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OFD on TV

Richard Parks was filmed doing a OFD2-OFD1 through-trip as part of the <u>Extreme Wales</u> series, spot anyone else you know in the video? If that was not enough, some other club members can be spotted helping ITV produce this clip as part of their <u>Epic Welsh</u> Adventures series.

Thanks from NRW, ref. Extreme Wales

Hi Allan,

Could you pass on my thanks to all at SWCC and OFDCMC who helped with the above programme. Everyone invovled did a good job and the end result was a great programme. I have had many comments from colleagues about how well OFD and caving came across in this programme.

Thanks again, Jon (Wohlgemuth)

Thanks from Nicky Hendy, reporter, Epic Welsh Adventures

Hi all,

Just to say that the caving film we made with you back in July will be on a programme called Epic Welsh Adventures this Friday! I had a great time exploring underground, and thanks hugely for looking after me... Feel free to tweet / facebook etc; it'll be on ITV Wales this Friday at 8pm. For those of you outside of Wales, there will be a website link available at 8:30 that night.

All the very best, Nicky

Subs due, discount period gone

Club subs were due as of the 1st September. As in previous years there was a £5 discount for prompt (before 1-10-16) payment, this has now passed. This year members were offered to opportunity to waive their discount and donate it to the roof fund; I am pleased to report that as of 30th Sept. £648.17 has been collected which includes some donations from Honorary Members in lieu of subscriptions.

Rule 1 - your chance to input

Reminder that consultation is still open questionnaire.

Caving Trips

- 22 23 October: Whitewalls weekend (South East Wales). Aggy, Daren Cilau, Craig ar Ffynnon all possibilities. Perhaps Draenen too if there is interest.
- 29-30 October: Yorkshire staying at Bull Pot Farm contact Malcolm Stewart for details mailbox@mcbad.co.uk
- 5 6 November: Bonfire Night at SWCC / Provisional's weekend
- 10 11 December: Mendip weekend. Staying at the Shepton Mallet hut.

• 13-14 May 2017: Annual North Wales Mines Trip, Anglesey, other details to follow. As usual contact Allan

Claire

Provisional's weekend (5th Nov.)

Contact Claire and offer to help now!

There will be a Provisional Members' / beginners' weekend on the 5-6 November. Caving trips will take place on Saturday and Sunday. Participants need to register for the weekend with Claire (link above). All are encouraged to stay for both days and arrive on the Friday evening, if possible, to get the full SWCC and Long Common Room experience. Offers to lead trips are welcome!

Important information:

All attendees must join as SWCC Provisional members'. It is £10.00 to join SWCC as a provisional member for a year. However, membership will only be ratified when British Caving Association insurance is purchased. If you want to continue caving beyond the Provisionals' weekend, you will need to purchase BCA caving insurance. This will be £21.25 if purchased in November and will cover you until December 2017. SWCC membership forms can be downloaded here:

- Caving kit. The club has a small number of helmets and lights that can be borrowed (they must be booked through Claire). Once these are accounted for, kit can be hired from Absolute Adventure at the bottom of the hill.
- Accommodation at SWCC will be £5.00 per night. Bring your own sleeping bag.
- Food. There may be the option for communal food at SWCC, but it will depend on offers of assistance, as it's Bonfire Night. Any offers of help?
- Cakes. Offers to bake cakes for hungry, new, cavers are welcome! I suggest we sell
 the cakes and put the money back in to the club as a donation.
- Fireworks. It's Bonfire Night, so we would appreciate it if you bring one large firework with you to contribute to the club display.