Chair's Report

Rose Cottage. Unfortunately access has been lost to Rose Cottage due to some late night frolicking disturbing the owner from his sleep. His response is entirely understandable. I believe all parties have done their best to make amends and hopefully access can be regained in the fullness of time. There is no access to caves by right. It should be borne in mind at all times that we rely on the good will of the landowner.

Woolly Rhino. On a more uplifting note a woolly rhino skull discovered by local cavers in Fairy Cave Quarry is now on show in Wells Museum. Most likely the Rhino fell into the cave some 50,000 years ago. The skull is truly impressive and well worth a visit. The Wells Museum has a long connection with caving. It was established by Herbert Balch, the "Father of Mendip Caving" in 1893.

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