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1. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held at the Gwyn Arms, Easter Sunday 1960.

Election of Officers and Committee for 1960.

President.	Dr. F.J. North. O.B.E., D.Sc., F.G.S., F.M.A.
Vice-Presidents.	Brig. E.A. Glennie. C.I.E., D.S.O. Mr. A.H. Hill. Dr. D.A. Bassett.
Hon. Members.	T. Ashwell Morgan, Dr. A.J.R. Hudson, C. Powell, Mr. & Mrs. J. Barrows, Mrs. G. Price, G. Platten.
Chairman.	Dr. E. Aslett.
Hon. Secretary.	D.W. Jenkins.
Hon. Ast. Secretary.	V. de Graaf.
Hon. Treasurer.	L.A. Hawes.
Hon. Editor.	B. de Graaf.
Hon. Records Officer.	Mrs. A. Williams.
C.R.O. and Tackle Officer.	G. Clissold.
Cottage Warden.	B. Fenn.
Committee.	J. Barrows, W.H. Little, C. Jones.
Hon. Auditor.	J.M. Davies.

2. HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

As usual it gives me the very greatest pleasure to see you all at this Annual General Meeting, which has been blessed by such wonderful weather. I think that one of the joys of an A.G.M. is the number of old friends which one meets.

Once again it is the occasion when the Hon. Secretary has his annual nagging session at the members of the Club and in doing so he tries to assess whether or not the standard of the Club has risen or fallen during the past twelve months. Before doing this, however, it is my most pleasant duty to fulfill a suggestion made in my last report, to welcome Dr. D.A. Bassett as a Vice-President of the Club. As many of you will know Dr. Bassett succeeded our President, Dr. F.J. North as Keeper of Geology at the National Museum of Wales in Cardiff, and in his acceptance of the Vice-Presidency a happy and important link between the Club and the Museum is maintained. On your behalf I hope that we shall see him at the Club.

Figures given to me by the Hon. Treasurer and about which you will be hearing more later on show that membership has risen to 124 counting joint members as one with five resignations.

Last year I divided my report into two parts, caving and in a sense non-caving. I shall do the same this year and start with caving. Early in the year came news of an important archeological discovery at Ogof Foel Fawr. Some 200 ft. of new passage was added to the cave and in the chamber was found a quantity of bones which we are led to believe belong to Bos Primogenius although this is not yet certain. This in many ways has been the most important find of the year and it should encourage further exploration in the area. The only cloud which has been cast over the discovery is the lack of a slim archeologist. If anyone knows of one then we shall be only too pleased to meet him or her.

The well-known Pulpit Hole suffered at the hands of Bill Harris and others, with the result that a new section has been added and two new pitches. The only requirement for this is fanatical enthusiasm and a love for the quagmire of orange mud which deters all but the brave.

Blaen Onneu near Crickhowell was attacked jointly with the British Nylon Spinners Caving Section and this has now developed into a respectable 'pot'. I hope to see a full report of this at an early date.

Apart from one important exception which I shall mention later our digging has been confined to Cwmdwr Quarry. The whole show has been re-organised and the tripod brought into use. At the time of writing a promising draught has been located and I hope that we shall soon have the good fortune to break into the system.

Early in the caving year an approach was made by the B.B.C. to televise a 'live' caving programme. We have been assured that this will take place but just when I do not know. However the Cave Diving members of the Club were involved with the T.V. opposition in the programme from Wookcy Hole. I am glad to observe that they have not been contaminated by commercialisation.

This year has been free from any major mishap, although trouble was experienced in taking a party of scouts through O.F.D. The leaders, Gwyn Sanders, Tom Davies and Arnold Jones performed a wonderful job in keeping the party moving. It is significant that last week I received a letter from the Cave Research Group on the subject of Scouts and caving. It would seem that there is a need for experienced cavers from clubs in different areas to give a course in caving to senior scouts so that they in their turn will be able to teach and guide others. The committee next year will have to consider this matter and I recommend to them that they offer the services of the Club to the Scout Movement in South Wales. Since I wrote this report it has been learnt that Hush Passage is not safe and that steps are going to be taken to put this right.

