## Summary of Results of Clubs Survey March 2011

136 out of 300 BMC affiliated clubs replied, a response rate of $45 \%$. Half are all round mountaineering clubs, a quarter rock climbing clubs and another quarter hill-walking clubs. National, university and local clubs responded, with membership levels ranging from 1600 to 5 . The male:female ratio of membership is $2: 1$. Half the clubs reported an unchanged membership level in the past year with a quarter reporting a rise and a quarter reporting a fall in membership. Respondents estimated that $40 \%$ of their membership participate regularly in activities. $30 \%$ of clubs own one or more huts.
$90 \%$ of clubs accept novices and $50 \%$ accept under 18 s. $70 \%$ already offer training to members or are interested in doing so.

The BMC may be able to arrange club related training in the following areas (there would be a subsidized cost). Which of these would your club be interested in (if any)?


[^0]Among the very important benefits of BMC membership, $3^{\text {rd }}$ party liability insurance was identified by $90 \%$, access and conservation work by $50 \%$ and travel and activity insurance by $50 \%$ (categories not mutually exclusive).
$70 \%$ rated the BMC staff as very helpful.

Respondents rated the successful aspects of their club and those requiring improvement as follows


Which aspects would you like your club to improve upon?

$70 \%$ of respondents were fully confident that their club's constitution met its current needs, $50 \%$ were confident that the club kept all necessary records, but only $30 \%$ were fully confident that
committee members understood their legal obligations. 15\% were unsure what these were. This will be addressed at this year's Clubs and Huts seminar. Other topics of interest to clubs were

What subjects would you like to see covered in the next Club Seminar?


Administrative difficulties were


Many thanks to all who took the time to complete the survey which has been very helpful in guiding the Clubs Committee


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    development
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