

## Descent Newsletter (9) May 2021

IT doesn't feel as though two months have passed since we sent our last normally-timed newsletter in preparation for the April issue of *Descent*, but here we are in mid-May already. And the new 'next issue' for June is about to go to print ...

The best news has to be that with coronavirus restrictions slowly coming to an end (we hope, though this can suddenly change), caving has started to resume some semblance of normality. Already, the news pages in *Descent* have picked up in volume, with digs and breakthroughs being reported. Aside from regional and international news pages, we have articles on two breakthroughs in northern England, a successful dig on Mendip, caves with some very different geology in California, and a major article about the exploration and science involved at Bagpit on Mendip. Opinion on recent events is also strongly represented, and for inveterate readers we have reviews and news of no fewer than a dozen new or about-to-be-released books. Something for everyone? We think so.

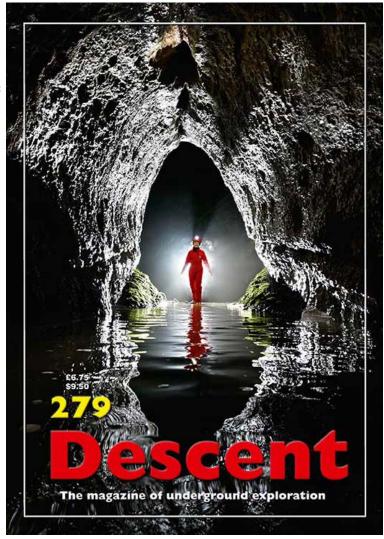
As usual, our plea is that if you haven't renewed your subscription yet, but intend to do so, please go online or put a cheque in the post soon. It does help us a lot, both financially and with the time

taken to deal with posting individual issues, if we send everything out together direct from the printer. You also receive your copy as soon as it is released.

Online, both of Dave Gill's books, Journeys Beneath the Earth and the new title More Journeys Beneath the Earth are still in stock, and we anticipate adding more titles to the web pages as they come available, so keep an eye on wildplaces.co.uk.Plus, of course, if you haven't seen a copy of the current edition, you can order this separately or part of a subscription :-).

We hope to see you online soon, and do keep the comments flowing.

Best wishes from Chris & Judith



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