In connection with Cave Rescue, I must say how glad I am that the Club has now an efficient organisation for dealing with rescues outside our area. I am sure that the Cave Rescue Officer will tell you more about this, and the important meeting at Settle.

Whilst I was glad to record no major mishap I cannot say the same thing about litter. Parts of O.F.D. are in a disgusting state and considering that every party is taken in by one of our leaders then I feel that I must ask them not only to set a good example but not to hesitate to take any measures they may think fit to keep not only O.F.D. but all our caves in a clean state.

I shall now comment on our relationships with the local landowners. About Dan-yr-Ogof and Tunnel Cave I am sorry I have nothing to say although I know that not only in your minds but in the minds of the local inhabitants there must be plenty to think about. Pant Mawr and the proposed water scheme are well in hand although no fresh developments have taken place recently. As in all cases I must ask members and friends to see that digs are protected and if abandoned then filled in. We must respect the owners wishes and, in the case of Pant Mawr moor it would seem that co-operation between the Estate Manager and the S.W.C.C. can be established on a sound footing. A fence is going to be erected around Pant Mawr with a style for cavers to use. I should be grateful if members would help to see that the fence is kept in a good state of repair.

The talks between the H.C.C., B.N.S. and ourselves and the Nature Conservancy about Agen Allwedd have shown what can be done with intelligent thought and co-operation on both sides. The situation at the moment is that the cave will be gated in Agen Allwedd and Ogof Gam and that the main entrance will be through Ogof Gam. The three clubs will each have a key and any other parties or persons wishing to enter the cave will have to apply to the Nature Conservancy. It is at this point that I wish to refer to another caving

operation. Under the leadership of Clive Jones the connection between Ogof Gam and Agen Allwedd has been established or should I say opened up. Now our way is clear to proceed with the gating operations. Clive and all his helpers which include members from all three South Wales Clubs and Harold Lord who brought along his drill deserve our heartiest congratulations. The gates are being made by Inett Homes who is also supervising the purchase of locks.

Some future events must be noted. I wish to congratulate Ann Williams on going to Milan to read a paper on 'Moon-milk' at the International Speleological Conference and although it is not a Club venture I wish every success to the party of S.W.C.C. members who are going to attack a new pothole in Yugoslavia next year. Later in the year we shall be arranging trips in conjunction with the British Association for the Advancement of Science when it meets in Cardiff.

I want especially to congratulate our Editor for on looking through the newsletters for the past year I really feel that you have had your money's worth and that the standard set has been really high. Brian has done a wonderful job helped by his able assistant Valerie.

Usually the Hon. Secretary grumbles at his job and wonders why such a thing should have happened to him. This year, however it is not the case, for I regard it as a privilege and an honour to have been Hon. Secretary of this Club and to watch the growth of our Penwyllt H.Q. About the financial side I shall say nothing except that Les has worked a miracle. On your behalf I wish to thank him for his untiring efforts. To try and thank everyone who has worked there is now impossible but it has been wonderful to see so many of the older members come and give a hand. I appeal to all those who have not yet helped to come and do so. It is their H.Q. and the least they can do is to send a donation or come and do some painting. This particularly applies to some of our younger members who seem to think it beneath them, or a waste of time. At the present stage it is as important to prepare a room for decoration as it is to do some difficult traverse in a cave. The end is insight and the Planning Committee under the able leadership of Brian de Graaf will be able to rest on their well earned laurels, but not for too long for we must then turn our attentions once again to the aims and objects of the S.W.C.C. - caving. To express all this in a popular phrase - "You've never had it so good".

