

UNITED KINGDOM CAVE CONSERVATION AND EMERGENCY FUND

TREASURER'S REPORT AND ANNUAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE
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The United Kingdom Cave Conservation and Emergency Fund (UKCCEF) is a charitable fund administered by the British Cave Research Association as a constituent member of the British Caving Association (BCA). The objectives of the Fund are to support, by loans or grants, projects which further the conservation of caves and cave features, including historic mines and other places of speleological interest within the United Kingdom. It is administered, in accordance with its original 1983 Constitution, by its Committee and Treasurer.

Committee Members

The Committee consists of 5 members. Committee members are appointed by the BCRA Council, normally for a five year term, from amongst candidates proposed and seconded by individual voting representatives of constituent bodies on the BCA executive. The nomination and appointment of Committee members has not been kept up-to-date in recent years, although the people listed below have in practice continued to serve on the Committee. The Committee's membership is being updated as part of the process of amending the fund's constitution (see later).

Committee members during the year were as follows:

	End of Term of Office
Tony Jarrett	2005
Elsie Little	2003
Pete Mellors	2007
Phil Parker	2005
Joanne Whistler	2007

Treasurer

The Treasurer is appointed by the BCRA Council for a five year term. Graham Price resigned as Treasurer on 20 June 2005 and Julian Griffiths was appointed in his place.

Review of the Year

During the period the Fund's accounting year end was changed from 31st December to 31st March. This was to bring the Fund's year end in line with that of BCRA as the Fund's accounts are incorporated into the accounts of BCRA. The Treasurer's Report and Annual Accounts are, therefore, for the fifteen months to 31st March 2006.

There were no formal applications to the Fund during the period to 31st March 2006 (2004 none). Income from interest for the fifteen month period was £ 814 (2004, 12 months £570). At the period end the value of the Fund stood at £16,723 (2004 £15,909).

It is the policy of the Committee to actively seek donations and contributions and any suggestions or offers in this respect will be greatly appreciated.

Changes to the Constitution

The Fund's constitution has remained unchanged since it was first agreed in 1983. The recent changes in the structure of British caving, including the demise of the National Caving Association (NCA) and the creation of the British Caving Association (BCA), require the UKCCEF constitution to be updated. Rather than simply replace all references to NCA with BCA, the Committee has undertaken a full review of the constitution. The proposed new constitution is being finalised, and it is hoped that it will go to a postal vote of BCRA members (as required by the current constitution) by the end of 2006.

New website

The domain ukccef.org.uk has been acquired and the new UKCCEF website is now available at this address. The site's webmaster is David Gibson, who updates the site with information provided by the Committee.

Other Information

Information about the Fund including the Treasurer's Report and Annual Accounts is available on the Fund's website at www.ukccef.org.uk. The official email address for contacting the Fund is enquiries@ukccef.org.uk.

ACCOUNTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31ST MARCH 2006

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31ST MARCH 2006

	15 Months to 31 st March 2006	Year to 31 st December 2004
	£	£
INCOME		
Interest Received	814	570
EXPENDITURE	0	0
SURPLUS TRANSFERRED TO ACCUMULATION ACCOUNT	<u>814</u>	<u>570</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 2006

	At 31 st March 2006	At 31 st December 2004
	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS		
Bank Account	16,723	15,909
NET ASSETS	<u>16,723</u>	<u>15,909</u>
ACCUMULATED FUND		
At 1 st January 2005	15,909	15,339
Surplus from Income and Expenditure Account	814	570
Balance at 31 st March 2006	<u>16,723</u>	<u>15,909</u>

These accounts were approved by the Committee and signed on their behalf on 15th August 2006

J T Griffiths Treasurer