

Q R E A D M O U N T A I N E E R I N G C L U B

M E E T S C I R C U L A R

INDOOR MEET.

A. J. Ravenscroft will be coming from Liverpool to talk about the Peruvian Andes at the St. James Hotel, St. James St., Derby, on Nov. 24th. The starting time is scheduled for 7.30 p.m. This may well be the last lecture which will be organised for the Club. When Ray and Derek talked about their efforts at Chamonix this year on Oct. 27th I was very much put out to find that at 8.15 p.m. a sum total of nine Members had turned up, and this included the two aforementioned worthies. One expects a Club Members lecture to be enlivened by characters like Janes slipping a surreptitious rubber bladder of large dimensions, calculated to emit a most offensive noise, under the unsuspecting backside as it is lowered onto the seat - indeed things would not be right without it - but to me the way this lecture went seemed to me to be a classic example of unpardonable bad form. Anyway, the choice is yours; if Ravenscroft opens up to an audience of eight or nine he will be the last one to do it.

ANNUAL DINNER

This function will take place at the Devonshire Arms, Baslow on Nov. 28th. There will be something like 120 places available. Half of these are already taken. If you wish to attend, write to Laurie Burns at 51, Cranmer St., Long Eaton, Notts. NOT TO ME! The price is 15/-. If you wish to sit by anyone else in particular, or if you wish not to sit by anyone else in particular! please say so. Pretty is not doing the seating this year so the job should be an even bigger shambles than usual. On careful reflection I have come to the conclusion that the most important factor, the time of commencement, has never been fixed. At least if it has I have never heard of it. My guess is 7.30, but I shall be in the bar at opening time, or before that if possible, so I shall be alright.

NEW MEMBER.

Tony Bamford is proposed by F.C. Allen, seconded by J. Ashcroft. Anyone having any views on his suitability should write to the Hon. Sec. before the next Committee Meeting on Dec. 7th.

CHRISTMAS MEET.

C. HOOLEY.

As no-one has come forward to lead the Christmas Meet at Tan-yr-Wyddfa, I approached the Hon. Meets Sec. and offered to do it, and he accepted. I have obtained from the Hut Warden a list of the names of the people who have already booked to attend. Due to the fact that a Christmas Dinner is, by tradition, arranged at the Hut, the fact that it is just possible to cook simultaneously for 24 people, and the number of beds available is 24, works out right on paper. If, however, the odd bod over the 24 wishes to go, no doubt he can be squeezed in, though the floor may be his bed. (I interpret this as meaning that better arrangements could be made for a woman! E.P.) There are 16 booked up to date.

As Meet Leader I shall buy, and carry if possible, all the food for the Dinner. The cost last year was approx. 10/- per head, in advance for obvious reasons. If the food is a little more expensive this year I shall be round with the plate.

A barrel of Worthington will be laid on as usual, and Les and Ron Langworthy have offered to make one large Christmas Pud to do for everybody. (I hope this is not to be taken literally. E.P.) I would like to add that all offers to help with the carting and cooking of the dinner will be most welcome.

Please place your Hut booking with the Hut Warden, Fred Allen, and your 10/- for the dinner with me, Chuck Hooley.

GLAN DENA DEC. 4th/6th.

R. HANDLEY.

This is the annual Joint Meet with the M.A.M. Bookings should be made to Ray Handley, 5, Nevinson Ave, Sunnyhill, Derby.

Given under my hand this fourth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and fifty nine,

Ernie Phillips,
Hon. Meets Sec.