I have probably left something out of this report or I failed to mention someone I ought to have done. If so I am sorry and I hope that they will forgive me. I will not however forget to thank my committee who in the past year have looked so well after your interests and especially must I thank my assistant Secretary Valerie de Graaf without whose help my job would have been many times more difficult. Finally thank you all for listening so patiently.

D.W. Jenkins 1960.

REPORT OF THE HON. TREASURER

Mr. Chairman and Members,

Not having an appropriate Dai and Yanto story available this year, I'll start telling you what I want you to believe these figures mean.

Starting with the Statement of Income and Expenditure, you'll notice that once again the Cottage has brought us a good profit. Expenditure is slightly up on last year's figure but Cottage Fees have increased to more than offset this. The steady increase of approx. 100 bed/nights per year has been maintained and last year the figure reached 1,242 bed/nights, of which 70% was attributable to members.

General Expenses also show an increase but this is covered by the increased income from Subscriptions due to new membership. This brings us down to the Gross Surplus, which looks very healthy and is, in fact, only £1 lower than last year's. So far so good. If you follow this figure down into the next account you'll see that it has had to provide a reserve to meet a disputed liability for General Rates on our New HQ and has also had to meet the deficiency on the New HQ Development Fund. The Net Surplus brought down after this tussle between the debits and credits is much reduced and one wonders, in accordance with the old proverb, if we'd kicked it about much more whether we'd have got rid of it altogether.

Adding our Net Surplus to last year's balance we start the new year with a General Fund balance of £92 which has to form our working balance throughout the year.

Overleaf you'll find a new feature in the publication of the New HQ Development Fund transactions. The inclusion of this detailed account has meant condensing the Balance Sheet somewhat but since the Fund has been supported by voluntary donations from members I feel it is right and proper for all to see how the money has been spent. The deficit for the year is a large one and even after bringing in last year's balance and (this may sound a bit Irish) the closing balance on the old New HQ Fund, a pretty hefty contribution has had to be made from our General Account. Incidentally, many members nominated the objects on which their donations should be spent but they will appreciate that it has not always been possible to comply with their suggestions. For example, if we had followed our instructions to the letter, the end five cottages would now be equipped with thirty flushing W.C's. of varying comfort and ornamentation and our septic tank would be rivalling the proposed Head-of-the-Neath Reservoir. I can only assume that this insatiable demand for sanitation stems from the hygienic influence of our Chairman. At least Penwyllt won't be worried by the efficiency drive in refuse collection taking place over the border where the dustcarts now go about displaying the notice "Satisfaction guaranteed or double your rubbish back" !!

The Balance Sheet displays all the usual features but in less detail this year. Two items call for comment. The Penwyllt property is again shown at cost pending completion of the conversion work when the new value can be ascertained. Practically all the £14 Cottage Fees outstanding are those due for the month of February, which it is not possible to collect and bank before the end of the Club's year. Last year's figure amounted to just over £8 and this has all been collected - despite my natural reluctance in this distasteful business of collecting money.

Now for a summing up of our position. Last year I said that we were entering the first phase of the New HQ development in a sound position. Thanks to this good start and to the magnificent support given by 60% of our members, we are now within sight of completion with a little still in the kitty. With the kitchen to be fitted out, paint, plaster, insulating board, more timber and new windows still to be purchased, we can't hope to make out on our funds in hand and still keep an adequate working balance. Unfortunately, the sources of income available to the Club are very limited. Firstly, although the costs of running the New HQ will be higher than of running our existing hovel, an increase in Cottage Fees will not, I feel, be necessary or indeed appropriate since any such increase will penalise our active members who have done most of the work at Penwyllt. Secondly, since the extra cash we need is for one year only, an increase in the rate of Annual Subscription is not an effective way of raising money since it means altering our Constitution with the accompanying expense of amendment slips for Rule Books etc. Thirdly, a further general appeal for donations is not justified since there is no reason to suppose that the 46 members who gave nothing in response to the previous appeal will respond any more generously on a second occasion. In any case, those members who have given should not be called upon to foot the whole bill for a second time.

