[TASMANIAN CAVERNEERING CLUB]

Circular October 1959

The Annual Dinner has come and gone once again. Eighteen members enjoyed dinner at the Travellers Rest and supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Latham. It was good to have Mrs. Howe and Elsie with us on this occasion.

Several trips to Mole Creek have been held recently and some survey work done in Croesus where the farthest passage was explored until progress was prevented through lack of equipment. A new hole has been found behind Howe's farm and this has yet to be fully investigated. Baldocks Cave was also visited and fully surveyed.

NEW MEMBERS Leon Shaw

PROSPECTIVES Gill Murdoch, E. ("Sib", pronounced "Zib")
McIntyre, Henk (pronounced "Hank") Meerding, Steven Stokes.

So far their experience with the club has not induced a withdrawal of application for membership.

<u>Mailing List</u> If your address or phone number has recently changed it would be much appreciated if you would advise the Secretary at once.

Christmas Trip Up the Gordon - 26th December to 1st January. Launch as transport from Strahan and headquarters. At least one cave guaranteed - others highly probable. Magnificent scenery. Companionship of fellow maniacs. Inclusive cost of £10 return to Hobart. Possibly lower cost if sufficient in the party. Don't miss this. Book early with Frank Brown - go on, get busy!

FORWARD PROGRAMME

31st Oct.-1st Nov. Flowery Gully. Leader, F. Brown.

14th/15th Nov. Working Bee, Hastings. Leader, D. Latham. 28th/29th Nov. Track cutting, Ida Bay. Leader, M. de Vries.

12th/13th Dec. Bone Pit. Leader, F. Brown.

SOCIAL PROGRAMME

8th Dec. General Meeting at Fay Peterson's home, 8

Swanston St., New Town.

18th Dec. Christmas Party at home of Ron Kent, Tranmere

Rd., Howrah.

Extracts from N.S.S. News

More Cave Stamps: Two new 10 yen Japanese stamps depict formations of the Akiyoshi area. The stamps are multicoloured. One shows the great column called Ohgonbashire (Golden Pillar) of Akiyoshi Cave and the other is a view of Karrenfelder (Karenfuyerudo in Japanese) on the surface of the Akiyoshi Plateau. Helps the tourist trade without a doubt.

Atomic Project "Gnome" in New Mexico: Much interest has been aroused by the proposed detonation of a nuclear device at a depth of 1200 ft. beneath the salt flats 25 miles south east of Carlsbad. The effect of the explosion at the Carlsbad Caverns 25 miles away is not expected to be perceptible, though equivalent to 10,000 tons of TNT. An earthquake in 1932 in West Texas was felt by cavern visitors, but no damage was caused.

INACTIVE MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE Members desiring to become Associate Members are requested to sign the enclosed application form and return it to the Secretary, Fay Peterson, together with relevant subscriptions. Associate members will receive circulars and Annual reports, but not Bulletins and similar publications, which, however, may be purchased separately. An Associate member is entitled to attend two trips a year. You are reminded that 3 years full membership is required for eligibility. [F]