

## **BMC Club Survey 2014 - Notes**

The survey was structured to make it possible to differentiate between responses from club members and non-club members, with this division being made in question 1. Questions 2-20 were answered by non-club members, and questions 21-43 were answered by current club members.

Responses to open-ended questions are published below, with alterations to preserve anonymity.

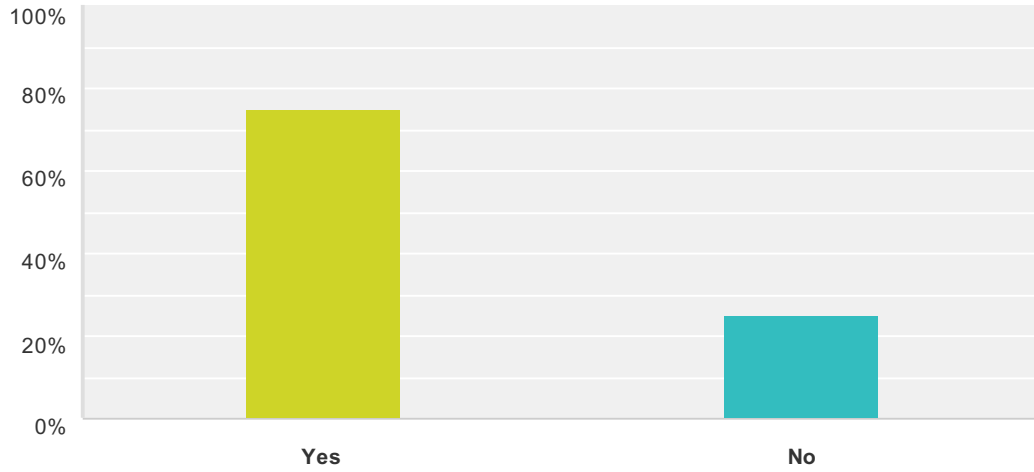
If you have any questions about the club survey or would like any information about how the BMC can support your club then please contact me at the email address below.

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### Q1 Are you a member of a walking, climbing or mountaineering club?

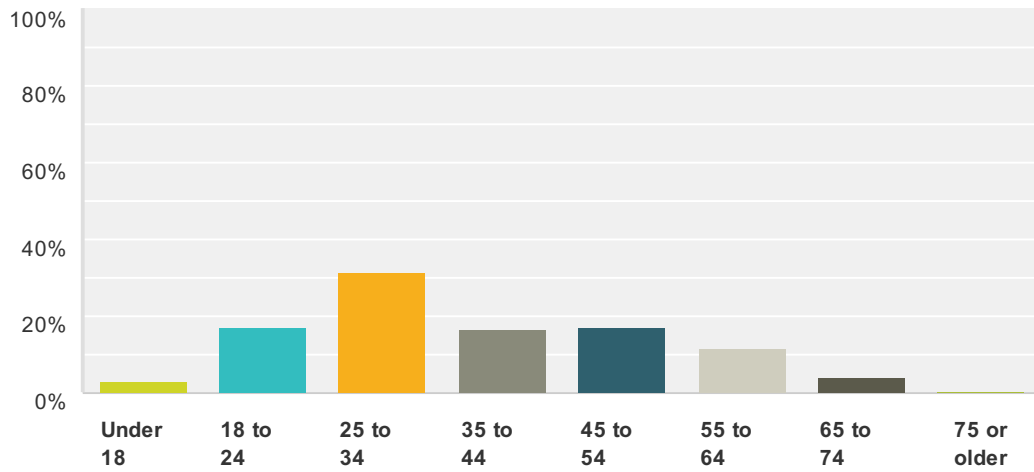
Answered: 1,649 Skipped: 10



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	74.83%	1,234
No	25.17%	415
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,649</b>

## Q2 What is your age?

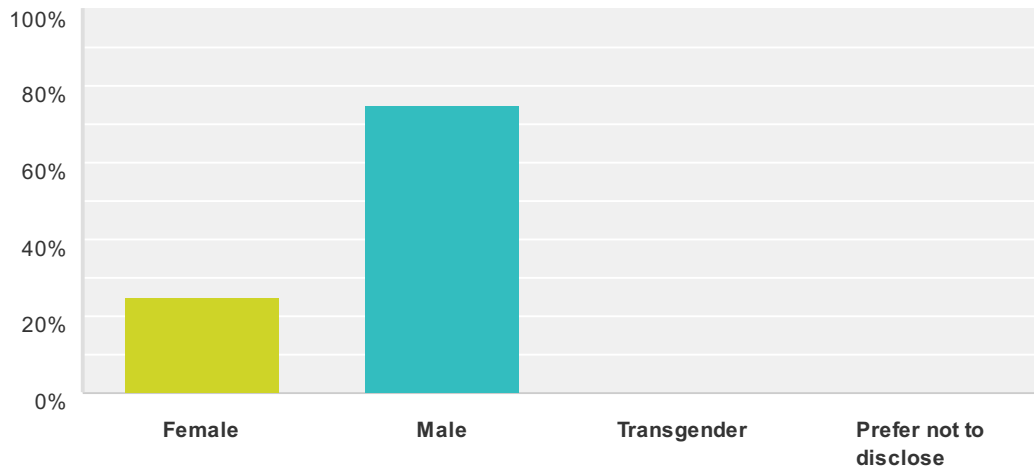
Answered: 423 Skipped: 1,236



Answer Choices	Responses	
Under 18	3.07%	13
18 to 24	16.78%	71
25 to 34	31.44%	133
35 to 44	16.31%	69
45 to 54	16.78%	71
55 to 64	11.35%	48
65 to 74	3.78%	16
75 or older	0.47%	2
<b>Total</b>		<b>423</b>

### Q3 What is your gender?

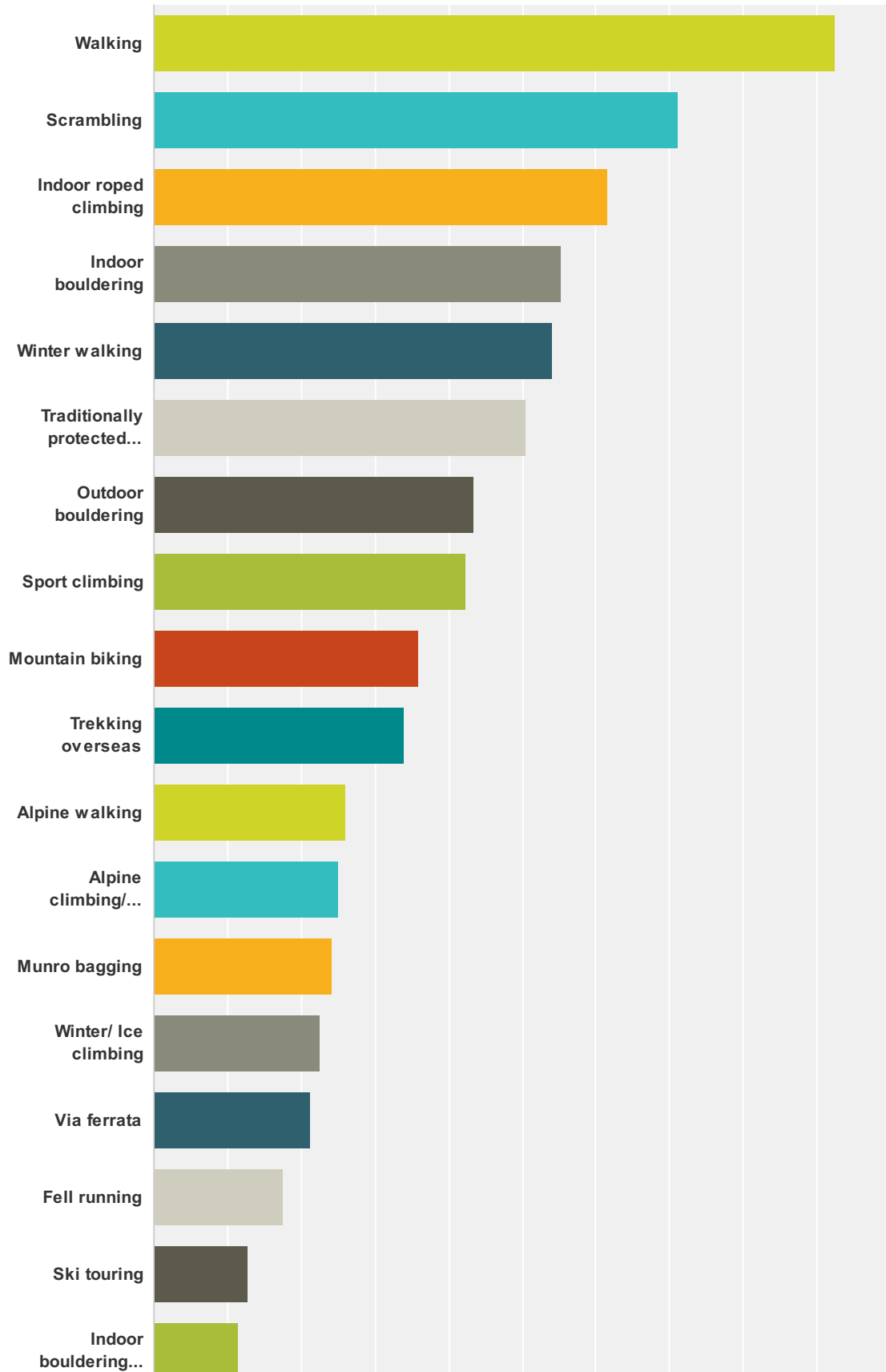
Answered: 423 Skipped: 1,236



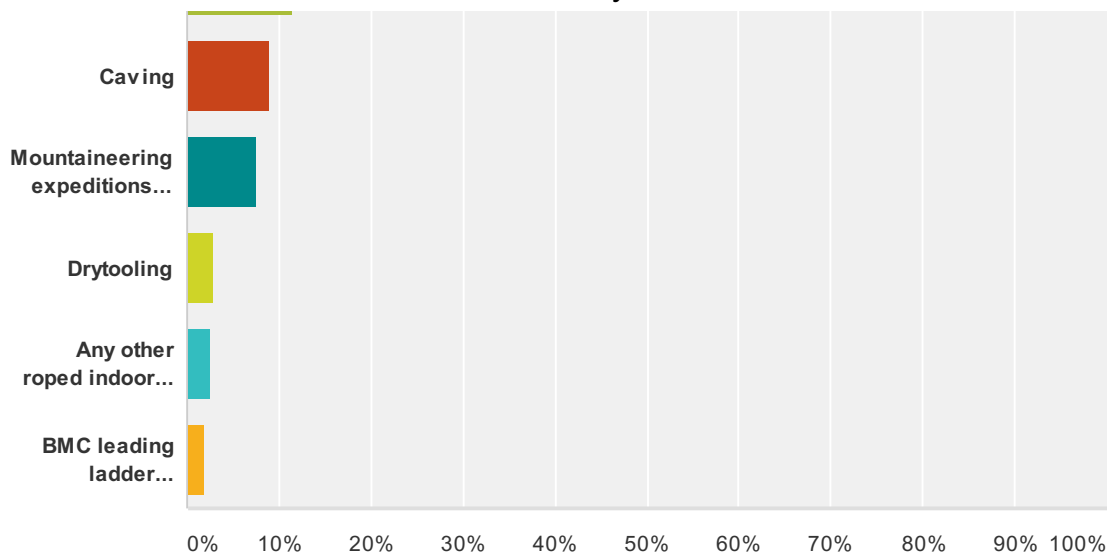
Answer Choices	Responses	
Female	24.82%	105
Male	74.94%	317
Transgender	0.00%	0
Prefer not to disclose	0.24%	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>423</b>

**Q4 Which of the following activities do you participate in? Please select all that apply to you.**

Answered: 424 Skipped: 1,235



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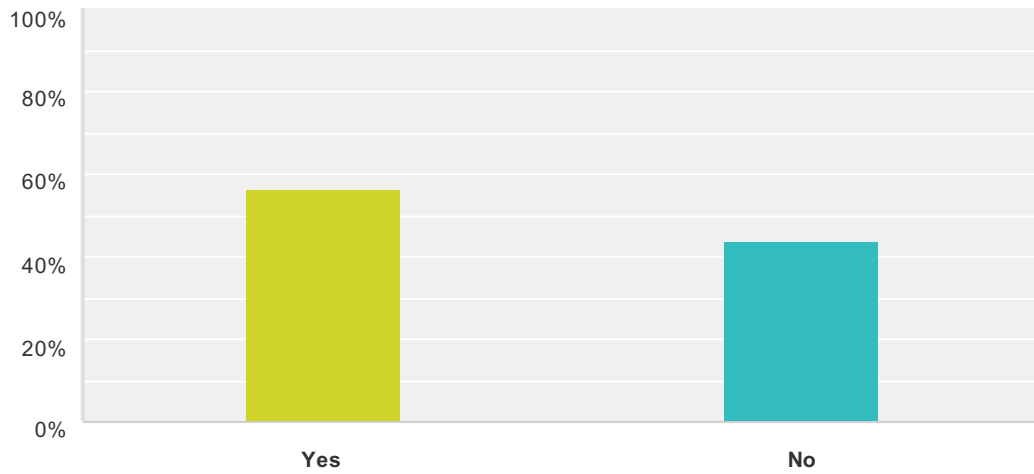
Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Walking	92.45%	392
Scrambling	71.23%	302
Indoor roped climbing	61.56%	261
Indoor bouldering	55.42%	235
Winter walking	54.01%	229
Traditionally protected outdoor climbing	50.47%	214
Outdoor bouldering	43.40%	184
Sport climbing	42.45%	180
Mountain biking	35.85%	152
Trekking overseas	33.96%	144
Alpine walking	26.18%	111
Alpine climbing/ mountaineering	25.00%	106
Munro bagging	24.29%	103
Winter/ Ice climbing	22.64%	96
Via ferrata	21.23%	90
Fell running	17.45%	74
Ski touring	12.74%	54
Indoor bouldering competitions	11.56%	49
Caving	8.96%	38
Mountaineering expeditions beyond Europe	7.55%	32
Drytooling	2.83%	12
Any other roped indoor climbing competitions	2.59%	11

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BMC leading ladder competition	1.89%	8
<b>Total Respondents: 424</b>		

### Q5 Are you a member of the BMC?

Answered: 423 Skipped: 1,236

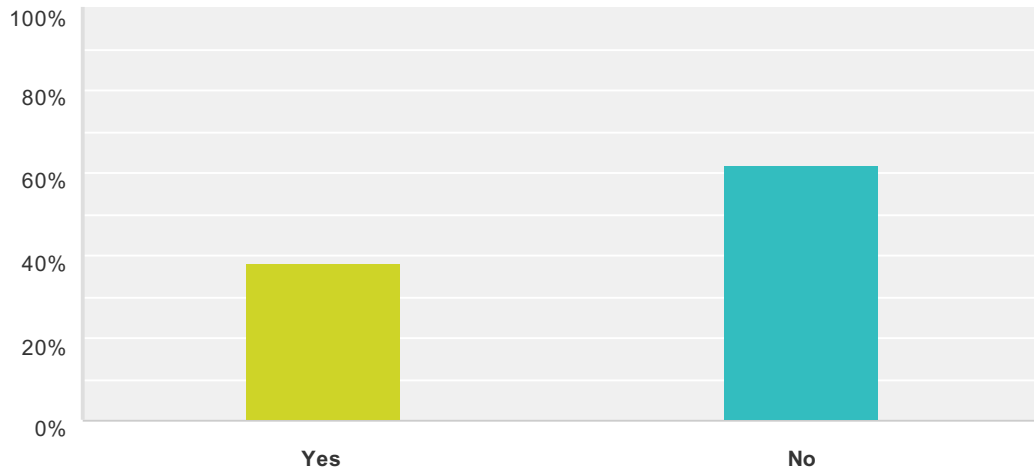


Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	56.26%	238
No	43.74%	185
<b>Total</b>		<b>423</b>



### Q6 Have you ever been a member of a climbing, walking or mountaineering club?

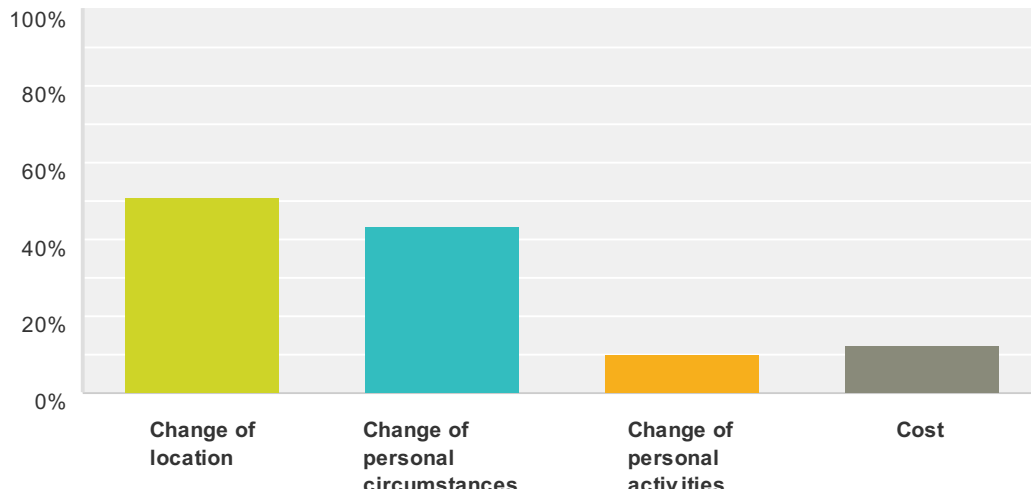
Answered: 415 Skipped: 1,244



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	38.31%	159
No	61.69%	256
<b>Total</b>		<b>415</b>

### Q7 If yes, why did you leave?

Answered: 120 Skipped: 1,539



Answer Choices	Responses
Change of location	50.83% 61
Change of personal circumstances	43.33% 52
Change of personal activities	10.00% 12
Cost	12.50% 15
<b>Total Respondents: 120</b>	

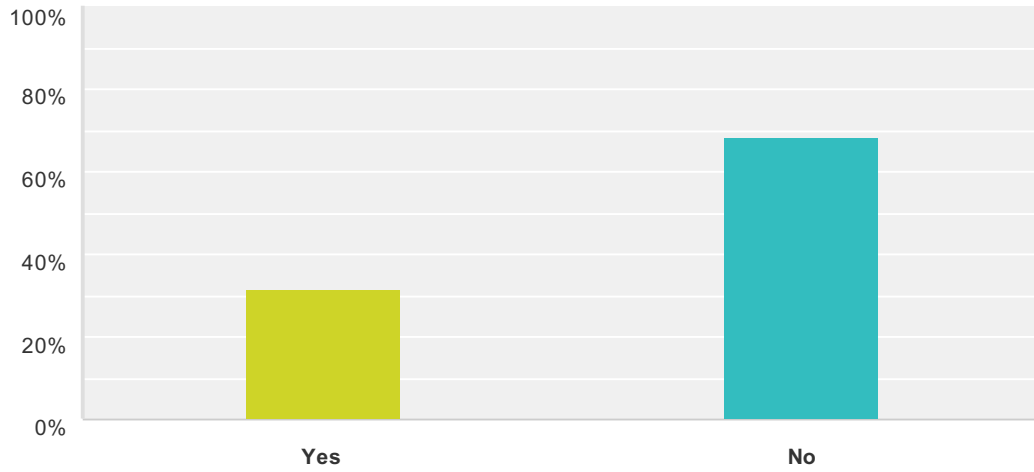
#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Other ways of meeting like-minded potential climbing partners	5/30/2014 12:22 AM
2	too cliquy	5/28/2014 4:47 PM
3	Parents club, left home!	5/28/2014 2:20 PM
4	lost as nobody else was in a similar age group	5/28/2014 1:32 PM
5	BMC insurance stopped covering paragliding	5/28/2014 11:31 AM
6	I joined to make contacts/friends and now I go on climbing/walking/mountaineering trips with those friends without needing the structure of a 'club' to arrange them.	5/28/2014 10:41 AM
7	club became a bit stale	5/28/2014 10:38 AM
8	Finished university	5/28/2014 10:15 AM
9	too old age group	5/28/2014 8:28 AM
10	Disbanded	5/28/2014 8:24 AM
11	The club was too set in its ways and it was very difficult to anything other than the set walks that the older boys went on.	5/28/2014 8:12 AM
12	I didn't have time to take part in all I could have - and the only good one around me was some distance away!	5/28/2014 8:09 AM
13	To restrictive	5/28/2014 8:07 AM
14	Unwelcoming atmosphere on my first meet especially from the club president	5/28/2014 7:59 AM
15	post university	5/28/2014 7:49 AM

