

OREAD MEETS CIRCULAR JAN/FEB 80

After a brilliant start to the New Year the weather appears to have taken a dive and promises to reach an all time low just in time for the Fell Race. Keith assures me that there is nothing to worry about regarding the length and severity of the race - but a bivvy bag may be an advantage.

Other news which affects anybody that is connected with climbing or walking is that the Roaches and surrounding area have been bought by the Peak Park Board for £185000. Hopefully the access problem will no longer exist. Food for thought - the two farmers who sold the land to the Board, originally paid £60000 for the same area in 1977 - not a bad return for two years work (?).

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LITTLE LANGDALE

JAN 26/27

GORDON WRIGHT

As usual I am hoping that we will be blessed with the correct combination of snow and fine weather so that crampons and ice axes can be given a bashing.

The Fylde Club Hut is the three old slate miners cottages at Little Langdale. To reach there travel M6 to Kendal, A591 to Ambleside, A593 towards Coniston, turn right, then left for Little Langdale after 4 miles. In Little Langdale village turn left after passing the 'The Three Shires Hotel'. The hut is on the right at a point where the road becomes a track (about ½ mile), M.R. 315029. Parking is somewhat restricted so please park as closely as possible.

I hope to be in the 'Three Shires' in Little Langdale on the Friday evening before going to the hut at chucking-out time.

See me at the Rowing Club for booking and transport arrangements or phone me at Burton-on-Trent 812642.

FELL RACE

FEB 3

KEITH GREGSON

Once again the Annual Oread Fell Race debacle is upon us. Unfortunately (!!?) I shall have no chance of winning this one since due to date cock-ups, ski-holidays, weddings etc. etc. I have been elected organiser. The traditional format will be maintained so that Rusty will run twice as far as anyone else and everyone will be in with a chance. There will be the usual three way start with the walkers, drinkers, geriatrics and thoroughbred triers away first at 10.30 a.m. They will be followed twenty minutes later by the nearly rans and the tearaways who come up with a big enough bribe. A further twenty minutes will elapse before

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the cream of the Oread athletics section gets under way. This will include the likes of Hilary, Flash Ash, Hot shoe Sedgwick and Powerhouse Musson - there could even be one or two runners as well! The entry will be limited to Oread members and invited guests, but please, no children, and the entry fee will be 10p (to cover the cost of soup, air-sea rescue etc.). It would be appreciated if you could let me know before hand although entry on the day will not be refused (you'll probably get a worse handicap!).

Dress will obviously depend on the day and a 1:25000 map of the Calver area will be useful. Knowledge of the local area (like Stanage and the Manifold) might well come in handy.

I look forward to seeing you all on the day - hopefully most of you will be running/walking but of course everyone will be welcome and offers as helpers for checkpoints and soup kitchens especially so. The course map will be posted on the barn door at 10.00 and the starts will be at 10.30, 10.50, and 11.10. Drinks will be taken at the 'Robin Hood' afterwards and a cup presented at 2.15 in the Barn. And the best of luck!

OREAD/M.A.M. MEET

FEB 9/10

JACK ASHCROFT

Ogwen in February is with us again and never fails to be an enjoyable weekend. Ice axes and crampons were practically essential from road level last year but I'm making no promises on this occasion but do come prepared. Trying to be clever and anticipate the antics of the atmospheric moisture is a waste of time in the mountains so if you intend to come make a definite booking. I may be contacted on Sheffield 890717

INDOOR MEETS

The next two Indoor Meets will be a lecture on Ski-Mountaineering by John Sheldon followed a month later by Alex MacIntyre. The dates for the two lectures will be Feb. 5th and March 4th respectively. Although it is appreciated that everyone appeared to enjoy the surroundings of the Methodist Church Hall for the last Indoor Meet it is proposed to revert to the 'Royal Oak' for the venue for the forthcoming events. The starting time will be 8.00pm.

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to Richard Freestone and John+Margret Theobald who were elected to full membership at a recent Committee Meeting.

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TAN-Y-WYDDFA HUT BOOKINGS

Jan	18/19	16 Beds booked	Feb	8/9	Empty
Jan	25/26	Empty	Feb	15/16	16 Beds booked
Feb	1/2	16 Beds booked	Feb	22/23	Oread Meet

HEATHY LEA BOOKING

One for the future - Please note that all 12 places in the hut have been booked for the weekend May 10/11.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Rob and Jane Tresidder on the recent birth of their son Esmond.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Ken Griffiths to Gable Lodge
 Cottage Road
 Windermere
 Cumbria

Dave Helliwell to 124, Kedleston Road
 Derby

Tony & Linda Houldsworth to 5, Parkside Avenue
 Long Eaton
 Notts

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Please note that subscriptions were due for renewal on January 1st. Subscriptions are £5.00 for a single person and £6.00 for a married couple. Cheques should be sent to Laurie Burns at 51, Cranmer Street, Long Eaton, Notts.

QUOTE

Quote from the President at the Dovedale Dash - "I knew there was something wrong when I suddenly realized I was enjoying myself".

Ron Sant
Meets Secretary