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Caving Trips (contact Claire)

- 5 6 November: Bonfire Night at SWCC / Provisional's weekend
- 10 11 December: Mendip weekend. Staying at the Shepton Mallet hut.
- 8-15 April 2017: Spain, main accommodation is already full but there is the scope for overflow accommodation, contact Gary ASAP if interested.
- 13-14 May 2017: Annual North Wales Mines Trip, Anglesey. The main trip will be to Parys mine where we hope to do the Parys Mine to Mona Mine through trip. The Sunday trip has as yet to be confirmed, but could be under the Great Orme. Bunkhouse accommodation has been found on Anglesey (thanks Harvey). This is £16 per person per night, the problem is that it requires to be confirmed by mid January as it is a very popular venue. Can those people who wish to use the accommodation please send me a cheque made payable to SWCC, for either £16 or £32 depending on how long you are staying. It should be possible to arrange extra nights for those who wish to stay longer. As usual contact Allan
- 29 July 12 August 2017, trip to PSM, contact Gary for more details or check the information on the website.

Provisionals' Weekend & Firework Party

As well as the Provisionals' weekend there will be the traditional Penwyllt firework party, augmented by a few firkins of 'rent beer', the proceeds from which will go to the roof fund, so all shaping up for a great night at the hut. As usual, for the fireworks please bring **a big one** and hope the cloud holds off long enough to see it go off.

Claire is still looking for volunteers to lead trips, but if you don't fancy that help is also welcome in the catering and cake departments, so plenty of opportunities to help give the provisionals a memorable experience. If you have any spare hats and lights bring them along as our usual suppliers of kit have gone very quiet.

New members – welcome

- Chris Taylor has been accepted as a full member
- Spencer Drew, Valerie Bednar, Jeremy Petterson and Nigel Jones have all joined as provisional members

Duty Officer pleasures

Annie and Piers were DO'ing recently and were the only club members at the hut with a dozen or so students from Reading. They so enjoyed their company on Saturday night that the 'stole' their car keys, ensuring that they had their company till they departed the club late on Sunday evening. By this point the students had already called home for rescue and a parent had already started along the M4, before being stood down.

DO incentive Scheme

As per last year the club will again be running a DO raffle to help encourage people to volunteer for DO duties. Last year's raffle had a single big prize of a Scurion lamp, this year

there will be three smaller prizes of £100 gift packs from Starless River. So you have an even better chance of winning.

Cave Surveying Weekend at SWCC

A Cave Survey training weekend run by the Cave Surveying Group is to be held at SWCC on the weekend 18/19 Feb 2017. Further details will be published later, details from Allan

Roof fund donations

Total donations for the roof fund paid by people as part of their subs came to £761.27 so a big thanks all those who donated.