

UNITED KINGDOM CAVE CONSERVATION AND EMERGENCY FUND

ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR
ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2008

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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

The Committee is sorry to report the death of Tony Jarrett on 31st August 2008. The Committee would like to place on record its appreciation of the work he did as a Committee member.

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 2007 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.

There were no formal applications to the Fund during the year to 31st December 2008 (Nine months to 31st December 2007 none). Income from interest for the year was £875 (Nine months to 31st December 2007 £672). At the year end the value of the Fund stood at £18,976 (31st December 2007 £18,101).

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. The new constitution was approved in November 2007, 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 2008, but this will be done during 2009.

Other Information

Information about the Fund including the Annual Report and 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 YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2008

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2008

	Year to 31 st December 2008 £	9 Months to 31 st December 2007 £
INCOME		
Interest Received	875	672
EXPENDITURE	0	0
SURPLUS TRANSFERRED TO ACCUMULATION ACCOUNT	<hr/> 875	<hr/> 672

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2008

	At 31 st December 2008 £	At 31 st December 2007 £
CURRENT ASSETS		
Bank Account	18,976	18,101
NET ASSETS	<hr/> 18,976	<hr/> 18,101
ACCUMULATED FUND		
At 1 st January 2008	18,101	17,429
Surplus from Income and Expenditure Account	875	672
Balance at 31 st December 2008	<hr/> 18,976	<hr/> 18,101

These accounts were approved by the Committee and signed on their behalf on 2009

J T Griffiths Treasurer