitable. The dig was also continued upwards towards the surface for about 5 ft.

Collection of Specimens.

Twenty-one skeletons were found in a small tunnel on the north side of the main corridor in the New Extension itself. These skeletons were complete and lying in natural positions on the floor of the passage.

Five of them were collected and taken back to Adelaide for identification. They were found to be possum and several small jaws collected were rodent. Several specimens of the trilobite Pararia were found in the limestone at the cave mouth.

WHR.

Report on Bone Collecting in Mair's Cave, Buckalowie Creek 8-10th June, 1963:

During the recent trip to Buckalowie Creek, many bones were collected from the floor of the main Chamber in Mairs Cave. Collecting was concentrated on skull material. Some time was spent removing two large skulls embedded in the flowstone floor, which on examination proved to be those of an ordinary kangaroo and possibly a bird.

A little time was spent deepening the 1957 dig and two hitherto unseen strata were penetrated, until lack of time and a flowstone layer prevented further digging. All the sediment taken from the strata was collected and later sifted - dozens of small teeth were collected, plus a few small jaws. Although a detailed examination has yet to be made of the bones collected from these layers, it is evident that they contain those of rodents. Previously it had been recorded that the remnants of rodents have not been found as low as this in the sequence.

Perhaps the most interesting specimen collected was a large well preserved skull of a 'Tasmanian Wolf'. This was found on a ledge on a wall of the main chamber, and it has since been ascertained that this was first found by members of the 1957 trip to the cave.

Dr. Brian Daily is in the process of identifying the bones and when this has been completed will send them to the South Australian Museum with a detailed report.

TROG THOUGHT:

How to Kill an Organization:

1. Don't come to meetings.
2. If you do, come late.
3. Find fault with the officers and members.
4. Never accept an office; it is easier to criticise than to do things.
5. Nevertheless, get annoyed if you aren't appointed to the committee.
6. If appointed to a committee don't attend its meetings.
7. If asked by the chairman to give your opinion say nothing, afterwards tell everyone how you think things should be done.
8. Do no more than necessary.
When others roll up their sleeves to help things along, say the club is run by a clique.
9. Hold back your dues as long as possible or don't pay at all.
10. Don't bother about getting members, but if you do, be sure they are moaners like yourself.

PROGRAMME for AUGUST - NOVEMBER 1963.

AUGUST:

Tuesday 20th Committee Meeting.
 Freddy's Place. 8 Wattlebury Road, Lower Mitcham.

Wednesday 21st General Meeting, National Fitness Council Rooms, Sth Tce

24-25th Tantanoola - to watch divers.
 Leader: Athol Jackson, 6 Hudson Ave, Rostrevor.

SEPTEMBER:

Tuesday 10th Committee Meeting,
 Phil Connard's Place, 31 Tennyson Ave, Tranmere.

14-15th Punyelroo - surveying.
 Leader: Bob Davies, 53 Cator Street, Glenside.
 At work, 80461, Ext-315.

Wednesday 25th General Meeting, National Fitness Council Rooms, Sth Tce
 Speaker, Miss E. Wollaston (Macquarie Island).

OCTOBER:

Tuesday 8th Committee Meeting,
 Bob Davies Place, 53 Cator Street, Glenside.

12-14th Flinders -- Wild Flower Weekend,
 Leader: V. Linke, 3 Napier St, Renown Park, - 46.3105.

Wednesday 23rd General Meeting, National Fitness Council Rooms, Sth Tce
 E.F.S. night.

NOVEMBER:

Tuesday 12th Committee Meeting,
 Noel Mollet's Place, 'Walpil', Amber Road, Hope Valley.

16-17th Curramulka.
 Leader: John Bishop, 11 Auburn Ave, Myrtle Bank. 79.5907

Wednesday 27th General Meeting, National Fitness Council Rooms, Sth Tce
 Police Rescue Squad.

Trip leaders must be notified at least seven days before the trip departs. Applications after this will only be considered if transport is available.

All non-members of the group who have attended 3 or more functions of the Group without paying associate membership fees, . will be charged normal trip fees Plus 7/6 if they attend future trips.

All correspondence re. trips to the Trip Leader, all other correspondence to the Secretary, C/O South Australian Museum, Nth Terrace, Adelaide.

Contact List:

Quartermaster - Athol Jackson, 6 Hudson Ave., Rostrevor.
All gear must be signed for, and a list of gear must be given to the quartermaster at least seven days before the trip departs.

Search and Rescue - Phil Connard, 37 Tennyson Ave, Tranmere, 31.7935.

President - John Bishop, 11 Auburn Ave, Myrtle Bank, 79.5907.

Secretary - Bob Davies, 53 Cater St, Glenside (sometimes available during the day at UX.2047)

CAVE EXPLORATION GROUP (S.A.)

NOTICE is hereby given that the following motions for the amendment of the Rules have been proposed and will be put before the General Meeting on Wednesday October 23rd, 1963:

- (i) "That 'All caving trips sanctioned by an official meeting of the Group (to be known as Official Trips) shall be under the control of an appointed leader, who shall submit a written report of the trip to the committee.'

Proposed by Phil Connard,
Seconded by Nigel Duncan.

- (ii) "That 'All Non-official Trips for which any property of the Group is hired or borrowed shall be subject to the Rules and Constitution of the Group, and may be required to submit a written report of the trip to the Committee.'

Proposed by Phil Connard,
Seconded by Nigel Duncan.

- (iii) 'That Rule 7 be amended to read, "Firearms and explosives are banned on all official and non-official trips except at the discretion of the Committee."

Proposed by Phil Connard,
Seconded by Judd McLean Smith.