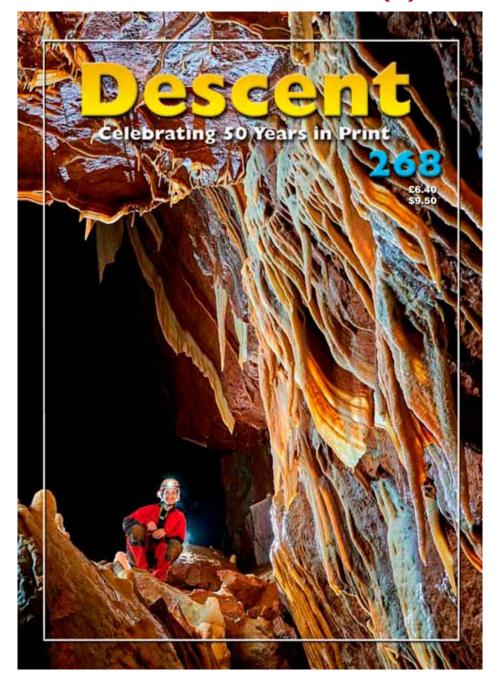


## **Descent Newsletter (3)**



Welcome to the third *Descent* newsletter which, as a reminder, we aim to send this to everyone who has registered for the newsletter about every other month - roughly, to coincide with each issue of *Descent* being published. If you haven't renewed your subscription (or haven't yet taken one out), now's the time so that we can send you the latest edition. Publication is officially next Saturday, but our copies came into stock today for immediate supply.

When putting this issue together we started out without much material from many of the caving regions ... and then it began to pour in, so expect to read plenty of updates on exploration and local

news. We also ran out of space for articles and have held some over until August, but what you will be able to read is a varied and impressive selection that includes an unusual crystal formation in a pool that requires some study, expedition explorations, a new and much-needed insurance scheme (it might sound boring, but it is so necessary!), and a full report on the recent Northern Explorers' Forum. And that's added to by a bumper round-up of book reviews, how Cutthroat Caverns was found and explored, and the latest results of the 3D laser scanning project as it adds a major Slovenian cave to the listing.

While you're here, might we mention the extensive stock of back issues we hold (plus second-hand collectable copies)? If you are looking for some help in completing your set of *Descent*, if you buy back issues between now and the end of June, as a newsletter subscriber you can use the code 'backissue15' when you check out to receive a 15% discount on any copies in stock that were published to the end of 2017 (that's up to issue 259). Now's your chance to fill in those gaps ...

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