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16	internal policies and political wrangling	5/28/2014 7:47 AM
17	left university	5/28/2014 7:47 AM
18	Club too cliquy and unwelcoming to new members (of which there were no others because of this)	5/15/2014 4:27 AM
19	not welcoming	5/14/2014 4:12 PM
20	I found the club became more of membership. , of walkers, and not climbers. They made endless rules to be strictly kept too,not a fellowship of like minded people without rules	5/14/2014 1:49 PM
21	University Mountaineering Club - finally graduated	5/14/2014 1:24 AM
22	I didn't find the right climbing partners there	5/13/2014 1:40 PM
23	Left university (member of university club) and will shortly be joining a new club near my new address	5/13/2014 9:28 AM
24	too political, also at the time most things arraigned for weekends and I worked shifts	5/13/2014 8:20 AM
25	Too much inhouse bickering between members	5/13/2014 5:43 AM
26	University club and graduated.	5/13/2014 5:32 AM
27	No longer felt desire/need	5/13/2014 4:44 AM
28	it was of no benefit/ not active	5/13/2014 3:58 AM
29	Injured shoulder at the time	5/13/2014 3:58 AM
30	Cliqueiness	5/13/2014 3:53 AM
31	Left University	5/13/2014 3:37 AM
32	Conflict between "walkers" and "climbers" and unfriendly attitude to children	5/13/2014 3:35 AM
33	Left university	5/6/2014 11:11 AM
34	Too many social club nights and not enough climbing In the club	5/6/2014 3:51 AM
35	University club, wasn't hugely friendly, so just continued to climb/walk/etc with friends	5/2/2014 5:37 AM
36	Left uni	4/29/2014 3:15 PM
37	it was crap	4/29/2014 1:58 PM
38	a caving club	4/29/2014 12:40 PM
39	I didn't feel that the club I was a member of was flexible enough. juggling work and children is difficult enough without club meetings too.	4/29/2014 8:55 AM
40	-	4/29/2014 8:32 AM
41	I'm currently a member at an indoor climbing centre but don't think that counts!	4/29/2014 6:47 AM
42	Club politics bored me.	4/29/2014 6:38 AM
43	Not enough climbers in the club.	4/29/2014 5:28 AM
44	Never gained any benefit	4/29/2014 4:37 AM
45	club served no purpose	4/29/2014 4:33 AM
46	Left university to do a postdoc overseas - plan to find a club the moment I return, however!	4/29/2014 4:05 AM
47	Also member of a caving club in the past and an orienteering club now.	4/29/2014 4:01 AM

### Q8 Have you ever been a member of a student climbing, walking or mountaineering club?

Answered: 407 Skipped: 1,252



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	31.70% 129
No	68.30% 278
<b>Total</b>	<b>407</b>

## Q9 Have you ever sampled a club and chosen not to join? Why did you choose not to become a member?

Answered: 160 Skipped: 1,499

#	Responses	Date
1	Tried a local mountaineering club when based in Scotland. Although the club occasionally participated in mountaineering activities at the level I am interested in, it was predominantly aimed at low level walks for more senior members.	6/1/2014 2:32 PM
2	N/A	5/30/2014 8:57 AM
3	Not very welcoming. Cliquesy.	5/30/2014 12:22 AM
4	no	5/29/2014 11:32 PM
5	No	5/29/2014 10:36 PM
6	I dropped out of my uni one because of the cost of transport there and back each time on the coach and I started and ended feeling very sick. It would have been cheaper and more enjoyable to drive myself but was told something about invalidating the clubs insurance by travelling on my own....	5/29/2014 3:30 PM
7	I sampled University clubs, but prefer climbing in small groups or with friends who already climb.	5/29/2014 11:30 AM
8	I tend to have goals that lie outside the objectives of a larger group of people	5/29/2014 11:06 AM
9	Would like to give it a go	5/29/2014 10:44 AM
10	no	5/29/2014 9:20 AM
11	went for one walk with a club. wasn't keen on the people. didn't join	5/29/2014 9:00 AM
12	Expensive subs to do an activity which I could do with friends for free, reinforced by a clique-y group of "experts" due to tier time in the club as opposed to actual experience.	5/29/2014 8:30 AM
13	No	5/29/2014 8:30 AM
14	No	5/29/2014 8:15 AM
15	money, time	5/29/2014 2:56 AM
16	no	5/28/2014 3:12 PM
17	My wife and I have aimed to join the ----- Club as a couple of friends are already members, the meets sound good and use of the hut would be very helpful. However we have only been on one official meet out of 3 required to qualify for membership as we have not been available for the official meets due to other commitments. Following our initial registering of interest we received the paper copy of the meet schedule, however we did not manage to go to enough meets before the end of the schedule and thus we now no longer know when the meetings are, a regular email would have been more useful, easier to access and cheaper. Essentially, it would take a concerted effort to join a club with some benefits such as use of the hut. Meanwhile, we currently meet up regularly with a group of friends originally formed from a university mountaineering club, thereby removing the primary motivation to join a club. If the ----- Club and I'm sure many other clubs were easier to initially join by a simple nomination by other members or, if unknown attendance at a number of well advertised meets then I suspect we would be members. I suspect we would have been more involved now if it was easier to be involved informally at first. We have certainly enjoyed many unofficial meets with friends from the club. As it is, the critical energy and time has not been expended as the need of a club is currently low. I think clubs could do with improving lines of communication so they are more dynamic and this would include using mediums such as email and Facebook, perhaps without entire reliance as to allow older members to engage.	5/28/2014 2:37 PM
18	Never sampled a club	5/28/2014 2:30 PM
19	No. Considering joining one at the moment but can't persuade my partner it's a good idea	5/28/2014 2:20 PM

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20	No	5/28/2014 1:57 PM
21	No	5/28/2014 1:32 PM
22	I don't feel I need to join a club to meet other climbers, I can do so through climbing centres	5/28/2014 12:39 PM
23	No	5/28/2014 11:52 AM
24	Not found a club that meets on a day that I'm available	5/28/2014 11:36 AM
25	Weird folk	5/28/2014 11:33 AM
26	It was more focused on trad climbing which is not something I do	5/28/2014 11:17 AM
27	attitude of some members ..... claiming to know everything, but know nothing !	5/28/2014 11:09 AM
28	Enquired at ----- Club, just got told to turn up at a local climbing wall, decided against joining on this not so welcoming invitation!	5/28/2014 10:41 AM
29	No	5/28/2014 10:38 AM
30	I've not had the opportunity to join a club because of the hours that I work.	5/28/2014 10:35 AM
31	No	5/28/2014 10:35 AM
32	Cost of excursions	5/28/2014 10:33 AM
33	No	5/28/2014 9:47 AM
34	Yes members met too infrequently and too far away from where I lived members were also inactive or not as active as I would have liked	5/28/2014 9:39 AM
35	No	5/28/2014 9:29 AM
36	Too expensive and snooty	5/28/2014 9:13 AM
37	I would like to join a club but am at a loss as to what to join based on my ability.	5/28/2014 9:08 AM
38	I have only ever sampled clubs I did not join in overseas countries where I will try to go walking with a local club as an introduction to an area.	5/28/2014 8:51 AM
39	Trips and organisation	5/28/2014 8:49 AM
40	Wanted my own adventures with partner at weekends while in uni, instead of joining the uni climbing club	5/28/2014 8:47 AM
41	I did but when I went along to an indoor meet I found them to be reluctant to climb with new prospective members, preferring to talk and climb with established members.	5/28/2014 8:41 AM
42	No	5/28/2014 8:40 AM
43	No	5/28/2014 8:37 AM
44	No	5/28/2014 8:34 AM
45	No	5/28/2014 8:24 AM
46	No interest in joining a club	5/28/2014 8:17 AM
47	No	5/28/2014 8:12 AM
48	I didn't have time to take part in all I could have - and the only good one around me was some distance away!	5/28/2014 8:09 AM
49	Yes - didn't like walking in such a large group (there were around 12 or 15 people all together).	5/28/2014 8:08 AM
50	Didn't like the ethic of students with little trad experience teaching beginner climbers to place traditional protection. Seems totally dangerous.	5/28/2014 8:04 AM
51	no	5/28/2014 8:04 AM
52	NO	5/28/2014 8:04 AM
53	No	5/28/2014 8:02 AM
54	No	5/28/2014 7:52 AM

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55	No	5/28/2014 7:50 AM
56	No	5/28/2014 7:49 AM
57	no	5/28/2014 7:49 AM
58	As GMarx said I wouldn't want to be part of a club that would want me as a member	5/28/2014 7:47 AM
59	No	5/28/2014 7:47 AM
60	No.	5/28/2014 7:47 AM
61	No.	5/28/2014 7:46 AM
62	No	5/28/2014 7:42 AM
63	Never sampled a club. I think clubs are aimed more at climbers than walkers. I am a member of a fell-running club though.	5/20/2014 1:29 AM
64	No	5/15/2014 8:33 AM
65	too elite or drunken!	5/15/2014 7:23 AM
66	Particularly cold on meeting the club members, not welcoming	5/14/2014 4:12 PM
67	No	5/14/2014 1:49 PM
68	No	5/14/2014 5:13 AM
69	No	5/14/2014 1:24 AM
70	I chose not to join as I don't want to be constrained by the boring views of the typical members that I encountered on my sample day	5/13/2014 2:28 PM
71	Yes, too intends, like personal space	5/13/2014 2:21 PM
72	No, I have always had groups of friends to walk with.	5/13/2014 1:38 PM
73	No	5/13/2014 12:41 PM
74	I prefer to walk and climb on my own at my pace when and where it suits me, and change things when and where I like. Independence	5/13/2014 11:35 AM
75	No	5/13/2014 10:12 AM
76	Yes, I didn't like the group of people running it and found I could do it with another club	5/13/2014 9:48 AM
77	No - I've joined both the clubs I've sampled.	5/13/2014 9:28 AM
78	no	5/13/2014 8:24 AM
79	I like to do many different activities. I find it hard to just dip in and out of a club. Club members seem to be more active and dedicated to their club than I could be.	5/13/2014 8:21 AM
80	yes too regimented	5/13/2014 8:20 AM
81	Like trying to get in the masons	5/13/2014 7:50 AM
82	N/A	5/13/2014 7:41 AM
83	No	5/13/2014 7:36 AM
84	I had climbing mates, so never saw the need to join a club	5/13/2014 7:02 AM
85	Organisation and management of aspirant members was poor .	5/13/2014 6:02 AM
86	I have never tried a club.	5/13/2014 5:44 AM
87	No	5/13/2014 5:11 AM
88	No	5/13/2014 5:04 AM
89	No	5/13/2014 4:57 AM
90	No	5/13/2014 4:53 AM
91	elitist and unwelcoming	5/13/2014 4:44 AM

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92	no	5/13/2014 4:09 AM
93	As above, it was not active and I already had my own equipment, transport and partners.	5/13/2014 3:58 AM
94	Cliqueness	5/13/2014 3:53 AM
95	At uni joined the climbing club, but never learned when or where they were going so did not make any real use of it.	5/13/2014 3:52 AM
96	Not very welcoming	5/13/2014 3:51 AM
97	No	5/13/2014 3:47 AM
98	Yes - group was not especially welcoming and programme of evens not overly appealing.	5/13/2014 3:44 AM
99	I spend most weekends climbing with friends and we tend to choose a location last minute. Joining a club would be less flexible. Plus I move around a lot so can't stay with one regional club. I need a national club!	5/13/2014 3:41 AM
100	Initial impressions/how welcoming it felt/poor word of mouth	5/13/2014 3:33 AM
101	No	5/9/2014 8:50 AM
102	No	5/7/2014 2:27 PM
103	No	5/6/2014 6:59 AM
104	No	5/6/2014 1:18 AM
105	Never really sampled but unclear of the benefit	5/5/2014 12:57 AM
106	No	5/3/2014 11:23 AM
107	no	5/2/2014 4:24 PM
108	No	5/2/2014 5:37 AM
109	No	5/1/2014 6:31 PM
110	no	4/30/2014 1:34 PM
111	no,	4/30/2014 5:27 AM
112	The club was too 'cliquey' and not welcoming to new members. They wanted the membership money but not new members	4/30/2014 4:56 AM
113	No	4/30/2014 3:11 AM
114	-	4/30/2014 2:38 AM
115	no	4/30/2014 1:44 AM
116	Didn't like the elitist feel or the clique mentality	4/30/2014 12:28 AM
117	no, but would like to join a club	4/29/2014 4:06 PM
118	Yes, ----- Club. Way too much bureaucracy and a realisation club environments were not for me for climbing.	4/29/2014 3:15 PM
119	Yes, other members too old.	4/29/2014 2:20 PM
120	High entry fee, not much club activity, no club benefits compared to normal BMC/MCofS membership	4/29/2014 2:02 PM
121	No	4/29/2014 1:49 PM
122	Unfriendly atmosphere	4/29/2014 1:16 PM
123	A lack of local activity and members. Also, despite being from South Yorkshire, clubs tend to clump anything above the Midlands and up to Scotland as "The North", adding to feeling of a lack of local community.	4/29/2014 12:45 PM
124	Didn't seem very friendly to newcomers. Very 'cliquey'.	4/29/2014 12:34 PM
125	No	4/29/2014 12:05 PM
126	Never sampled.	4/29/2014 11:50 AM



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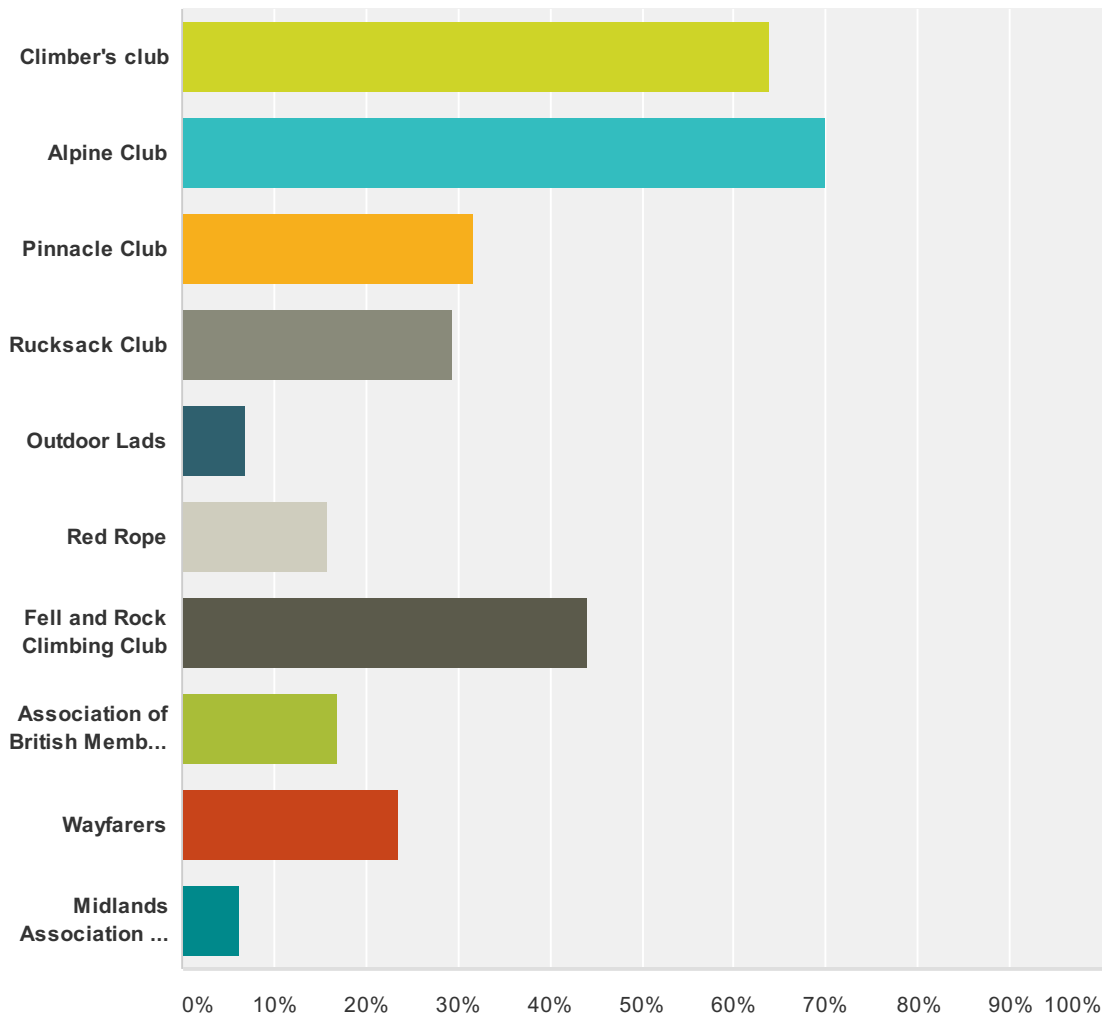
127	I've only been to one club meeting, where regional BMC elections were taking place. The distance to travel coupled with work and family commitments make club membership a little difficult. There is no reason why clubs shouldn't exist, I think they fulfil a very useful role for many and probably me too, when time allows. Perhaps one day I'll sign up to a club, once time allows.	4/29/2014 11:49 AM
128	No	4/29/2014 11:02 AM
129	No	4/29/2014 10:41 AM
130	Sampled a club but the regular day clashed with work.	4/29/2014 9:32 AM
131	Yes. Didn't feel the vibe of the club. climbers/walkers can be elitists and I don't really like that.	4/29/2014 8:55 AM
132	No - clubs won't take under 18s.	4/29/2014 8:32 AM
133	No.	4/29/2014 7:46 AM
134	No	4/29/2014 6:38 AM
135	Already got climbing partners and wasn't in area for a long time.	4/29/2014 6:27 AM
136	no	4/29/2014 6:05 AM
137	Seemed very cliquey	4/29/2014 5:56 AM
138	Fairly late starter and mostly go with a group of friends of similar abilities	4/29/2014 5:46 AM
139	I went to one meeting of a local climbing club, but their structure was very loose and they organised activities very informally, so it was a bit difficult to know exactly how to get involved (especially as a couple).	4/29/2014 5:34 AM
140	I was in a period of unemployment and as soon as some members discovered this they ostracised me.	4/29/2014 5:24 AM
141	No	4/29/2014 5:19 AM
142	They spend more time drinking rather than doing anything else. The board seems to be quite crazy and their trips end up with injuries (while drinking, not climbing). Obviously, that is not suitable for everyone.	4/29/2014 5:03 AM
143	No	4/29/2014 4:43 AM
144	No	4/29/2014 4:37 AM
145	I just like my own experiences and to make my own path or route by map and compass and go on impulse. I am adventurous but also very safe.	4/29/2014 4:35 AM
146	No	4/29/2014 4:33 AM
147	no	4/29/2014 4:22 AM
148	Yes. Found the size of the groups rather intimidating and the meets were too infrequent.	4/29/2014 4:20 AM
149	The Uni club seemed very serious. People too conscious of grades than just having fun. Also some dubious safety skills. Don't like climbing with people whose ability I am not sure of.	4/29/2014 4:19 AM
150	Too many weekend commitments to make joining a club possible. Climb with partner interdependently.	4/29/2014 4:16 AM
151	Attitude	4/29/2014 4:08 AM
152	No	4/29/2014 4:06 AM
153	No.	4/29/2014 4:01 AM
154	No	4/29/2014 4:01 AM
155	Average standard of climbers was different to my own	4/29/2014 3:58 AM
156	Have enough friends in the industry to climb as regularly as I can, and I find clubs can sometimes be elitist.	4/29/2014 3:57 AM
157	No	4/29/2014 3:55 AM
158	no	4/29/2014 3:53 AM

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159	Yes - work commitments p	4/29/2014 3:51 AM
160	Tried, but found members too "cliqey"	4/29/2014 3:44 AM

### Q10 Which of the following national clubs are you aware of?

Answered: 315 Skipped: 1,344



Answer Choices	Responses	
Climber's club	63.81%	201
Alpine Club	69.84%	220
Pinnacle Club	31.75%	100
Rucksack Club	29.52%	93
Outdoor Lads	6.98%	22
Red Rope	15.87%	50
Fell and Rock Climbing Club	44.13%	139
Association of British Members of the Swiss Alpine club	16.83%	53
Wayfarers	23.49%	74
Midlands Association of Mountaineers	6.35%	20

