

## **Cave Registry**

The Scottish Cave and Mine Registry came online during the year. It uses the same software that Matt Voysey developed for the Mendip Cave Registry & Archive. Although not officially launched you can see a preview at <http://registry.gsg.org.uk>

The software that Matt developed has been a great success. It has been used by the Mendip ([mcra.org.uk](http://mcra.org.uk)), Derbyshire ([thedca.org.uk](http://thedca.org.uk)) and Scottish ([registry.gsg.org.uk](http://registry.gsg.org.uk)). It will be used by the Devon registry as well. Matt has generously made the software available free of charge.

The Northern Caves Registry ([northerncaves.co.uk](http://northerncaves.co.uk)) arrived during the year, launched in conjunction with the publication of the excellent Northern Caves Guide book. It currently covers The Three Counties System and the North West.

The BCA hosted Cave Registry Data Archive ([cave-registry.org.uk](http://cave-registry.org.uk)) has continued to grow and is now a substantial 27GB in size. The Archive is the place to keep your survey data safe. Not only is the data kept secure and safe but the archive provides version control tools to help manage and coordinate larger projects. The Archive will accept data from UK cavers for any project, large or small, either here or overseas, where there is a significant UK caver involvement. My thanks to Andrew Atkinson for his tireless work on the Archive.

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