With roughly the same amount of help from our General Fund next year, I estimate that an extra £30 is needed to get the job paid for in the year. This works out at 5/- per head on our membership and, with the backing of the Committee, this small sum is what I propose to collect from each member with his or her Sub. The cost of collection is therefore low and no-one can say that individual hardship is likely to be caused by this levy. It will also save me having to give a lot of change to those of you present who usually pay your dues after the Meeting. If anyone who gave nothing last year offers more than five bob I'll take it !!

My thanks to my fellow Club Officers, to the Chairman, and to the Committee. A difficult year which could have been so much more difficult without their enthusiastic support and backing. You often hear about Working Committees being set up ... never was a truer word spoken !!

Les. Hawes. Hon. Treasurer.
17th April, 1960.

SOUTH WALES CAVING CLUB

Statement of Income & Expenditure
for the Year ended 29th February, 1960.

<u>Expenditure</u>	£. s. d.	<u>Income</u>	£. s. d.
<u>Cottage Expenses</u>			
Electricity	4. 14. 1.		
Coal	3. 19. 6.		
Calor Gas	11. 19. 3.		
Fire Insurance	3. 10. 2.		
Sundry Expenses	9. 4. 11.		
	33. 7. 11.	<u>Cottage Fees</u>	113. 2. 0
<u>General Expenses</u>			
Club Tackle	12. 6. 0.		
Printing, Stationery &c.	11. 17. 4.		
Insurances	6. 15. 0.		
Newsletters & Circulars	13. 17. 6.		
Gen. Postages	14. 0. 5.		
CRG Sub. 1960.	1. 5. 0.	<u>Annual Subscriptions</u>	95. 8. 0
Cheque Books & Bank Charges	1. 10. 0.	<u>Donations</u>	3. 5. 0
Expenses att'dg. CRO Meeting	4. 10. 3.	<u>Tenth Anniversary Publication : Sales</u>	3. 3. 0
	66. 1. 6.	<u>Rent : 5, Powell Street</u>	10. 0. 0
<u>Legal Expenses</u>		<u>Interest on Deposit Account</u>	4. 7. 8
Acquiring New HQ.	4. 9. 6.		
	103. 18. 11.		
<u>Gross Surplus for Year</u>	125. 7. 6.		
	<u>£229. 6. 5.</u>		<u>£229. 6. 5</u>

Net Revenue & Appropriation Account

	£. s. d.		£. s. d.
Transfers to New HQ Development Fund	84. 7. 8.	Gross Surplus b/d.	125. 7. 0
Reserve for General Rates	37. 10. 0.	Transfer to New HQ Fund	4. 9. 0
	121. 17. 8.		
<u>Net Surplus for Year</u>	7. 19. 4.		
	<u>129. 17. 0.</u>	<u>Net Surplus b/d.</u>	<u>7. 19. 4</u>
Balance carried forward	92. 11. 2.	Balance at 1st March.	84. 11. 10
	<u>£92. 11. 2.</u>		<u>£92. 11. 2</u>

