

The winter season, from a weather point of view, seems to have started very well and right from the word go, this year has produced some exciting, not to mention ingenious, winter sports.

On the opening day of the year, after suitable alcoholic refreshment in the "Gate", the Oread Winter Olympics Team took to the snow slopes around Brassington. Witnessing several youngsters "sledging" on polythene bags inspired Pete Scott (ever alert to a sound business deal), to commandeer Dave Wright's bivi bag and the ensuing debacle could have caused permanent damage to those of a nervous disposition. The four man bob (bag?) was exciting, the four lady bob was very interesting, but the sight of two grown men climbing inside a polythene bag in order to slide down a snow slope defies description. However a very enjoyable day was had by all.

PLEASE NOTE. To all those who have carefully arranged to visit ailing Grandmothers, have ingrowing toe nails removed etc, etc, on the 18th February the Fell Race will now take place on Sunday, February 25th, ie the day after the AGM.

Ron Sant
20 Ashby Road
Melbourne

OGWEN (OREAD/MAM)

FEB 10/11

JACK ASHCROFT

This hardy annual is with us again and never fails to satisfy. The winter looks promising this year, so whether you are an alpenstock man or Terrordactyl man, come and see what Ogwen has on offer (throw in your PA's just in case).

Hut bookings for Glan Dena to Jack Ashcroft
Rossett House
Cowley Lane
Holmesfield
SHEFFIELD S18 5SD. Tel: Sheffield 890717.

AGM

FEB 24

COMMITTEE

Once again the AGM is upon us and it cannot be stressed too strongly that it is important that as many members as possible attend.

The venue for the meeting will be the Village Hall at Baslow, and the starting time will be 7.30 pm.

A G E N D A

1. Apologies for absence.
2. Minutes of last AGM.
3. Matters arising.
4. President's report.
5. Hon Sec's report.
6. Hon Treasurer's report.
7. Welsh Hut Custodian's report.
8. Derbyshire Hut Custodian's report.
9. Election of Officers.
10. Any other business.

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AGM (continued)

The Committee nominate the following for election of Officers of the Club.

President	Chris Radcliffe
Vice President	Colin Hobday
Hon Secretary	Dave Williams
Assistant Secretary	Keith Gregson
Hon Treasurer	Laurie Burns
Meets Secretary	Ron Sant
Derbys Hut Custodian	Peter O'Neill
Welsh Jut Custodian	John Welbourn

Committee: Chris Wilson, Ken Hodge, Derek Carnell, Tony Smedley, Dave Weston.

FELL RACE

FEB 25TH

NAT ALLEN

Following the nerve-tingling, ulcerbound events of the previous evening's AGM, Oreads can give vent to their frustrations, by joining in a happy troupe of joggers in our third "Annual Fell Race".

So here we go again, sorry about the change of date; due of course to my particular brand of winter sport (guest at another club dinner), we now join as stated the fun and games of the AGM. Be warned now, you loose-living lot, away for a while with those "aids for loving", on with the boxing gloves and "winter drawers on" (unisex remark). Come "give it 'Ell" in the lovely country surrounding Heathy Lea.

Conditions for entry are unchanged. The course, as ever, Top Secret. Three or more check points that must be hit square. Entry Fee 10p (to bribe Ashcroft and Rusty to miss a checkpoint). Enter if possible before the day with Nat Allen, or as usual a sign on the line is possible.

We still require our eager band of volunteer non-combatant helpers to man checkpoints, soup kitchens and tea towels. This is not a spectator sport - to see the fun and games you have to involve yourselves. It's a Club event, but chosen friends and youth are welcome, but please again, no children. Dress to suit the day. A 2½" map of the area - "Calver" - and a compass could be useful.

Three groups at 20 minute intervals. First group off at 11am - slow's, alcoholics and the nervous first, middle men, and lastly the supermen. Come early and warm up, view the secret course map, go to the loo etc, etc.

News is already filtering through of notables in secret training. "Grunt Grunt Gregson", "Puff Puff Pretty", "Lang Legs Linney" and "Bottled Bitter Burgess" all look good bets, but let us not forget last year's champion "Super Sedgewick", looking virile, so let's have you all there for a good day. Your handicapper is working hard to ensure you can win the Grand Trophy.

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SWALEDALE

3/4 MARCH

KEN BRYAN

I shall camp as I did two years ago at Usha Gap Farm, Muker, Grid Ref 905979.

At this time of the year, with very few tourists about, this fine area is at its best. Good walking both high and low level.

The best route is A1 to Richmond, A6108, B6270 to Muker. Drive through the village approx $\frac{1}{4}$ mile - the field is on the left opposite Usha Gap Farm and before a small bridge.

INDOOR MEET - ROYAL OAK, OCKBROOK FEB 6TH 8.00 PM LES PEEL

Everest 1976. The February Indoor Meet at the "Royal Oak", Ockbrook, will be by Bob Holmes, FRGS, the subject being Nepal and Mt Everest.

After the successful ascent by Doug Scott of the mountain, Bob Holmes went out to Nepal, to Base Camp to meet the members of the expedition. The lecture shows slides of his journey, and some slides of the actual climb will be shown.

Don't miss this lecture. I'm told the slides are excellent.

NEW MEMBERS

Congratulations to Roy Eyre, and Rob & Jane Tresidder who were elected to full membership at the Committee Meeting held on 8th Jan.

TAN-Y-WYDDFA BOOKINGS

January	26/27	16 Beds Booked
February	2/3	OREAD MEET
"	9/10	12 Beds Booked
"	16/17	Free
"	23/24	16 Beds Booked
March	2/3	16 Beds Booked.

HUT LOANS

The following are the lucky people who have had their names drawn out to receive repayment of one unit of Hut Loans: Gordon Wright, Charlie Cullum, Dave Guyler, Derek Carnell, Dave Williams, Laurie Burns, Ken Bryan, Dave Penlington, Brian Cooke, "Rock" Hudson, and Mike Key.

FOR SALE

Vango Force Ten, Good Condition.
£30.00 O.N.O. Contact Ron Sant.

Ski Sticks. £1.50. Contact Colin Hobday.

WANTED

Size 9 old style leather, clipped ski boots, preferably hinged, at a reasonable price. Also four man frame tent.
Contact Mike Wren. Derby 840336.

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WANTED

Size 9/10 man's ice skates. Contact Ron Sant.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Sally Hall to 1885 CHESHIÈRES-VILLARS
SWITZERLAND.

QUOTE

Quote from a certain female member of the Club who wishes to remain anonymous. "I've just pricked Digger's taters so that they won't explode later".

Ron Sant
Meets Sec.

P.S

FOR SALE (Watch out Exchange and Mart)

Size 45 Scarpa Fitzroy mountain boots, virtually unused £25 O.N.O
Contact Ron Sant.