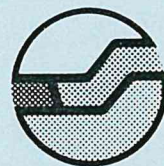


LEEWIN-NATURALISTE

NATIONAL PARK

CAVE PERMIT SYSTEM

1991 - 2001



Conservation and
Land Management

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1. INTRODUCTION

This document describes the Permit System for caving within the Leeuwin Naturaliste National Park (L.N.N.P.). The Introduction of the System was a recommendation of the L.N.N.P. Management Plan approved by the Minister in February 1989. Because no details of the Permit System were available for public comment during the Management Plan, it was released for comment once a Draft was available.

Over 200 copies were posted out to interested individuals and groups. In addition approximately 100 other copies were distributed via public counters. Thirty one submissions were received and have resulted in changes to the original Draft. A separate summary of public submissions is available showing all issues raised and whether they were accepted or rejected.

CALM's objectives in introducing a Cave Permit System for the L.N.N.P. are to:

1. Improve Cave Safety - All Adventure Caves (A.C.) will have safety information provided on site relevant to caving generally and each cave specifically.
2. Conform to the L.N.N.P. Management Plan recommendation which has public endorsement.
3. Improve Cave Conservation - the new system puts the bulk of the caves into the Restricted Access (R.A.) classification. Access into the caves will require an approved trip leader, (with the exception of Adventure Caves Class I and IV) to ensure trips are undertaken in a responsible manner.
4. Educate users on all aspects of caves by;
 - a) Information Signs
 - b) Guided Adventure Cave Tours
 - c) Ensuring Trip Leaders conform to minimum standards.
 - d) Detailed handouts on the New System.
5. Raise Revenue on a user pays basis that will be used to rehabilitate/conduct research and monitor caves within the Park.
6. Obtain data on numbers of users into the various types of caves by;
 - a) Numbers of permits issued
 - b) Log books at cave entrances
 - c) Monitoring devices within caves
 - d) Returns from commercial concessionaires
 - e) Tourist cave returns

The recommendations and systems outlined in this document will be in place for the period 1991 - 2001. It is however envisaged that as the system develops, caves may be added or deleted from classifications. The trip leader status for Restricted Access Caves has been a most difficult system to put in place. If an improved trip leader approval system becomes available, then the two systems currently in place will be reviewed. Classifications within the Restricted Access Caves may be reviewed earlier than the 10 years.

The leasing of Calgardup on a 12 months trial as a Commercial Adventure Caves was a difficult decision. The sequence of events has not facilitated a public airing of this proposal, but public comments will be sought after the 12 months trial. If the trial is deemed successful all members of the public will be invited to submit an interest in managing the future lease. No additional caves will be considered for lease as commercial Adventure Caves within the life of the plan.

2. CAVE CLASSIFICATIONS

There are three broad cave classifications within the Leeuwin Naturaliste Ridge.

1. Tourist Caves
2. Adventure Caves
3. Restricted Access Caves

Each broad classification has different access guidelines. This plan focuses on Adventure Caves and Restricted Access Caves.

1. Tourist Caves - These commercial caves are on land vested with the tourist bureau in each of the Shires. They are responsible for the daily Management of Mammoth, Lake, Jewel Caves and Yallingup.
2. Adventure Caves Class I - These are suitable for inexperienced cavers to undertake a caving experience at their own discretion and pace. Their selection has been based upon the following criteria;
 1. Historical usage has been high.
 2. Relatively safe cave.
 3. Not easy to get lost.
 4. No vertical entrances.

Entrance is free provided a users register is signed and safety rules are followed. Donations will be encouraged to assist with maintenance of each cave.

3. Adventure Caves Class II - These are Non-Vertical Caves requiring a Permit before entry. They offer more of a challenge and require an approved trip leader. There are limits on group sizes for each cave and the number of trips per year.
4. Adventure Caves Class III - These are Vertical Entry Caves. Approved Trip leaders need to be competent guides in roping/laddering techniques. A Permit is required before entry.
5. Adventure Caves Class IV - This is a Commercially Managed Cave, leased for a fixed term under strict conditions governing acceptable management practices.
6. Restricted Access Class I - Wild Caves. This class contains the majority of caves. Generally speaking they are poorly documented or cannot readily be classified in other categories.. All caves as yet undiscovered will automatically, for an initial period, fall into this category. The Management objective of this category is to promote investigation of all cave values so that any future re-classification is based upon complete resource knowledge.
7. Restricted Access Class II - Dangerous Caves. These are caves that are known to have extra hazards. They are grouped to protect human life by ensuring visits are only by very skilled persons, infrequently. Some caves could have access banned.
8. Restricted Access Class III - Reference Caves. This category provides for strict protection of relatively undisturbed caves to provide baseline sites for monitoring. Reference caves will be representative of wider classes of sites.
9. Restricted Access Class IV - Scientific Caves. Caves in this category are set aside because of their special relevance to science.
10. Restricted Access Class V - Locked Caves. These are listed separately only because they require special approval to gain access. All locked caves are accessible only if a trip leader is approved by the Caves Access Committee (C.A.C.). Locked caves belong to any of the above classes.