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New HQ Development Fund

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
<u>Purchase of Materials</u>							
Plant, Loose Tools &c.	17.	14.	8.				
Timber & Joinery	20.	2.	8.				
Cement	12.	6.	6.				
Plaster	1.	0.	0.				
Gravel, Sand &c.	21.	5.	0.	Income from Donations	190.	9.	6.
Electrical Fittings	16.	10.	3.				
Drainage	48.	19.	9.				
Plumbing, Hot Water System &c.	146.	10.	1.				
Paint, Creosote &c.	3.	19.	11.				
Locks & Fittings	5.	5.	8.	Deficit for Year	160.	5.	8.
Bunks, Furnishings &c.	53.	5.	0.				
Sundry Materials	3.	15.	8.				
	<u>350.</u>	<u>15.</u>	<u>2.</u>				
Deficit b/d.	160.	5.	8.	Balance at 1st March	45.	0.	0.
				Closing Balance from			
				New HQ Fund	56.	18.	1.
				Overall Deficit			
				on Fund	58.	7.	7.
	<u>160.</u>	<u>5.</u>	<u>8.</u>		<u>160.</u>	<u>5.</u>	<u>8.</u>
Overall Deficit b/d.	58.	7.	7.	Deficit and Working			
Balance carried forward	26.	0.	1.	Balance from General			
				Fund	84.	7.	8.
	<u>£84.</u>	<u>7.</u>	<u>8.</u>		<u>£84.</u>	<u>7.</u>	<u>8.</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 29th FEBRUARY, 1960.

<u>Liabilities & Credit Balances</u>					<u>Assets & Debit Balances</u>			
	£.	s.	d.			£.	s.	d.
Capital Balances	250.	15.	4.		1-10, Powell Street,			
Reserve for General Rates	37.	10.	0.		Penwyllt (at cost).	200.	0.	0.
New HQ Development Fund	26.	0.	1.		Roneo Duplicator w/d.	21.	9.	11.
Revenue Balances	92.	11.	2.		Club Tackle w/d.	15.	1.	9.
Subscriptions in Advance	2.	10.	0.		Plant, Loose Tools w/d.	14.	3.	8.
					Cottage Fees			
					Outstanding	14.	10.	0.
					<u>Cash at Bank</u>			
					Current - Lloyds Bank.	28.	6.	0.
					Deposit - S.Wales			
					Trustee Savings Bank.	115.	15.	3.
	<u>£409.</u>	<u>6.</u>	<u>7.</u>			<u>£409.</u>	<u>6.</u>	<u>7.</u>

L.A. Hawes. Hon. Treasurer.
 24th March, 1960.

J.M. Davies. Hon. Auditor.
 7th April, 1960.

4. C.R.O. & TACKLE MANAGER'S REPORTS

TACKLE.

1. Report on existing traverse wires in O.F.D.

All the traverse wires have been inspected and found to be in good condition. A chain has been fixed on the Idol Junction Pitch.

2. Purchases during the past year have been:-

- 3 nylon ropes (for use on Cave Rescue)
- 9 rawlbolts
- 2 pullies.

3. The amount of lightweight ladder in the Club is sufficient at present for most pitches in South Wales caves. I have been informed that in 1961 there will be a large quantity of ladder made available to the Club for purchase at a reasonable price.

4. Digging tackle etc., had been commandeered by the New H.Q. working parties making it practically impossible to check against my existing lists, this can be brought up to date as soon as the tackle room at the New H.Q. is ready for use and it is recommended that the signing in and out of tackle should be re-instated.

CAVE RESCUE ORGANISATION REPORT.

There are now 80 listed members on the rescue lists and a further 16 local members to be added. This has made possible a slight alteration in the Rescue Organisation which is the splitting up of personnel into Call-Out areas. I am very pleased to state that the Hereford Caving Club has joined our lists and they will cover areas which are not so familiar to our Members.

The areas now covered by the Cave Rescue Organisation are:-

- Glamorganshire.
- Mid-Wales.
- Carmarthenshire.
- Herefordshire
- The Forest of Dean.

The Police Headquarters in these areas have been contacted and are in full co-operati

For some time it has been evident that a close liason between the various Rescue Organisations was necessary and the tragedy at Peak Cavern finally brought matters to a head. The lack of organised outside help led to the formation of an Outside Rescue Team and its existence is known to other Cave Rescue Organisations.

Last Summer I attended a meeting of the Mendip Rescue Organisation at Burrington Coombe and later in the year a full meeting of Cave Rescue Organisations and interested parties, held at Settle, Yorks. At both these meetings valuable information was attained and a close liason founded. From time to time both Mendip and Yorkshire Rescue Organisations forward information on their activities.

