CIRCULAR OF THE TASMANIAN CAVENEERING CLUB DECEMBER 1964 — JANUARY 1965

The Committee takes this opportunity in wishing all members and our many friends a very happy christmas, and safe caving in the coming year.

New Members

It is very pleasing to see some new members about to enter our ranks, these come in the form of boys from New Town High. These boys have had a good basic training through the recent Edinburgh Award. Mike Jagoe has done his share with these boys now it is up to members to take them on trips, as our list of active cavers has dwindled in the past year.

Social Notes

After many farewells, John and Juneen McCormack have finally left us for Sydney. It was very disappointing to see them go as John has been a very active member over the past year. With one gone, another has returned. Welcome home to Jim Peterson who has been in Canada for two years. Hope to see him caving again soon.

The Launceston dinner was held on Saturday 21st November. Unfortunately only three members from South were able to make the trip. Reports were the dinner went off very well, but the weather couldn't have been worse.

Letters this week included one from Albert would like a trip to Exit cave over christmas. Anyone interested make up a party, he will be here on boxing day. The second letter was from Haystack (I mean Michael) who is in Valencia, on his way to South Georgia. He will be back here in Mach and would like us to take all his mates to Hastings for the day. Yes Please! Our congratulations to Sally and Carl Clayton and Kay and Barry James whose troubles are about to be little ones. Also best wishes to Sieneke and Adrian who are getting spliced early in the new year.

Trip Report

On a recent trip up the coast, our hard working Vice Pres. was told of a very deep hole in the St. Mary's area. .Also he saw two more holes in the Flowery Gully district close to the former cave which was blasted. These reports have been investigated. A party of three, D. Seymour, C. Morris and Sally Salier, went to Flowery Gully only to find that both caves had been blown through the previous week — so much for that. The second one was investigated by a party of four on 27th and 28th of November — B. James, P. Braybon, R. Cockerill and I Halton. This turned out to be Bottomless Hole well known to St. Mary's residents. It was a shaft 120 ft. deep with a passage running off for eight to ten feet — does not call for any further investigation. Party then went scrub-bashing for the remainder of Saturday but nothing of interest was found. Party left St. Mary's for Mole Creek at 6 p.m.

Donations for Hut

Any old chairs and tables hanging around your house that you don't need, bring then to Mole Creek, as we have four empty rooms.

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Forward Programme

Weekend Dec. 12th-13th Mole Creek. This will be a weekend

for the New Town High boys, approx. 7 members so please do your best to be there. Transport will be needed.

Thursday Dec. 18th Committee Meeting.

Christmas Trip - 26th Dec. Mole Creek.

3rd Jan. Some members will be at Mole Creek

for the ten days so if you have a few days to spare drop in, there will be plenty of company and plenty

of work.

Weekend Jan 16th-17th Florentine

Thursday Jan 28th General Meeting

Weekend Jan 30th-31st Mole Creek

Remember we still meet at the Barclay every Thursday night, come along and bring a friend.

Obituary

It is with deep regret that we inform our members of the sudden death of Miss Elsie Howe, and extend our sincere sympathy to Mr & Ms. Howe and family.