3. ACCESS: ADVENTURE CAVES

Adventure Cave Class I

Objectives:

- # to facilitate aesthetic appreciation and physical recreation
- # to select a limited number of caves for inexperienced persons to enjoy
- # focus beginners into these caves least likely to get them lost or hurt.
- # encourage the use of all safety equipment and practices
- # facilitate access into a cave of relatively large groups (maximum of 20)

Access:

Any number of the public will have freedom of entry without payment

Management:

- # safety will be emphasised by displaying safety standards at all entrances
- # rules will be displayed at the entrance
- # impacts will be monitored to detect any deterioration of the caves
- # a donation box will raise revenue for cave maintenance
- # caves may be withdrawn or added to

Procedure

Arrive at AC I Cave
↓
Read Information adjacent to carpark
↓
Abide by all safety rules
↓
Sign register individually
↓
Go Caving

Currently Listed Caves

	<u>Max. No. People/Trip</u>
Giants Cave	20
Tunnel Cave	20
Northcote Grotto Cave	20

Adventure Cave Class II and III

Objectives:

- # to facilitate aesthetic appreciation and physical recreation
- # to facilitate access to caves with greater degrees of difficulty than Adventure Caves Class I
- # to raise revenue to enable ongoing cave maintenance
- # to control numbers of users

Access:

- # a booking system has been established through the Margaret River Tourist Bureau
- # all trips need to have an authorised trip leader (see appendix VI for details on how to get trip leader status) and get a permit
- # all trips must be paid for through the Margaret River Tourist Bureau prior to entry
- # fees are \$2.00 per head per cave on the day or at the reduced rate of \$1.00 per head per cave if booking is done two weeks in advance to ensure the availability of a particular cave

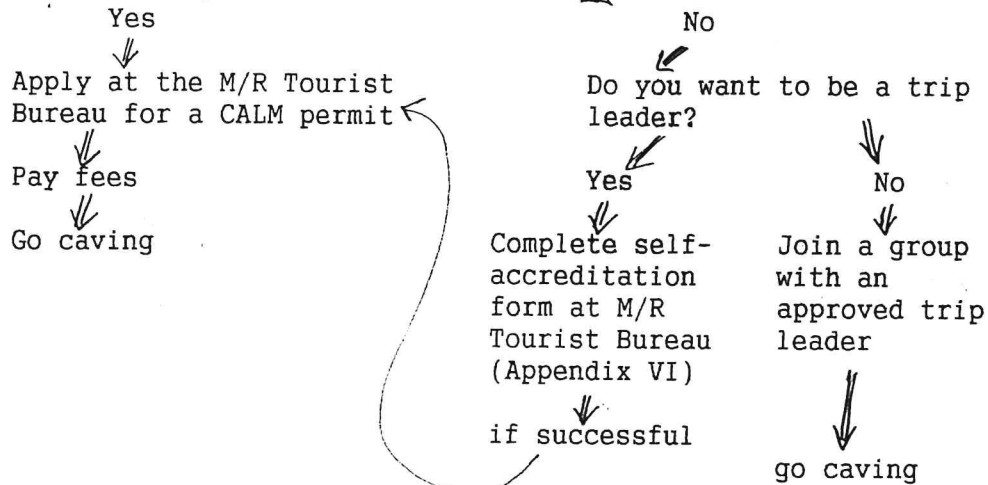
Management:

- # the Margaret River Tourist Bureau administers the cave permit system on behalf of C.A.L.M. Any complaints should initially be brought to the bureaux attention. The District Manager of Busselton's CALM office will adjudicate on any large problems
- # once a trip leader for AC II or III is approved it is valid for 2 years
- # there is no fee to attain trip leader status at this stage
- # a notice at the entrance of all AC II and III will remind people that a permit is required prior to entry
- # a review of all caves in this category will be periodically undertaken as information is gathered

Procedure

Want to go into an Adventure Cave II or III

Are you an approved trip leader?



