



As some of you know, we've had another AGM which has put a few new faces on the Committee (other posts being filled by a reshuffle). It has come as a complete surprise to find that all the proposed Committee positions were not opposed - presumably this implies little or no real criticism. Ron Sant, my predecessor, has been elevated to the post of Hon. Sec. and despite his assurances that the job of Meets Sec. is extremely easy and requires no work I'd like to thank him for the magnificent job he's done these last two years.

also apologise in advance for the inevitable drop in standard of the newsletter which is now bound to occur (and its delay).

#### Members' Handbook

Attached is the new handbook, Ron's final task as outgoing Meets Sec. As it only took 12 months (instead of 13 for the previous edition), thanks must go to him. It is anticipated that it will be updated every 2/3 years. Since only 200 have been printed one copy only will be sent to each household, although married couples, etc. who really need another may ask Ron for more.

#### Welsh Hut

It has been suggested that Tan-y-Wyddfa be sold - judging by the amount it's being used by us it seems that we no longer need it. If you have any views on the matter or wish to lead a party there whilst we still own it, please let me know. Incidentally, April's working party was, as has become the norm, so badly attended that work had to be left undone.

#### Derbyshire Hut

Unfortunately, fees for Heathy Lea have had to be increased due to rising costs (rates etc.).

These are now as follows:

Members per night	35p (from 25p)
Guests per night	60p (from 50p)
Day fees	15p (from 10p)

Day fees, incidentally, apply even if you only park your car at the hut, and of late several members would appear to be disregarding this, a cause for some concern.

Bookings: June 7/8 - 12 beds taken

June 21/22 - 12 beds taken.

Also at Heathy Lea is a "thing" called an Elsan. When you use the toilet the container below fills up and eventually users experience problems. This container does not empty itself - some unlucky sod has to manoeuvre an overflowing mess outside to its final resting place.

This is an unpleasant task and unfortunately all too few people undertake it. Next time you use the Elsan and think it requires emptying, please do the job yourself.

#### 1981 Meets List

The Oread (about 170 members and 50 prospective members) produces a meets list each year, one of the aims of this being to provide a balanced suggestion of meets throughout the year. Not all meets are agreeable to everyone and some pass almost unnoticed, but this is not to suggest

that any meet is unnecessary. I personally believe that a full programme is a vital part of the club, and with this in mind, would now appeal for meet leaders next year. This year you will note that there are only 18 leaders in total (about 10% of the club), some leading up to 3 meets. Just as noticeable is that they are generally the same as the meet leaders for 1979. To share the work load around a bit, if one in every three of you volunteers to lead a meet next year, I would be very grateful. This, incidentally, is an ideal opportunity for the righteous to display just how active they really are, or whether by 'active' they really mean selfishly enjoying themselves on a meet arranged by someone else.

#### Oread Journal

In order to enable this year's collection of epics and misadventures to come out on time would all meet leaders please send an account of their meet to either Robin Sedgwick or myself as soon after the meet as possible (i.e. before you've forgotten what the other three on it did).

#### WELBOURN'S WANDER

7/8 JUNE

JOHN WELBOURN

My apologies - it was at Long Mynd.

#### ALSTONEFIELD

14/15 JUNE

DEREK CARNELL

So you wanna climb on Limestone, huh? Wanna attack 'the Biggy' routes, or perhaps get some tramping, pre-Alps, exercise in the Dale? Wanna say a big "thank you" to the person who's ensured your underwear and socks were clean each weekend? Wanna get the kids out of your hair, or impress the latest girlfriend? Then don't miss the annual fandango at the George Hotel in June - Book a Dinner NOW and Loosen Your Whillan's Harness!

The first 35 people to contact me will sit down to the meal at 7.30 on Saturday night. That's all the places available, but if you can't get a place or don't want to eat, you're still very welcome on the Meet, as in the past (or is it pissed!). Galloping inflation has of course caught up with prices - you used to be able to buy a barren milk cow for the price of steaks now - and Richard puts the price of a meal of soup/fruit juice, steak, pudding and coffee at £5.80 each: the trout is £1.00 less however. We've always had very good value in the past - no reason to doubt it will be otherwise this time.

The Weekend begins, especially for those who fancy themselves as powerful drinkers, or who just want to watch Gregson and Company pouring it down their necks, on Friday night, when we sample the bar stock to check it's O.K. for Saturday! Tradition has it that Dove-tale is visited on Sat., but I don't really mind - I'm usually so hung-over that the rock I'm clinging to could be anywhere! Sat. night, the Meal, followed by the convivial, smokey, liquid-imbibing finale - Don't miss Radders in the latest "femme fatale" gear - and if you can't find an interesting like-minded person to crush up against in the melée, don't blame me - have a word with Santo! Sunday, Beeston Tor or wherever, weather permitting. Get in touch if you want a meal - Derby 50634 - Remember, it's First Come, First Served.

