

OREAD MEETS CIRCULAR - MAY 1978

Well, Easter's over, everybody's had time to dry out (both internally and externally) - and get wet again, and it's time for your friendly Meets Sec. to put pen to paper. At this stage I would like to thank Beryl for all the hard work producing the Meets Circular for the past year.

I hope to produce a Circular once a month, but this is largely dependent on the co-operation of the Meet Leaders providing write-ups on time. I'm not sure which is the best way to encourage the submission of write-ups but no doubt one of the following methods will be employed:- pester, plead, bully, blackmail or a possible nomination for an Oscar in the 'Cabaret' at the next Annual Dinner.

Ron Sant, 20 Ashby Road, Melbourne.

BORROWDALE APRIL 29/30/MAY 1 GORDON WRIGHT

Borrowdale should offer something for everyone. It is near enough to get to Scafell, Gable etc. and there is plenty of walking and climbing nearby.

The campsite at Hollows Farm, Grange, MR 167250, is in my opinion the best in the Lakes, situated just below Goat Crag and out of sight and sound of the Borrowdale traffic. The route is M6 to Penrith, A66 to Keswick, B5288 to Grange, turn right over the bridge into Grange. Take a left turn after about 100 yards past the notice saying 'No Camping Without Permission' (I have arranged camping with the farmer). The campsite is about $\frac{3}{4}$ mile along the lane. It has perfect turf, water and toilets.

HEATHY LEA MAY 6/7 PAUL BEVERLEY

To take advantage of the long hours of daylight at this time of the year, I propose to make an attempt on the Derwent Watershed Walk. As yet, I'm uncertain of the exact route taken by the walk but I believe that it is about 40 miles, taking in Kinder, Bleaklow and Margery Hill, at least.

I will be staying at Heathy Lea on Friday night and making a dawn start for the walk to allow for plenty of drinking time in the evening.

On Sunday climbing will be on Birchens and Gardoms.

See me at the 'Moon' the previous Tuesday for details or transport or in the 'Wheatsheaf' on Friday evening.

WASDALE MAY 13/14 DEREK BURGESS

A traditional meet - but one with a difference (Is Burge. going to buy a round? Ed.). The mecca of Lakeland climbing with Scafell, Gable and Pillar all a must.'

Good weather guaranteed (for a change). Camping at the National Trust campsite at the end of the Lake. A must for all.

BURBAGE MAY 20/21 PETER O'NEILL

It is some years since we had a meet at this fine crag, which offers plenty of good routes of all grades. It is usually a one day affair

I thought Saturday would be a good chance to get onto some of the more popular crags without the Sunday crowds.

I intend to stay at Heathy Lea over the weekend and I would like to see a full house, otherwise I'll see you on the crag on Sunday morning.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Don Cowan to 54 Westgate
Old Malton
MALTON
North Yorks

Peter Janes to Two Chimneys
Snelsmoor Lane
Chellaston
DERBY.

NEW MEMBERS

Congratulations to PAUL ADDISON and SALLY HALL who were elected to full membership at the Committee Meeting on 4th March.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

An application for membership has been received from CHRISTOPHER STEPHEN BRYAN. Would anyone with views on the suitability of the above applicant please communicate them to the Hon. Sec. or any Committee Member.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR THIS YEAR ARE OVERDUE:-

The Treasurer has asked that everyone's attention (those who have not already paid their subscriptions), be drawn to Rule 15 in the Members' Handbook as it is the Committee's intention to enforce this rule.

REVISION OF TAN-Y-WYDDFA FEES

We can never hope to keep ahead of inflation but in an effort to keep abreast of it the Committee has regretfully decided that they have no alternative but to increase the Hut Fees as follows:-

Members	50p per night
Prospective Members & Reciprocal Clubs	75p per night
Guests	£1 per night.

These increases will take effect from May 1st 1978.

TAN-Y-WYDDFA BOOKINGS

April	14/15	16 Beds booked
	21/22	President's Meet
	28/May 1	16 Beds booked
May	5/6	" " "
	12/13	12 " "
	19/20	10 " "

SECURITY LOCKS ON HUT DOORS

Peter O'Neill has pointed out that the security locks on the hut doors are not being used correctly. To gain full advantage from these types

of locks, after slamming the door the key should be turned through one complete revolution.

B.M.C. INSURANCE

Members are reminded that the B.M.C. Insurance cover expires at the end of June. Information regarding renewing of premiums should be available in the near future.

OREAD JOURNAL '78

Robin Sedgewick is the new Journal Editor and he is eagerly awaiting any accounts of Meets held this year. There have been 15 Meets to date, so Robin should be in possession of at least 15 write-ups already. Many thanks to Jill Gregson for the tremendous amount of work editing the Journal for the last two years.

FOR SALE

Size 10 Galibier Mountain Boots (Hardly used)	£15
1 pair Salewa crampons for above	£8)
1 Stubai ice axe	£8) or £15 both
Ladies or youths complete wetsuit	£15
2 pairs med climbing breeches	£3 /pr

TELEPHONE NO'S

Keith (Big Brother) Gregson is hoping in the near future to include telephone numbers on the members lists, in order to alleviate the communication problem. Personally I don't believe him - I think he's starting a computer dating service. However if you can be contacted by telephone please let Keith or myself know your number at the earliest opportunity.

Finally apologies for this Newsletter being like a volume of 'War and Peace' but there is a tremendous amount of information to be included.

Ron Sant
Meets Sec.

***PS To avoid not being able to lead a Meet in 1979, get in before the rush and let me have initial details of your proposed 1979 Meet as soon as possible. Thanks.

As part of a nation-wide countryside clean-up campaign, plastic bags have been deposited at Tan-y-Wyddfa for the use of anyone who is going on the hills - the idea being that a small amount of rubbish collected by many people will greatly reduce the litter problem in the area.

Also at the hut, it is proposed to provide a certain amount of 'maintenance equipment' for individuals to use when conditions on the hills are not up to scratch. To this end it is hoped that any surplus paint brushes, tools etc will be donated to the hut.

HEATHY LEA

Due to the suspected presence of our furry little rodent friends at Heathy Lea, Peter O'Neil has asked that no loose food be left at the hut during the week. Steps are being taken to eliminate the problem altogether.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

It has been reluctantly decided that the membership subscriptions for 1979 will be increased to £4 for a single person and £5 for a married couple. Although the percentage increase may appear excessively large, it is brought into perspective by the fact that the rates at Tan-y-Wyddfa have been doubled this year (despite a vigorous appeal by the Club) and also roof repairs at the same hut are likely to cost several hundreds of pounds.

CLUB BADGES

For the benefit of newer members, Club Badges are available from Dave Williams at a cost of 35p each.

FOR SALE

Ladies Antartex sheepskin coat, grey with long curly fur lining, size 10, 5'2" fitting.

£35 o.n.o.

Please ring Margaret Linney on Penkridge 3342.

QUOTE

Quote from Peter O'Neil at the 'Fighting Cocks' during a fancy dress night.

"I was determined not to buy any raffle tickets from the St Trinian's schoolgirl - then she showed me her black suspenders and I bought half a quid's worth."

Ron Sant
Meets Sec