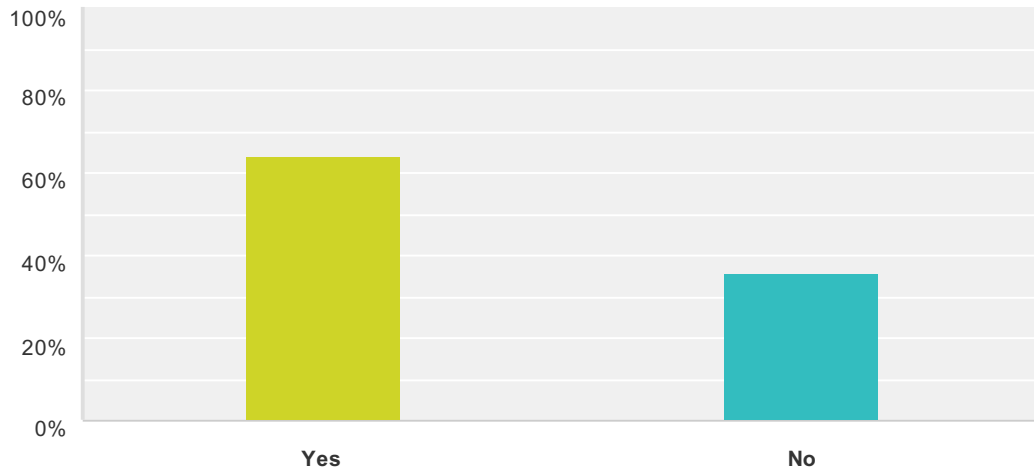
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#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	flat cap club	5/28/2014 11:08 PM
2	skyline	5/28/2014 11:36 AM
3	OeAV (UK)	5/28/2014 11:32 AM
4	none	5/28/2014 9:56 AM
5	SMC	5/28/2014 8:13 AM
6	Oread, Pegasus	5/28/2014 8:07 AM
7	Milton Mountaineers	5/23/2014 2:10 AM
8	achille ratti	5/21/2014 1:40 AM
9	MCofS	5/15/2014 8:34 AM
10	Ramblers, LDWA	5/15/2014 4:27 AM
11	Wessex Mountaineering Club	5/14/2014 1:24 AM
12	Ramblers - not that I've ever walked with them.	5/13/2014 1:39 PM
13	some local 'old gits' climbing clubs and various other	5/13/2014 9:32 AM
14	MMC, am monadh ruadh	5/13/2014 9:21 AM
15	Wessex Mountaineering Club	5/13/2014 8:37 AM
16	Rockhoppers	5/13/2014 3:41 AM
17	Austrian Alpine Club UK	5/13/2014 3:37 AM
18	Castle Mountaineering - Sheffield	5/6/2014 11:11 AM
19	Eagle Ski Club, AAC UK Section	5/6/2014 1:48 AM
20	army mountaineering association	5/2/2014 12:39 AM
21	Bremex	4/29/2014 12:53 PM
22	Karabiners club, Mercian and Mynydd C.C	4/29/2014 12:07 PM
23	Lancs MC, MOB, Burnley MC... etc	4/29/2014 9:22 AM
24	Member of Mountain rescue team???	4/29/2014 8:08 AM
25	University club	4/29/2014 4:20 AM
26	Yorkshire Ramblers	4/29/2014 4:02 AM
27	Hertfordshire Mountaineering club and Swansea University Mountaineering Club	4/29/2014 3:54 AM

### Q11 Are you aware of any local clubs based in your area?

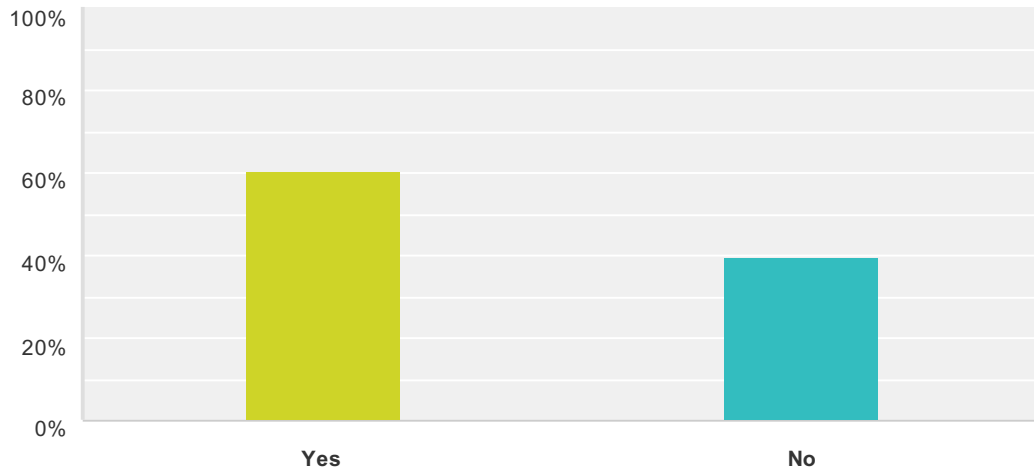
Answered: 414 Skipped: 1,245



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	64.01%	265
No	35.99%	149
<b>Total</b>		<b>414</b>

### Q12 Did you know that you can find a club on the BMC website?

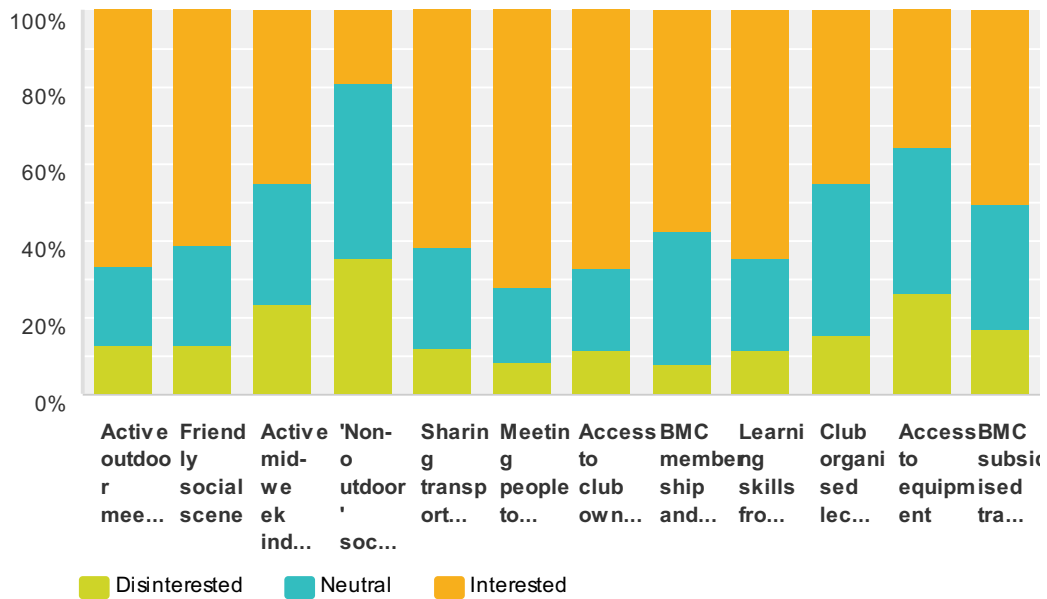
Answered: 414 Skipped: 1,245



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	60.63%	251
No	39.37%	163
<b>Total</b>		<b>414</b>

### Q13 How would you rate your interest in the following benefits of club membership?

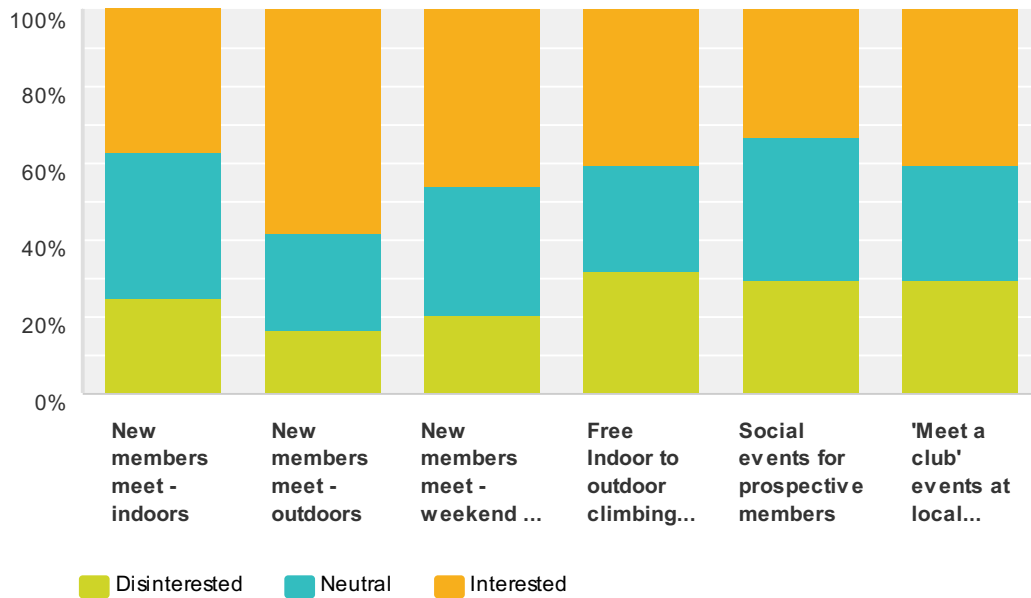
Answered: 382 Skipped: 1,277



	Disinterested	Neutral	Interested	Total	Average Rating
Active outdoor meets programme	13.12% 50	20.47% 78	66.40% 253	381	2.53
Friendly social scene	13.00% 49	25.99% 98	61.01% 230	377	2.48
Active mid-week indoor climbing scene	23.59% 88	31.64% 118	44.77% 167	373	2.21
'Non-outdoor' social activities	35.48% 132	45.43% 169	19.09% 71	372	1.84
Sharing transport to mountains and crags	11.87% 45	26.65% 101	61.48% 233	379	2.50
Meeting people to participate in activities	8.42% 32	19.74% 75	71.84% 273	380	2.63
Access to club owned huts	11.47% 43	21.33% 80	67.20% 252	375	2.56
BMC membership and benefits	8.24% 31	34.31% 129	57.45% 216	376	2.49
Learning skills from more experienced club members	11.44% 43	24.20% 91	64.36% 242	376	2.53
Club organised lectures	15.47% 58	39.73% 149	44.80% 168	375	2.29
Access to equipment	26.27% 98	38.34% 143	35.39% 132	373	2.09
BMC subsidised training for club members	16.84% 63	32.62% 122	50.53% 189	374	2.34

### Q14 How would you rate your interest in attending the following events?

Answered: 380 Skipped: 1,279



	Disinterested	Neutral	Interested	Total	Average Rating
New members meet - indoors	25.00% 94	38.03% 143	36.97% 139	376	2.12
New members meet - outdoors	16.58% 63	25.53% 97	57.89% 220	380	2.41
New members meet - weekend at club hut	20.38% 76	33.51% 125	46.11% 172	373	2.26
Free Indoor to outdoor climbing days for prospective club members	31.82% 119	27.81% 104	40.37% 151	374	2.09
Social events for prospective members	29.30% 109	37.90% 141	32.80% 122	372	2.03
'Meet a club' events at local climbing walls	29.30% 109	30.11% 112	40.59% 151	372	2.11



### Q15 Are you interested in joining a club?

Answered: 381 Skipped: 1,278



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	54.33%	207
No	45.67%	174
<b>Total</b>		<b>381</b>

### Q16 Would you like to receive more information from the BMC about joining a club?

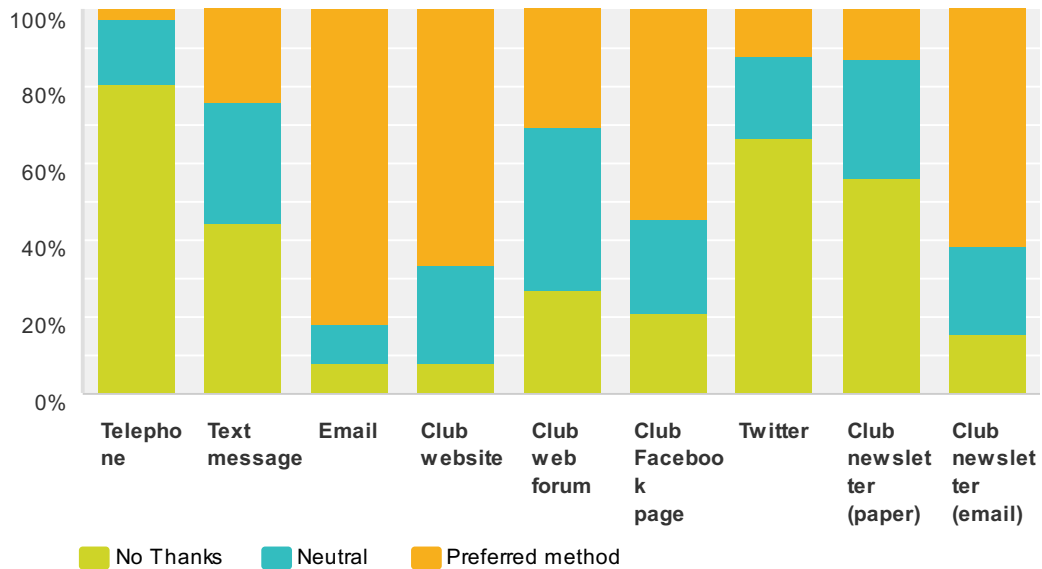
Answered: 377 Skipped: 1,282



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	41.38% 156
No	58.62% 221
<b>Total</b>	<b>377</b>

### Q17 If you joined a club, how would you like to find out about events?

Answered: 365 Skipped: 1,294

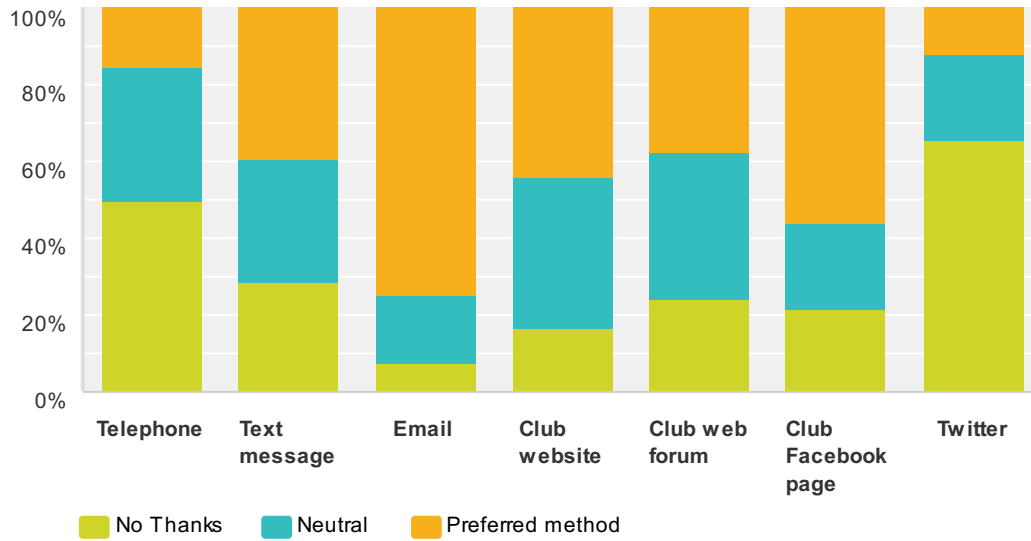


	No Thanks	Neutral	Preferred method	Total	Average Rating
Telephone	80.30% 269	17.31% 58	2.39% 8	335	1.22
Text message	44.57% 152	31.38% 107	24.05% 82	341	1.79
Email	7.82% 28	10.34% 37	81.84% 293	358	2.74
Club website	8.19% 28	25.44% 87	66.37% 227	342	2.58
Club web forum	26.81% 89	42.47% 141	30.72% 102	332	2.04
Club Facebook page	21.20% 74	24.36% 85	54.44% 190	349	2.33
Twitter	66.27% 224	21.60% 73	12.13% 41	338	1.46
Club newsletter (paper)	55.86% 186	30.93% 103	13.21% 44	333	1.57
Club newsletter (email)	15.48% 52	23.21% 78	61.31% 206	336	2.46

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Club meetings/social (ie, in the pub)	5/28/2014 10:45 AM
2	Would only be interested in walking/trekking club.	5/13/2014 1:45 PM
3	NOT Facebook!	5/13/2014 3:44 AM
4	App (e.g. 'Meetup' - but not producing spam overload with e-mail alerts every time someone sneezes!	4/29/2014 9:26 AM
5	Word of mouth at weekly indoor meet.	4/29/2014 4:06 AM

### Q18 If you joined a club, how would you like to keep in touch with other members?

Answered: 366 Skipped: 1,293

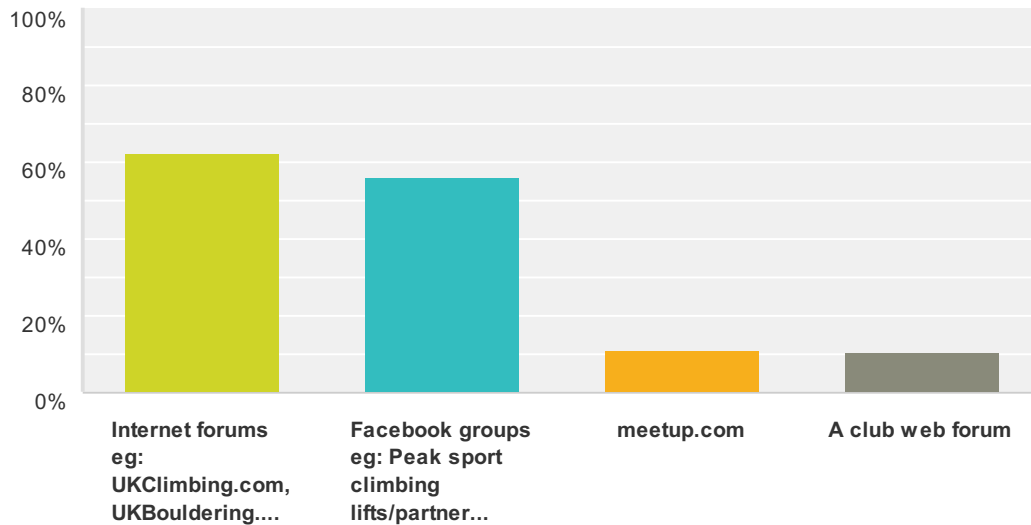


	No Thanks	Neutral	Preferred method	Total	Average Rating
Telephone	49.40% 164	34.94% 116	15.66% 52	332	1.66
Text message	28.28% 97	32.07% 110	39.65% 136	343	2.11
Email	7.61% 27	17.46% 62	74.93% 266	355	2.67
Club website	16.47% 56	39.71% 135	43.82% 149	340	2.27
Club web forum	24.11% 81	38.39% 129	37.50% 126	336	2.13
Club Facebook page	21.26% 74	22.70% 79	56.03% 195	348	2.35
Twitter	65.56% 217	22.66% 75	11.78% 39	331	1.46

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Club meetings/social (ie, in the pub), or seeing members at the climbing wall	5/28/2014 10:45 AM
2	Face to face contact	5/23/2014 2:24 AM
3	Again, NOT Facebook	5/13/2014 3:44 AM
4	App	4/29/2014 9:26 AM
5	Talking face-to-face at meets	4/29/2014 6:34 AM
6	c	4/29/2014 4:07 AM

### Q19 Have you used any of the following internet resources to find people to walk or climb with?

Answered: 155 Skipped: 1,504



Answer Choices	Responses
Internet forums eg: UKClimbing.com, UKBouldering.com, UKHillwalking.com, Outdoorsmagic	62.58% 97
Facebook groups eg: Peak sport climbing lifts/partners/conditions	56.13% 87
meetup.com	10.97% 17
A club web forum	10.32% 16
<b>Total Respondents: 155</b>	

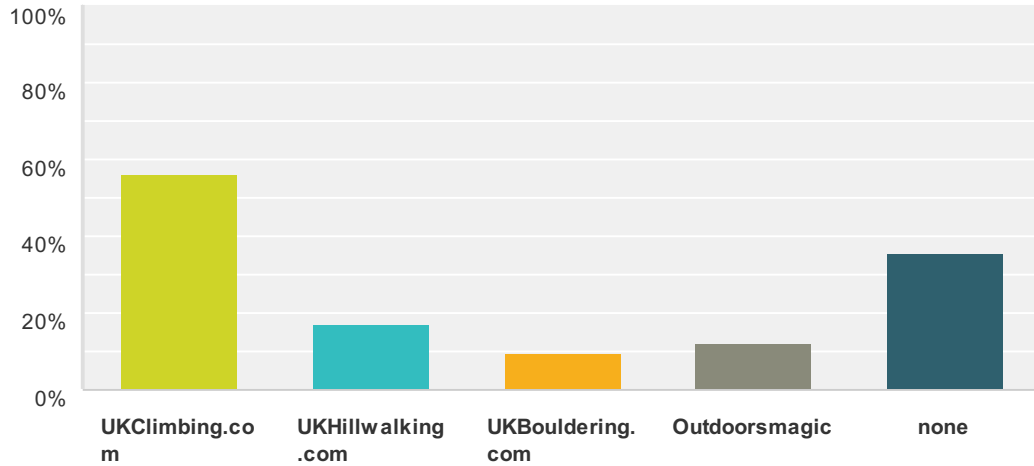
#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	climbfind	5/28/2014 11:40 AM
2	None of the above	5/28/2014 9:42 AM
3	trainee leaders	5/28/2014 8:49 AM
4	instagram	5/28/2014 8:30 AM
5	No	5/28/2014 8:26 AM
6	No	5/28/2014 8:18 AM
7	none	5/28/2014 8:14 AM
8	Inviting another club to one of our events via a personal contact	5/23/2014 2:24 AM
9	none	5/14/2014 5:16 AM
10	No	5/13/2014 1:45 PM
11	Nil	5/13/2014 10:15 AM
12	No	5/13/2014 9:31 AM
13	No	5/13/2014 3:50 AM
14	Not looked	5/5/2014 1:04 AM

