



The British Caving Association Membership News October 2024

Apologies there hasn't been any news since May. Moving to the new membership system has taken all of my BCA time in recent months.

New BCA Membership system is up and running! *(Or should that be down and caving?)*

BCA and BCRA membership have just joined the BCA qualifications scheme on the professional membership management system, JustGo. This should improve the services BCA offers, and unite these services on one platform.

To find out how to log-in and use the new system have a look at the website:

<https://british-caving.org.uk/new-membership-system/>

Clubs have been sent a couple of emails detailing how to use the new system. If you are a BCA club contact and haven't received these please get in touch.

However if your club is unable to engage with the new system at this time you can continue to email me your updates.

Three clubs are already using the new system to add their own new members! A big thanks to the Craven PC, Lincoln Scouts CC and Nenthead MCS for being early adopters and helping test the new system.

2025 Membership Renewals

Renewals for groups, individuals and BCRA membership will open on the 1st

December. Please note BCA council has approved increases in membership prices for 2025. These are needed to counter the increased insurance premiums BCA faces, and dwindling reserves.

	2024 fee (£)	2025 Fee (£)
Caving member	20	24
Non-caving member	6	8
Student member	8	10
Under 18	Free	Free
Club membership	25	36
Access controlling body, or club with a hut	60	72
Associate Club	25	25

If you would like to read more about why these increases are necessary, please have a look the report on our website:

<https://british-caving.org.uk/bca-finances-and-membership-fees/>

Incident Notification

BCA would like to remind all our members about the importance of notifying us of any incidents that have the potential to become an insurance claim. Please let us know ASAP after an incident, even if you think it unlikely to develop into a claim. I will email all the clubs a document detailing which incidents need reporting.

Hidden Earth 2024

The BCRA's annual caving conference was held last weekend in Llangollen.

By all accounts it was a great success with a fantastic mix of lectures from the UK and abroad, a busy and varied trade hall and a brilliant venue. Thanks go to all the volunteers who helped to make it such a great event.

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