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GAGENDOR CAVING CLUB AGM

19:30 on 27th November 2025

Online ([via google meets](#))

DRAFT MINUTES

Welcome and Apologies

Present:

Tom Partridge (TP), Juliet Parker Smith (JPS), Andi Parker Smith (APS), Antony Morgan (AM), Katie Lloyd (KL), Luke Notley (LN), Rich Hill (RH), Dan Thorne (DT), Lisa Boore (LB)

Apologies:

Rachel Smith, Nick Winder, Dena Proctor, Trish Mellor

Minutes from previous AGM

Minutes from the previous AGM are a true record

Proposed: KL

Seconded: APS

Treasurer's report (APS)

Income

Carried forward	2170.03
Membership	1316.54
Total	<u>3496.57</u>

Expenditure

BCA ins	836.00
Kit	62.28
Domain	109.99
Tom P	0.99
Andi PS	20.12
Total	<u>1004.00</u>

3486.57-

1028.79

Should be In Bank

2457.78

Actually in Bank

2479.78 + £22



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Tackle masters report (DT/LS/LN?)

Secretary and webmaster report

Website has had very little traffic, the facebook page has had an increase in posts and a regular caving group has established going on evening trips in the South Wales area. News, info and membership relevant communication is shared in a timely manner through email, the facebook group and the recent addition of Whatsapp groups.

Election of officers

	Secretary	Treasurer	Tackle Master	Member	Member
Name:	Tom Partridge	Andi Parker Smith	Dan Thorne (Luke Notley Interim)	Lisa Boore	Rich Hill
Proposed:	KL	KL	TP	RH	TP
Seconded:	LN	LN	JPS	KL	JPS

PDCMG report (RH)

There appears to be little positive development at the meetings. RH brought to the meeting that some expenses had been incurred by individuals of the group who have been trying to form a legal entity and that clubs have been asked to donate towards this. It was agreed that Gagendor would be willing to offer upto £50 however, in future, asks for donations should come before any spend with clear rationale for what the costs are for / covering.

OFDCAG (TP)

Access to keys is working well. Bolts have now appeared in a few more popular places (e.g. Edwards Shortcut)

Next meeting is the 10th December and new permit information as well as anything relevant will be shared with members shortly



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Subscriptions

BCA have announced fee increases to membership fees for 2026

£32 caver

£10 non caver

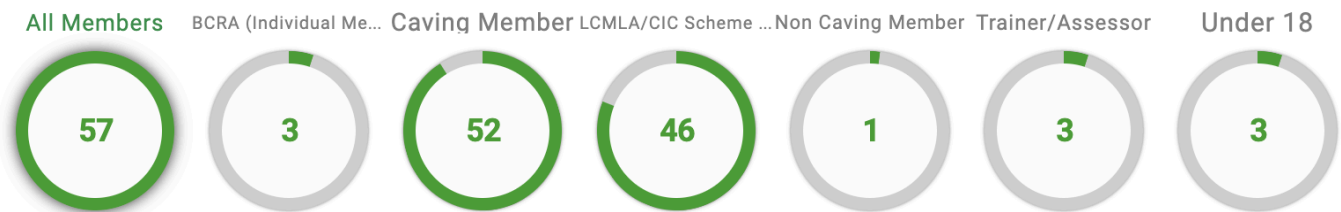
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<https://british-caving.org.uk/bca-membership-fees-for-2026/>

Members

57 Members of Gagendor 2025



A short discussion was had around our stance on encouraging / promoting membership of Gagendor. It was agreed that it was a good thing to have new members joining and the current system for proposing members could be made a little better / easier via the use of a form submitted to the secretary for verification. It was agreed that to propose a member, you must be a current club member for over a year and in a position to vouch for the proposed members character and suitability for the club.

Membership Fees

Fees will remain the same for 2026.

It was agreed that for 2026 (and for future membership cycles) that members would now pay and arrange their own BCA membership online with the BCA system. The club membership cycle would shift to 1st Feb - 31st Jan to allow members a full month to arrange their BCA membership over the Christmas period before the club membership renews.

A guide on how to arrange this with the BCA insurance on the 'GoMembership' system will be produced to help members and 'digital champions' identified so that if anyone is struggling they can get support.

Updated Gagendor Membership options will be uploaded on the website in early 2026 to allow for membership renewal in January.



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Review of the Whatsapp Group System (KL)

KL has set up the Whatsapp group system which has received good feedback from members using it. A link to this will be added to the membership information

Trips and Meets

KL has been arranging and organising some great club trips and meets. Recently the club went to Yorkshire which was well attended and successful. Here is a list of proposed dates / meets for the rest of the year / new year. (details also in the whatsapp group)

Friday 19th December - Daytime cave and Christmas Social at Storey Arms with option to stay over

Monday 22nd December - Ogof Craig a Ffynnon

Friday 23rd to Sunday 24th January - GCC North Wales Mines Trip

*Limited spaces for Parys Copper Mine for the Saturday

Monday 2nd February - Gagendor Kit inspection and SRT Practice (Trewern Climbing Wall)

Friday 6th March to Sunday 8th March - GCC Yorkshire Trip

Friday 10th to Sunday 12th April - GCC Peak District Trip

Friday 6th to Sunday 8th November - GCC Yorkshire Trip (YSS)

Honorary Membership

It was noted that sadly, this year, Honorary Member and lifelong member of Gagendor CC Eric Hoole passed away.

No new honorary members were proposed

Any other business

Date of next meeting

Wednesday 25th November 2026 - Online - 7.30pm