Listed Caves for Adventure Class II

	<u>Max. No.</u> <u>People/Trip</u>	<u>Max. No.</u> <u>Trips/Week?</u>
Golgotha Cave *	10	14
Nannup Cave	6	8
Block Cave	6	8
Quinninup Lake Cave	6	8
Terrible Cave	10	14
Mordang Dar Cave (no pipe entry)	6	8

Listed Caves for Adventure Cave Class III

	<u>Max. No. People/Trip</u>	<u>Max. No. trips/week</u>
WI 16	20	14
Brides	10	14
Mill	10	14
Dingo	6	8
Arumvale Pipe	6	8
Blackboy Hollow *	6	8

* Locked

ADVENTURE CAVE CLASS IV

Objectives:

- * Provide opportunity for physical recreation and athletic appreciation in a controlled group.
- * To raise revenue for cave rehabilitation.
- * To provide better protection to an existing heavily used adventure cave.
- * Increase user awareness of the value of caves.

Access:

- * Any individuals or groups will be able to enjoy a caving experience under the guidance of the lessee.
- * A fee will need to be paid to the lessee.

Management:

- * The leased cave will provide another recreation opportunity while raising funds to rehabilitate Calgardup and other caves.
- * Lease will be evaluated before a lease is re-negotiated. Evaluation will be based upon;
 - a) Positive and negative impacts on Calgardup.
 - b) Any negative impacts on other caves as a result of Calgardup not being freely available.
 - c) Public response to the leasing of caves.

Procedure

Want to go into an Adventure Cave Class IV



Pay lessee of Cave



Go for a guided tour

Listed Cave:

Calgardup Cave

4. ACCESS: RESTRICTED ACCESS CAVES CLASS I - V

Objectives:

- * The majority of caves are classified into the Restricted Access (R.A.) category to ensure that visitation is under the Leadership of experienced speologists.
- * Restricted Access Caves have various categories to highlight their purpose and consequential management practices. (See Section 3).

Access:

There are two broad types locked and unlocked, both will require a Permit from C.A.L.M. at no cost currently.

Management:

A. Locked Caves:

These caves have the best formation within the park (generally speaking) and have been locked for a variety of reasons largely by speological clubs. The existing system for access has not changed. Access to locked caves requires an application to the Cave Access Committee (C.A.C.) with a trip proposal. The trip leader needs to lodge \$5 with the C.A.C. upon application to cover costs. The C.A.C. recommend to C.A.L.M. that a Permit be issued or not issued.

Membership of the C.A.C. is as follows (see Appendix II).

- * Two representatives of each A.S.F. affiliated speolo club in W.A. (4 people)
- * One C.A.L.M. representative.

An approved trip is one where at least three representatives approve of the proposed trip. The trip leader is effectively evaluated by his peers based on their knowledge of his experience ability to organise a trip, and whether the trip satisfies the purpose for which the cave has been allocated.

Access into locked caves is very low as shown in Appendix V. Records of all trips undertaken are kept by C.A.L.M. as the permit is issued. Details of why the trip was undertaken and any results are also held by C.A.L.M.

Locked caves cover all categories and are indicated by an asterisk on any listings. The Cave Advisory Committee for the L.N.N.P. is to put together a policy for C.A.L.M.'s endorsement on when a cave should be locked. Historically caves have been locked on an opportunistic basis and all locked caves will be reviewed.

B. Unlocked Caves:

Unlocked restricted access caves are available to any groups that have an approved trip leader.

An approved trip leader is a person who:-

- a) is a member of a W.A. Speological Club affiliated to Australian Speological Federation (A.S.F.) OR
- b) is an associate member of A.S.F.
- c) has successfully completed a written and practical course set up by C.A.L.M. through the Cave Advisory Committee.

A trip leader will be a person with experience, interested in taking groups through a cave for a specific purpose.

Trip Leader Testing:

