

22<sup>nd</sup> "Caves of The Term"

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Magdalen New B.D.S. V 6 (loaned by Steve Smith)

Stephen R.P. Smith	Magd.
Ken Mills	Univ.
Roger D.J. Pearson	Magd.
Mike Austin	"
Al Beer	"
Jerry Drapkin	B.N.C.
John D. Simnett	Quercus
S.A. Cook	B.N.C.
<u>V.I. Fors</u>	visiting
H. Beak	?
A.L. Jenkins	Quercus
B.F. Kern	S.E. H.
A.F. Pine	BNC
D.R. White-Cooper	Quercus
P.W. Matthews	<del>Quercus</del>
R. Clark	Merton
R.E. Smith	Quercus
Mr. Mrs. <del>Elizabeth</del> Fisher	Balfour
JOHN LEONARD	SESNM
Robert Fry	Ecton
<del>Michael Walker</del>	Univ.
Prof. <del>Woolley</del>	SESNM

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Speakers:

N. J. CROMPTON ~ "Stoke Lang"

W. A. DRAPKIN ~ "GIANT'S CAVE"

A. L. JENKINS (assisted by J. LEONARD !!) ~ "AGEN ALLWEDD AND NEARBY CAVES"

J. D. SIMNETT ~ "EGLWYSEL MOUNTAIN ~ LLANGOLLEN AREA"

[Slides by W. J. Crompton, J. Leonard, A. L. Jenkins, projected  
but by T. Wells.]

Meat to Stoke Lane & St. Cuthberts

Sun. April 30<sup>th</sup>

Stoke Lane: J.D. Simnett

W.J. Crompton

L.A. Jenkins

A. Foss

W.A. Dreyfus,

K. J. Mills

T. Conner

M. J. Walker + "Busby" (E.D.C.G.) - All held up at sump!

~~A. Rice~~

Beyond sump!!!

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St. Cuthberts: Peter Matthews

A. Rice

J. Powell (Bristol)

"Lancaster Hole"

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talk by W.J. Crompton.

Merton M.C.R.

Those present were -

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Ken Hill - Univ

A.L. Johns - Queens

J.H. Coole - B.N.C.

John D. Simnett

Alvin S. Low

R.C. Clark, Met.

W. Crompton - St. Cath.

P. Matthews - Clarendon

A. Rice - B.N.C.

J.D. Wilcock - Queens

~~Michael Thomas~~

11.

John Crompton gave a most interesting talk with slides on the history of the exploration of this huge system, and of his own visits with members of this club to it, and discoveries and investigations carried out. Unfortunately the attendance was disappointing for such an interesting talk.

South Wales Weekend May 12<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>

Hereford Caving Club Hut on Mynydd Llangatwg

J. D. Simnett

P. Matthews

A. Rice

R. Smith

L. A. Jenkins

Mr & Mrs T. Fisher

M. J. Walker.

8.

Arens in Agra Allwood looked at with waypoints (thanks to Science Lab. rebuildings!), trip to Coal Cellar & Tuncy Pool, trip to investigate possibilities of Moandw Passage, dog of Cu Mamw entered & retreated from! Glorious weather resulted in a good time being had by all. Our thanks to H.C.C.!

24<sup>th</sup> "Pyrenean Caving"

May 17<sup>th</sup> by Ray Winch (Ken Mills's Room, Univ)

Meeting:

John D. Wilcock

Adrian J. Fox

John D. Simnett

Peter W. Matthews

A. Lawrence Jenkins

A. F. Rice. (BNC)

Ken Mills

S. H. Code

My Wilton

W. G. Crompton

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Mr. Raymond Winch talked about his experiences of caving and camping in the Pyrenees, with especial regard to the East Devon Caving Group Summer Expedition of 1959 which visited the Val de Nisette. A <sup>60ft</sup> pothole without only a chamber at the bottom was found near the summit of Mont Pibeste. Entrances in the Valley of the Rio Isuela north of

Huesca in Spain proved disappointing. Equipment was then carried over the mountains to the Spanish side of the Brèche de Roland. Between Gantès <sup>was found</sup> the Brèche de Roland, a deep shaft taking a great deal of water. It was descended 200ft without tackle, & then became too sheer. It was decided to bring up more tackle, but heavy rain and snow demanded a descent to the refuge at Gantès. The E.D.A. hope to revisit the Pyrenees next year in collaboration with the Montpelier Speleologists. Mr. Winch answered many questions about the difficulties of small caving parties in the Pyrenees.

