

I have been pestering meet leaders in order to bring out another Circular in time to cover Easter and the Hut Working Parties. They have all very kindly produced the goods, although I don't think any of them will be speaking to me! Sorry to have to say this again, but I have realised that that even with the kind help of Jill who does the repro'ing of the Circular, it takes a considerable time to produce it, so a month in advance is not too soon for me to receive meets write-ups.

Final details of the official Easter Meet in Glen Nevis are included, and the meet was covered pretty fully in the Jan/Feb Circular. Doubtless Paul Beverley can deal with any other queries in person. There is also the unofficial meet in Pembrokeshire at Whitesands Bay, and I can supply anyone interested in attending with details of campsite etc. So here's hoping that there's plenty of snow in Glen Nevis (or rather on the hills), and plenty of sun on both meets.

Details of the Hut Working Parties are included, and please note that the 'Mini' Welsh Working Party will be supplemented by a 'Maxi' Working Party on the weekend of May 27/28/29. The Hut extension should be completed by then, and there should be plenty to occupy a much larger group of workers.

WELSH HUT BOOKINGS should not now be made with Paul Bingham. Bookings should be made with Ken Hodge,
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As the numbers of people 'dropping in' at Tan-y-Wyddfa is increasing, it is best to check with Ken that there really is room.

CONGRATULATIONS to Bev and Kathy Abley on the birth of their second son, Gareth.

WELSH HUT WORKING PARTY APRIL 2/3

KEN HODGE

This will be a 'Mini' Working Party rather than major one. The jobs to be done are:

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| Re-organise Calor Gas in kitchen. | Thorough cleaning of kitchen. |
| Finish building Coal Bunker. | Re-hang outside toilet door. |
| Render plaster in back bedroom. | Finish strengthening bunks & varnish as necessary. |
| Investigate front roof on Snowdon side for mending of barge boards. | Sweep lounge chimney. |
| Clean windows inside & out at front of hut. | |

Wood collection is not now necessary - it's being delivered, but will need cutting. Also, depending on numbers, we could be renovating the old coal store for use as a log store.

The main Working Party will be held on 27/28/29 May, when the extension should be completed. For information, the work expected to be possible then will include:

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| Mending barge boards on roof. | Painting whole of outside of extension. |
| Repainting all paintwork inside and out. | Tiling bathroom & drying room floors. |

(More details nearer the date.)

Welsh Hut Working Party - cont'd

Materials for the 'Mini' working Party will already be at the Hut, but please bring any tools you can. Numbers for this party are fairly limited, so see Ken at the 'Moon' if you want to attend.

HEATHY LEA WORKING PARTY APRIL 2/3

REG SQUIRES

The annual day of penance is with us once more, and all sinners seeking absolution are earnestly entreated to repair to the Derbyshire retreat, where full provision will be made for your needs. (For further sinning or absolution? Ed) A wide variety of tasks has been devised for the cleansing of the body (as to the spirit - bring your own). All grades of skill and non-skill (i.e. navvies) can find expression for their talents. These are:

Cottage & Barn Thorough cleaning; demossing roof; painting; pointing up; demolition of old cow-byre; wash-house guttering; log gathering & sawing; varnishing of barn woodwork; et ceteras.

Top Barn Maintenance and preparatory conversion work - cleaning down; stripping timber; collecting rubble to fill floor cavity; collecting stone for blocking doorways; pointing up; more et ceteras.

Tools required Wheelbarrows, spades, picks, stiff brooms, joinery and masonry tools, brickie's gear, concrete mixer, hydraulic platform, painting-brushes etc.

Following the passing of the Sex Act(!) (which is why we are now able to seek absolution with clear consciences), I can no longer baldly request the presence of ladies to assist in the refreshment of tired bodies by the application of tea etc. - but must say hes/shes will be welcome for this purpose. Accommodation free for the weekend. Don't stay away.

EASTER - GLEN NEVIS 8/16 APRIL

PAUL BEVERLEY

I have had a very good response for this meet and the caravans I booked are now full. However there is ample camping space at an adjoining site, so why not take advantage of this last opportunity before the Alps to climb on snow and ice? I will be arriving at Fort William on the Fri. morning and staying for the week. The site is next to Glen Nevis Y.H. (Grid ref. NN 127717). Campsite is 200 yds nearer Fort William.

CEFN GARW, MIGNEINT 23/24 APRIL

COLIN HOBDAV

The last time the Oread had a meet at Cefn Garw was way back in 1965 when Harry Pretty led a party of unsuspecting Oreads across the wild desolation and bog of Migneint Moor.

Does Cefn Garw still stand or is it ruins? Is the painting of the ram still there? What is Migneint Moor really like? See Digger Williams making his famous Sainsbury's packet tomato soup, or John Welbourn back-packing and proving what St. Bruno can do for a man! If you would like to find out what Cefn Garw is all about, why not come along.

Having blown the dust off my 1" O.S. map (1957 edition), sheet 116, Dolgellau, I propose to start the walk from map ref. 232729. From Dolgellau take the A470 for Trawsfyndd for approx. 5 miles, when you come to a hotel on the left-hand side (I think the name is Tyn-y-Groes), where I hope to meet at 22.00 hrs for some liquid refreshment before moving to the bivvy spot which is a picnic site on the opposite side of the road to the hotel a few hundred yards up the road; we shall be leaving the cars here.

Saturday route will be via Afon Mawddach, a beautiful wooded valley to Pont Aber-Geirw, across the moors to Twr-y-Maen, Blaen Lliw Isaf, Moel Llyenant, then depending on the weather and condition of the party, over Arennig Fach and to the seclusion of Cefn Garw. Sunday will be spent struggling back to the cars. Anyone requiring of offering lifts etc. please see me in the 'Moon' on the Tuesday before or phone Derby 551594.