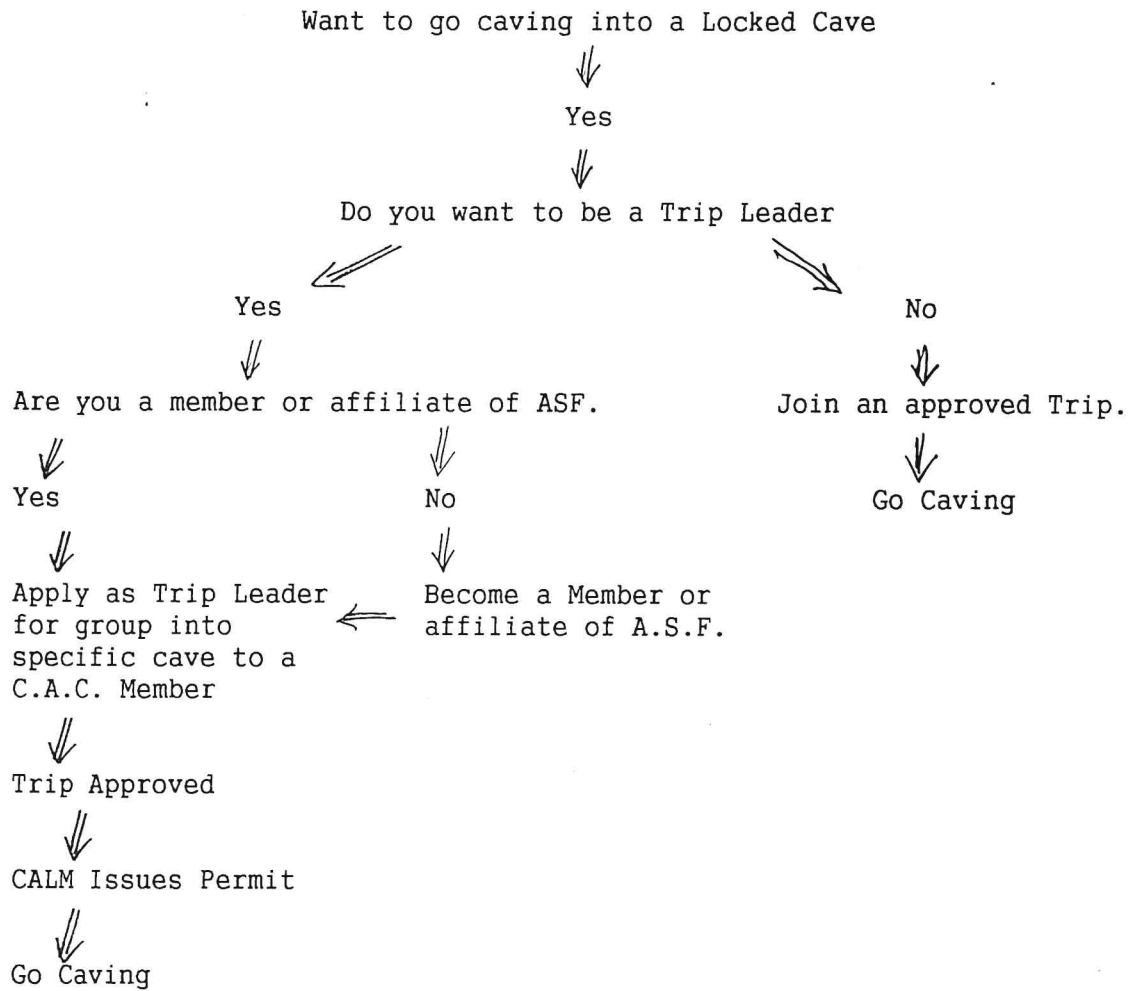
Theory: Applicants will be asked to complete one of four alternative papers designed to test the depth of knowledge, safety, etc. Theory tests will be run by CALM three times a year. Guidelines on what is covered in the tests will be available on request.

Practical: Persons who successfully complete the theory paper will need to complete practical tasks before an examining panel, drawn from a wide source of experienced W.A. cavers. The Examining Panel will be rotated periodically but selected by the Cave Advisory Committee for the L.N.N.P. on behalf of C.A.L.M.

Persons under 18 years old will not be granted trip leader status. Approved trip leaders for R.A. category need to apply to the Margaret River Tourist Bureau for access. No fee is applicable currently.