### North Wales Weekend June 3<sup>rd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup>

Camp by ~~Tony~~ Craig (lower), Eglwysc, near Llangollen.

W.J. Crompton

T. Looker

R.E. Smith

L.A. Jenkins

A. Fosse

P. Matthews

J. Street

M. J. Walker

C. A. Anderson 9.

Several shakeholes on Eglwysc Mtn. were plotted, about 120; one was dug, but requires more work, & another ~~was~~ led into a small cave 25ft long, in black limestone below the upper grey limestone with small formations. Progress was held up by a narrow constriction which required a hammer and chisel. The cave is above a dry valley. A nearby minelevel was also visited at World's End. Here a party of lads from Rhos threw stones at the van after giving much abuse. One was captured by O.U.C.C. members and taken to Llangollen Police Station. Lack of evidence, however, prevented any charge from being made. A beautiful weekend apart from this, was enjoyed by all.

Further note, a likely hole with a small chamber was also noticed by Pete Matthews and Joe Street, and marked on the map.

25th "Recent Work in Mendip" - June 7th by Derek Ford (Dr. Sweeting's room  
St. Hugh's)

D. Ford:

John D. Sinnott (Quite drunk) - Queen's

~~Michael Miller~~

UNW

John Wilcock

Queen's

~~David White-Cooper~~

Zembohn

Peter W. Matthews

Blaxendon

A. F. Rice

B.N.C.

W. J. Grompton

St Cath's.

R. E. Smith

Queen's

S. M. Coole

B.N.C.

~~Dees~~

Magdalen

Ken Mills

Univ.

A. L. Jenkins

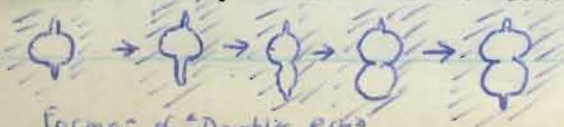
Queen's

A. M. M. Swinging 14

It was with great pleasure that we listened to the account of the research of one of the founders of our Club, Mr Derek Ford, recently returned from Canada for the summer.

After a clear account of the development of theories of cave-formation from those of Martel and, later, Davis, to the Swinnertonian view, Mr Ford explained that it was hard to categorise neatly the major caves in the area in which he is working - G.B., St. Cuthbert's, Eastwater, and Swildon's. A closer study of those caves was needed, and he had made a start. He explained the difficulties of practical work underground and how he tried to deal with them.

One of the most fascinating studies he had made concerned the formation of "double pots", which apparently may start from bores running contra to lines of weakness, and must be attributed to fluctuations in the water-input into them, and hence external climatic variations.



Forma of "Double pots"

Michaelmas Term 1961

26<sup>th</sup> Caves of the Term Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> in Miss Austini's room in Magda

Van Mells  
J.R. Sandercok  
Elizabeth Watts

George Barker  
A.L. Jenkins  
R.M. Lambert  
P.R. Hildred  
R.H. Abbott

R.D. Gill  
Jane Lancaster  
C.J. Hawley

D.K. Hamraway

J. Stevens  
John Mcgillivray  
Adrian D. Lops  
Sh Laurence

D.R. White-Cooper

P.A. Robinson

S.L. Gillan

P.W. Matthews

A.F. Kee

Terence Meaden

David Loxley

P.J. Collier

R.E. Smith

Al Cradell

Mike Watke

T.H. Lewis

N.J. Coompton

Univ.

Newton  
St. Hugh's

Queen's

"

Queen's

Queen's

St. Cath's.

Exeter

St Chas.

Worcester.

Balliol

Pembroke

St. Catherine's

— (quart)

S.E.H.

Zembroke

St. Hugh's

Oriel

Clarendon Lab

B.N.C.

S.P.H. (Clarendon Lab.)

Trinity

Ch ch.

Queen's

Trinity

Univ

ANC

St Luc's

W. J. Crompton ~ "G-B Cave"  
 T. C. Cooke ~ "Eglwseg Mountain"  
 L. A. Jenkins ~ "Ager Allwedd"  
 G. Stevens ~ "Ogof Ffynnon Ddu"

27<sup>th</sup> "Cave Rescue"

Dr. Oliver Lloyd Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>

Brasenose Lecture Room VII

R. E. Smith

Queens

George Barber

Queens

Terence Meaden

Clarendon Lab.

A. F. Lee

B. N. C.

Pete Matthews

Clarendon Lab.

