

OREAD MOUNTAINEERING CLUB

EASTER MEET - SCOTLAND

27th March onwards.

Traditionally, Oreads migrate north at Easter. However, the temporary exodus of the skiers and other diversionary arrangements have divested this meet of its usual popular support. Nevertheless a worthy nucleus hope to establish a centralised base camp at Polldubh (142687) in Glen Nevis - a few hundred yards beyond the bridge across the River Nevis.

The advantages of camping in Glen Nevis as opposed to, say, the Allt a' Mhuilinn seem to be:

1. Easy access to interesting stuff in the Mamore Forest, viz, The Devil's ridge, linking Sgurr a Mhaim with Am Bodach and offering good snow conditions into the bargain; The Terminal Gully on Stob Ban - an impressively steep little gully emerging onto a knife-edge arete, and numerous combination traverses of the Mamore tops.

2. Sheltered camp sites approached by road entirely from Fort William.

3. The long trek to the North-East face of Ben Nevis via Lochain Meall an t-Suidhe can be utilised as an interesting "warm-up" to the day's climbing.

Attendance will vary according to individual circumstances but most participants will be encamped by the night of Good Friday, 27th March. Offers of transport should be made to Bob Pettigrew, Business D. 47581, Home D.43629 as soon as possible please.

Hebog Jack Ashcroft has insinuated himself into this otherwise high class circular (in his usual nauseating way and craves support for his Cader Idris meet on 11th April. It deserves strong support for it is a tract of wild country not overrun by the Welsh stampede yet offering good rewards to the dedicated.

Will members of the old and new committee please note that the take-over meeting has been fixed provisionally for Thursday, 9th April (Ramadan ends) 7.30 p.m., Welbourne Towers.

Bob Pettigrew.  
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