

TSG CAVING CLUB HUT



Prices: £5.00 per person per night (Members £3.00).

All bookings should be made through the hostel booking secretary:

Ann Soulsby Tel 07946 250780

E: warden@tsgcaving.co.uk.

W: www.tsgcaving.co.uk - Discounts for student groups – Contact for details.

The Hostel Warden can be contacted if you experience any problems during your stay
John Sharp - 07704 894878 (mobile) -

sharpy.john@hotmail.co.uk

Website: www.tsgcaving.co.uk

Bunkhouse accommodation for up to 18 people. You will need sleeping bags & pillows.

Kitchen contains gas hobs and gas oven, microwave, selection of pots, pans and cutlery.

Shower and toilet facilities – you will need to bring you own towels.

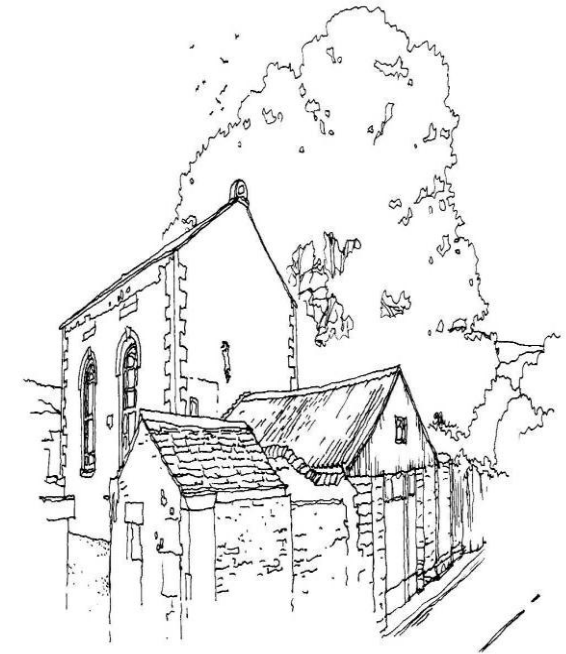


Technical Speleological Group

Chapel Works
Back Street
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TECHNICAL SPELEOLOGICAL GROUP

PROSPECTIVE MEMBER INFORMATION PACK



Line drawing by Gary Wedlake

INTRODUCTION

The Technical Speleological Group (TSG) is an active Derbyshire based caving club. Despite our name we cater for a wide range of caving activities from recreational trips to exploration and digging. We are based in Castleton, in the heart of the Peak District, and close to several of the best caving trips in Derbyshire, as well as numerous pubs. The best way of contacting us is to turn up at the Chapel (our hut) on one of our monthly meetings usually the first Friday evening of each month (some now held on Saturdays) check our website for the next meeting click [here](#). The evening usually finishes with a beer in a local pub afterwards. If you would prefer contact Jess Eades (TSG Secretary) - Tel: 07866 028167 E: secretary@tsgcaving.co.uk or the Hostel Warden: John Sharp - Tel: 07704 894878 E: sharpy.john@hotmail.co.uk and they will arrange for someone to meet you prior to the meeting.

N.B. We do not hold a meeting in August due to the holiday period & the February meeting is the AGM usually on the Saturday.

We offer:

- ◆ Regular Caving trips all over the UK
- ◆ Accommodation in Castleton (The 'Chapel')
- ◆ Monthly Meetings
- ◆ Social Events
- ◆ Participation in Derbyshire cave exploration

INFORMATION

The Chapel is close to several of the best caving trips in Derbyshire with Peak Cavern, Giant's Hole, P8, JH, Oxlow Cavern, Nettle Pot, Maskhill Mine, Winnats

Head Cave and all the other classic Castleton Systems on the doorstep.

There are also four show caves located in and around the village. Peak Cavern (The Devils Arse), Blue John, Speedwell Cavern & Treak Cliff.

The Chapel is probably the only caving hut in the land where it is possible to go on a genuine pub-crawl without eroding your legs into oblivion. There are a total of six pubs all within a few minutes walk of the hut. The George, Peak Hotel, Cheshire Cheese, The Bull, Nags Head & The Castle... Outside of Castleton, the Peak District contains many pubs well worth stopping at and having a leisurely drink.

STILL INTERESTED IN JOINING?

Read the following notes and join us at the Chapel on one of our monthly meetings.

PARTICIPATION

One of the attractions of caving, potholing and exploration of abandoned mines is its adventurous nature. The accident rate in caving is thankfully low but from time to time serious and fatal accidents do occur. It is therefore important that beginners who seek to go caving are aware of and accept the element of risk and take responsibility for their own actions.

CLOTHING

The TSG has equipment which can be hired so that you can try caving before you commit to buying your own equipment. You will need a lamp, lamp belt and helmet, which can be hired or borrowed if you don't own your own equipment. If you don't own an oversuit you may like to purchase a cheap PVC oversuit to tide you over until you can afford a proper oversuit. You will however need warm layers underneath your oversuit. Don't wear cotton as this soaks up water, fleece, fibrepile or synthetic materials are best. You will also need a pair of wellingtons and gloves usually rubber.

Gloves protect you from cuts and abrasions, contamination and help to keep your hands relatively warm.

If you are at all interested just contact us and come along and give it a try. Caving is a relatively cheap and friendly sport.

LOCATION OF TSG HUT (THE CHAPEL)



The TSG hut can be found in the heart of the Peak District

The Chapel is on the A625, in the middle of Castleton. Approaching from the East, the road passes The Peak Hotel on the left shortly after entering Castleton, and then goes round a sharp left-handed corner. The Chapel is then on the right, immediately before the road turns equally sharply to the right. Approaching from the West, descend Winnats Pass into Castleton, and go straight on at the poached-egg roundabout. Shortly after passing The Castle, which is to the right, the road swings sharply to the left. The Chapel is on the left immediately after this corner.

TSG's postal address - Chapel Works, Back Street, Castleton, Hope Valley S33 8WE

Location: The hut is right in the centre of the village.

Description: Typical club hut with accommodation, showers, kitchen and drying area.