

The social scene is upon us once more and we are proud to present, for your entertainment and education, another series of tuesday evening soirees. As usual the venue will be the Royal Oak at Ockbrook and the events will commence at 8.00. So long as circumstances remain within our control, the programme will be as follows:-

- OCT 5th AUCTION After last years brilliant performance, the services of that master-auctioneer, Reg Squires, have again been retained by the management. Chase away your inhibitions and be prepared to do business. Leave not your money at home, and don't forget to bring along the surplus goods!
- NOV 2nd HINDU KUSH No doubt we can look forward to another excellent lecture from Pete Holden on his 1975 expedition.
- DEC 7th MEMBER'S NIGHT This ever-popular event has been displaced in time so as to follow the Photo Competition rather than precede it. The idea is that members will not now be inhibited from showing competition entries on this informal night. They will also have had more chance to get their full season's quota of shots developed.
- JAN 11th EVEREST 1953 Alf Gregory's lecture should be a real treat as he illustrates this piece of history in the same professional way as last year's Nuptse lecture.
- FEB 1st SOUTH GEORGIA Harry Pretty has given this lecture to the Oread before but newer members will not have seen it. Those of you who have will doubtless welcome a repeat.
- MAR 1st CAVING IN BRITAIN AND ABROAD Tony Waltham of Trent Poly writes:-
'Caving is rather like climbing in that it is a sport which can provide a fine physical adventure for either the odd day or a month-long expedition. But it also takes the caver into a completely new and unimaginable world - the underground. Caves in Britain, France, Jamaica and Canada are used to illustrate the variation in underground scenery, of stalagmite wonderlands and roaring rivers, of vast galleries and tiny crystals.'
- APRIL 5th ALPINE PROPAGANDA NIGHT Do I hear rumours that moves are already afoot to promote Norway as this year's summer venue? After all these years of waiting are the seeds of an Oread Young Buck's Expedition to the further reaches of the Nidd at last being germinated? Or is it to be Bournemouth again? Whatever your views, come tonight and back your favourite with a selection of slides.

Seathwaite is the wettest place in the country. Apart from (or perhaps as well as) that, it has everything going for it, including a little known hut of real character in a splendid setting.

Location:- OS Ref NY 235119. Drive through Seathwaite farmyard (quietly please) turn left over wooden bridge and through gate which should be kept closed. The hump bridge is rather daunting in the dark but most cars will clear it. For those with weaker nerves, cars can be left on the roadside on the Keswick side of the farm.

Booking:- The number of places is limited to 20 so booking will be necessary. See me in the Moon for that purpose and for car sharing or ring Ilk. 328434 (home) Derby 61461 ext 3312 (work).

Food:- I can recommend the Yew Tree at Seatoller for Egon Ronay grub at reasonable prices. The Swinside Inn does good snacks.

MEMBERSHIP

An application for membership was received at the Committee Meeting on September 7th from

MILES MOSLEY

Would anyone with views on the suitability of the above applicant please communicate them to the Hon. Sec. or to any Committee Member.

Wanted :- Does anyone have any old rope which they have written off for climbing purposes. If so Fred Allen would be pleased to take it off their hands. Reasonable remuneration is offered. (Watch out Brenda! - Ed.)