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15	No	5/1/2014 6:33 PM
16	Twitter	4/29/2014 11:52 AM
17	Plenty of Fish	4/29/2014 6:13 AM
18	I looked at website but decided it was to soft for me.	4/29/2014 4:43 AM
19	ClimFind has been brilliant for finding belay partners.	4/29/2014 4:24 AM
20	No. Have circle of friends.	4/29/2014 4:06 AM
21	Climbfind (indoor partners only)	4/29/2014 4:01 AM

## Q20 Which outdoors-related internet forums do you use?

Answered: 337 Skipped: 1,322



Answer Choices	Responses	
UKClimbing.com	56.08%	189
UKHillwalking.com	17.21%	58
UKBouldering.com	9.50%	32
Outdoorsmagic	12.17%	41
none	35.61%	120
<b>Total Respondents: 337</b>		

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Idwa	5/30/2014 10:58 AM
2	walkingforum.co.uk	5/29/2014 11:08 AM
3	Walk highlands	5/28/2014 3:20 PM
4	walkhighlands.com	5/28/2014 3:16 PM
5	walkhighlands	5/28/2014 2:00 PM
6	Winterhighland	5/28/2014 1:08 PM
7	paraglidingforum.com	5/28/2014 11:35 AM
8	reddit.com/r/climbing	5/28/2014 10:33 AM
9	None	5/28/2014 9:42 AM
10	walking forum walkers forum	5/28/2014 8:50 AM
11	MTA	5/28/2014 8:49 AM
12	walkhighlands.co.uk	5/28/2014 8:30 AM
13	FRA forum	5/28/2014 8:21 AM
14	Private collective	5/28/2014 8:10 AM
15	Various trail running facebook pages	5/28/2014 7:50 AM

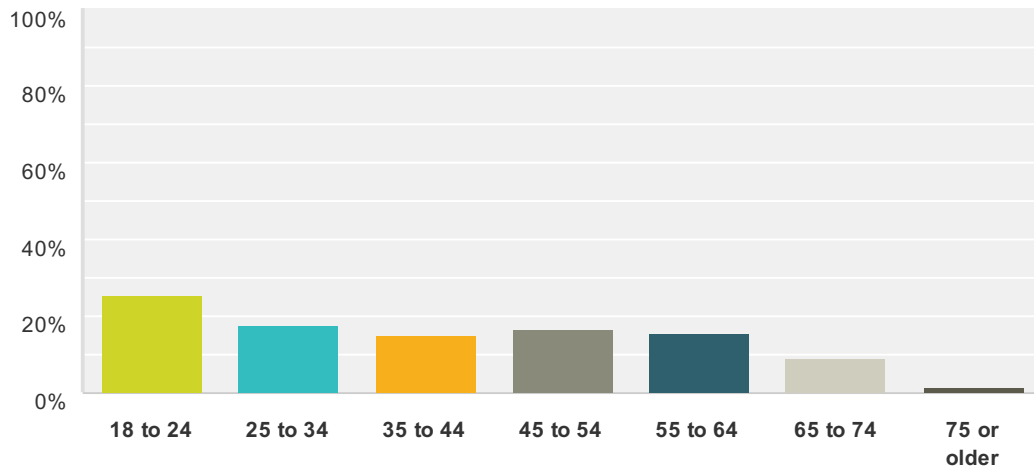
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16	Fell Runners Association	5/20/2014 1:33 AM
17	UKcaving	5/16/2014 5:28 AM
18	MTA	5/14/2014 1:29 AM
19	MLTA	5/13/2014 6:08 AM
20	None	5/13/2014 3:50 AM
21	ukcaving	5/13/2014 3:41 AM
22	snowheads	5/6/2014 7:01 AM
23	Desnivel	5/6/2014 3:55 AM
24	Walk Highlands, Trail Scotland	4/30/2014 1:13 PM
25	Live for the outdoors	4/29/2014 12:43 PM
26	Walkers Forum	4/29/2014 11:52 AM
27	UKCaving	4/29/2014 10:03 AM
28	mba	4/29/2014 7:49 AM
29	walkhighlands	4/29/2014 6:42 AM
30	walking forum	4/29/2014 5:52 AM
31	Walkhighlands	4/29/2014 5:06 AM
32	ClimbFind	4/29/2014 4:24 AM
33	Singletrackworld	4/29/2014 4:11 AM
34	adit now; ukcaving	4/29/2014 4:02 AM



### Q21 What is your age?

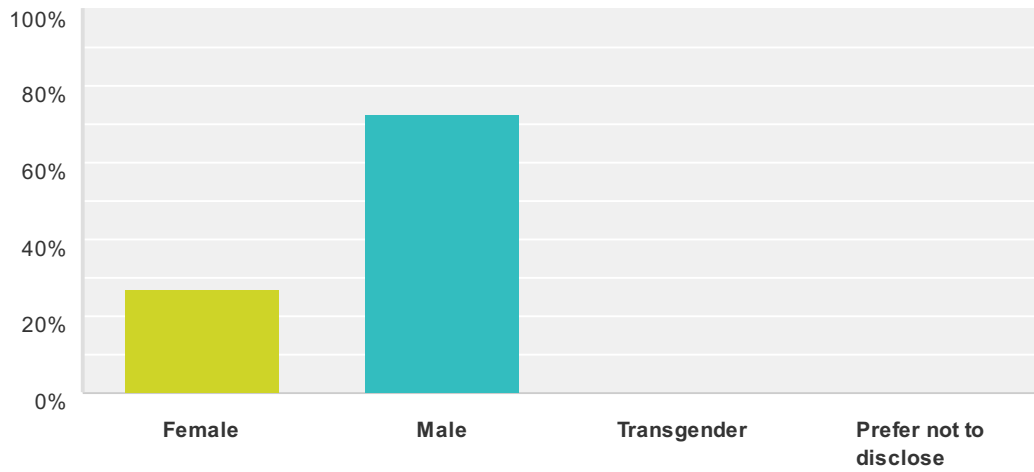
Answered: 1,214 Skipped: 445



Answer Choices	Responses
18 to 24	25.70% 312
25 to 34	17.38% 211
35 to 44	14.83% 180
45 to 54	16.31% 198
55 to 64	15.65% 190
65 to 74	8.81% 107
75 or older	1.32% 16
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,214</b>

## Q22 What is your gender?

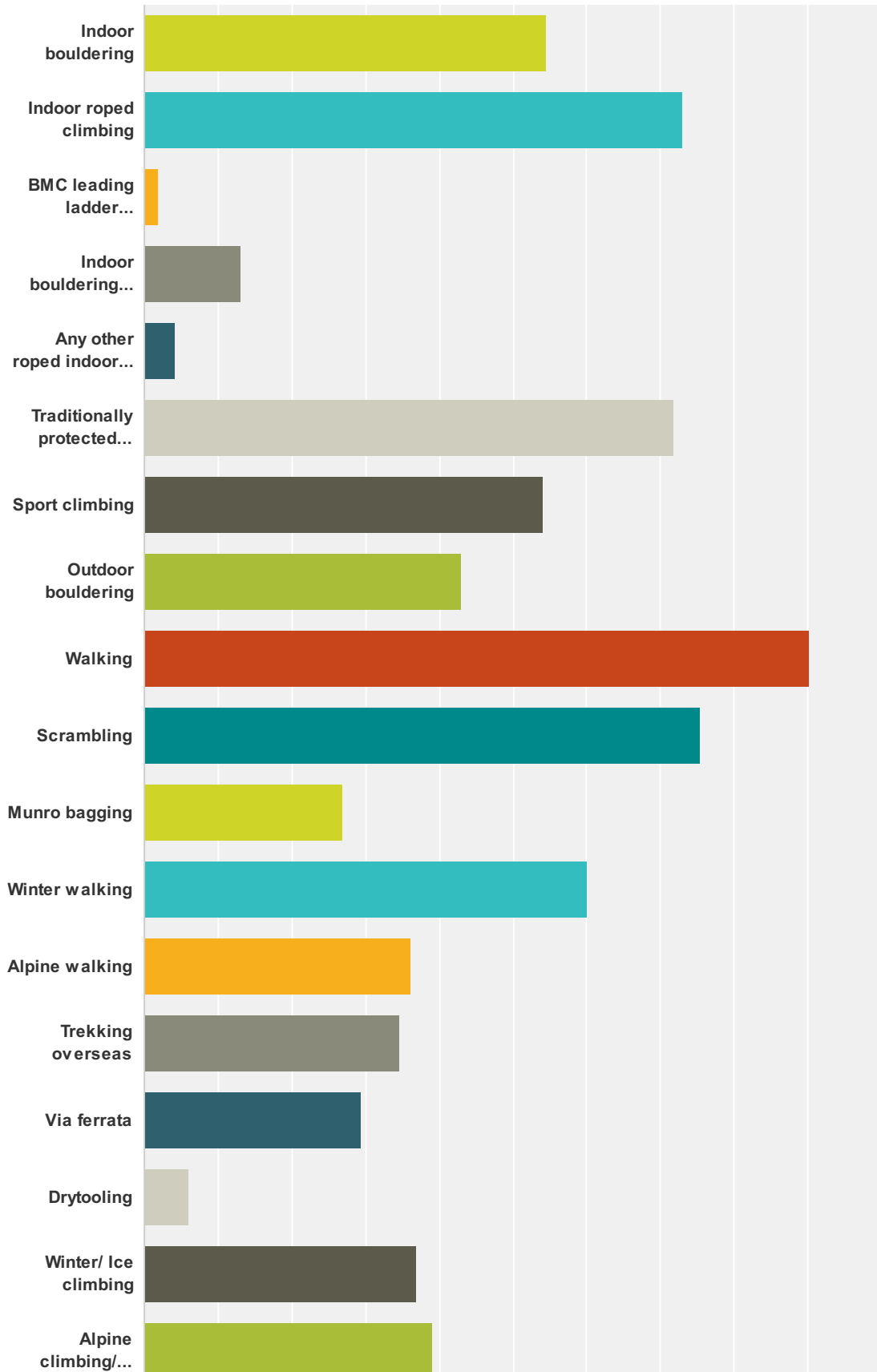
Answered: 1,215 Skipped: 444



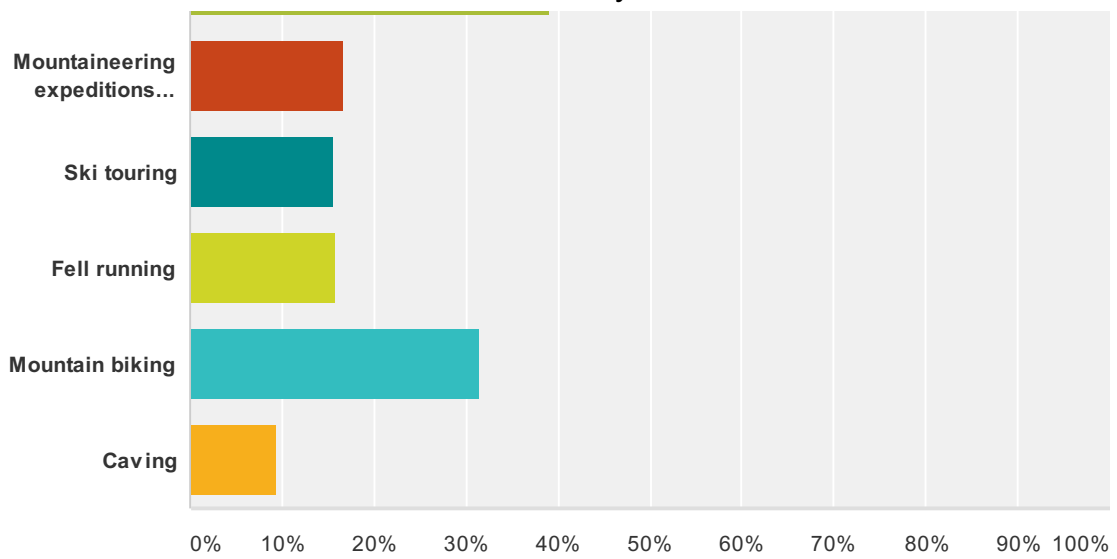
Answer Choices	Responses	
Female	27.08%	329
Male	72.51%	881
Transgender	0.16%	2
Prefer not to disclose	0.25%	3
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,215</b>

**Q23 Which of the following activities do you participate in? Please select all that apply to you.**

Answered: 1,217 Skipped: 442



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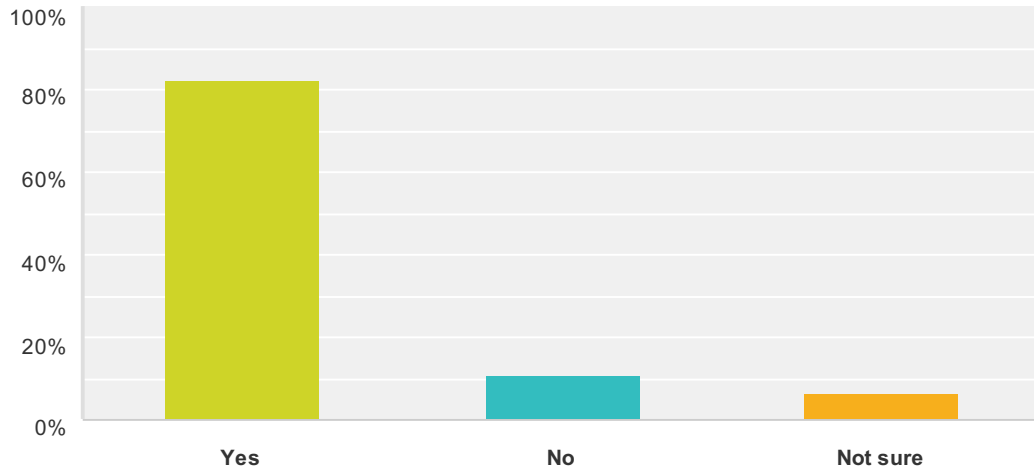
Answer Choices	Responses	
Indoor bouldering	54.48%	663
Indoor roped climbing	73.13%	890
BMC leading ladder competition	1.89%	23
Indoor bouldering competitions	13.23%	161
Any other roped indoor climbing competitions	4.11%	50
Traditionally protected outdoor climbing	71.90%	875
Sport climbing	54.07%	658
Outdoor bouldering	42.97%	523
Walking	90.22%	1,098
Scrambling	75.35%	917
Munro bagging	26.95%	328
Winter walking	60.07%	731
Alpine walking	36.07%	439
Trekking overseas	34.68%	422
Via ferrata	29.50%	359
Drytooling	6.00%	73
Winter/ Ice climbing	36.89%	449
Alpine climbing/ mountaineering	39.03%	475
Mountaineering expeditions beyond Europe	16.76%	204
Ski touring	15.69%	191
Fell running	15.78%	192
Mountain biking	31.47%	383

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Caving	9.45%	115
<b>Total Respondents: 1,217</b>		

### Q24 Is your club affiliated to the BMC?

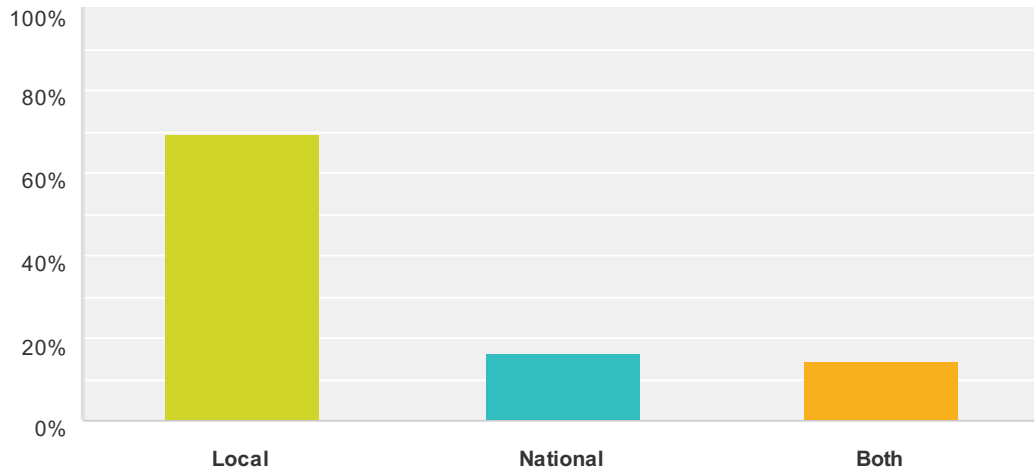
Answered: 1,188 Skipped: 471



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	82.49%	980
No	10.77%	128
Not sure	6.73%	80
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,188</b>

### Q25 Are you a member of a local or a national club?

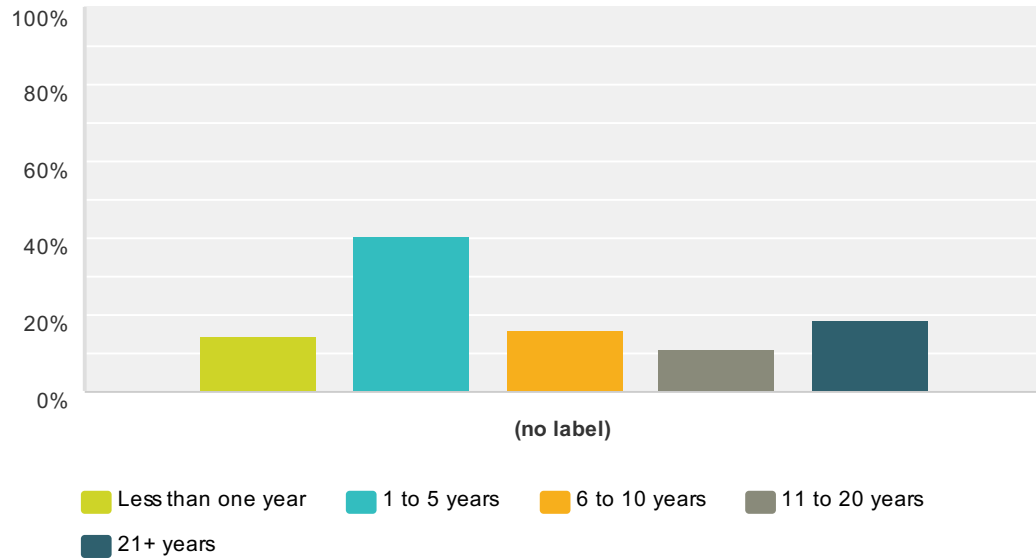
Answered: 1,190 Skipped: 469



Answer Choices	Responses	
Local	69.16%	823
National	16.22%	193
Both	14.62%	174
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,190</b>

## Q26 How long have you been a club member?

Answered: 1,192 Skipped: 467

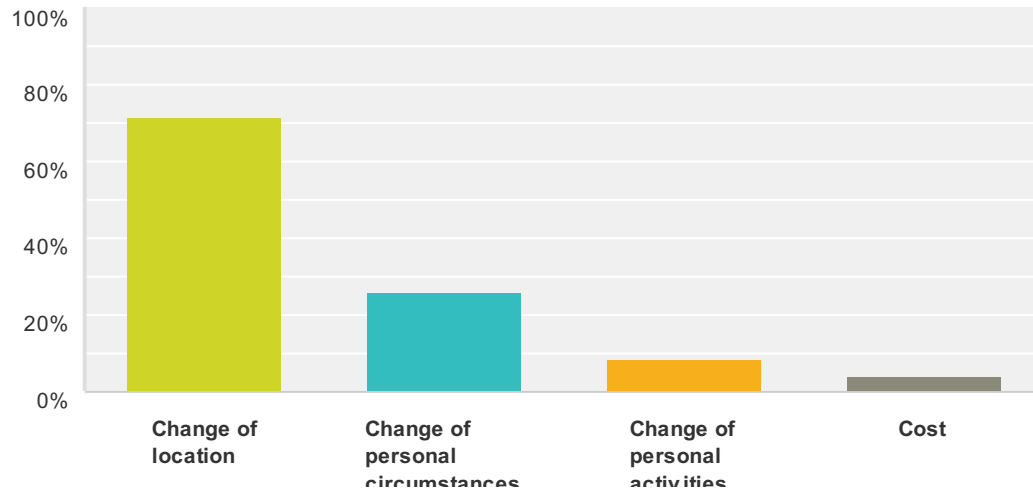


	Less than one year	1 to 5 years	6 to 10 years	11 to 20 years	21+ years	Total	Average Rating
(no label)	14.60% 174	40.35% 481	15.77% 188	10.91% 130	18.37% 219	1,192	2.78



## Q27 If you have ever left a club, what were your reasons for leaving?

Answered: 355 Skipped: 1,304



Answer Choices	Responses
Change of location	71.27% 253
Change of personal circumstances	25.92% 92
Change of personal activities	8.73% 31
Cost	4.23% 15
<b>Total Respondents: 355</b>	