R. Herbert

Sr Cath's

A. L. Jenkins

Queen's

G. Stevens

Pemb.

D. Loxley

Trinity

Ka Moll

Univ

Jim Coole

B. N. C.

Selu Yllan

Oriel

John Crompton

Sr Cath's

~~Nick Waller~~ IX

Univ.

Dr Oliver Lloyd, Lecturer in Pathology at the University of Bristol, Treas. of U.B. Spel. Soc., Sec. of Mendip Rescue Organisation is always welcome at our meetings. Dr Lloyd described many of the rescues which the M.R.O. have carried out in recent years and discussed their causes and treatment. He stressed the advisability of life-lining on all but the shortest pitches. The film made to illustrate a technique for rescuing through Sumps, made by the M.R.O. was shown.

28<sup>th</sup> "The Oxford University Expedition to Northern Spain"

John Crompton

Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>

Brasenose Lecture Room

John Crompton	St Cath's.
<del>Michael Walker</del>	Univ
Peter W. Gray	Exeter
J. K. Hancock	RTC.
J. M. Cook	B.N.C.
P. H. Watkin	S.P.H.
A. L. Jenkins	Queen's
J. R. Sanderson	Dorton.
George Barker	Queen's.
J. Rees	Magdalen
Stephen Smith	Magdalen
Mike Austin	Magdalen (Guest)!
Ken N. B.	Univ.
Roger Hobbart	St Cath's
R. E. Smith	Queen's
J. Stevens	Pemb
Ron Cooper	Exeter
Richard Gill	Exeter.
David Loxley	Trinity
C. M. Hudd	Lincoln.
P. W. Mathew	Clarendon Lab.
Richard Burt	Exeter
A. F. Rice	B. N. I.
Terence Meaden	Clarendon Lab.

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Mr Crompton gave a well-illustrated account of the expedition's geomorphological programme, showing slides both of the many caves investigated, which included an ice cave, and the high mountains in which they were found. A fine display of surveys was also shown to interested members.

(Amendments to clauses 8 & 11 of the Constitution)



29th Members' Evening.

Wed. Nov. 29th, 1961

Brewence - Lecture Room VII.

Those present were:-

Ken Mills	Univ.
A. L. Jenkins	Queen's
Richard <del>Atkinson</del> Lambert	"
Peter <del>Atkinson</del> Hibbard	"
Mahmud Jarriss	Hartford
Ian Douglas	Balliol
Robert Smith	Queen's
G. Stevens	Pemb.
Terence Meaden	Clarendon Lab.
<del>David</del> White-Cooper	Pemb.
Peter W. Matthews	Clarendon Lab.
Anne Welsh	Park Hosp.
George Baker	Can.
Roger Abbotts	Sr. Caths.
<u>S. M. Cook</u>	B.N.C.
Tom Lawrence	S.F.H.

After Mr Roger Abbotts had given a clear and entertaining description of a promising 'dig' in the Mendips, Mr Tom Lawrence told us of the 'Romans' of Swildon Hole and what we would find there on an trip next Sunday. An excuse for informal discussion ensued, during which the library was shown, and arrangements were announced for the Swildon Hole and for the Vacation Meet. at Bull Post. The second part of the evening was then devoted to an interesting and instructive talk by Mr John Innes on the Gene System of Yorkshire.

K. J. M.

Meets were to: G-B Oct. 22nd.  
Eglwseg Mtg. Nov. 4-5th  
Agen Allwedd Nov. 17th-19th

30<sup>th</sup> "Caves of the Term" in Brasenose Lecture Room III on Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>

name	college
M. W. Aulmy	Univ
Tony Rantm	Magd.
P. H. Watke	S.P.C.
Terence Meaden	Clarendon Lab.
Peter W. Matthews	Blendon Lab.
Ly. Stevens	Pemb.
D. N. Loxley	Trinity
J. M. Carl.	B.M.C.
John Francis	S.T.C.
David White-Cooper	Pemb.
Roger D. Abbott	St. Caths.
George Barker	Queen's.
R. E. Smith	Queen's
James Lawrence	Magdalen.
Ken Hills	St. Edmunds.
A. L. Jenkins	Univ
Peter W. King	Queen's
Richard Gill	Exeter.
Ron Cooper	Exeter
M. Davies	Hartford
A. S. Fox	Shroog
W. J. Gough	St. Caths & King's G.S.

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Members of the society described caves to be visited this term.

Meet to St. Euthbert's & Eastwater with Scout & Guide Club. Sun. Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>.