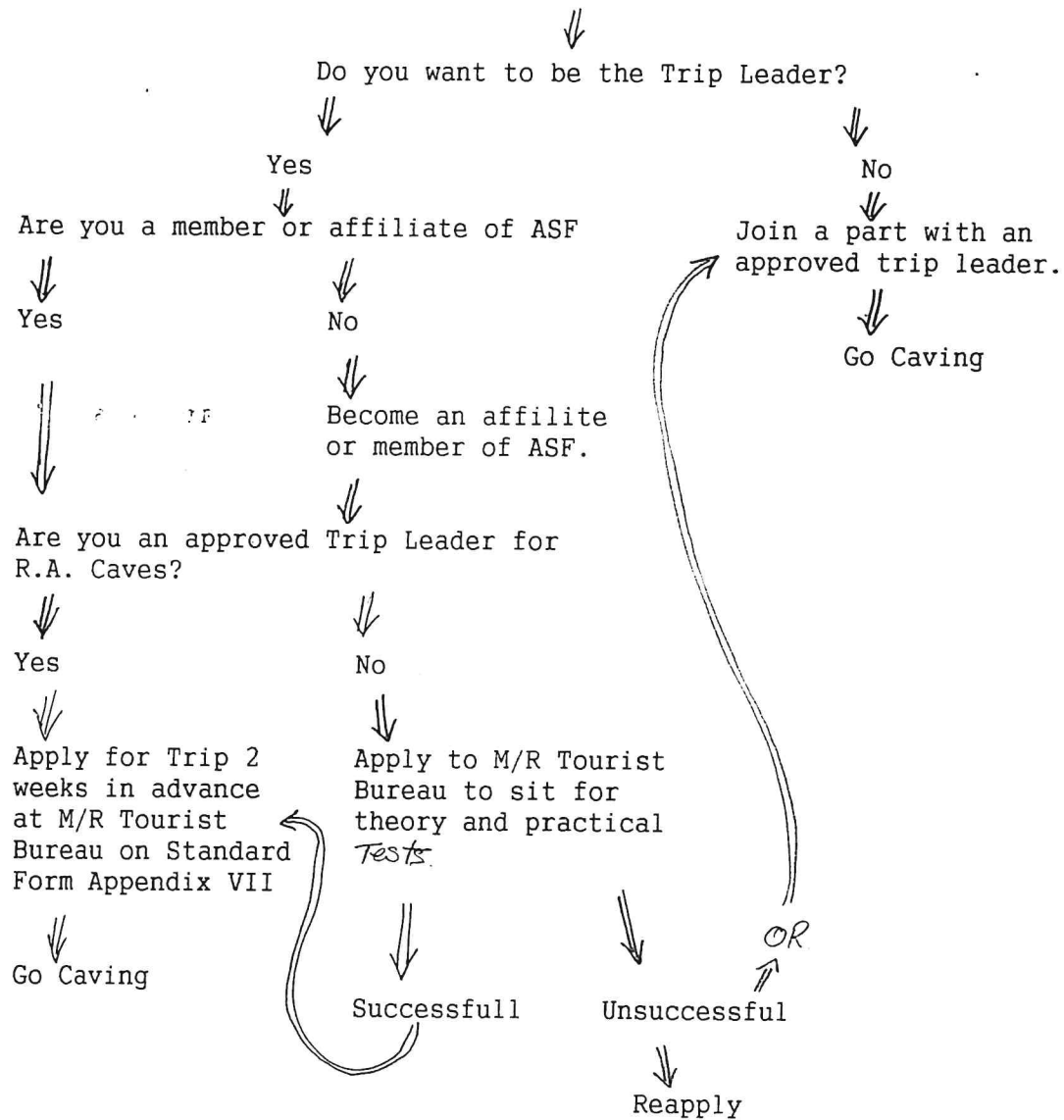
Procedure

A. Locked Caves



B. Unlocked Cave

Want to go into a Unlocked Restricted Access Cave.



Currently Listed Caves (Examples only)

R.A. Class I - Wild Caves
(Class contains the majority of caves,

R.A. Class II - Dangerous Caves.

R.A. Class III - Reference Caves

R.A. Class IV - Scientific Caves.

R.A. Class V - Locked Caves.

APPENDIX I

CAVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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CALM
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CALM

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Member of W.A.S.G.

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Manager, Margaret River
Tourist Bureau

Mr Ian Rotheram
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District Manager
C.A.L.M.

APPENDIX II

CONTACTS FOR CAVING

Caving Emergencies:

Margaret River Police Station

Conservation and Land Management (C.A.L.M.)

Busselton District Office	Tel: 097 521677)	During normal
Margaret River Office	Tel: 097 572322)	business hours.
Cave Ranger (Rob Klok)	Tel: (097) 555324	During normal hours or emergencies.

Margaret River Tourist Bureau	Tel: 097 572911
(For Permit Bookings)	Fax:

Australian Speological Federation Inc.
PO Box 385
BROADWAY WA 6007

Speological Research Group W.A.
PO Box 120
NEDLANDS WA 6009
Tel: 09 276 2495

West. Australian Speological Sub-Group
C/- Keith Tritton
PO Box 171
MARGARET RIVER WA 6285

MEMBERS OF C.A.C. (Note this is the current membership as as 1991)

1. Steve Brooks
2. Norm Poulter - PO Box 120, Nedlands 6009 (H) 09 2762495
3. Barry Tibbenham
4. Perry Raison
5. Rob Klok - C/- CALM, Margaret River - (097) 572322 OR
Home in emergencies - (097) 555324

Environmental Protection Authority - Cave Working Group.
Contact E.P.A. Perth - (09) 2227000

