

## Treasurer's Report

The scrutinised accounts for 2020 are available from the website. My thanks and gratitude to Aubrey Newport for checking the accounts in record time.

The CSCC has been more active on the C&A front and this is reflected in increased expenditure. Please note a significant portion is due to long outstanding expense claims being presented this year, some as far back as 2017.

The deficit of £3605.22 looks alarming but will almost entirely be reclaimed from BCA. All previous BCA Claims are paid up to date. The forthcoming BCA claim for year 2020 will be £3551.67.

The current list of outstanding agreed expenditure with expenses paid to date is shown below.

	Meeting	Budget	Spent	Balance
BCA Budget -5 gates in 2015 (Egg Cup, PG, Compton, UH, )	Nov-14	1500	1181	319
Heal Farm access works. Lock & Signs	Feb-17	100	27	73
Nettle Pot. Gate.	May-17	600	537	63
Maesbury Swallet. Gate	Sep-17	600	573	27
Loxton Cavern. Stabalisation works.	Sep-17	700	244	456
Maesbury Swallet. Entrance surface works	May-18	200	4	196
Ubley Warren - Boulder Stabalisation - Increased from £150 (Nov-17) to £400.	Feb-19	400	149	251
20 CSCC Locks	May-19	300		300
Shipham Mines. Making entrances safe.	Sep-20	1800		1800
Swildons Barn. Repair flooring	Sep-20	1000		1000
Manor Farm Gate. Increased from £2000 (Jul-20) to £3000	Sep-20	3000		3000
Stoke Lane Slocker. Gate	Nov-20	1000		1000
CSCC Locks x 20	Nov-20	350		350
Star Shaft. Gate	Feb-21	1000		1000
Blakes Farm (YAH). Gate	TBA	1000		1000
Pondsmead (Stout, Slim, Lady o' Lake) - Gates x 3	TBA	2000		2000

Our thanks go to Pete Glanvill for his donation during the year of £200 towards the powered sprayers for cleaning speleothems. This is from the surplus on the sales of his Reservoir Hole book.

At the end of 2020 the CSCC membership stood at 42 members of which 41 were also BCA members.

New Members: Devon Speleological Society, Swansea Speleo Society, University of Leeds Speleological Association.

Members: Avon Scouts Caving Team, Axbridge Caving Group, Bracknell & District Caving Club, Brighton Explorers Club, Bristol & District Caving Club, Bristol Exploration Club, Buckfastleigh Caving Club, Cerberus Speleological Society, Charterhouse Caving Company Ltd, Cheddar Caving Club, Combined Services Caving Club, Dudley Caving Club, Education in the Environment Caving Club, Exeter University Speleological Society, Frome Caving Group, Gloucester Speleological Society, Gosport Speleological Group, Greater London South Caving Club, Hades Caving Club, Hampshire Scouts Caving Club, Imperial College Caving Club, Kent University Caving Club, Mendip Caving Group, Mendip Nature Research Committee, Moles Caving Club, Newbury & District Caving Club, Oxford University Cave Club, Reading University Caving Club, Shepton Mallet Caving Club, Shropshire Scouts Caving Team, Slough Mountaineering Group, Southampton University Caving Club, Southsea Speleological Society, University of Bristol Speleological Society, Wealden Cave & Mine Society, Wessex Cave Club, West Sussex Cave Club, Wimps and Y-Anchors Caving Club, White Rabbit Caving Club.

Ex Members: Aberystwyth Caving Club, Kent Underground Research Group, Rivendell Caving Club, Shark Speleological Society.

I did step down as Treasurer but the job came back like a boomerang. I really do feel it is time for a fresher face.

May 2021  
David Cooke

## Webmaster's Report

A general principle I aim to follow when developing the website is to enable updates to be done by others as well as the webmaster. Too many websites rely on just the webmaster for updates and then stagnate when the webmaster is overworked or loses enthusiasm. A second aim is to build on the cloud technologies that allow updates to be done from anywhere at any time and from any device with a web browser. For example I can post updates from my smartphone stood at the entrance to Swildon's. Having said that, I've not worked out how to do that from Sump One yet!

So the main website is built on wiki software that allows the officer's to update and add pages, in particular within their own sections.

The CSCC Access Guide (<https://access-guide.csc.org.uk>) has been completely re-written. The secure admin interface allows the C&A Officer to keep the guide up to date using just a web browser. The user interface has been improved to make it easier to find and read the cave access information. A useful feature is that the most recent updates can be found by sorting the "Last Modified" column by clicking on the heading.

The CSCC diary was syndicated from the BCA website, but that broke when the BCA redeveloped their website. The diary page has been re-written and now uses Google Calendar. That has several advantages. One is that you can incorporate the CSCC Diary into your own Google Calendar, if that's what you use. Another advantage is that by sharing the calendar any officer can update it, again just with a web browser.

The CSCC hasn't always been the best at communicating with its membership and the wider caving community. The proposed role of Communications Officer will address that and has my full support. The CSCC has several channels of communication including the website, two mailing lists and a Facebook page. Snail mail has been consigned to history and is likely to stay there. Keeping all these channels up to date is fairly time consuming. A dedicated Comms. Officer will be able to help with and improve the level of communication.

Any suggestions for improving the website are always welcome.

I'm happy to stand again for the role of Webmaster.

May 2021  
David Cooke