UNITED KINGDOM CAVE CONSERVATION AND EMERGENCY FUND

TREASURER'S REPORT AND ANNUAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31ST MARCH 2007

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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. Julian Griffiths was appointed as Treasurer on 20 June 2005.

Review of the Year

Last year 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 2006 Treasurer's Report and Annual Accounts were, therefore, for the fifteen months to 31st March 2006.

There were no formal applications to the Fund during the period to 31^{st} March 2007 (2006 none). Income from interest for the year was £706 (2006, 15 months £814). At the period end the value of the Fund stood at £17,429 (2006 £16,723).

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 will go to a postal vote of all UK voting members of BCRA by the end of 2007.

Website

The domain ukccef.org.uk has been acquired and the 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 YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2007

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31^{ST} MARCH 2007

	Year to 31 st March 2007 £	15 Months to 31 st March 2006 £
INCOME Interest Received	706	814
EXPENDITURE	0	0
SURPLUS TRANSFERRED TO ACCUMULATION ACCOUNT	706	814

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 2007

	At 31 st March 2007	At 31 st March 2006
	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS Bank Account	17,429	16,723
NET ASSETS	17,429	16,723
ACCUMULATED FUND		
At 1 st April 2006	16,723	15,909
Surplus from Income and Expenditure Account	706	814
Balance at 31 st March 2007	17,429	16,723

These accounts were approved by the Committee and signed on their behalf on 15th August 2007

J T Griffiths Treasurer