

Life in the Antarctic

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January's talk on life in the Antarctic gave members some preparation for the snow and freezing temperatures that swept across Europe a few weeks later. Peter started by giving a brief history of the British Antarctic Survey (BAS), before describing where in the Antarctic he had been stationed, how long he had worked there, and what and the research that he and his colleagues had carried out.

The talk was illustrated by pictures of the survey base and the local wild life, these pictures included



the dog teams and sledges that provided a major form of transport in those days, and the husky puppies that were bred at the base.

The presentation finished with a short video about the BAS and its current activities; this showed the major changes that had taken place in the past half century and outlined the current research activities. Finally, the audience had a chance to raise topics of interest in a brisk question and answer session, before settling down to a pleasant lunch.