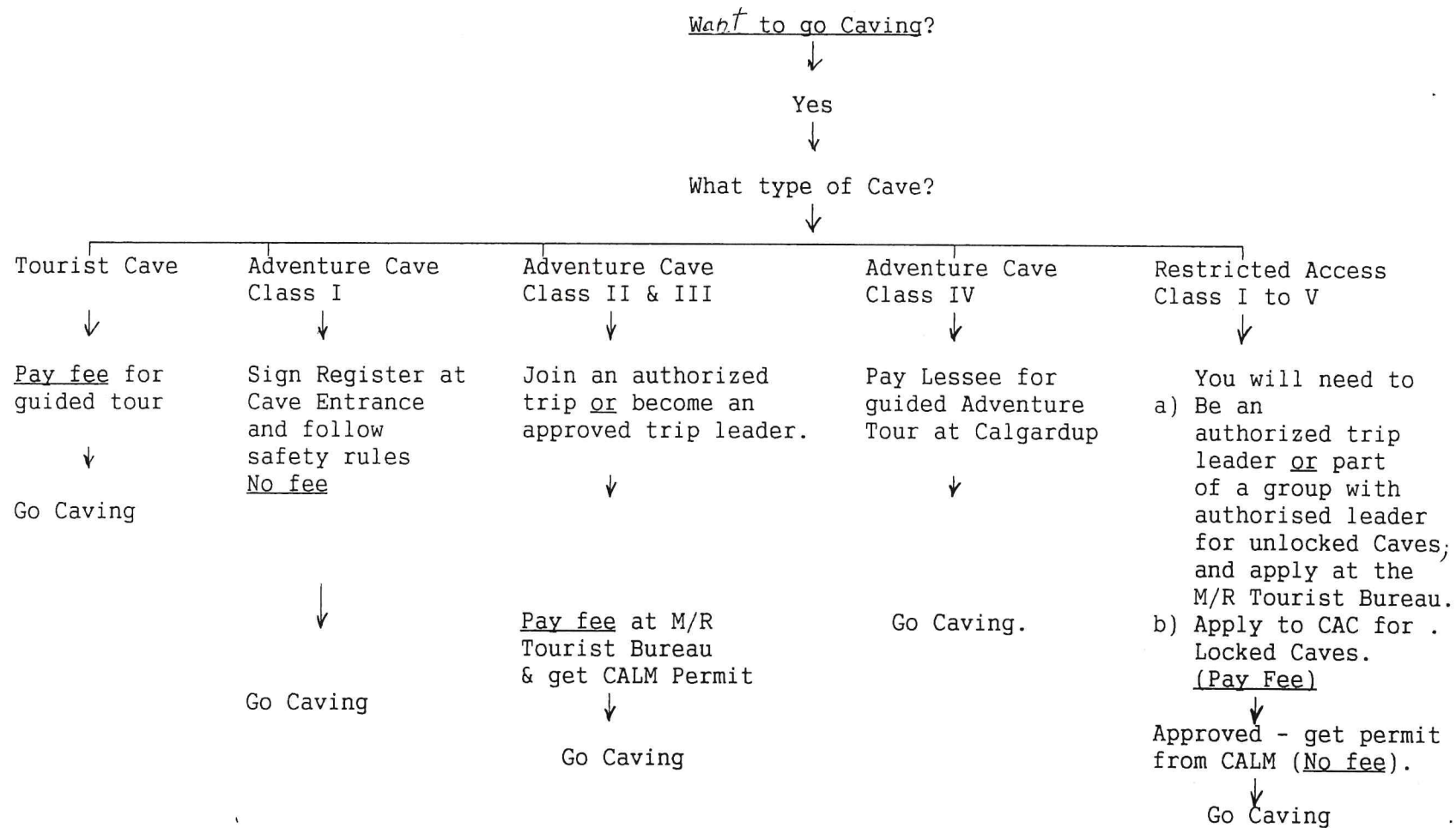
Australian Cave and Karst Management Association (A.C.K.M.A.)
C/- Keith Tritton, Margaret River Tourist Bureau.

APPENDIX III
SUMMARY OF CAVE CLASSIFICATIONS WITHIN THE L.N.N.P.

