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## Senate Passes Pa. Land Owner Liability Act

The act to amend the land owner liability act has passed the Pennsylvania Senate. It has been referred to the House Conservation Committee. The bill is designated as Senate Bill 1051.

Senate Bill No. 1051

Amending the act of February 2, 1966 (1965 P.L.1860, No.586), entitled "An act encouraging landowners to make land and water areas available to the public for recreational purposes by limiting liability in connection therewith, and repealing certain acts," further defining "recreational purposes" to include cave exploration.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section 2(3) of the act of February 2, 1966 (1965 P.L.1860, No.586), entitled "An act encouraging landowners to make land and water areas available to the public for recreational purposes by limiting liability in connection therewith, and repealing certain acts," is amended to read:

Section 2. As used in this act:

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(3) "Recreational purpose" includes, but is not limited to, any of the following, or any combination thereof: hunting, fishing, swimming, boating, camping, picnicing, hiking, pleasure driving, nature study, water skiing, water sports, cave exploration and viewing or enjoying historical, archaeological, scenic, or scientific sites.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

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VAR/MAR Field Meet

Oct. 4-6 1991

Details Inside

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Judi Stack, the Legislative Liaison for the Pennsylvania Cave Law Legislation Task Force, urges us to act. In her words, "If you haven't already written to Representative Camille George, Chairman of the House Conservation Committee, please do so NOW!."

It is not too early to write to your own representative to urge them to vote for this bill.

According to Judi, your letter doesn't have to be long. It can even be a postcard. Just be sure to mention Senate Bill, 1051, ask your representative to support the bill, and include your name and address.

If we all write, we have a good chance of getting this bill passed. ■

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Plan on attending the VAR/MAR Field Meet on Oct. 4-6. If you register as an MAR participant, your registration fee pays for a subscription to the *MAR Breakdown* and supports the MAR.

## Judi Stack Awarded NSS Certificate of Merit

At the 1991 NSS Convention, Judi Stack was awarded the Certificate of Merit for her efforts to enact the passage of the Pennsylvania Cave Protection Act.

Judi responded by saying "Getting the Cave Act passed was made possible by the cavers and others who wrote letters and made phone calls to their legislators. Without their help Pennsylvania would not have a cave law. This Certificate is for all of us. Thank you."

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## Pennsylvania's Cave Law in Action

Submitted by Bert Ashbrook

The first application of the Pennsylvania Cave Protection Act to cave vandals is now under way. According to the *Latrobe Bulletin* of Monday July 30, 1991, two vandals spray-painted their names, initials, and the date in Bear Cave and Con Cave in Westmoreland County on March 9, 1991. These two "genuises" from Blairsville are being prosecuted after they signed the cave register with their names, addresses, and phone numbers.

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The Triangle Troglodytes present the:

# 1991 Fall VAR/MAR

Celebrating 50 years of organized caving

October 4 - 6  
Yocum's Vacationland  
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**Region Record Subscription or MAR Donation**  
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## Pre - Registration Form

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

NSS Number

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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City

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State

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Zip Code

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Phone

Circle for T- Shirt

Send Pre Registration to:  
Bill Bussey VAR/MAR 91 120 Manhattan Ct. Cary, NC 27511  
For more info call Bill @ (919) 460- 8968

(Does not include show caves, or those closed naturally or quarried away.)

