CIRCULAR

9th. Dec. '58

Now that the Federation Conference is only two weeks ahead of us we would like to mention the following details:

During the whole conference including field trips, transport will be done by private cars. Due to the lower number of applications received this system will be cheaper, faster and more reliable.

Members intending to attend the conference are once again, and for the last time, asked to contact F. BROWN or M. de VRIES so that final arrangements can be made. During the three weeks that parties will be on field trips cars may be leaving Hobart to visit each of the parties for a few days or for the weekends. Hence members who wish to make use of these opportunities to do some caving with the visitors are asked to contact the secretary for further details.

DONT LEAVE IT TILL THE LAST MINUTE, WE ARE BUSY EVEN IF YOUR NOT!

## CAVE RESCUE.

During the Federation meet David Elliott, 305 Strickland Ave., phone. 2-0234 (home), J 1335 (bus) will be Organiser and all messages from parties in the field will be sent to him. If the occasion should arise members will be called upon to fill vacancies in the rescue parties. Rescue work is organised on a three car basis; the first car, leaving Hobart within one hour will take a medical officer and a small party of experienced cavers, the second car will wait to collect such equipment as may be needed and the third car will stand-by until called. All field parties will be equipped with the best medical kit available. We hope neither the kit nor the rescue will be needed.

The club will hold its Christmas party on Friday the 19th. December at the home of Mr. & Mrs Dell. Latham, Rosny. Members must contact the secretary before the 17th. so that we know how many are coming. (We dont want to waste the beer !)

The Saturday and Sunday following a small party will go to Ida Bay. Probably leave on Saturday afternoon for obvious reasons!

M.R.de VRIES

## CONFERENCE ORGANISER'S BLAST.

We have a membership list of 40 persons. So far, and there is only a fortnight to go, the response from this club has not been bad, not by any means bad, thats the wrong word its been SHOCKING!! Were is everybody? We have had two years notice of this affair and still only the same old stalwarts turn up at meetings and working bees, we still need <u>YOUR</u> assistance either at the conference or in the field trips or in transport or somewhere. Application forms were sent out to all of you and I blush to say that I have only received TWO (2) replies although

I know more people intend coming, Let us have something definite please.

Up to now we have arranged a home for the conference, catering and entertainment are also in hand. We have organised three good field trips. We have an area officer for each area but no offsiders to help him and to show off our caves to the visitors. We need 2 or 3 more cars to take people to and from areas even if the cars do not stay with the parties we need them on "moving days"

There will be a brief meeting at the Christmas party on the 19th. and even if you havent been caving for some time you are still part of the club. What about attending or at least getting in touch to see what you can do?

CONFERENCE OPENS ON 27th DECEMBER AND THATS NOT FAR OFF !
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