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	not applicable - never left a club	5/30/2014 1:03 AM
2	n/a	5/28/2014 1:20 PM
3	Club dumbed down to rambling mode	5/28/2014 9:53 AM
4	Fed up with elitist groups and cliques forming	5/28/2014 9:46 AM
5	-----	5/28/2014 8:05 AM
6	activities of the club	5/28/2014 7:54 AM
7	The club was unfriendly and cliquey/elitist.	5/28/2014 7:52 AM
8	Club, was not climbing at all, even though they called themselves a climbing club.	5/28/2014 7:44 AM
9	Poor club	5/23/2014 2:12 PM
10	Publicly spoken (overheard behind my back), unfounded obnoxious comments about me by a committee member (of all persons!) - who wants to in a club like that?	5/23/2014 2:17 AM
11	Politics!	5/22/2014 4:43 AM
12	committee trouble	5/20/2014 1:23 AM
13	Being a single female at the older end of the spectrum it's difficult to 'break in to' the existing friendship groups	5/18/2014 12:26 AM
14	Folded due to lack of membership	5/15/2014 5:43 AM
15	'Know it all' men - not sharing roles....	5/15/2014 5:23 AM

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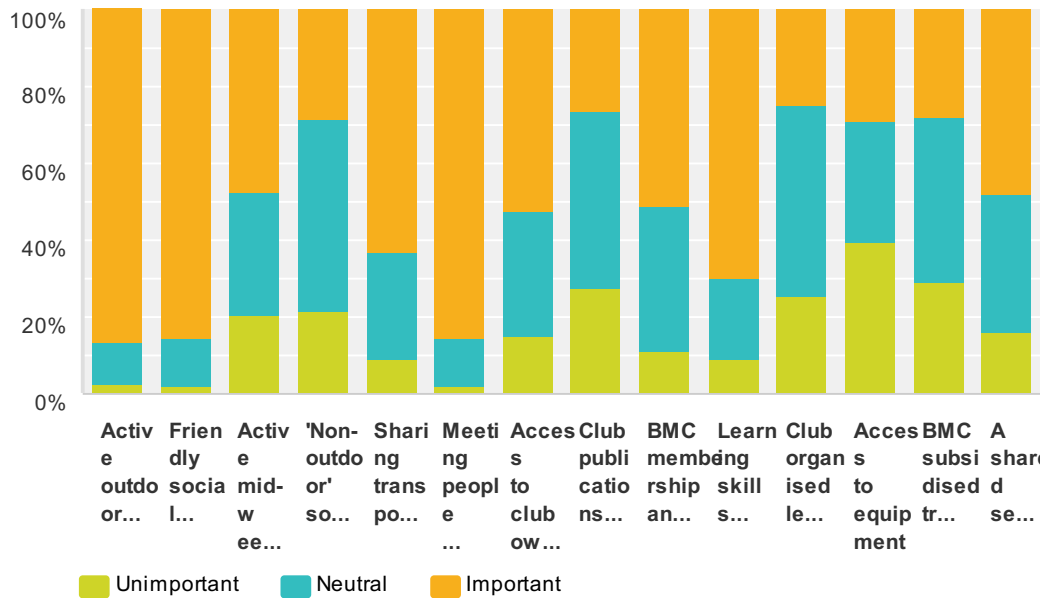
16	The club became less active	5/14/2014 3:32 AM
17	Three clubs is one too many	5/14/2014 2:40 AM
18	interpersonal difficulties within club	5/14/2014 12:59 AM
19	Also left University Club when no longer a student.	5/13/2014 4:21 PM
20	rubbish club	5/13/2014 1:29 PM
21	Growing out of it	5/13/2014 1:12 PM
22	Did not get along with the people in the club	5/13/2014 7:55 AM
23	Not active enough	5/13/2014 7:40 AM
24	felt a burden - climbing at a lower level than the rest of the club	5/13/2014 7:01 AM
25	They were very cliquey	5/13/2014 4:39 AM
26	Joining a different club, not liking changes to the existing club culture	5/13/2014 3:35 AM
27	Club was a bit cliquey and bit over-organised for me	5/11/2014 4:40 AM
28	not left club	5/9/2014 2:23 AM
29	Club folded: The university which hosted it placed so many restrictions on it that it could no longer operate..	5/9/2014 2:05 AM
30	Didn't see eye to eye with some of the club members	5/7/2014 3:16 PM
31	Became "too old" for a university club	5/6/2014 1:37 PM
32	Didn't enjoy the 'club' mentality so have resigned	5/5/2014 11:40 AM
33	Not enough members to be active	5/5/2014 1:39 AM
34	N/A	5/4/2014 11:57 AM
35	Not Applicable	5/1/2014 10:45 PM
36	Activity levels and lakes hut poor, moved to a more prestigious club with more active members and better facilities, better arranged meets etc	5/1/2014 1:54 PM
37	No one turned up on the published meets	5/1/2014 1:30 AM
38	Bored by their low grade bumbling!	4/30/2014 4:19 PM
39	Did nt need to meet fellow climbers. Became a grumpy old man who dislikes groups.	4/30/2014 1:26 PM
40	Wouldn't leave it!	4/30/2014 8:57 AM
41	Too limited activities	4/30/2014 6:01 AM
42	It did not feel inclusive - I felt like a spare part!	4/30/2014 1:59 AM
43	my other clubs served my needs so additional cost not warranted	4/29/2014 3:57 PM
44	n/a	4/29/2014 3:34 PM
45	----- Club - They were all crap	4/29/2014 11:37 AM
46	I had a bad experience with the club I joined and currently going through complaints procedure. I was beginner at some activities and excluded for that reason and criticised by experienced members and told I wasn't suitable for trips. I have requested my joining fee back but it was declined and it's really put me off branching into climbing I have not done as part of a group. I do want to have this club looked at because as it's connected to bmc I did not expect an intro into the climbing to be so difficult through a club yourselves support. It's ----- Club.	4/29/2014 10:44 AM
47	Graduation	4/29/2014 10:42 AM
48	never left but thinking about it	4/29/2014 10:20 AM
49	n/a	4/29/2014 10:16 AM
50	I left my old club due to the age of the members, all much older than me	4/29/2014 10:03 AM

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51	Health - but I got better!	4/29/2014 8:16 AM
52	Atmosphere became too competitive	4/29/2014 7:46 AM
53	The club was taken over by a badly behaved clique	4/29/2014 7:23 AM
54	Not applicable	4/29/2014 6:25 AM
55	policy disagreements	4/29/2014 6:13 AM
56	N/A	4/29/2014 5:59 AM
57	no Inger connected with Club	4/29/2014 5:43 AM
58	Lack of support for the activities I enjoy	4/29/2014 4:34 AM
59	The club members were unwelcoming.	4/29/2014 4:25 AM
60	differences of opinion ;-)	4/29/2014 4:24 AM
61	elitist & idiotic members	4/29/2014 4:02 AM
62	backwards thinking, bigoted and racist attitude of some members.	4/29/2014 3:56 AM
63	Didn't like the cronyism	4/29/2014 3:31 AM

### Q28 How important are the following in the clubs that you belong to?

Answered: 1,161 Skipped: 498



	Unimportant	Neutral	Important	Total	Average Rating
Active outdoor meets programme	2.34% 27	11.07% 128	86.59% 1,001	1,156	2.84
Friendly social scene	1.92% 22	12.73% 146	85.35% 979	1,147	2.83
Active mid-week indoor climbing scene	20.43% 227	32.13% 357	47.43% 527	1,111	2.27
'Non-outdoor' social activities	21.48% 241	50.27% 564	28.25% 317	1,122	2.07
Sharing transport to mountains and crags	9.15% 104	27.97% 318	62.88% 715	1,137	2.54
Meeting people to participate in activities	1.92% 22	12.49% 143	85.59% 980	1,145	2.84
Access to club owned huts	15.13% 172	32.45% 369	52.42% 596	1,137	2.37
Club publications/journals	27.35% 309	46.19% 522	26.46% 299	1,130	1.99
BMC membership and benefits	10.79% 123	38.07% 434	51.14% 583	1,140	2.40
Learning skills from more experienced club members	9.12% 103	20.90% 236	69.97% 790	1,129	2.61
Club organised lectures	25.31% 286	49.91% 564	24.78% 280	1,130	1.99
Access to equipment	39.27% 439	31.84% 356	28.89% 323	1,118	1.90

BMC subsidised training for club members

28.98%

42.84%

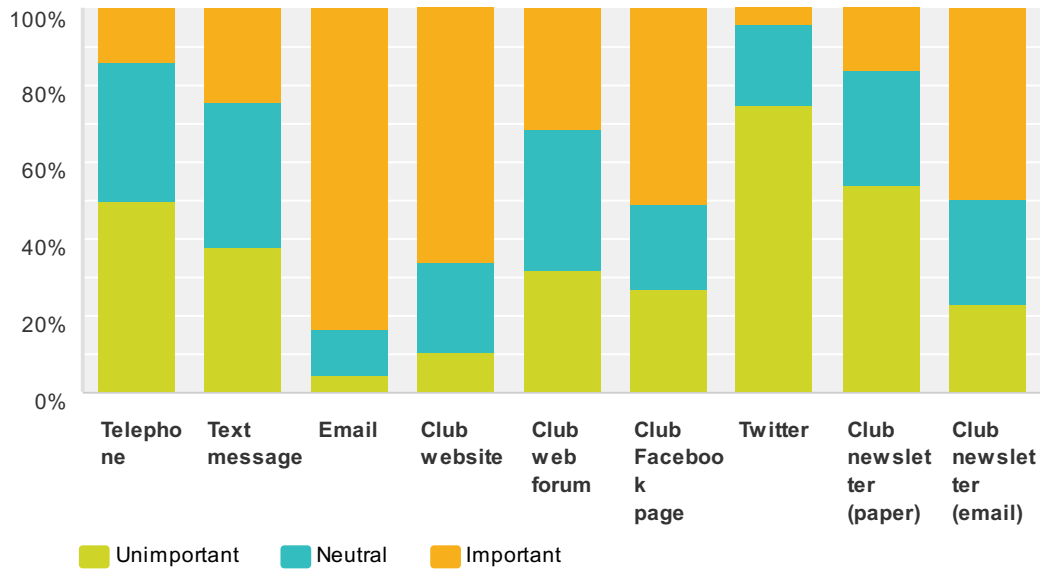
28.17%

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BMC subsidised training for club members	20.00% 322	24.97% 476	20.11% 313	1,111	1.99
A shared sense of history & tradition	<b>16.10%</b> 184	<b>35.96%</b> 411	<b>47.94%</b> 548	1,143	2.32

### Q29 How important are the following when finding out about events in the clubs you belong to?

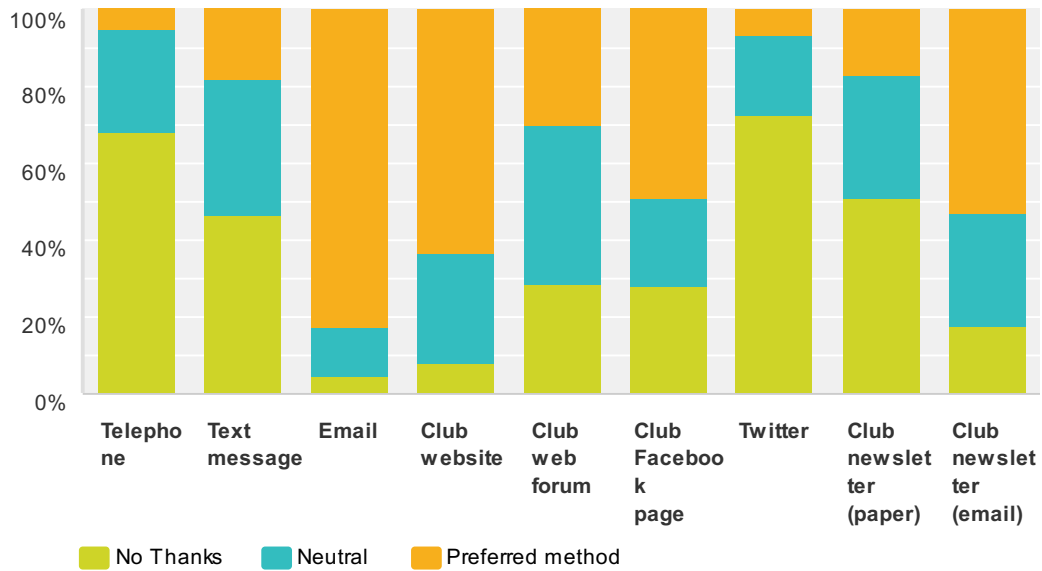
Answered: 1,131 Skipped: 528



	Unimportant	Neutral	Important	Total	Average Rating
Telephone	49.91% 548	36.34% 399	13.75% 151	1,098	1.64
Text message	37.78% 416	37.69% 415	24.52% 270	1,101	1.87
Email	4.72% 53	11.65% 131	83.63% 940	1,124	2.79
Club website	10.67% 119	23.41% 261	65.92% 735	1,115	2.55
Club web forum	32.10% 347	36.45% 394	31.45% 340	1,081	1.99
Club Facebook page	26.91% 293	22.04% 240	51.06% 556	1,089	2.24
Twitter	75.07% 804	21.01% 225	3.92% 42	1,071	1.29
Club newsletter (paper)	54.24% 582	29.54% 317	16.22% 174	1,073	1.62
Club newsletter (email)	23.09% 254	27.55% 303	49.36% 543	1,100	2.26

### Q30 Would you prefer to find out about club events in any of the following ways?

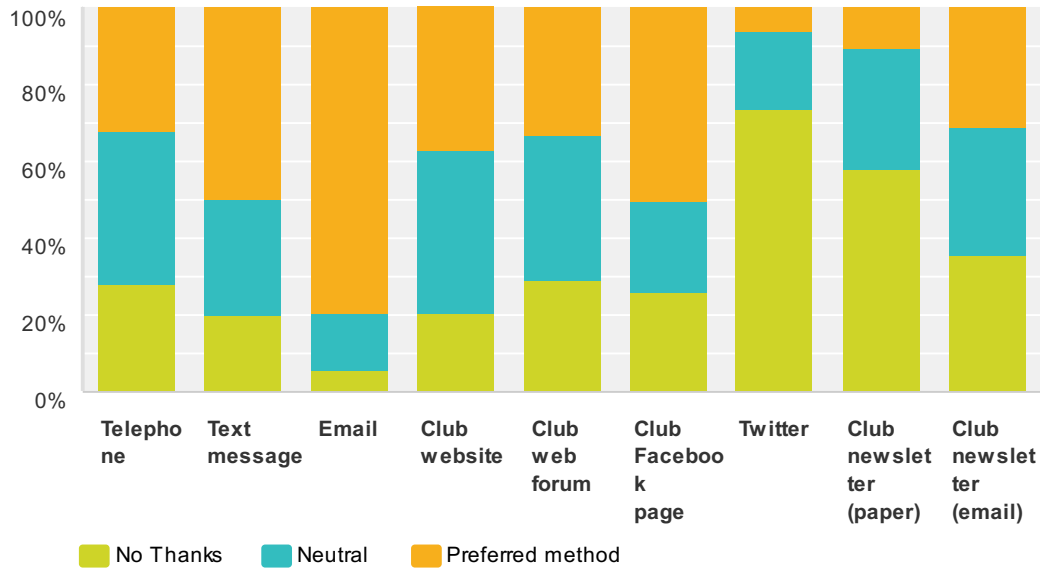
Answered: 1,116 Skipped: 543



	No Thanks	Neutral	Preferred method	Total	Average Rating
Telephone	68.00% 716	26.78% 282	5.22% 55	1,053	1.37
Text message	46.57% 496	35.59% 379	17.84% 190	1,065	1.71
Email	4.30% 47	12.98% 142	82.72% 905	1,094	2.78
Club website	8.23% 89	28.37% 307	63.40% 686	1,082	2.55
Club web forum	28.67% 301	41.24% 433	30.10% 316	1,050	2.01
Club Facebook page	28.06% 298	23.16% 246	48.78% 518	1,062	2.21
Twitter	72.39% 755	21.00% 219	6.62% 69	1,043	1.34
Club newsletter (paper)	51.09% 538	32.00% 337	16.90% 178	1,053	1.66
Club newsletter (email)	17.59% 188	29.56% 316	52.85% 565	1,069	2.35

### Q31 How would you like to keep in touch with other club members?

Answered: 1,124 Skipped: 535

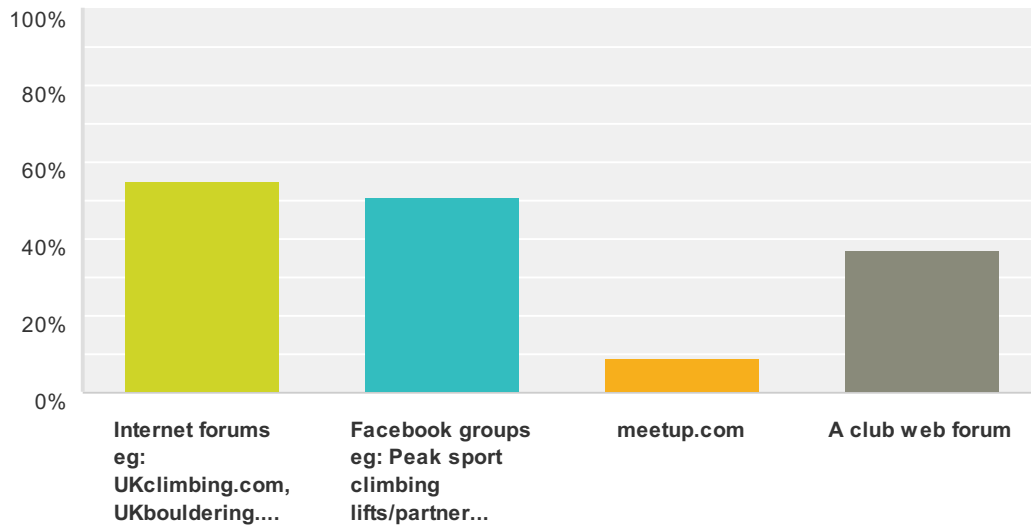


	No Thanks	Neutral	Preferred method	Total	Average Rating
Telephone	27.94% 299	39.81% 426	32.24% 345	1,070	2.04
Text message	19.83% 214	30.31% 327	49.86% 538	1,079	2.30
Email	5.45% 60	15.18% 167	79.36% 873	1,100	2.74
Club website	20.40% 215	42.69% 450	36.91% 389	1,054	2.17
Club web forum	28.76% 300	38.16% 398	33.08% 345	1,043	2.04
Club Facebook page	25.89% 277	23.36% 250	50.75% 543	1,070	2.25
Twitter	73.36% 760	20.85% 216	5.79% 60	1,036	1.32
Club newsletter (paper)	57.76% 599	31.73% 329	10.51% 109	1,037	1.53
Club newsletter (email)	35.54% 370	33.62% 350	30.84% 321	1,041	1.95



### Q32 Have you used any of the following internet resources to find people to walk or climb with?

Answered: 584 Skipped: 1,075



Answer Choices	Responses
Internet forums eg: UKclimbing.com, UKbouldering.com, UKhillwalking.com, Outdoorsmagic	55.14% 322
Facebook groups eg: Peak sport climbing lifts/partners/conditions	50.86% 297
meetup.com	9.08% 53
A club web forum	36.99% 216
<b>Total Respondents: 584</b>	

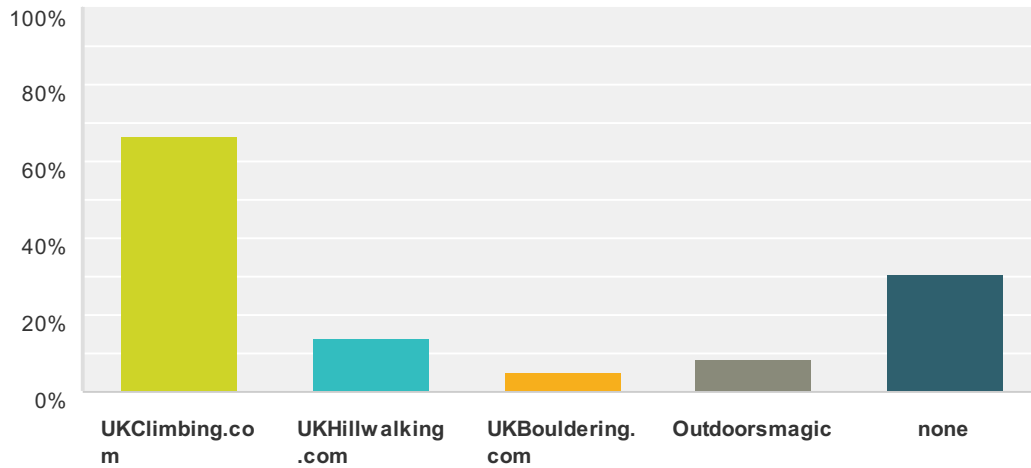
#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	No	6/2/2014 4:55 AM
2	none	5/30/2014 1:06 AM
3	Outdoor Lads	5/29/2014 10:06 AM
4	google	5/28/2014 9:56 AM
5	None of those	5/28/2014 9:52 AM
6	Twitter, Clubs	5/28/2014 9:02 AM
7	None	5/23/2014 3:48 PM
8	staff at Outside	5/21/2014 4:55 AM
9	None	5/16/2014 2:10 PM
10	notice on climbing wall noticeboard	5/15/2014 4:06 PM
11	club google group	5/14/2014 3:36 AM
12	Arizona climbers	5/13/2014 11:59 PM
13	round robin email to club members	5/13/2014 12:23 PM
14	Club membership list (for tel nos of contacts already made) (no longer available under new club management)	5/13/2014 12:14 PM

