

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 by its Committee and Treasurer.

Committee Members

The Fund's Committee is responsible for considering requests for grants and loans from the Fund. Committee members are appointed by BCRA Council, normally for a five-year term, from amongst candidates nominated by the BCA Regional Caving Councils. 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 will be updated as part of the process of amending the Fund's constitution (see below).

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

During the year the Fund's accounting year end was changed from 31st March to 31st December. 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 2007 Treasurer's Report and Annual Accounts were, therefore, for the nine months to 31st December 2007.

There were no formal applications to the Fund during the period to 31st December 2007 (31st March 2007 none). Income from interest for the period was £672 (31st March 2007 £706). At the period end the value of the Fund stood at £18,101 (31st March 2007 £17,429).

Changes to the Constitution

The Fund's constitution had remained unchanged since it was first agreed in 1983. The 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), required the UKCCEF constitution to be updated. Rather than simply replace all references to NCA with BCA, the Committee undertook a full review of the constitution. The proposed new constitution was subject to a postal ballot of all BCRA individual members, which took place in autumn 2007. The ballot papers were counted at the BCRA Council meeting on 18 November 2007. The result of the ballot was that the new constitution was approved, and this is now available on the UKCCEF website, www.ukccef.org.uk.

The Committee's membership had not yet been updated at the end of 2007, but this will be done during 2008.

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 DECEMBER 2007

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2007

	9 Months to 31 st December 2007	Year to 31 st March 2007
	£	£
INCOME		
Interest Received	672	706
EXPENDITURE	0	0
SURPLUS TRANSFERRED TO ACCUMULATION ACCOUNT	<u>672</u>	<u>706</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2007

	At 31 st December 2007	At 31 st March 2007
	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS		
Bank Account	18,101	17,429
NET ASSETS	<u>18,101</u>	<u>17,429</u>
ACCUMULATED FUND		
At 1 st April 2007	17,429	16,723
Surplus from Income and Expenditure Account	672	706
Balance at 31 st December 2007	<u>18,101</u>	<u>17,429</u>

These accounts were approved by the Committee and signed on their behalf on 1st December 2008

J T Griffiths Treasurer