

OREAD MOUNTAINEERING CLUB

MEETS CIRCULAR MAY/JUNE 1974

MAY 5th

BURBAGE

C. RUSSELL

Old fashioned gritstone climbing here, nothing exciting by modern standards, but an opportunity to toughen up the fingers on a few acrobatic little routes. I shall start at the North end of the edge and work Southwards (slowly I fear) The edge is at map ref; 2682. Cars can be parked at the South end, and a newcomer walking up the path beside Burbage Brook would pass near enough to the edge to recognise the climbers

MAY 10-12th

CWM EIGIAU

R. Squires

Eigiau cottage offers almost instant access to the climbs on Craig yr Ysffa, is not far from Ysgolion Duon, and walking on the Carneddau commences at the back of the hut. All this, only if you survive the tortuous approach drive and hut grind. The meet has been timed for a moonlit Friday night (The next one will occur in 23rd century CR) to avoid last year's debacle of the leader blundering about the wrong mountain at midnight in pitch darkness.

Situation G.R. 714 638 on O.S. 107

Approach Head generally for Wales. At Pentrefochlas turn right, signpost Nebo (B5113) through Nebo to Llanwrwst. Turn left in Llanwrwst over packhorse bridge, through Trefriw and Dolgarrog to Talybont. Turn left in Talybont, hairpins upwards and continue to fork. Either Left $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles to dam, leaves a shorter walk to hut (20 mins) but is rough. Or Right, go until you stop, then follow track on foot to dam. A track leads from the dam to the hut. Torch necessary. The hut hold 12 people, more or less. Camping is possible below the dam or higher if you carry gear. See me at The Moon for bookings and lifts.

MAY 24-27th (SPRING HOLIDAY)

ESKDALE

This year we return to a favourite venue from the past, where all the Lake District Southern peaks can be visited. Climbing principally on Scafell main and East buttresses, Pikes Crag, Esk butress and Cam Spout, one can venture further to Dunnerdale, Harter Fell and other outliers. Camping is at Brotherikeld Farm (ref; 213013) and is very pleasant. The farm drive is the first turning on the right after passing over the cattle grid at the foot of Hardknott.

MAY 31 - JUNE 2nd

AGDEN

P. JANES

This fine, and often neglected gritstone edge was the scene of a very successful meet two years ago, and Janes is currently negotiating with the farmer for the same excellent campsite, near to the pub at Bradfield.

The edge overlooks Agden reservoir, N.W. of Sheffield (O.S. Ref; 265933) and can be reached via Ladybower reservoir taking the Sheffield road and turning off across the Strines to Bradfield. For those wishing to make a less scenic approach I would recommend the M.1., via Chesterfield to Sheffield leaving on the A616 and turning off at Worrall (5 miles). See Pete in the Moon or ring Derby 701325 for final details.

JUNE 5

EVENING MEET WILDCAT

JUNE 7-9th

WELSH HUT WORKING PARTY

J. WELBOURN
C. HOBDAV

The main aim of this weekend is to tidy up all the jobs that have already been started, assuming that Paul Gardiner does not bring down any more ceilings. The work to be done is as follows;

1. Finish the floorboarding in the two bedrooms
2. repair to ceilings in lounge and dining room
3. decorate lounge
4. decorate passageway
5. new coal house door and frame!
6. finish the guttering at front bay window
7. sand and varnish bunk beds in rear bedroom
8. finish lintel on dining room bay window
9. hardcore in pot holes on track approach to hut
10. general clean up of hut
11. landscaping garden.

It is also hoped to have a volunteer to work in the soup kitchen where free soup and coffee will be provided to the work force. G. Gadsby will be in charge of the painting gang, while J. Welbourn will look after the woodwork. All offers of help to C. Hobday at the Moon of 'tel Nottingham 701421

WELSH HUT BOOKINGS

MAY 10-11

12 beds.

MEETS CARD

Owing to delays at the printer following the strikes etc the meets list pro. tem is duplicated. One or two meets have no leader at present and volunteers would be appreciated.

C. Russell (Meets sec.)

CLIMB IF YOU WILL

Jean Russell now has some book plates signed by Sir Jack anyone not at the launching of the book requiring one please send s.a.c.

J.R.