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15	NO	5/13/2014 9:00 AM
16	no	5/13/2014 7:09 AM
17	None of the above	5/13/2014 5:40 AM
18	None	5/13/2014 4:53 AM
19	No	5/13/2014 4:14 AM
20	None	5/13/2014 4:08 AM
21	general google search	5/13/2014 3:33 AM
22	website only to find club initially	5/9/2014 2:28 AM
23	Deutscher Alpenverein (DAV), Schweizer Alpen Club (SAC)	5/8/2014 10:48 PM
24	club mailing list	5/8/2014 6:55 AM
25	none	5/8/2014 5:40 AM
26	Gay outdoor Club	5/8/2014 3:37 AM
27	Would like to find a climbing partner for Westway (evenings)	5/8/2014 2:20 AM
28	group email	5/7/2014 1:33 PM
29	No interest in facebook whatsoever	5/4/2014 11:59 AM
30	club website	5/2/2014 8:01 AM
31	Not used any of these	5/1/2014 10:49 PM
32	None	4/30/2014 1:31 PM
33	mail list of the club and of my workplace	4/30/2014 3:38 AM
34	climbfind.com	4/30/2014 3:07 AM
35	none of these	4/30/2014 2:05 AM
36	none	4/29/2014 3:36 PM
37	climbfind.com	4/29/2014 1:02 PM
38	n one	4/29/2014 12:17 PM
39	Club websites recommended by personal contacts	4/29/2014 12:08 PM
40	n/a	4/29/2014 10:19 AM
41	None of the above	4/29/2014 6:28 AM
42	No	4/29/2014 6:14 AM
43	Club facebook page, club email	4/29/2014 5:06 AM
44	Walkhighlands	4/29/2014 4:18 AM

### Q33 Which outdoors-related internet forums do you use?

Answered: 1,039 Skipped: 620



Answer Choices	Responses	
UKClimbing.com	66.41%	690
UKHillwalking.com	13.86%	144
UKBouldering.com	5.20%	54
Outdoorsmagic	8.57%	89
none	30.61%	318
<b>Total Respondents: 1,039</b>		

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	didn't know they existed but will look at them now I know.	5/30/2014 1:06 AM
2	winterhighland	5/29/2014 7:43 AM
3	walkhighlands	5/28/2014 9:52 AM
4	walkhighlands	5/28/2014 9:09 AM
5	walkhighlands	5/28/2014 8:27 AM
6	moumesclimbers.com	5/28/2014 8:23 AM
7	Registered with UKC, but not used much.	5/28/2014 7:52 AM
8	Outdoorlads	5/28/2014 7:47 AM
9	TGO Challenge message board	5/16/2014 11:04 AM
10	Club forum, livefortheoutdoors, camptocamp.org, gulliver.it	5/15/2014 4:34 PM
11	Scottish Hills	5/15/2014 4:06 PM
12	FRA forum and Nopesport	5/15/2014 2:28 PM
13	uk.rec.climbing (now defunct)	5/14/2014 7:01 AM
14	live for the outdoors	5/14/2014 3:36 AM
15	occasionally but it takes time to filter through the info/rubbish	5/13/2014 4:25 PM

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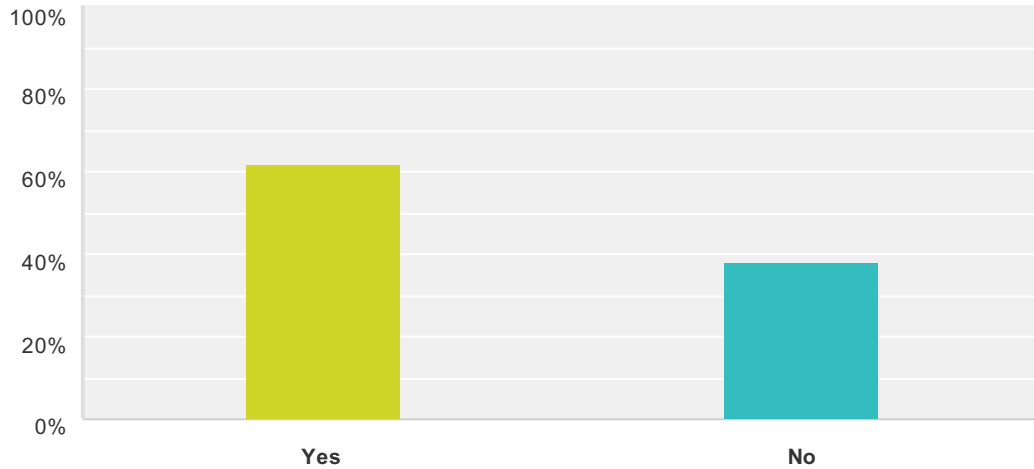
16	walkingforum.co.uk, ukseakayakingguidebook.com	5/13/2014 11:52 AM
17	club web forum	5/13/2014 11:49 AM
18	Irish	5/13/2014 7:28 AM
19	FRA website	5/13/2014 5:40 AM
20	rhb@yahoogleroups.com	5/13/2014 5:14 AM
21	eagle ski club	5/13/2014 5:08 AM
22	camptocamp	5/12/2014 1:22 PM
23	UKCaving.com	5/9/2014 2:08 AM
24	DAV, SAC	5/8/2014 10:48 PM
25	Various locality based Facebook groups	5/7/2014 2:26 PM
26	Our club has a facebook group for walking, and another one for climbing, and acts like a forum, We also have discussion boards on meetup, but most folk prefer facebook	5/6/2014 1:43 PM
27	<a href="http://walkhighlands.co.uk/">http://walkhighlands.co.uk/</a> ; <a href="http://glasgowyoungwalkers.ning.com/">http://glasgowyoungwalkers.ning.com/</a>	5/2/2014 8:01 AM
28	walkhighlands.	5/2/2014 2:40 AM
29	Livefortheoutdoors.com	5/1/2014 10:49 PM
30	walkhighlands	5/1/2014 2:39 PM
31	climbing.ie	4/30/2014 4:27 PM
32	grough	4/30/2014 1:52 PM
33	Closed forum of Diploma of mountain medicine and International Soc mtn Med.	4/30/2014 1:31 PM
34	Mercian Mountaineering Club Forum	4/30/2014 9:48 AM
35	Our own club one	4/30/2014 9:00 AM
36	munro magic	4/30/2014 6:27 AM
37	Individual club websites	4/30/2014 4:13 AM
38	alpine climbing, local facebook group	4/30/2014 3:47 AM
39	Uk riverguide (kyaking)	4/30/2014 2:19 AM
40	ALPINET, SKITOUR.COM, ASC, EAGLES	4/30/2014 12:35 AM
41	ukcaving	4/29/2014 3:15 PM
42	own club forums/blogs	4/29/2014 2:39 PM
43	Explorers connect	4/29/2014 1:15 PM
44	Walkhighlands	4/29/2014 12:35 PM
45	<a href="http://kingleyvalemountainbikers.ning.com/">http://kingleyvalemountainbikers.ning.com/</a>	4/29/2014 12:22 PM
46	Supertopo	4/29/2014 9:42 AM
47	Summit Post	4/29/2014 8:55 AM
48	walkhighlands.co.uk	4/29/2014 8:49 AM
49	climb find	4/29/2014 8:22 AM
50	AMI forum	4/29/2014 8:14 AM
51	Walk highlands	4/29/2014 6:28 AM
52	explorers connect	4/29/2014 6:21 AM
53	Bmc community	4/29/2014 6:17 AM
54	Walkhighlands / Walking Forum / Wainwright Society	4/29/2014 5:58 AM

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55	Club intranet web sites	4/29/2014 5:46 AM
56	Walking Forum	4/29/2014 5:36 AM
57	outdoorlads	4/29/2014 5:31 AM
58	summitpost	4/29/2014 4:34 AM
59	Alpnet	4/29/2014 4:32 AM
60	winterhighland	4/29/2014 4:27 AM
61	BMC	4/29/2014 4:19 AM
62	Walkhighlands	4/29/2014 4:18 AM
63	I read some UK Climbing forums, but don't post on them	4/29/2014 4:03 AM
64	summitpost	4/29/2014 4:01 AM
65	www.lsmc.org.uk	4/29/2014 4:00 AM
66	Walkhighlands	4/29/2014 3:52 AM
67	Fell Runners Forum	4/29/2014 3:50 AM

**Q34 Are you aware that BMC affiliated clubs can access grants to cover communication, equipment and instructional support?**

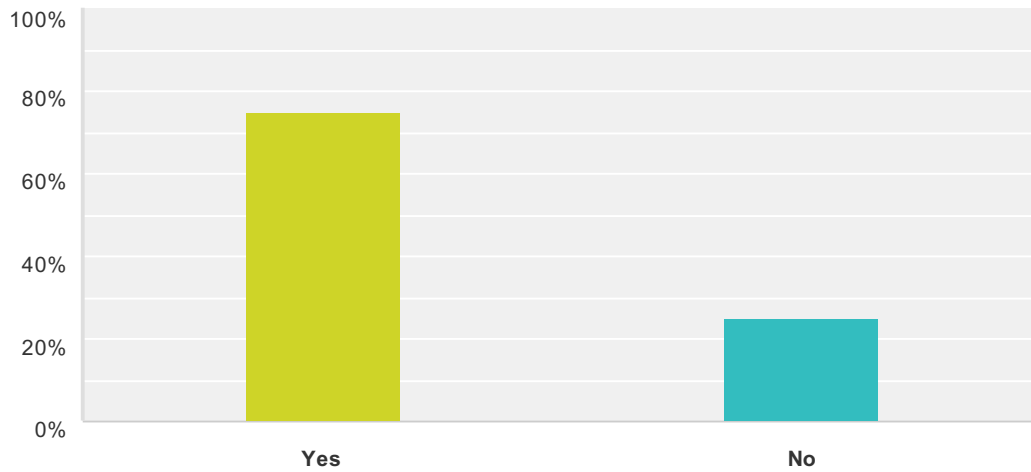
Answered: 1,112 Skipped: 547



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	61.96%	689
No	38.04%	423
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,112</b>

### Q35 Are you aware that the BMC offers subsidised skills training courses for club members?

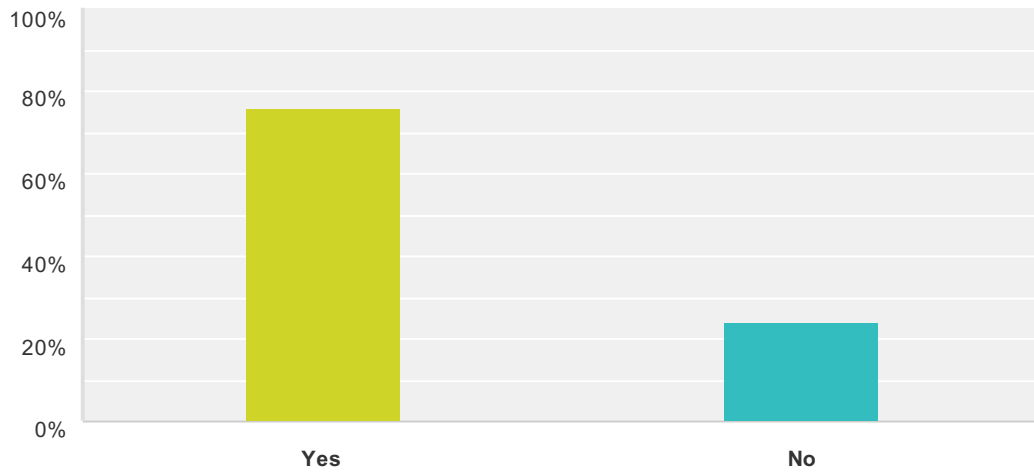
Answered: 1,113 Skipped: 546



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	74.93%	834
No	25.07%	279
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,113</b>

**Q36 Did you know that as a BMC club member you can upgrade to become an individual member of the BMC?**

Answered: 1,106 Skipped: 553

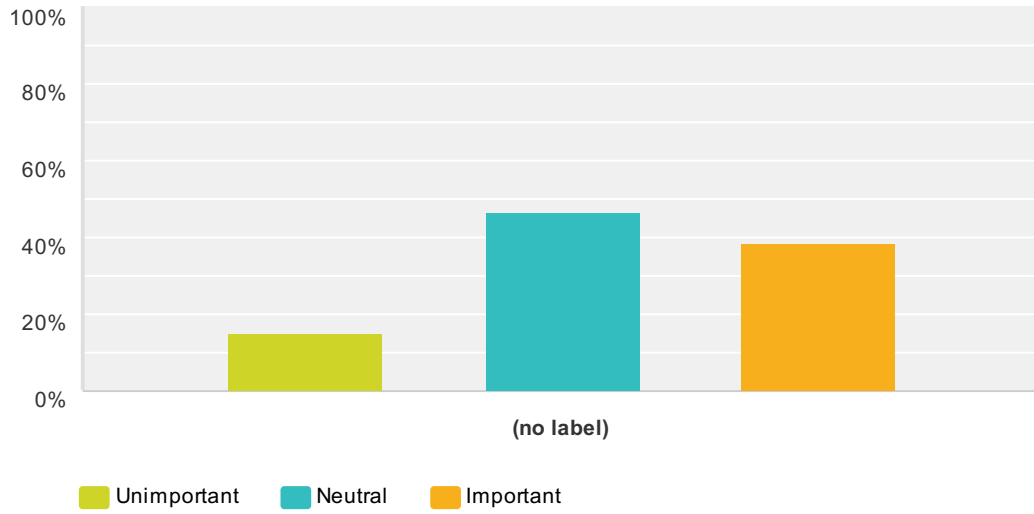


Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	75.59%	836
No	24.41%	270
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,106</b>



### Q37 How important is such a facility?

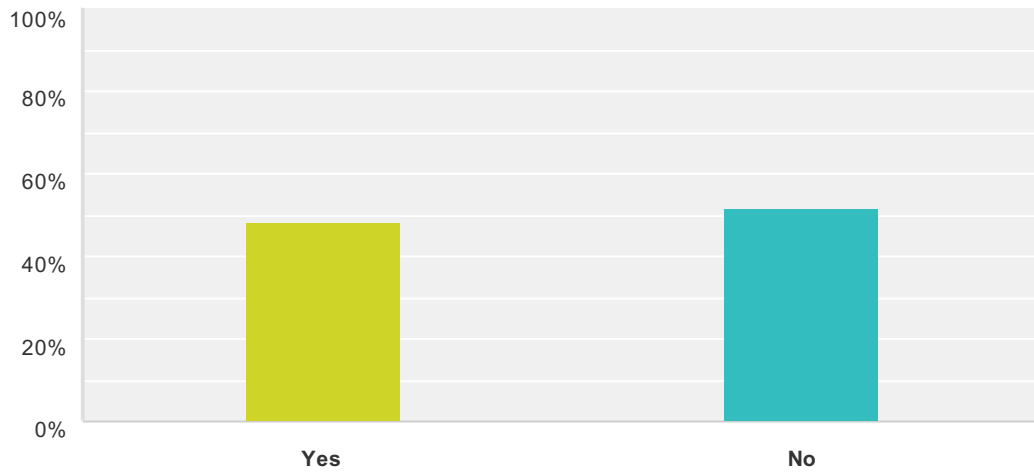
Answered: 1,104 Skipped: 555



	Unimportant	Neutral	Important	Total	Average Rating
(no label)	15.04% 166	46.47% 513	38.50% 425	1,104	2.23

**Q38 Did you know that if you are in more than one BMC affiliated club you can claim multiple BMC subscriptions back?**

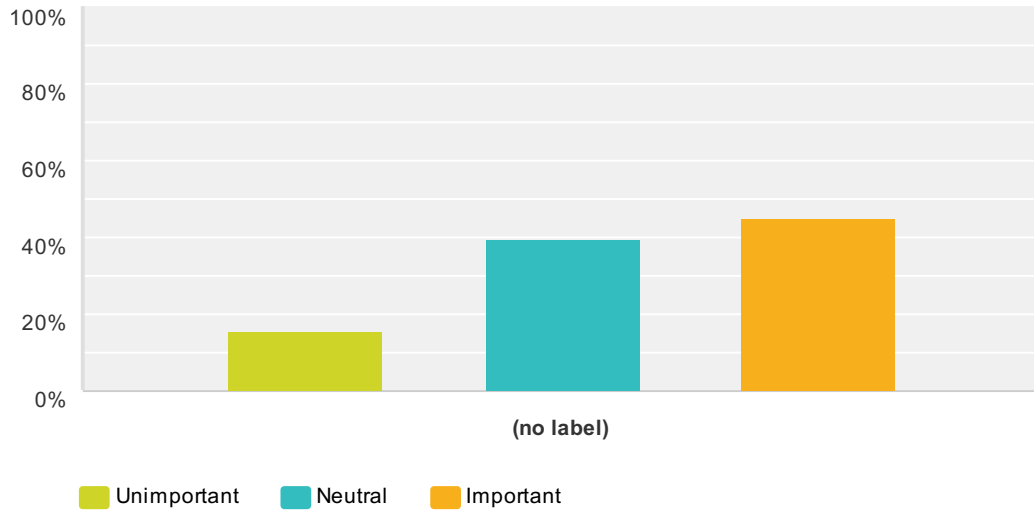
Answered: 1,107 Skipped: 552



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	48.15%	533
No	51.85%	574
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,107</b>

### Q39 How important is such a facility?

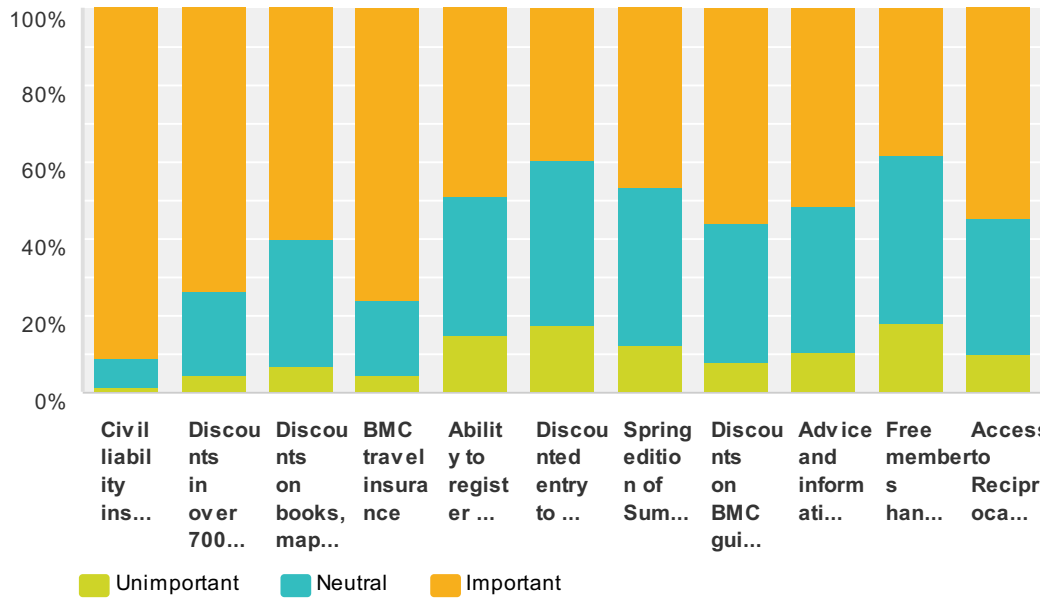
Answered: 1,110 Skipped: 549



	Unimportant	Neutral	Important	Total	Average Rating
(no label)	15.50% 172	39.37% 437	45.14% 501	1,110	2.30