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NAME	COUNTY	OPEN/CLOSED	RELEASE	ACCESS
Addison	Perry	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Aitkin	Mifflin	Gated	Release form each time	Permission each time
Alexander Caverns	Mifflin	Gated	No release form	No caving
Allegheny Cemetery 1	Allegheny	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Allegheny Cemetery 2	Allegheny	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Alters	Centre	Closed by owner or others	No release form	Unknown
Appliance Pit	Lehigh	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Aquetong	Bucks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	No caving
Arnt	Perry	Closed by owner or others	No release form	Permission each time
Atkinson	Bucks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
BBET 1	Snyder	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	No caving
Bahnars	Northumberland	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Baker 2	Franklin	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Balliettsville (See Guthsville 1)				
Barrville	Mifflin	Open	No release form	No caving
Bear	Westmoreland	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Bear Cave Sink (See Rattlesnake Sink)				
Bears Den	Huntingdon	Open	No release form	No caving
Beaver Field	Centre	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Belleville	Mifflin	Open	No release form	No caving
Bellrock 1	Allegheny	Closed by owner or others	No release form	Unknown
Best (See Indian (Bath))				
Big Ridge	Mifflin	Gated	Release form once	Permission each time
Blain	Perry	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Blue Hole 1	Blair	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Boalsburg	Centre	Closed by owner or others	No release form	Unknown
Bomansdale	Cumberland	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Boot-At-Bottom	Fayette	Open	No release form	No caving
Boxwork	Adams	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	No caving
Boyer West (See BBET 1)				
Bradshaw Pond Pit	Bucks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	No caving
Brassiere (See Eiswert 2)				
Brownstone	Dauphin	Closed by owner or others	No release form	Unknown
Brubaker	Mifflin	Closed Intermittently	No release form	Unknown
Buckingham	Bucks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Buffalo Springs	Lebanon	Gated	Unknown	Unknown
Canoe Creek Mine 2	Blair	Gated	Unknown	No caving
Carpenter	Northampton	Gated	No release form	No caving
Centerport	Berks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Chester Guyton	Bedford	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Chimney Rocks	Blair	Unknown	Unknown	No caving
Clines Sink	Fulton	Closed Intermittently	Release form each time	Permission each time
Coffee Run Spring	Mifflin	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Columbia Park	Blair	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Con	Westmoreland	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Conrad Weiser	Berks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Copenhaver 2	Centre	Closed by owner or others	No release form	Unknown
Copperhead	Westmoreland	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Cummins Pit	Huntingdon	Gated	Unknown	Permission each time

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Diamond	Mifflin	Closed Intermittently	No release form	Permission each time
Dietrich	Berks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Donaldson 1	Bedford	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Dougherty	Lycoming	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Dreibilbis	Berks	Gated	Release form each time	Permission each time
Dump	Mifflin	Closed by owner or others	No release form	Unknown
Eiswert 2	Lycoming	Gated	Unknown	Permission each time
End Of The Rainbow	Mifflin	Closed by owner or others	No release form	Permission each time
Fallen Rock Shelter	Lancaster	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Fantasy	Huntingdon	Open	No release form	No caving
Fat Mans Misery	Armstrong	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Flood Farm	Huntingdon	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Foot	Westmoreland	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Fossil	Huntingdon	Open	No release form	No caving
Franz (See Red Church)				
Frazier	Berks	Gated	Unknown	Unknown
Funks	Bucks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Galoshes	Lehigh	Open	No release form	No caving
George Deikes (See Coffee Run Spring)				
Germany Valley (See Wildcat Springs)				
Goss	Mifflin	Closed Intermittently	No release form	Permission each time
Guthsville 1	Lehigh	Open	No release form	No caving
Heffelfinger Strawberry F (See Wolf)				
Helfrich Springs	Lehigh	Closed by owner or others	No release form	Unknown
Heller 1	Blair	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Heller 2	Blair	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Heller 3	Blair	Open	Release form once	Permission each time
Heller 4	Blair	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Heller 5	Blair	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Heller 6	Blair	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Heller 7	Blair	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Heller 8	Blair	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Heller 9	Blair	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Highway Hole	Lehigh	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Hillside Bone	Westmoreland	Open	No release form	No caving
Hineman	Armstrong	Gated	Release form each time	Permission each time
Hobo	Berks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Hol-Bruck	Centre	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Hollekonk Well	Bucks	Gated	No release form	No caving
Holter Pit	Centre	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Honeydew #1	Northumberland	Closed Intermittently	Unknown	Unknown
Honeydew #2	Northumberland	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Hostermans Pit	Centre	Gated	Release form once	Permission each time
Hummer (See Kreider)				
Ice	Juniata	Closed by owner or others	No release form	Unknown
Ickesburg (See Arnt)				
Indian	Bucks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	No caving
Indian #1	Northampton	Gated	Release form each time	Permission each time
Indian #2	Northampton	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time

