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Our New Committee.

There was quite a crowd at the annual general meeting and seats were in short supply. The following people were elected to the new committee.

President: Albert Goede, 8 Bath Street, Battery Pt. 7000.

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Committee: Bill Hodge, 18 Scott Street, Glebe. Bus. 34 1180.

Dick Chuter, Geeveston. Home: 27. Bus. 227.

Rodney Hughes, 79 Poets Road, West Hobart. Bus. 20 8372,  
or 20 8534.

Subscriptions.

Many members have not yet paid their subscriptions. Make the treasurers life easy by sending your cheque NOW. Or pay your money to Rodney Hughes who is acting treasurer until Peter and Joan Brabon return from the wilds of Northern Australia. Get your new membership card. Details of subs. are given in last Spiel. Plans for the Future.

At present it looks as if Mole Creek will get more attention this year than it has had for some time. Photography is gaining in popularity with our members, and what better place could you find for a shutter bug. The long talked-about climbing pole is finally on the way. The material has arrived and we hope to have it operating in time for the winter season at Mole Creek. It should add a little spice to our caving.

Most of the Exit Cave team seems to have disappeared to the four corners of the earth and Brian is looking for volunteers to fill the ranks. Don't let it be said that any cave ever got the better of us!!!

Club News.

+ The following were accepted as full members, at the annual general meeting (provided they pay their subs).

Tim Walden-Brown

Bernard Howe

Judy Robinson

Simon Stevens.

You know our club motto - "You don't have to be mad but it helps".

+ Prospective members:

Kevin Kipling, c/o A.T. Baker, Browns Road, Kingston. Home: 5 6229.

Anne Young, c/o Nurse's Home, R.H.H., Argyle St., Hobart.

Kerry Holloway, University of Tasmania.

Kevin needs no introduction since he made headlines in the local paper when arriving on the "Fairsky" recently carrying a helmet on top of his pack. He has earned his caving "spurs" in the Mendips of England and his ten minute colour film on caving in Britain was a great success at the annual general meeting. We were all impressed by his numerous dives through siphons. Never fear, we'll find him some good ones in Tassie!!!

+ New names: It was decided to name the deepest of the three pots explored in the Florentine in January as Tassie Pot, because the outline of the entrance looks like the shape of Tasmania when seen from the bottom of the first pitch. The other two pots will not be named.

+ Allan Keller has left on a climbing holiday around Australia. We've heard he is coming back at the end of three months to pay his last respects to Exit Cave before going to New Zealand.

+ Robin Booth is sampling the delights of the Queensland coast to give him strength to take over the job of quartermaster next month. Bill Hodge remains acting quartermaster until he returns.

+ Brian Collin had a short spell in hospital with a bad back, - the result of leaning out of bed one morning to pick up a sock. (Moral: Never take your socks off before going to bed.) He is now back in harness but sitting down is out. We expect to see a lot of surface exploration done in the next few months.

TRIP REPORTS.

March 31 - Surface exploration at Damper Inn.

Party: Albert Goede(leader), Dick Chuter, Simon Stephens, Janet Hansen, Robin Booth, Judy Robinson, Bernard Howe and Bill Hodge. This was the shortest trip ever. We left Hobart at 8 a.m. with weather overcast but dry. It started to rain when we reached the beginning of the Scotts Peak Rd. We decided to follow the road to see if it cut the old Port Davey track instead of following the track straight away as apparently we should have done. We all got soaking wet and returned to the cars an hour later - our spirits rather dampened. One conclusion can be drawn: " It's damper out at Damper Inn than in at Damper Inn."

A.Goede.

April 6(Saturday) This was supposed to be a ladder practice for new and prospective members at Sphinx Rock. The only ones who turned up were Dick Chuter, Bill Hodge and Rodney Hughes. Their trip report is unprintable!!!

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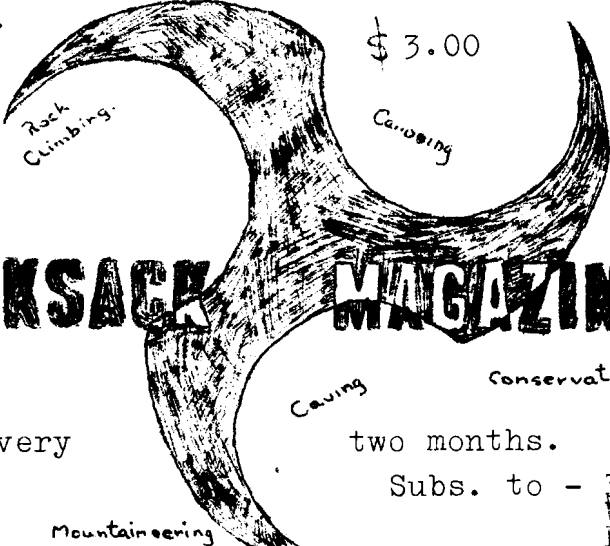
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Forward Programme.

April 28(Sunday) - Surface exploration at Damper Inn if weather suitable, otherwise caving in Florentine Valley. Leader:- A.Goede.

May 7(Tuesday) - General Meeting at 2 Nightingale Avenue, Tarooma at 8 p.m.

May 11 - 12 - Photographic trip to Mole Creek. Acting leader - Dick Chuter.

May 25 - 26 - Weekend trip to Ida Bay.

June 4 (Tuesday) - General meeting at 8 Bath Street, Battery Point at 8 p.m.

June 8,9,10 - Long weekend trip to Mole Creek. Party leader training. Leader: P.Brabon.

" Typists plea! - Someone please get me a \$ key for typewriter!! "