### Q40 How important do you think the following benefits of BMC membership are to club members?

Answered: 1,113 Skipped: 546



	Unimportant	Neutral	Important	Total	Average Rating
Civil liability insurance for clubs & their members	1.26% 14	7.64% 85	91.10% 1,013	1,112	2.90
Discounts in over 700 stores	4.50% 50	21.89% 243	73.60% 817	1,110	2.69
Discounts on books, maps and DVDs in BMC online shop	6.88% 76	33.24% 367	59.87% 661	1,104	2.53
BMC travel insurance	4.52% 50	19.55% 216	75.93% 839	1,105	2.71
Ability to register for Mountain Training awards	15.17% 166	35.74% 391	49.09% 537	1,094	2.34
Discounted entry to BMC events	17.40% 191	42.90% 471	39.71% 436	1,098	2.22
Spring edition of Summit magazine	12.43% 137	41.02% 452	46.55% 513	1,102	2.34
Discounts on BMC guidebooks	7.90% 87	35.88% 395	56.22% 619	1,101	2.48
Advice and information from BMC specialist officers	10.39% 114	38.10% 418	51.50% 565	1,097	2.41
Free members handbook	17.79% 195	44.07% 483	38.14% 418	1,096	2.20
Access to Reciprocal Rights Card scheme for discounted stays in Alpine huts	10.01% 110	35.49% 390	54.50% 599	1,099	2.44

#	Other (please specify)	Date
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1	I had a grant for a 'learning to lead' course. Brilliant	5/28/2014 7:56 AM
2	Support for access issues	5/23/2014 2:23 PM
3	List of & access to, other club huts	5/23/2014 2:22 AM
4	Knowing you contribute to the work of the BMC, particularly with respect to access to the mountains and crags	5/15/2014 1:56 PM
5	access!	5/14/2014 11:12 AM
6	To me the remit of BMC is to continue the excellent work on access and diplomacy in all aspects of mountaineering. All other facilities are peripheral.	5/14/2014 2:50 AM
7	huts protocol and advice	5/13/2014 2:02 PM
8	A sense of belonging and supporting others	5/13/2014 11:40 AM
9	Assistance in negotiating with landowners to carry out crag care/maintenance, and provision of funding and equipment to support this (e.g. paying the tree surgeon, providing stakes)	5/13/2014 10:15 AM
10	Organising indoor climbing competitions	5/13/2014 7:44 AM
11	why should you have to join the BMC to register awards	5/13/2014 3:58 AM
12	Access to Hute of other clubs affiliated to the BMC	5/12/2014 2:11 AM
13	access information	5/8/2014 5:44 AM
14	Didn't know about the Reciprocal Rights Card	5/8/2014 2:22 AM
15	Association with National Body helps funding for University Clubs, and improves their professional appearance	5/7/2014 9:10 AM
16	Access arrangements with land owners	5/7/2014 4:19 AM
17	I'm already an individual BMC member, so already have access to these	5/3/2014 7:58 AM
18	Support access rights and promote the sport	5/1/2014 2:00 PM
19	Gives the club credibility	5/1/2014 1:16 AM
20	Support from peers. Also disseminate information on work of UIAA.	4/30/2014 1:35 PM
21	Answering from perspective of being affiliated to the MC of S	4/30/2014 6:34 AM
22	Student safety seminar weekend is brilliant!	4/30/2014 6:07 AM
23	skills training courses	4/30/2014 3:40 AM
24	Access negotiations	4/30/2014 12:05 AM
25	Didn't know half of these existed despite previously being a full bmc member	4/29/2014 1:17 PM
26	Building up contacts and cross-links between clubs and with the BMC	4/29/2014 12:11 PM
27	Access to huts of other BMC clubs	4/29/2014 9:56 AM
28	Didnt know about members' handbook	4/29/2014 9:16 AM
29	Recip rights and insurance cheaper through Aust Alpine Club	4/29/2014 8:21 AM
30	AC members have better Alpine access	4/29/2014 5:48 AM
31	ability to use club huts	4/29/2014 5:07 AM
32	I am already an individual member of the BMC	4/29/2014 4:05 AM
33	Grants to help clubs do training and pay for gear are important as someone who has benefited from both at uni.	4/29/2014 4:02 AM

## Q41 In what additional ways would you like the BMC to support the clubs that you are in?

Answered: 238 Skipped: 1,421

#	Responses	Date
1	None	6/2/2014 4:58 AM
2	none, doing a great job!	5/30/2014 7:13 AM
3	Area tournaments	5/30/2014 1:20 AM
4	Sadly I didn't know about any of these benefits so maybe more publicity.	5/30/2014 1:07 AM
5	Lectures, ideas for trips	5/29/2014 11:50 PM
6	unsure	5/29/2014 3:10 PM
7	A positive stance against the use of recreational motor vehicles off-road in National Parks. I have been very disappointed in the rejection from Dr Catherine Flitcroft when I asked for support on a specific proposal in the Peak District and in the reasons given for this rejection. The BMC should support hill-walkers on such a matter.	5/29/2014 2:16 PM
8	Make it easier to set up membership for a small local club and enable non-members to discover about the club via the BMC website.	5/29/2014 8:24 AM
9	Promote individual clubs more to wide climbing and walking community.	5/29/2014 3:47 AM
10	Put the clubs first and BMC second. Rather than the current way the systems work. Particularly with regards policy	5/29/2014 12:56 AM
11	None, all good	5/28/2014 3:31 PM
12	Club meets for multiple clubs nationwide to come together.	5/28/2014 3:05 PM
13	Help with marketing, recruitment, increasing membership, energising clubs; whatever it takes to make clubs the natural place to go if you're interested, not to a commercial outfit or the internet. Enable the clubs & members to deliver the 'climbing' bit (i.e. the specialism). Behave as management - management's job is to enable the doers, not do the doing.	5/28/2014 2:15 PM
14	Clubs meet - to meet other clubs and their members, get tips from each other, share experiences etc. Some sort of gathering, that would be cool	5/28/2014 1:31 PM
15	Student support, leadership support	5/28/2014 11:33 AM
16	The BMC clubs list need making more user friendly. I knew what club I was looking for and still found it difficult to locate.	5/28/2014 10:22 AM
17	Greater input in safety in university mountaineering clubs such as taking all members who have MT qualifications to the annual meet to attend safety and other training so can help new comers to club. Learn in a safe way. Helping prevent accidents or incorrect teaching.	5/28/2014 9:01 AM
18	I assume MCoS acts as same as BMC for Scotland.	5/28/2014 8:37 AM
19	visiting lecturers	5/28/2014 8:33 AM
20	Increased presence in Northern Ireland	5/28/2014 8:25 AM
21	I think more positive information about clubs and their activities could be published to encourage people to get involved. Beginners, intermediates and experts alike can benefit from active and social climbing clubs who have the setup to bring like minded people together to archive bigger and better things.	5/28/2014 8:12 AM
22	More club competitions and meets	5/28/2014 8:10 AM
23	We're fine	5/28/2014 8:03 AM

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24	Perhaps the BMC, could also attend occasional meetings, thus bringing clubs and the BMC closer together.	5/28/2014 7:57 AM
25	Will came to our club with lots of good ideas for retaining new members...buddy system etc which was good. Our core group of climbers that come to most meets seems to be dwindling though and we need these to communicate/encourage/ support new members/ beginners to come along with invitations to climb, help with directions, lifts etc. Facebook page has been good with instant pics of meets .	5/28/2014 7:56 AM
26	To work directly with university students unions and other administrative bodies rather than temporary exec's etc to facilitate BMC membership through university clubs (e.g. we would love to be affiliated, the SU won't support it (but will support other athletics clubs etc), we want to keep climbing low cost to all students therefore go unaffiliated)	5/28/2014 7:56 AM
27	My particular club does not inform members with enough notice regarding events etc, so it would be good if the BMC could help through scheduled events as well as support in providing the best experience	5/28/2014 7:53 AM
28	Guidance in club operation something like a club pack, which would be especially useful for student clubs.	5/28/2014 7:51 AM
29	Help clubs to maintain huts. Many clubs are struggling and are letting huts get into a state of disrepair.	5/23/2014 2:23 PM
30	Re-establish accountability to the Clubs for BMC policy decisions.	5/22/2014 4:53 AM
31	have physical presence at meetings clubs hold as face to face contact is incredibly important	5/21/2014 4:58 AM
32	would like to receive all copies of bmc magazine.	5/19/2014 7:37 AM
33	Send the grant cheques out on time please!	5/17/2014 2:55 AM
34	None	5/16/2014 2:11 PM
35	Have a simple system for multiple club members to reclaim there BMC subscriptions back or to upgrade to full membership and also get any other owing subscription back. A simple email with a tick box for which option is preferred option rather than the current form or ring to upgrade. Then BMC should track memberships and take the lead rather than leave it to the member.	5/15/2014 11:32 PM
36	Maintain huts	5/15/2014 4:43 PM
37	advice on recruiting new club members	5/15/2014 2:02 PM
38	More presence in local climbing walls advertising benefits	5/15/2014 7:09 AM
39	I'm actually mountaineering council of Scotland==I think both organisations do well at present. Thanks.	5/15/2014 5:27 AM
40	Hold a rolling roadshow publicity campaign at each climbing wall to encourage and show why all these new climbers would benefit from the wider vision, a club can offer, of their newly discovered sport. "it's good when it's climable" "it's fun to be clubable"	5/14/2014 3:15 PM
41	Become far less rock climbing orientated.	5/14/2014 11:12 AM
42	Publish a list of the affiliated clubs on its website?	5/14/2014 7:37 AM
43	If the BMC could offer a template web chatroom for our walking group, it might be useful.	5/14/2014 7:03 AM
44	To advise on management of club trips and supervision of members during activities and possibly to approve and/or regulate club practices.	5/14/2014 4:09 AM
45	support when climbing walls get shut down. support is needed to encourage members to participate.	5/14/2014 3:35 AM
46	See above.	5/14/2014 2:50 AM
47	Assistance accessing lottery funding or similar (even just advice) to improve the facilities of our club hut.	5/14/2014 1:58 AM
48	Grants towards the upkeep of huts and facilities. Help with marketing for younger members.	5/13/2014 10:06 PM

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49	Much more recognition of BMC affiliated clubs and a greater focus on lines of communication between clubs, club members and the BMC (eg. the office / national council representation). Greater representation on the National Council. Some club members that I know are becoming disheartened with "The BMC" as they feel that it is mostly focussed on individual members and on encouraging beginners through commercial means (eg. climbing walls).	5/13/2014 4:35 PM
50	I consider that the BMC sufficiently supports the club of which I am a member by arranging regular contact with the local BMC representative.	5/13/2014 2:34 PM
51	I have no problem with the bmc except your office procedures are appalling.	5/13/2014 1:34 PM
52	By encouraging clubs to work together	5/13/2014 1:22 PM
53	Reduce the amount each club member pays towards affiliation, it is crippling our club, affiliation takes up more than half of each members fees! leaving our club funds in a very weak position.	5/13/2014 12:57 PM
54	By continuing to acknowledge the valuable role that Clubs play in nurturing new members of the mountain community in ways that individual membership can't. I think the BMC is positive about this and continues to be so in Summit etc	5/13/2014 12:28 PM
55	Although club huts are owned by the clubs not the BMC it would be good if more huts were open to booking by small groups of members rather than having to be formal bookings	5/13/2014 11:54 AM
56	A rational policy on the replacement of protection equipment on easier, older routes - I don't like belaying or clipping runners on 40 year old pegs!	5/13/2014 11:40 AM
57	Feed newcomers to the clubs so we can encourage them to take things further	5/13/2014 10:31 AM
58	subsidise training for youngsters	5/13/2014 10:20 AM
59	Regular (e.g. annual) "update pack" emailed out reminding committee of the information that's available, legal issues, etc.... I think this is important when your committee members change. I was secretary for several years, and then more recently an ordinary committee member, and although we got some information, I think an annual email would be most useful (as this is the easiest way to circulate it to all the committee). I think there is a widespread lack of awareness about the legal side of things.	5/13/2014 10:15 AM
60	club members should receive all Summit issues, not just Spring edition.	5/13/2014 10:13 AM
61	Advise them on club governance and on how to overcome the perceived problems of getting young people involved in club activities	5/13/2014 8:13 AM
62	Keep up the present: grants for training and equipment	5/13/2014 8:10 AM
63	I'd like the BMC to be more proactive with clubs for access issues and encouraging training. Making the insurance more competitive with the likes of the AAC would also be good.	5/13/2014 7:46 AM
64	In Scotland we are affiliated to the MCoFS rather than the BMC.	5/13/2014 7:44 AM
65	look at their housekeeping and get the cost to clubs down to an acceptable level	5/13/2014 7:12 AM
66	Well I think we really appreciated your "Save Stannage" campaign and work	5/13/2014 7:07 AM
67	Covering events which University clubs participate in as there is a big climbing scene in British Universities and we have a lot to offer!	5/13/2014 6:36 AM
68	Nothing immediately comes to mind	5/13/2014 5:42 AM



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69	I believe it would feel more personal if BMC showed an interest in a club in some way as apposed to making it feel like money is being taken for subscription but nothing is given back other than a reminder that fees are due again. I feel there is very little understanding of BMC, the website is not user friendly. I understand & see the good work that is/has been done by the BMC however I still feel it is more about money than members to a degree. The discounts on offer by shops are there anyway if you look online so are not specific to BMC membership. I believe if the BMC consulted more with companies & shops a better discount scheme could be created as could discount for courses & other activities. I have 2 boys ages 7 & 5 yet NOTHING is done to grasp the interest of the next generation. If BMC is trying to be diverse then it needs to look at diversity as a whole to try and engage people in the outdoors, that way it would have more support & more influence. The club I am a member of does not allow children so it means parents have to find other clubs for children when they could spend time doing activities with their children. I however would not be prepared to pay for my children to be BMC member as there is no incentive in my opinion for them & outdoor clothing companies offer very little in terms of clothing and equipment, which is a weakness in the market. All the best companies offer fantastic clothing & equipment for adults but nothing for children. If children are engaged parents follow & BMC should do everything to encourage this. Every mountaineer or climber has certain makes of clothing and equipment but for children the clothing in particular is budget & ineffective. The BMC should put pressure to change this, how could I be a responsible parent & take my children out in winter in clothing that is not suitable & I wouldn't be prepared to wear myself. Make the BMC about its members and not its employees.	5/13/2014 5:32 AM
70	Legal advice	5/13/2014 5:24 AM
71	Training seems to be on offer for under 18's mainly. BMC Experts are difficult to contact - they are mainly out climbing Info from our BMC rep is sparse. BMC seem to support elite climbers/ walkers expeditions The Insurance is very expensive I wonder whether a BMC person will come to our clubs 60th anniversary party ??	5/13/2014 5:21 AM
72	Encourage and support a wider range of Huts across the UK	5/13/2014 5:17 AM
73	Pls Support the women's climbing symposium. Best thing I ever attended.	5/13/2014 5:03 AM
74	they are doing a good job already	5/13/2014 4:53 AM
75	In our case, rather parochial, press on with the Leicestershire guide, and show some interest in the state of the local quarries.	5/13/2014 4:44 AM
76	improved support for paraclimbers and for introducing disabled climbers to outdoor climbing.	5/13/2014 4:27 AM
77	Continue working for climbing and CROW access; communicate directly to a nominated contact, perhaps?	5/13/2014 4:25 AM
78	BMC to provide a magic solution to the problem of ageing membership of general mountaineering clubs, by attracting new young club members? Has there been research into why young people no longer seem to need the benefit of club membership?	5/13/2014 4:21 AM
79	Access to more advice on expedition planning and conduct. Perhaps having experts who are willing to be contacted by members and having this information published.	5/13/2014 4:21 AM
80	Would be good if as a club member you got all the summit magazines?	5/13/2014 4:17 AM
81	Promote interclub communication and events	5/13/2014 4:11 AM
82	Through offering reduced coat on courses	5/13/2014 4:10 AM
83	The BMC could benefit Clubs in almost all aspects of their running - whether its introducing new members or helping to improve a Club Hut's utliisation or assisting the research for new venues on their Meets list (is there already an index of all Climbing magazine articles?) or even just finding a speaker for a winter lecture.	5/13/2014 4:08 AM
84	recognize that by your financial stranglehold you are slowly but surely squeezing the lifeblood out of the clubs. This is a tax with only minimal representation via Clubs Committee Area reps to national council	5/13/2014 4:07 AM
85	as treasurer of a small club to be able to use the BMC direct debit banking power to collect club subscriptions and at the beginning of each year the difference in BMC Club Subs settled.	5/13/2014 3:53 AM
86	Don't waste money on the Olympic bid	5/13/2014 3:47 AM
87	keep doing what you do and more so at local areas	5/13/2014 3:41 AM

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88	Publicise the existence of clubs more at climbing walls to increase the possibilities of wall bred climbers meeting trad climbers	5/13/2014 3:39 AM
89	Lobby Easyjet to get climbing equipment accepted as "sports baggage" like golf, skiing etc	5/12/2014 12:34 PM
90	Lower Club affiliation rates to BMC	5/12/2014 8:21 AM
91	More focus on hillwalking. Seems too climbing focussed.	5/12/2014 5:14 AM
92	Include and clarify the insurance of occasional caving activities for general outdoor/mountaineering clubs	5/12/2014 2:11 AM
93	Much as you do now. The grants for new skills courses are really appreciated.	5/11/2014 7:36 AM
94	Providing guidance on procedures to run the club, forcing better safety procedures.	5/8/2014 3:40 PM
95	Highlighting good practise.	5/8/2014 5:44 AM
96	BMC officers to visit clubs	5/8/2014 4:04 AM
97	No comment	5/8/2014 3:39 AM
98	Informal get together for clubs in a local area to share ideas/"best practice"/solve problems. A club contact who can help clubs get information from the BMC. Shift focus away from rock climbing to hill-walking/mountaineering.	5/8/2014 2:39 AM
99	Some clubs could benefit from better organisational skills. Perhaps you could provide a template for orgs with diary entries for newsletters, publishing the meets list, etc.	5/8/2014 2:22 AM
100	I'm more concerned about what it does for climbers than clubs - clubs will tend to look after themselves.	5/8/2014 12:26 AM
101	Stop chasing the Olympics and concentrate on climbing for the majority not the minority. Otherwise you will get tied up in funding conundrums that lead you to put all and every fiscal amount available into chasing dreams for ten people, whilst becoming less focused on what actually impacts on climbing for the remaining 99.9 % of climbers. This is the worst thing about sport England monies and other funding available for one very target specific thing. You have to win or you lose everything , it's a shame as it spoils it, I'm not against the Olympics as such just the way funding is constructed and managed.	5/7/2014 2:32 PM
102	No extra ways I can think of!	5/7/2014 2:02 PM
103	By e-mailing details of regional BMC meetings in advance, with agenda.	5/7/2014 1:40 PM
104	I am pretty happy with what I get at the moment. I enjoy the local BMC meetings in the Lakes, when I attend, especially with chips and sandwiches at Staveley.	5/7/2014 12:47 PM
105	Greater access to huts for individual trips	5/7/2014 10:38 AM
106	More documentation for easy operation of university clubs, perhaps with generic risk assessments and best practice guidelines on instruction, leading etc	5/7/2014 9:10 AM
107	More support and information for walkers and recognition of walkers. Support for web development and for collecting subscriptions eg direct debit	5/7/2014 4:52 AM
108	Provide access arrangements with land owners and back off on the other stuff to reduce cost	5/7/2014 4:19 AM
109	Young member specific support	5/6/2014 3:07 PM
110	You don't. We are affiliated with the MCoFS :-)	5/6/2014 1:46 PM
111	Only charge for fees for active members not the entire club size. University clubs often have many idle members.	5/6/2014 12:14 PM
112	Promotion of clubs to get more members in and retained.	5/6/2014 10:21 AM
113	BMC campsites?	5/6/2014 7:15 AM
114	More subsidised training courses	5/5/2014 3:52 PM
115	I like the common sense guidance that clubs can refer to when dealing with unnecessary red tape. Our student union makes unrealistic and unnecessary safety demands (like trying to insist all trips need a qualified leader) and sensible national governing body advice is invaluable in fighting back against these.	5/5/2014 1:37 PM