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Indian (Bath)	Northampton	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Indian House (See Indian)				
Iron Bridge #1	Lehigh	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Iron Bridge #2	Lehigh	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Iron Bridge #3	Lehigh	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
K-2	Bucks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	No caving
Kens	Westmoreland	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Kings	Mifflin	Closed by owner or others	No release form	Unknown
Knisley Farm	Bedford	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Konkey Hole (See Hollekonk Well)				
Kookon	Huntingdon	Gated	No release form	No caving
Kreider	Lebanon	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Lanes Lead Pit	Bedford	Closed Intermittently	Release form each time	Permission each time
Leith	Northampton	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Lights Fort	Lebanon	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Lineport #1	Lehigh	Gated	No release form	Permission each time
Litz Springs 1	Lancaster	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Little Aitken	Mifflin	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	No caving
Little Indian (See Bears Den)				
Little Pit	Huntingdon	Gated	Release form once	Permission each time
Locke 1 (See Cummins Pit)				
Long-Cock (See Long-Hancock)				
Long-Hancock	Huntingdon	Gated	Unknown	Unknown
Lutz	Berks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Mammoth Cave Of Pa (See Womers)				
Mapleton Spring	Huntingdon	Gated	No release form	Permission each time
Martinsburg	Blair	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
McAlisterville	Juniata	Gated	Release form once	Permission each time
McConnellstown Quarry 7 (See Fossil)				
McFadden	Huntingdon	Gated	No release form	Permission each time
McNitt	Mifflin	Closed Intermittently	Unknown	Unknown
Mengel Cave (See Onyx)				
Mengle (See Frazer)				
Menno Haven	Franklin	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Merkle	Berks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Mifflinburg 1	Union	Closed by owner or others	No release form	Unknown
Miller 1	Centre	Gated	No release form	Permission each time
Millheim	Centre	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Millpede	Centre	Open	No release form	No caving
Mine	Centre	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Mohrville (See Centerport)				
Montello	Berks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	No caving
Moravian College	Northampton	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Mount Rock	Mifflin	Open	No release form	No caving
Muffleys (See Wolf)				
Myerly Springs	Mifflin	Closed by owner or others	No release form	Permission each time
Needy	Franklin	Open	No release form	No caving
New Year's	Bedford	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Noecker	Berks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	No caving

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Nothing Special (See Sawmill 3)				
Oak Hall	Centre	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Ohrnacht	Berks	Open	No release form	No caving
Onyx	Berks	Gated	Unknown	Permission each time
Oriskany Sandstone	Huntingdon	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	No caving
Parker	Cumberland	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Patience Pit	Franklin	Open	No release form	No caving
Paxtonville	Snyder	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Pecks	Lancaster	Open	No release form	No caving
Peiper	Cumberland	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Pequea Church 1	Lancaster	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Pillbox	Mifflin	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Piney Creek	Blair	Closed Intermittently	No release form	Blanket permission
Port Kennedy	Montgomery	Closed by owner or others	No release form	Unknown
Pregnant Lady Pit	York	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Quarry Hill	Cumberland	Gated	Release form once	Permission each time
Ratshit (See Sawmill 2)				
Rattlesnake Sink	Westmoreland	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Razorback	York	Gated	No release form	No caving
Red Church	Schuylkill	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Redington #1	Northampton	Open	No release form	No caving
Redington #2	Northampton	Open	No release form	No caving
Reedsville	Mifflin	Closed by owner or others	No release form	Permission each time
Reese	Franklin	Open	Unknown	No caving
Refton	Lancaster	Gated	Release form once	Permission each time
Reichard	Franklin	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	No caving
Ritcheys Pump Pit	Bedford	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Roaring Spring	Blair	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Roaring Spring 1	Blair	Open	Unknown	No caving
Rockview	Centre	Open	No release form	No caving
Rohrsers	Lancaster	Gated	Unknown	Unknown
Rosenberry	Franklin	Open	Unknown	No caving
Rosman 1	Centre	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Rosman 1 (See Rosman 1)				
Rosman 2 (See Alters)				
Route 220 #1				
Rupert	- Bedford	Open	Unknown	No caving
Ruth	Mifflin	Gated	No release form	Permission each time
S.W.School	Huntingdon	Gated	Release form once	Permission each time
Salona	Lebanon	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Sandeppley (See Sawmill)	Clinton	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Sawmill	Westmoreland	Open	No release form	No caving
Sawmill 2	Westmoreland	Open	Unknown	No caving
Sawmill 3	Westmoreland	Open	No release form	No caving
Schalms #2 (See Schwalms Cavelet)	Northumberland	Closed by owner or others	No release form	Permission each time
Schalms #3	Northumberland	Closed by owner or others	No release form	Permission each time
Schalms Cavelet	Northumberland	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Seawra	Mifflin	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Shearer	Berks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown

