

MCG 2022 AGM- 2nd April 10AM at Nordrach and online

This is formal notice of 68th Annual General Meeting of the Mendip Caving Group. Observe that the counting of general meetings is from the group's founding in 1954, not from its conversion to a charity in 1976 or conversion to a CIO in 2022.

Meeting Details

The Annual General Meeting will be held at the MCG Cottage, Nordrach on Saturday 2nd April 2022 and will start at 10:00 AM. Participants may join the meeting remotely, using Microsoft Teams with the following link:

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_N2FhZWl2MWYtYzI4My00MmI0LTk0YTQtMmQwNzZmNDY5YzNj%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2287b47bd1-4f4a-4c82-9c97-ed580b667d5d%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22ca545057-9e1a-43a8-b98a-cd637c542322%22%7d

If you are unable to attend and wish to record your apologies, please email secretary@mendipcavinggroup.org.uk Please do not reply to the email address that you received this message from.

Notes

Our AGM is an important event at which we review our activities over the previous year and make plans for the future. Attendance by as many members as possible is welcome and indeed essential, if MCG is to thrive.

I must point out that we do not yet have a nomination for Social Secretary to take over from Nicola Pearce. If any Full Member would like to take on this rewarding role, do please let me know as soon as possible. Details may be found here -

<https://www.mendipcavinggroup.org.uk/app/download/11451308/MCG+Social+sec.pdf>

The Mendip Caving Group is in the process of converting from registered charity 270088 to Charitable Incorporated Organisation 1197325. The new CIO has now been created. The initial trustees of the CIO have already voted to admit all the members of the old charity to the CIO, at the equivalent membership class and to transfer their length of membership of the MCG to the CIO.

The old charity is governed by the MCG's old constitution and the CIO by its new constitution. Members voted to complete the conversion to a CIO, and to approve its new constitution as a CIO, at our 2021 AGM. A consequence of this conversion is that we must today, actually hold two AGMs, one for the old charity and one for the CIO. The bulk of the AGM business will be conducted within the CIO's AGM. We need though to elect some committee members for the old charity so that they can authorise its eventual closure. The AGM of the old charity will be held first with the CIO AGM following on immediately afterwards.

AGM Dinner

We are holding a dinner at the Mendip Inn on the evening of the 2022 AGM. If you have not yet received information about this, and would like to attend, please get in touch with Dave Lossi or Bill Chadwick as soon as possible.

Bill Chadwick – MCG Secretary secretary@mendipcavinggroup.org.uk

14th March 2022

Agenda for the AGM of MCG as Charity 270088

1. Welcome, appointment of Chair.
2. Record of those present, indicating physical or virtual presence.
3. Vote on the motion:
"That any routine AGM business be conducted at the '2022 MCG as CIO 1197325 AGM'."
See the CIO AGM agenda below for details.
4. Vote on the motion:
"That the trustees with the roles of Secretary, Treasurer, Librarian/Recorder, Caving Secretary, Social Secretary, Editor, Cottage Warden and Tackle Master that are elected as trustees of the CIO at the CIO AGM also be elected as committee members of the MCG as charity 270088."

A list of those standing as trustees of the CIO will be found in the CIO AGM agenda.

5. Vote on the motion:

“That the committee of MCG as charity 270088 be authorised to complete the transfer of the MCG’s assets (property and investments) to the MCG CIO and that charity 270088 be closed when that has been done. The date of closure will be notified to members and recorded at the next CIO AGM”.

Agenda for the AGM of MCG as CIO 1197325

1. Welcome, appointment of Chair.
2. Record of those present, indicating physical or virtual presence.
3. Short review of the 2021 AGM minutes and any actions therein.
4. Vote to agree that Minutes of the 2021 AGM (provided separately and available here <https://www.mendipcavinggroup.org.uk/app/download/11487533/AGM+Minutes+2021.pdf>) are a true record of the meeting.
6. Presentation of 2021/2022 officer’s and trustee reports (provided separately and available here [https://www.mendipcavinggroup.org.uk/app/download/11674791/MCG Officer Reports 2022.pdf](https://www.mendipcavinggroup.org.uk/app/download/11674791/MCG+Officer+Reports+2022.pdf)).
 - a. Secretary – Bill Chadwick
 - b. Treasurer – Tom Harrison
 - c. Caving Secretary – Mark Edwards
 - d. Cottage Warden – Jason Kirby
 - e. Tackle Master – Dan Mathews
 - f. Recorder/Librarian – Dave Lossi
 - g. Social Secretary – Nicola Pearce
 - h. Editor – position vacant, no report
 - i. Investment Manager – Ben Cooper
5. Election of trustees for 2022-2023

The CIO has trustees rather than committee members. The CIO constitution provides for a maximum of twelve trustees. Many, but not all, of the trustees, will be involved in the day-to-day running of the MCG. All the trustees will be invited to and may join, any meeting of the trustees. Those listed in the table below with a role of Custodian are those not expected to take part in the day-to-day running of the MCG. Their expertise may be called upon by the other trustees when needed, or they may offer help if the other trustees experience particular difficulties. The first AGM of the MCG as a CIO is a special case. According to its constitution, all the named initial trustees must resign but any of them may be re-elected. The trustee nominations for 2022/2023 are shown in the table below.

Role	Candidate	Proposed By	Seconded By
Custodian	Brian Snell	Bill Chadwick	Jason Kirby
Custodian	Tim Francis	Bill Chadwick	Jason Kirby
Custodian	Jonathan Roberts	Bill Chadwick	Jason Kirby
Investment Administrator	Ben Cooper	Bill Chadwick	Jason Kirby
Secretary	Bill Chadwick	Dave Lossi	Ben Cooper
Treasurer	Tom Harrison	Bill Chadwick	Ben Cooper
Cottage Warden	Jason Kirby	Bill Chadwick	Ben Cooper
Caving Secretary	Mark Edwards	Bill Chadwick	Ben Cooper
Tackle Master	Dan Mathews	Jason Kirby	Mark Edwards
Social Secretary			
Editor	David Cook	Mark Edwards	Bill Chadwick
Librarian / Recorder	Dave Lossi	Bill Chadwick	Ben Cooper

6. Election of Non committee posts for 2022-2023

- a. Conservation and Access Officer (represents MCG at CSCC and CCC Ltd meetings) – was Hayley Clark for 2021, a new representative would be preferred
- b. Rescue Warden – Not currently required by Mendip Cave Rescue but the need for the position is to be kept under review

7. Election of Account Examiners for 2022-2023

2021 examiners were Linda Milne and Peat Bennett. Linda has volunteered for 2022.

8. Matters for discussion and a vote

Any formal General Meeting motions received by the secretary.

9. Any Other Business:

- a. Award of the Knibbs trophy for 2022.
- b. Award of the Digging trophy for 2022.

10. Date and venue of next AGM.