A request was made to the committee for a grant towards the Mendip Rescue Organisation Research Fund, and this, unfortunately, was not passed, so a request was made via the Newsletter for contributions from Members. To date the contributions are Nil. This, from a leading Club in the British Isles, I feel is shocking and I hope that after this meeting it will not still remain Nil.

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT.

The existing Medical Equipment has been checked during the past year and thanks to Dr. Aslett it has been kept up to scratch. Additions made are:-
Plaster of Paris Bandages.

A supply of Dexadrin Tablets.

2 Airway tubes for use on the mouth to mouth method of resuscitation.

Thanks to Mr. Bill Clarke who has been carrying out research in stretchers for the two Prototype ones in the rescue room. These have been partially tested with the help of the B'ham C.R.O. and were found to stand up to the strain remarkably well. Further tests on these are required and it is hoped a combination of both stretchers will produce one which will do away, in most cases with the Neil Robertson Stretcher we possess.

OGOF GAM

During the past year efforts have been made, under the leadership of Mr. Clive Jones to make possible an escape route from Agen Allwedd via Ogof Gam. This has been accomplished and it is now possible to effect a rescue via this route. Further enlarging is still in progress as the water in old ducks could during very wet weather or the damming up of the stream with debris, make it impossible to get a stretcher case out.

IN CONCLUSION.

Now the Rescue Organisation is satisfactory in numbers, equipment to a certain extent and relationships, that is in theory, is it proficient in practice? This I trust will be found out by a series of practices during the coming year, and I hope an effort will be made by wardens to help build up really competent teams.

G.Clissold 1960.

5. PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT.

Mr. Chairman and Members.

For the band of faithfuls who have been going up regularly to Penwyllt since this time last year to work on the new H.Q. it has been difficult at times to trace any progress at all - and yet here we are as if by magic with all the major obstacles overcome, ready to apply those cosmetics in the shape of plaster and paint which will give the finishing touches to the place.

At least it may seem like magic to anyone whose last visit to the spot was Easter 1959. Some of us may have longed now and then for a wand which would cause holes to appear in 2ft. thick limestone walls, or charm bends into metal pipes at the wave of a hand, but as usual it's come down in the end to that age-old enemy of man - sheer hard graft.

The track outside the cottages has settled back so well now that it's difficult to believe that only last Summer the S.W.C.C's main sewer was being laid across it; and - what's that in the garden opposite under those concrete slabs? Oops! pardon! a septic tank full of.....no, its only rainwater, which I'm told has got to be all baled out before our Chairman performs the opening ceremony. Someone may remember that afternoon when we made up for a 2 ft lack of length in the inflow pipe by digging the pit 2 ft. longer (where's that...architect!)

Yesterday our plumber-treasurer, and plumbers mate-cottage warden discovered once and for all the answer to a question which had been nagging in the back of a certain person's mind for the last 12 months: i.e. whether there was enough pressure to get the water up into the roof. I believe that it depends to some extent on whether the tap that feeds the goose-pond at the bottom of the garden is turned off or not. I think if it has to be turned off, we must in all fairness allow the geese to use David Hunt's excellent shower baths from time to time.

Drainage and plumbing progressed steadily throughout the year, long, tedious tasks which could hardly compare in immediate reward to the joy of being allowed to demolish a wall or knock out a new doorway. John Platt and his band of helpers worked quietly away at the electrical installation, (aided by a certain company), adding their quota to the numerous holes in walls and floors which now have to be built up again. Yesterday this was completed. Many of the original windows proved to be in bad shape but fortunately none of the timber shows signs of woodworm (I dont think that this kind of caver can exist at that altitude). Once the main structural alterations had been made, the remaining work was divided into sections under different foremen - the difference being that our kind of foreman has to do most of the work himself. Bill Birchenough undertook to stop some of the rain that came in at various points; Charles Freeman is carpentering the hot water cylinder cupboard, and lavatory partitions. and Brian Ferris in charge of the kitchen fitments; Clive Jones and David Jenkins are paper-strippers in chief; Gordon Clissold is stopping up all those holes that everyone else has made, and Ann Williams will I hope soon be making the Big Common Room gay with maps and surveys for all those builders who are too exhausted to go caving again to follow in their mind's eye. Last of all I've been keeping a special bouquet for someone who has kept us all hard at it just through sheer force of example - Mahatma.....sorry, Bill, Little.