CLASSIFICATION OF CAVES	CALM PERMIT REQUIRED	LEADERSHIP REQUIREMENTS	OBTAINING LEADERSHIP	ENTRY FEES \$	ACCESS BY COMMERCIAL OPERATORS	CALM AUTH. TRIP LEADER REQ'D
Tourist Caves	No	Cave Guides	None Required	Set by Tourist Bureau	Yes	No
Adventure Caves Class I	Yes Self Registration Permit completed by user at Cave entrance	None	Recommended to accompany Experienced Person	Donation box on Site encouraging 50c/head No formal fees.	Yes CALM charges commercial operators an annual Licence fee.	No
Adventure Caves Class II & III *	Yes Cave Permit is by Application to Margaret River Tourist Bureau.	Approved Trip Leader required for each Group.	Apply at Margaret Tourist Bureau for Accreditation Form. Appendix VI	\$2.00/head/cave Discounted to \$1/head/cave if book 2 weeks in advance.	Yes Providing group sizes are abided by and CALM permit obtained.	Yes
Adventure Caves Class IV	No Concessionaire approves of users, subject to Lease conditions.	Yes Provided by Lessee	Yes Provided by Lessee	Set by Concessionaire. ***	No	Yes
Restricted Access Class I - V	Yes Permit issued by CALM if approved by CAC.	Trip Leaders required for all R.A. Caves. Seeking Leader Qualifications.	<u>Locked Caves:</u> Peer Assessment of trip leaders. <u>All other R.A. Caves.</u> Approved Trip Leaders to pass written & practical test.	Annual Speological Club Registration fee set by CALM. ***	No	Yes

- * Persons applying for a permit into these caves are required to do so two weeks in advance.
Applications can be in person or in writing. The Permit will be sent out by mail only if correct payment has been made in advance
All correspondence must be through the Margaret River Tourist Bureau. Caves can be booked on the day provided the higher fee is paid.
- ** Effects of this restricted group size will be monitored.
20 is a total number. (Of 16 cavers plus 4 leaders) = example.
- *** Entry into the Restricted Access Caves Class I to IV must be with an approved trip leader.

APPENDIX IV



APPENDIX V

Adventure Caves

	Max. No. People/Trip	Max No. Trips/Week
AC I		
Tunnel Cave	20	No Limit
Giants Cave	20	No Limit
Northcote Grotto Cave	20	No Limit
AC II		
Golgotha Cave	10	6
Nannup Cave	6	4
Block Cave	6	2
Quinninup Lake Cave	6	2
Mordang Dar Cave (no pipe entry)	6	2
AC III		
Brides Cave	20	10
Mill Cave	10	4
W.I. 16	20	10
Dingo Cave	6	4
Aramvale Pipe	6	2
Blackboy Hollow Cave *	6	2
AC IV		
Calgardup *	20	No Limit

Note: * Indicates locked cave, key will need to be collected once Permit paid for.

Restricted Access Caves *(Examples only)*

	Max. No. People/Trip	Max. No. Trips/Year
R.A. II		
III		
IV		
V		

APPENDIX VI

APPLICATION FOR TRIP LEADER STATUS : ADVENTURE CAVES

	YES	NO	YRS
1) I have been a member of a caving party in adventure caves before (See over)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
2) I have led trips into adventure caves before .. (See over)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
3) I have the necessary equipment and training to safely conduct trips into vertical entrance caves. (See over)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
4) I have a current First Aid Certificate Type Year Obtained State	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5) I am aware of hazards to be found in caves such as loose rocks, CO ₂ , complex passages etc. and that cave entrance can be especially dangerous.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
6) I am aware that I will be responsible for the well being of any cave that I or my party visit and that includes decoration, fauna and their habitat and keeping to marked or obvious trails where applicable.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
7) I am aware of what procedures should be followed in the case of an injury to a member of a party that I am leading.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
8) I am aware that I should notify a reliable person to raise the alarm if I or my party fail to return by a prescribed time from a nominated cave.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
9) I agree that I and my party will abide by any conditions of entry to caves that may be imposed by CALM from time to time.			

SIGNED..... DATE..... T/L#

NAME(please print).....AGE.....H/V

ADDRESS:.....

CAVE TRIP LEADER - carry on all authorised trips

NAME:..... T/L # H/V

ADDRESS:.....

Administrative enquiries - weekdays 9am - 5pm - R Klok CALM. via Margaret River Office - 097 572 322
 Administrative enquiries - weekends 9am - 5pm Margaret River Tourist Bureau Inc. - 097 572 911 -
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APPENDIX VI

TRIP LEADER SELF-ACCREDITATION

1. I have been a member/leader of a caving party in adventure caves before.

Where have you gained caving experience?.....

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.....

2. I have led trips into adventure caves before.

How long have you been leading trips and where in W.A.?

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3. I have the necessary equipment and training to safely conduct trips into vertical entrance caves.

How much training have you received relating to caving ladders and from whom?

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How much training have you received relating to abseiling (or SRT) and from whom?