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116	More interested in support for individuals rather than clubs	5/5/2014 11:44 AM
117	I think since the development of the Regional Support Officer posts, the BMC has lost it's way a little. Focusing on offering training (and increasing our fees), being pushy about club engagement with regional offers (and increasing our fees to pay for them) - rather than focus on access, conservation and guides. it would be good to re-prioritise and let clubs get on with being clubs and interfere less	5/5/2014 9:46 AM
118	Make membership cheaper	5/4/2014 7:06 AM
119	Probably more encouragement, support and advertisement of the above mentioned activities for and among people with disabilities.	5/3/2014 3:54 PM
120	Non, thank you.....the people in my club are really helpful.	5/3/2014 12:17 PM
121	Could promote more of whats to offer, half the items I don't know about much and certainly have no idea how to book/costs	5/3/2014 10:06 AM
122	The local club that I am in needs to recruit more younger members. I am one of 2 or 3 members who are in their 20s, and the majority of the club are 40+. I think that the club needs to be more proactive in marketing themselves and training and advice on how to do this would be helpful.	5/3/2014 8:17 AM
123	Free advertising	5/2/2014 6:02 AM
124	More contact and communication	5/2/2014 5:20 AM
125	By concentration on supporting mountaineering/climbing activities in the UK, especially access and looking after crags.	5/2/2014 3:56 AM
126	Disband itself and let the clubs form a new BMC	5/2/2014 12:31 AM
127	The recent developments seem good - keep it up.	5/1/2014 8:52 PM
128	Support the bid to take over the campsite and toilet block at Harrisons Rocks by Malcolm "the Wizard"	5/1/2014 6:37 PM
129	Unsure	5/1/2014 4:38 PM
130	closer alignment to McofS	5/1/2014 2:40 PM
131	stop increasing charges	5/1/2014 1:20 PM
132	None really	5/1/2014 12:27 PM
133	I suppose just to highlight what clubs do and how they are beneficial in helping climbers.	5/1/2014 11:42 AM
134	allow online payment for joining local club	5/1/2014 8:56 AM
135	For BMC to be more active in lobbying against misuse of footpaths and bridleways by unauthorised vehicles.	5/1/2014 8:41 AM
136	More free to attend seminars on various subjects such as crow, environmental and access concerns, development of BBC, national parks, volunteering activities etc etc	5/1/2014 4:39 AM
137	Some kind of Networking scheme for interlinking local clubs (eg. County-wide).	5/1/2014 2:34 AM
138	liaison officer	5/1/2014 2:33 AM
139	Better deals on insurance, We are nearly all in the Austrian Alpine	5/1/2014 1:16 AM
140	May be provide back office support/admin support for clubs. I think most clubs struggle a bit with the admin side of things. May be the BMC could host websites, email, chat forums for clubs, offer systems for maintaining members list, collecting fees. It seems to me there is whole lot of common club admin issues people struggle with. Is there an opportunity to for the BMC to run training on this, recommend ways of doing this, agree discounts or bulk purchasing such as printers(or other companies such as banks) for mailing list, host websites off of the BMC website, could the BCM offer clubs the ability to store the membership list. I am not on a club comity but the admin of clubs seems to be a problem. I think this is a common issues where pooling resources could be a good idea. I am happy to discuss these ideas more.-----@-----	5/1/2014 12:12 AM
141	Difficult to say - I live and climb in Northern Ireland, so there is no BMC input to the area or clubs.	4/30/2014 4:29 PM
142	-	4/30/2014 1:50 PM

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143	Get such massive grants that lots of £ can be passed onto the clubs!!! Access work is very important for whole climbing community.	4/30/2014 1:35 PM
144	BMC should supply rescue insurance as part of a membership fee as per Austrian Alpine Club, more value required from BMC for the £11 that you take for each individual member, no more sponsorship of events ect.	4/30/2014 1:22 PM
145	Additional training support.	4/30/2014 1:05 PM
146	Offer advice to university clubs about climbing abroad	4/30/2014 12:37 PM
147	Keep up the good work!	4/30/2014 11:50 AM
148	By keeping the affiliation fee down: It is a massive proportion of our membership fee	4/30/2014 9:41 AM
149	Provide a forum on the BMC web site for clubs, esp those with huts, to share information and ask for advice etc. eg We are looking at digital locks for our club hut: what experience do other clubs have?	4/30/2014 9:37 AM
150	None	4/30/2014 7:18 AM
151	advice and training	4/30/2014 5:45 AM
152	Have a yearly collection of thought from Club committees	4/30/2014 4:58 AM
153	I am an individual member of the BMC as well as Club membership. I believe the BMC support is excellent on both counts and I'm not sure how it could be improved.	4/30/2014 4:16 AM
154	skills training courses	4/30/2014 3:40 AM
155	More demos	4/30/2014 3:29 AM
156	Put students through SPA, I am at a university club. Training to be a DT teacher. for secondary school. Putting me through SPA would increase the amount of young people trying the sport.	4/30/2014 3:23 AM
157	Grant full membership rights to all club members: i.e. abolish the difference between individual and club membership.	4/30/2014 3:11 AM
158	Special discounts just for university clubs to be affiliated as they often work to a very strict budget set by the university.	4/30/2014 3:09 AM
159	More information in the clubs section of the website	4/30/2014 2:26 AM
160	I would like to be able to continue to pay my personal BMC membership and NOT to have to pay membership again via a club. 2. i would like BMC insurance to cover kayaking as I need cover for both mountain sports and kayaking (and caving)	4/30/2014 2:22 AM
161	Create more possibilities to show our skills in ways other than competition. People love to show what they can do but tend to be scared of competing and losing. Giving them a chance to show what they can do would be cool.	4/30/2014 2:22 AM
162	Access to local climbing areas where there are issues	4/30/2014 2:07 AM
163	Organise events with other local walking groups.	4/30/2014 2:05 AM
164	Not sure the BMC adds any value to clubs, just additional cost and bureaucracy!	4/30/2014 1:29 AM
165	None that I can think of.	4/30/2014 12:53 AM
166	Expedition insurance for the Antarctic	4/30/2014 12:50 AM
167	A national scheme for hut booking of all member clubs?	4/30/2014 12:05 AM
168	None. They support us very well.	4/29/2014 10:53 PM
169	Access and legal understanding for members to climbing and mountain venues.	4/29/2014 10:13 PM
170	offer a service to collect fees via direct debit on a club's behalf	4/29/2014 4:04 PM
171	climbing for slow learners climbing for scared people	4/29/2014 3:50 PM
172	OK as it is to keep cost down	4/29/2014 3:39 PM
173	further encouragement for young climbers to go out in groups with older and more experienced climbers to promote a safe transition from indoor to outdoor climbing	4/29/2014 3:34 PM

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174	Reduce the capitation fee	4/29/2014 3:15 PM
175	Promote the use of huts more - I wasn't even aware that the BMC managed some huts.	4/29/2014 2:34 PM
176	Make members of all affiliated clubs and individual members aware of the equal status of the Welsh and English languages in Wales. I feel that the BMC are aware of this but not actively supporting and endorsing it, at present.	4/29/2014 2:28 PM
177	Think more involvement in Scotland would be beneficial	4/29/2014 1:30 PM
178	I think the BMC does a fantastic job. I'm a club committee member, and really value the guidance for clubs on the websites. I would appreciate a bit more help and guidance on dealing with young people, especially with regard to the legal issues, which are currently looked on as too complicated to engage with, so we don't encourage young members.	4/29/2014 1:20 PM
179	Tell them what is on offer	4/29/2014 1:17 PM
180	advice & support on using web pages, facebook, forums, twitter etc as well as other means to keep clubs active and enable members to contact each other & organise events	4/29/2014 12:26 PM
181	Share experience and support initiatives to reverse the decline in club membership.	4/29/2014 12:11 PM
182	Tour areas and give talks to clubs about various aspects of mountaineering/walking/how to run a club. Some form of local club forum to promote communications between local clubs	4/29/2014 11:58 AM
183	Think BMC does an excellent job already for club members.	4/29/2014 11:41 AM
184	I think you do a fantastic job and do everything that could be done.	4/29/2014 11:40 AM
185	Prioritise the importance of belonging to a club over individual membership	4/29/2014 10:58 AM
186	The club I was involved with need serious help on communication, organising events, how committee should function, they have no way of incorporating new members into activities and she favouritism to friends. I was extremely unhappy you the bmc put your name to the club.	4/29/2014 10:50 AM
187	More easily accessible information about legal aspects of club management, eg members data, instruction of members etc	4/29/2014 10:49 AM
188	Sort out proper discounts for BMC members in alpine huts. Many huts give NO discount for BMC members.	4/29/2014 10:42 AM
189	building grants to maintain huts	4/29/2014 10:25 AM
190	Help with risk assessments for taking groups out and for hut based activities i.e. cooking, using wood burners/open fires etc.	4/29/2014 9:54 AM
191	For the BMC to highlight in more focus aspects of traditional climbing and mountaineering as opposed to indoor competitions. While indoor competitions are easy to advertise and present in the media, in my opinion the BMC should play a broader advocating role in generating awareness of traditional climbing and especially mountaineering.	4/29/2014 9:10 AM
192	Get climbing recognised as an Olympic sport; that should boost interest.	4/29/2014 9:09 AM
193	University climbing club	4/29/2014 8:46 AM
194	Guides to the local area	4/29/2014 8:13 AM
195	Support in implementing club website to facilitate additional mediums of communication.	4/29/2014 7:51 AM
196	Share best practice and what works from the more successful clubs	4/29/2014 7:42 AM
197	Protecting countryside access.	4/29/2014 7:14 AM
198	Stay out of the Olympics do not become the BCU	4/29/2014 7:11 AM
199	Further advertisement and interaction with the club.	4/29/2014 6:55 AM
200	Moral support and jovial get togethers. Club officers deserve more thanks and appreciation than they ever receive.	4/29/2014 6:45 AM
201	Ensuring those who are in higher positions in each club are reminded of any opportunities for training in outdoors and indoors qualifications.	4/29/2014 6:43 AM
202	Grants for Expeditions / activities	4/29/2014 6:37 AM

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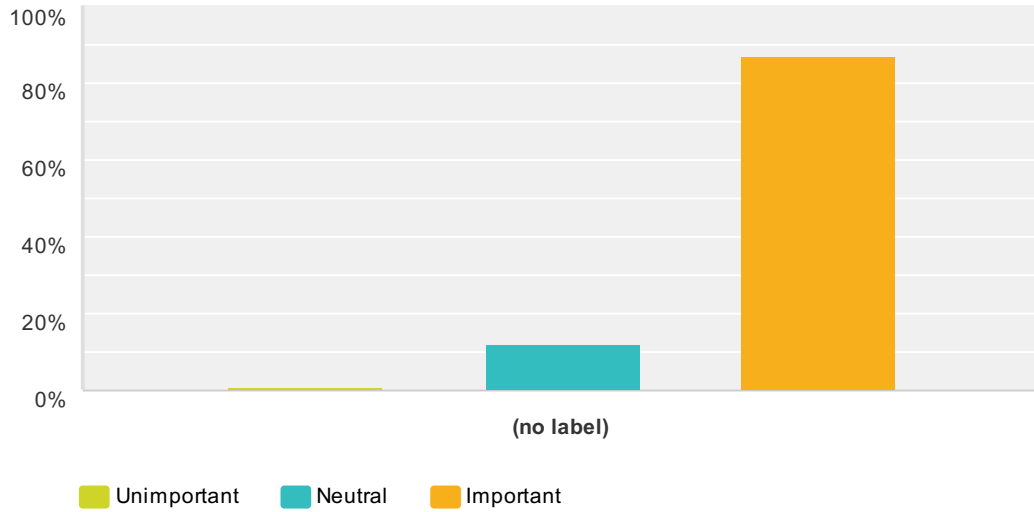
203	As much skills development as possible (and tpossibly better advertising of this) and as much inter-club networking as possible, maybe making is easier to do combined meets or fill spaces on meets from nearby clubs or similar. Possibly just encouraging this practice.	4/29/2014 6:27 AM
204	More clubs seminars How to run a club workshops	4/29/2014 6:20 AM
205	.	4/29/2014 6:15 AM
206	I wasn't aware of many of benefits	4/29/2014 6:06 AM
207	Promoting the idea of being in a club regardless of experience.	4/29/2014 5:49 AM
208	Treat the Clubs as the lifeblood of the BMC. Do not treat us as you have for the last 20 years until we squeeled.	4/29/2014 5:48 AM
209	Most clubs are primarily climbing clubs, with a smaller walking section. However, the growth in people walking as a hobby provides the opportunity for clubs to greatly increase membership. It would be useful if the BMC could share best practice on how clubs have increased membership ie what they actually did etc	4/29/2014 5:44 AM
210	Specialist lectures for teaching new skills to be offered on club nights.	4/29/2014 5:39 AM
211	Am actually finding that the BMC is getting increasingly 'pushy' with their engagement with clubs and are perhaps overstepping the mark - they should go back to more useful things, like ensuring access, organising crag clean-ups and updates on damage to routes.	4/29/2014 5:39 AM
212	-	4/29/2014 5:36 AM
213	I think the. BMC does a pretty good job overall.	4/29/2014 5:27 AM
214	Supplying guidance for committee and other club members by phone.	4/29/2014 5:22 AM
215	More training	4/29/2014 5:09 AM
216	By removing the automatic membership of the BMC (only the club should be an affiliated member)	4/29/2014 4:59 AM
217	More emphasis/ sections on student clubs on the website would be nice	4/29/2014 4:48 AM
218	How to encourage new memebers	4/29/2014 4:45 AM
219	Have a representative come along and talk to us about all the benefits we can receive from being members	4/29/2014 4:44 AM
220	Maybe help organise regional club meets at desired locations to meet other clubs and they're members	4/29/2014 4:41 AM
221	Help support collaboration between clubs.	4/29/2014 4:41 AM
222	Nothing additional re specific club support. Just keep doing what you're doing.	4/29/2014 4:33 AM
223	SUMC is seeing a decline in active outdoorsy members. If the BMC could suggest ways or methods to improve this, it would greatly benefit the prosperity of the club	4/29/2014 4:30 AM
224	I can't think of anything else, the BMC already does more than I could ever need or want it to!	4/29/2014 4:29 AM
225	Continue with access support	4/29/2014 4:27 AM
226	More emphasis on caving and fell running. Many mountaineering clubs should be renamed climbing clubs as it is misleading.	4/29/2014 4:23 AM
227	University club sees little university focused events as we are young people aged 19-24 generally.	4/29/2014 4:22 AM
228	None, I think you're doing a good job.	4/29/2014 4:20 AM
229	A way of broadening the horizons of members new to the sport. A lot see the climbing wall as 'climbing' with little interest in the world outside.	4/29/2014 4:20 AM
230	Provide travel & rescue insurance and reciprocal rights for similar costs & cover to the AAC	4/29/2014 4:17 AM
231	More events in local area. Regional meetings are usually a long way away and difficult to attend	4/29/2014 4:09 AM
232	No additional ways, but I would like to see more money go to mountaineering rather than e.g indoor competitions. The M is for mountaineering!!!	4/29/2014 4:06 AM
233	Provide more information on the discounted training schemes that are available to us in our local area.	4/29/2014 4:04 AM

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234	encourage clubs to move forwards into this century and bring on young people.	4/29/2014 4:03 AM
235	More guidance for student unions on how to help university mountaineering clubs. A little book explaining what the BMC does and how it supports clubs would be helpful with respect to uni exec liaison.	4/29/2014 3:55 AM
236	we get a lot of enquiries from people wanting to get started in climbing, but as a very small club we	4/29/2014 3:54 AM
237	Tough one, as a club based in Norfolk any activities run by the BMC for clubs all tend to be in London ( South East Area) Would be nice to have some things a little closer now and then.	4/29/2014 3:46 AM
238	More attention to walking and less for climbing. Official events (e.g. AGM, local area meets) take place in climbing areas, and offer climbing activities first and foremost. At least as many BMC members prioritise hillwalking, and yet this forms only a small fraction of the BMCs focus.	4/29/2014 3:42 AM

**Q42 How important do you think it is for BMC affiliated clubs to support the good work that the BMC does on behalf of climbers, hill walkers and mountaineers?**

Answered: 1,024 Skipped: 635

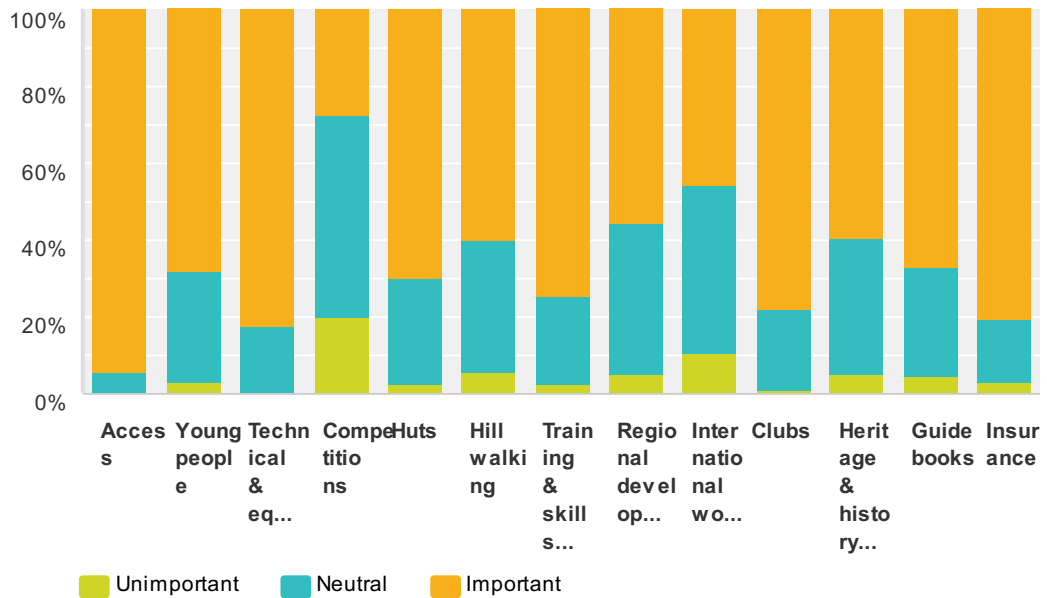


	Unimportant	Neutral	Important	Total	Average Rating
(no label)	0.88% 9	11.91% 122	87.21% 893	1,024	2.86



### Q43 How important do you think the BMC's work in the following areas is?

Answered: 1,094 Skipped: 565



	Unimportant	Neutral	Important	Total	Average Rating
Access	0.27% 3	5.22% 57	94.50% 1,031	1,091	2.94
Young people	2.76% 30	29.23% 318	68.01% 740	1,088	2.65
Technical & equipment failures	0.74% 8	16.82% 183	82.44% 897	1,088	2.82
Competitions	19.98% 216	52.64% 569	27.38% 296	1,081	2.07
Huts	2.67% 29	27.41% 298	69.92% 760	1,087	2.67
Hill walking	5.54% 60	34.50% 374	59.96% 650	1,084	2.54
Training & skills provision	2.58% 28	22.74% 247	74.68% 811	1,086	2.72
Regional development	4.81% 52	39.72% 429	55.46% 599	1,080	2.51
International work and expedition grants	10.44% 113	43.99% 476	45.56% 493	1,082	2.35
Clubs	1.20% 13	20.74% 225	78.06% 847	1,085	2.77
Heritage & history of climbing mountaineering	4.88% 53	35.67% 387	59.45% 645	1,085	2.55
Guidebooks	4.53% 49	28.65% 310	66.82% 723	1,082	2.62

Insurance

2.75%

16.70%

80.55%

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33.0%

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#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	None	6/2/2014 5:00 AM
2	Lobbying in support of matters which affect club members.	5/29/2014 2:18 PM
3	Conservation: especially of crags damaged by inappropriate over-use will become increasingly important.	5/22/2014 4:58 AM
4	footpath work	5/19/2014 7:39 AM
5	Govt. liaison and acting as representative of UK mountaineering	5/14/2014 10:01 AM
6	The development of summit magazine into a really worthwhile publication is great.	5/14/2014 2:00 AM
7	National voice with government against powerful other interests which may clash with climbers	5/13/2014 12:29 PM
8	Being a public voice for mountain activities	5/13/2014 8:12 AM
9	I'd like to see someone giving more help to young people who are unemployed and/or with mental health issues. I have seen how much difference taking up climbing can have but even £5 charges are too much to allow them to participate. Public transport costs are also prohibitively high. When I think of the contribution that young people made to the Kinder Tresspaa and our access rights it makes me sad that youth poverty stops young people today from enjoying the countryside.	5/13/2014 7:12 AM
10	Make your insurance affordable and the sheer volume will pay for itself	5/13/2014 5:23 AM
11	almost all done by volunteers from the clubs!	5/13/2014 4:09 AM
12	Supporting indoor climbers with getting outside (trad climbing) if they want to	5/8/2014 2:23 AM
13	Lobbying/influencing politicians	5/8/2014 12:27 AM
14	support in club management	5/7/2014 4:54 AM
15	BMC Insurance is poor value. Why?	5/1/2014 1:17 AM
16	BMC insurance has recently become much more restrictive with poor medical screening system. This seems to be after they have put other insurance schemes out of business.	4/30/2014 1:37 PM
17	Insurance should be included in membership fee as per Austrian Alpine Club even if fees had to go up	4/30/2014 1:25 PM
18	promoting BMC in welsh	4/30/2014 8:32 AM
19	Climbing/Mountaineering Ethics & Tradition; Political Representation; Public Perception & Values	4/30/2014 7:32 AM
20	BMC was useless when my 14-year old wanted to lead climb.	4/30/2014 2:23 AM
21	Conservation eg bird restrictions	4/29/2014 2:35 PM
22	BMC insurance is too expensive	4/29/2014 2:20 PM
23	Should improve the MHT	4/29/2014 5:49 AM
24	Role modelling good practices and good governance.	4/29/2014 5:33 AM
25	BMC insurance needs to broaden its appeal for general travel insurance with mountaineering add-ons to provide a more competitive and comprehensive product	4/29/2014 4:21 AM
26	My son is an ML, SPA. BMC are vital!	4/29/2014 4:06 AM
27	Training for student clubs is very important	4/29/2014 3:59 AM
28	access access access!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! absolutely critical work and extremely valuable	4/29/2014 3:55 AM