UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SPELAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY CIRCULAR TO MEMBERS

New Year Party

This will be held at the hut as usual. Please inform the Secretary if you wish to attend.

Yorkshire Expedition

A Yorkshire trip is proposed for the period 2nd Jan. To 6th Jan. 1963. Members wishing to go on the trip are asked to inform the Secretary as soon as possible.

Ireland

A party will be returning to Co. Clare from 4th July to 22nd July. Will those interested please inform E.K. Tratman and state if they will have their own transport or will be dependant on the general transport. Priority is given to student members in the latter.

A small party will be going to Ireland to prospect for new areas for the Society to work on. This expedition will take place during the Easter holidays. The base base of operations will first be at Sligo. This is primarily a reconnaissance trip. Thos einterested should contact E.K. Tratman.

It is possible that by July 1963 an air car ferry service will be in operation between Lulsgate airport and Shannon airport.

G.B. Cave

The survey of the Ladder Dig and the Bottom Dig shows that the ends of the two passages are approximately over one another and separated vertically by about 30ft. so that the boulders of the Bottom Dig probably run up to form the floor at the Ladder Dig end.

Proceedings

Vol. 9, No. 3. Your attention is drawn to the slip enclosed with your copy showing that offprints are available of the principle articles.

Personal

Most members will be aware of the tragic death of Jack Waddon in a diving accident at the Mineries Pool, Priddy. He leaves a wife and two very young children to be brought up on a very inadequate income. A joint fund has been set up by the Wessex Cave Club, the Bristol Exploration Club and the Cave Diving Group, of which clubs Jack Waddon was a member, to provide assistance especially over the next few months.

It is hoped that as many members as possible will contribute to this fund, which, it is suggested, should, for this Christmas, take precedence over all other claims for assistance.

The administrators of the fund are Mr. Mike Thompson and Mr. Phil Davies. Cheques should be made payable to either of them and sent to Mr. Davies at 'Morley', Silver Street, Nailsea, Bristol.

Members are asked to note that, until further notice, catering at, and food supplies for, the hut are to be organised 'en masse' since it is more economical to buy food in bulk. Members visiting the hut need not therefore bring food supplies, but are asked to contribute financially towards the cost of the meals; they are earnestly requested to inform the Secretary in advance if they intend to spend a weekend at the hut.

The Sessional meeting on Monday, 18th February, 1963: The Speaker will be Mr. Leslie Alcock, M.A., F.S.A., on 'Dinas Powys', an Iron Age, Dark Age, and Early Mediaeval Settlement in Glamorgan.

> T.J. Hill Hon Secretary.

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