CAVE EXPLORATION GROUP OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

NEWSLETTER APRIL - JUNE, 1964

EDITORIAL:

Last year saw a tremendous burst of activity and membership within the Group, and already 1964 promises to be another hardworking year. The newer members of the Group are fast becoming interested in the more specialized activities of the Group, such as bone digging and surveying.

Naracoorte, which was once the 'tourist' area is now producing tremendous amount of material for these 'extracurricular' activities. On every trip to the area this year some new discovery has been made, and this must be only a fraction of the speleological potential in the area. This is an example of what is being done in one area, and of the enthusiasm of some of the members.

This is the spirit that made C.E.G.S.A. what it was in the beginning, and that will keep it a large, active and respected Group in Australian Caving circles.

NOTICE:

MEMBERS ARE REMINDED THAT IN FUTURE ALL MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT THE NATIONAL FITNESS COUNCIL ROOMS, 70 SOUTH TCE, ADELAIDE ON THE FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH.

GENERAL MEETING REPORTS:

Meeting 22nd Jan. 1964.

Athol Jackson was asked to act as our delegate to the A.S.F. Committee Meeting in Melbourne on the 25th of Jan. meeting was concerned entirely with the business to be discussed at this meeting.

Annual General Meeting 26th Feb. 1964.

The following Committee was elected to hold office for 1964-65.

Athol Jackson President

Noel Mollet Vice President and Quartermaster.

Bob Davies Secretary Fred Sanders Advisory

Bob Sexton Library and Records

Ron Galbreath

Treasurer
Membership, Search & Rescue. Bill Rouse

Peter Aitken Museum Repredudd McLean-Smith Publications Museum Representative

Meeting 19th March, 1964.

There was some discussion on the outcome of the A.S.F. Committee Meeting, followed by a talk by Alan Hill on 'Kelly Hill Caves'.

PAST TRIP REPORTS:

Naracoorte, 7-8th December 1963.

Two new projects were started on this trip. One was the very productive dig in Haystall Cave and the other was Earth Resistance Surveying. The remainder of the party spent the weekend cleaning up the hut and looking at the caves in the area. On the Saturday night a very realistic search and rescue exercise was held in the Reserve Caves.

Naracoorte, 15-16th February 1964.

Several new caves were found behind the Victoria Tourist Cave, and some of the known caves were visited for the first tire for many years. Digging was continued in Haystall Cave, and some new and unexpected passages were found in Fox Cave.

Unofficial Trips:

Many such trips have been held in the last quarter. The main purpose for these has been to continue work commenced on official caving trips. In the main these trips were to Naracoorte to continue work on the dig in the Haystall Cave. Others were to Lake Hamilton where several new caves were discovered; to Curramulka where the 'fabled' by-pass of the rope was found; and to the Flinders areas of Buckalowie Creek and Narrina.

COMING TRIPS:

Kangaroo Island, 28th-30th March, 1964.

Leaders: Fred Sanders and John Bishop.

The party hopes to do some surveying and exploration at Kelly Hill, as well as doing some bushwalking and having a look at the coast.

Punyelroo, 18th-19th April, 1964.

Leader: Bob Davies.

The purpose of this trip is to continue the survey of the cave at Swan Reach.

Curramulka, 16-17th May, 1964.

Leader: Judd McLean-Smith.

There is a considerable amount of work to be done in Correll's Cave, and it is hoped that some of the more pressing problems such as gathering of rubbish below ground and surveying can be attended to.

Flinders Ranges, June Long Weekend, 1964.

Leader: Phil Connard.

The distinction and purpose of the trip has yet to be decided.

PLEA TO INTERESTED MEMBERS!

If anybody has anything of general interest to other members and suitable for publication in the Newsletter please would they send or give it to me. I NEED MORE MATERIAL (this is genuine) - J.McL-S.

TROG THOUGHT:

"Progress of knowledge: from cocksure ignorance to thoughtful uncertainty."

PROGRAMME, APRIL-JUNE, 1964.

April, 1964.

Thursday 2nd. General Meeting.

National Fitness Council Room, 70 South Tce at 8.00pm. Speaker: Noel Mollet 'Caving Practice & Techniques'.

Tuesday 21st. Committee Meeting.
Amber Road, Highbury.

18-19th. Punyelroo Trip, departs 7.00pm Kintore Avenue. Leader: Bob Davies, 53 Cator St Glenside, phone wk 8.0461 ext315

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Thursday 7th. General Meeting.

National Fitness Council Rooms, 70 South Tce at 8.00pm. Speakers W. Nichols from the Civil Defence Organisation (pending confirmation).

Tuesday 19th. Committee Meeting. 23 Humber Road, Osborne.

17-18th. Curramulka Trip, departs 7.00pm from Kintore Avenue. Leader: Judd McLean-Smith, 23 Humber Rd Osborne, phone 49-9256.

June, 1964.

Thursday 4th. General Meeting.

National Fitness Council Rooms at 8.00pm. Speaker: Mr. P.F.Lawson 'Bone Digging'. (Mr. Lawson is Senior Preparator at the South Aust. Museum, and was responsible for the removal of the first complete skeleton of Thylacoleo Carnifex from James Quarry Naracoorte).

Tuesday 16th. Committee Meeting. 237 Military Road, Henley South.

13-14-15th. Flinders Trip.
Leader. Phil Connard, 31 Tennyson Ave, Tranmere, phone 31.7935.

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The Quartermaster wishes to advise all trip leaders that due to long delays in returning gear, any gear not returned within ten days of a trip will have a weekly rental charged for it until returned.