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What vertical equipment do you possess or have access to?

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APPENDIX VII

Margaret River Tourist Bureau
Office: Tel: (097) 572911
Fax

APPLICATION FOR A CAVE PERMIT

A. General Information:

1. This application form is for Adventure Caves Class II & III and unlocked Restricted Access Caves.
2. This application only applies to Caves within the L.N.N.P.
3. The Margaret River Tourist Bureau issues Permits on behalf of CALM.
4. Fees are non-refundable.
5. The Margaret River Tourist Bureau issues Permits on behalf of CALM.

B. Applicant Details:

Trip Leader Details (must be 18 years old plus)

Trip Leader (Please include Name and address. Telephone No., affiliation, commercial operator and D.O.B. Must be 18 years or older).

NAME:

ADDRESS: TEL:

COMMERCIAL OPERATOR: YES/NO D.O.B.: / / CLUB AFFILIATION:.....

Names of other Party Members (Asterisk Co-leaders)Experience level
Rating (See Below)

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.....
.....
.....
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Experience Level Rating

- | | |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 0 First Caving Trip | 4 Experience in other States |
| 1 Some local experience | 5 International & W.A. Experience |
| 2 Extensive Local experience | 6 Only International Experience |
| 3 Extensive W.A. Experience | |

Person to Contact in Emergency (Name, address and telephone)

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.....

C. Destination(s)

Cave Name(s)	<u>Trip Date:</u>	<u>Time am/pm</u>
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D Statistics

1. How did you find out about the Permit System?
.....
2. Briefly describe the purpose of your visit?
.....
.....
3. Any other Comments:
.....

Lists of Caves available to Permit Holders. A.C. & R.A.

<u>Adventure Cave Class II</u>	<u>Max. No. People/Trip</u>	<u>Max No. Trips/Week</u>
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Golgotha Cave etc Pg 6

A.C. Class III

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<u>Unlocked R.A. Caves</u> (Samples only)	<u>Max. No. People/Trip</u>	<u>Max. No. Trips/Year</u>
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CAVE PERMIT

IMPORTANT

Notes:

1. This permit should be carried by the trip leader on his/her person at all times after the bottom section is torn off and displayed on the dash of the trip leaders vehicle. (Please fill in vehicles in party just prior to going caving).
2. This form is validated when signed on behalf of CALM by the Tourist Bureau.
3. Please read the permit conditions (overleaf) carefully before signing this permit.

<u>Permit Details:</u>	1	2	3	4	5	6
Permitted Cave:.....						
Date Entry:.....						
Number in Party:.....						
AM/PM.....						

Trip Leader: (Name and Address)

Fee: \$.....

Permit Number: [A.C. 20001 or A.C. 20001 or R.A. (1234 or 5) 0001]

Signed for Executive Director Date / / /

Permit Number:

ALL VEHICLES IN THE PARTY

MAKE

COLOUR

REGISTRATION

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CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. Maximum and minimum numbers to be observed.
Maximum numbers vary (see below) but minimum number is three.
2. A minimum of one light source and one candle per person.
3. Clothing and footwear should be robust, Helmets are to be worn.
4. Cave formations must not be handled.
5. Any damage in the cave should be reported to the Busselton CALM Office. Telephone 097 521677 or the Margaret River Tourist Bureau. Telephone 097 572911.
6. Follow obvious or marked trails at all times..
7. Trip leaders are responsible for ensuring fees are paid for all members in the party and the group conduct their trip in a responsible manner.
8. Special Conditions:

APPENDIX IX

FINDERS RIGHTS

Finders Rights were queried in several of the public submissions received. The Cave Advisory Committee thought the issue important enough to include it in an appendice.

Finders Rights cover both the finding of a New Cave or finding a new extension to a known cave.

"Rights" have been extended to finders in the hope they will impart the knowledge to CALM as the Managing Authority as soon as the discovery is made. There can be NO legal claim to discoverers but CALM will acknowledge finders rights and abide by the following guidelines.

1. Finders will be given adequate time to fully explore new sites before the cave/extension is placed into the Restricted Access Class I category.
2. Finders are asked to minimize cave impacts by ensuring:-
 - 2.1 Initial entry is made only if the correct gear and personnel are present.
 - 2.2 The exploratory party is kept small. (4 people max.)
 - 2.3 Correct equipment and personnel.
 - 2.4 Mapping must be done concurrently with exploration and track marking.

Finders are reminded that all impacts will be solely attributed to them!

C.A.L.M. is keen to protect the Rights of the cave and will require regular progress reports on the exploration of new sites.