How much has it all cost? - money I mean, not cracked heads and squashed fingers! Les has given you the detailed breakdown of the total figure which is in the region of £350 to date. Another £150 should see us through comfortably. I think that £500 is not an excessive figure to pay in the making of the finest caving H.Q. in the country.

Let me finish by thanking, besides all those I have named in this report, all those willing hands who came and did something to further the work at Penwyllt; and those who, even if they couldn't come in person, sent us the means to carry on in £:s:d. By this reckoning, double the thanks are due to those who did both, and if even at this late stage of the proceedings your score still remains at 0 there is yet time for you to be saved by coming up to the H.Q. tomorrow to assist in what remains to be done. Just think, in years to come, as you grind up Penwyllt hill in your motorised wheelchair, you will be able to say "If I hadn't gone up that blasted ladder, I wouldn't have broken me leg!".

V. de Graaf.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS - 1960/61.

DON'T FORGET Subscriptions for the current year are NOW DUE. The rate of Subscription remains unchanged, viz.,

Full Members 15/-
 Joint Members 20/-
 Junior Members 7/6d.

DON'T FORGET ALSO that the proposal to raise 5/- per head on Club Membership to provide the final amount required to pay for the conversion of the New Headquarters was approved at the Annual General Meeting.

THIS MEANS that Members, when sending their Subs. to the Hon. Treasurer, should ADD FIVE SHILLINGS. it would be most helpful if those Members who pay their Subs. by Standing Bankers Order would send the five bob direct to the Treasurer to save altering their Order for this one year.

FINALLY, DON'T FORGET, that the New Headquarters Development Fund is still open to receive donations from those Members who failed to respond to the Chairmans Appeal last year.

L.A. Hawes.

Hon. Secretary.....D.W. Jenkins, Dinmore,Dyffryn Road, Llandrindod Wells, Rads.
 Hon. Treasurer.....L.A. Hawes, 4, Connaught Road, Fleet, Hants.
 Hon. Editor.....B. de Graaf, Neuadd, Llangorse, Breconshire.
 C.R.O. & Tackle.....G. Clissold, The Meend, Staunton, Nr. Coleford, Glos.
 Manager.

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

The motion regarding Life Membership, of which notice was given in the Agenda prior to the A.G.M., gave rise to considerable discussion, but despite two amendments was finally rejected by a majority of those present.

PROPOSALS FOR MEMBERSHIP.

This motion was accepted without amendment, as follows:-
That Item 4 of the constitution be amended to read - A person may be elected a member of the Club at the discretion of the Committee on signing the application form which shall be signed by two full members of the Club as proposer and seconder and accompanied by the entrance fee and the first year's subscription. The proposer to have been a member of the Club for at least one year.....The remainder of Item 4 as per constitution.

NEW H.Q. PENWYLLT.

A Grand Plastering Weekend will be held on May 28/29 th. and it is hoped that members will turn up in force to get the place ready for decoration. If sufficient hands are present it may be possible to get ahead with some of the painting too in readiness for Whitsun. Please come and help finish the work as we are now very near to completion.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

Miss R. Barrows. Flat 33, 15 Portman Square, London.

NEW MEMBERS.

We welcome the following new members to the Club:-

Miss J.M. Turnbull, 14, Queen Anne Square, Cardiff.

Miss J. Upton, 70 Brunswick Street, Cardiff.