## LIMITED ACCESS CAVES OF PENNSYLVANIA

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NAME	COUNTY	OPEN/CLOSED	RELEASE	ACCESS
Siglerville 3	Mifflin	Closed by owner or others	No release form	Unknown
Smith	Mifflin	Gated	Unknown	Permission each time
Solebury	Bucks	Open	Release form once	Permission each time
Soriano 1	Blair	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
South Temple	Berks	Open	No release form	No caving
Sparkys Pit	Centre	Open	No release form	No caving
Spider	Westmoreland	Open	Release form each time	Permission each time
Springs Mountain Sink	Bedford	Open	No release form	No caving
St Marks	York	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Stacktown	Lancaster	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Strangford	Indiana	Open	Unknown	No caving
Strawberry Mansion	Philadelphia	Closed by owner or others	No release form	Unknown
Strawtown	Bucks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Strocks	Bucks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	No caving
Stubbs 1 (See Heller 5)	Westmoreland	Open	No release form	No caving
Stubbs 2 (See Heller 4)	York	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Stubbs 3 (See Heller 2)	Berks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Tannery Hole	Blair	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Thomas (See Little Pit)	Centre	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Thomasville Quarry	Centre	Open	No release form	Unknown
Tuckerton	Huntingdon	Closed by owner or others	Release form once	Permission each time
Tyrone 1	Berks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	No caving
Tyrone 4	Blair	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Van Horns	Blair	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Veiled Lady	Centre	Closed by owner or others	No release form	Unknown
Vicki's (See Con)	Centre	Open	No release form	No caving
Walt Hole #1	Centre	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	Unknown
Weller	Huntingdon	Open	Release form once	Permission each time
West Reading	Berks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	No caving
West York	York	Closed by owner or others	No release form	Unknown
White Rocks Fissure	York	Open	No release form	No caving
Wildcat Springs	Fayette	Open	Unknown	No caving
Willow Ridge	Huntingdon	Open	Unknown	No caving
Winola	Bucks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	No caving
Wisshard Well	Wyoming	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Wolf	Huntingdon	Closed by owner or others	No release form	No caving
Wolf Rocks	Northampton	Gated	No release form	Permission each time
Womers	Bucks	Closed by owner or others	Unknown	No caving
Wreck Of The '57 Swallet	Perry	Gated	No release form	Permission each time
Wyeth	Bedford	Closed Intermittently	No release form	No caving
Zook's Pit	Lancaster	Gated	No release form	Permission each time
	Mifflin	Open	Release form once	Permission each time

# Limited Access Caves of Pennsylvania

Submitted by Keith D. Wheeland

Inside this publication you will find a list which shows the limited access caves of Pennsylvania. Limited access can mean something as simple as asking for permission each time or as extreme as the cave being physically closed.

If you find errors on the list, please write or call me at the address below.

## MAR Bulletins Available

No.	County in Pennsylvania		Cost	Postage
10	Snyder	20 caves, 14 maps	1.25	*
11	Centre	71 caves, 56 maps/ 1 large map	4.75	*
12	Mifflin	47 caves, 31 maps/5 large maps	5.50	**
13	Perry	13 caves, 6 maps	1.50	*
14	Bucks	24 caves, 6 maps	3.00	*
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