#### BORROWDALE

JUNE 20/22

GORDON WRIGHT

There is plenty for everyone in Borrowdale and the campsite at Hollows Farm, Grange, (G.R. 167250) is beautifully situated under Goat Crag and out of sight and sound of Borrowdale traffic.

I have arranged with the farmer for us to have sole use of the walled field on the left

approaching the main camping area to avoid disturbance from noisy yobbos, which we suffered on the last occasion we used the campsite. Will the first arrivals please visit the farm to confirm this and then pin a notice on the field gate. To arrive at the campsite take the Borrowdale road from Keswick, turn right over the bridge into Grange and take a left turning after about 100 yds. to Hollows Farm. The campsite has adequate toilets and water supply.

See me at the Rowing Club or phone Burton-on-Trent 813690 to arrange transport.

PRESIDENT'S MEET

JUNE 28/29

CHRIS RADCLIFFE

Following the pattern established last year I shall again be having a mid-summer rave-up at Heathy Lea on Saturday night. However, this will be a weekend meet and I shall be in the Wheatsheaf on Friday night, aiming to climb at Stanage - starting from the Tower Face area - on Saturday.

For the evening I will lay on music and some ale, but additional supplies would be welcome, together with any contribution towards a buffet. Brian West has again agreed to build up a bonfire and I hope we will have a bit more success with the baked potatoes this time.

Please come along and help make the evening a success.

OREAD FELL RACE - FEB '80

	<u>Time</u>	<u>H'cap Time</u>	<u>Position</u>
D. WRIGHT	1.18	.58	1
C. BRYAN	1.19	.59	2
R. SEDGWICK	1.20	1.04	3
J. GREY	1.17	1.05	4
J. THEOBALD	1.27	1.07	5
R. TRESSIDER	1.20	1.09	6
B. WEST	1.18	1.10	7
R. EYRE	1.19	1.11	8=
C. JOHNSON	1.29	1.11	8=
P. ADDISON	1.19	1.14	10
A. SQUIRES	1.21	1.15	11
M. MUSSON	1.30	1.16	12=
R. SANT	1.41	1.16	12=
C. RUSSELL	1.16	1.16	12=
S. COX	1.19	1.19	15=
J. LINNEY	1.38	1.19	15=
P. DAVIS	1.41	1.20	17
R. FREESTONE	1.41	1.21	18
S. HOBDAV	1.58	1.23	19=
C. HOBDAV	1.59	1.23	19=
D. MOUNTFORD	1.43	1.23	19=
P. GARDNER	1.34	1.24	22=
C. WILSON	1.41	1.24	22=

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## OREAD FELL RACE (cont'd)

	<u>Time</u>	<u>H'cap Time</u>	<u>Position</u>
M. REED	1.39	1.25	24
J. ASHCROFT	1.54	1.40	25
P. SCOTT	1.54	1.42	26
D. WILLIAMS	2.29	1.59	27
F. ALLEN	2.34	2.05	28=
J. WARD	2.34	2.05	28=
T. BARNETT	1.19	.54	***

\*\*\* Tim is only 14 and therefore unable to join the Oread at present - when he does he will no doubt give us all a run for our money. Special congratulations to him.

K. Gregson.

## DISCOUNTS ON GEAR - THE OUTDOOR SHOP

RICHARD FREESTONE

In the past we have offered a 17½% discount to members who get together and order goods to the value of £150 or over. This has not been a very satisfactory method as inevitably someone misses out. So, in the future for a week once in June, and once in November, we will offer a 17½% discount to any Oread member ordering or buying without a minimum value. Either come into the shop or see us at the club, or give us a ring on Derby 45204. The first week will be Monday, June 9th to Sat. June 14th. Nevertheless, any member spending a substantial sum at any time of the year will still qualify for this discount.

Editor's note: the majority of the shops with adverts in the handbook give discount to club members. (Mainly 10%.)

## NEW MEMBERS

Congratulations to Jill Towle and John Gresty who were both elected as members of the Oread on 26th April.

## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

An application for membership has been received from LISA WELBOURN. Would anyone who has any views on the suitability of the applicant, please communicate them to a Committee member or to Ron Sant, the Hon. Sec.

## ALPINE MEET 1980

The club this year is basing itself in three areas - Ortler, Visp and Courmayeur. I anticipate getting full details very soon and these will be included in next month's circular. In the meantime Colin Hobday is co-ordinating the Ortler meet, the Wrights the Visp meet and I think Keith Gregson the Courmayeur meet.

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Mike and Celia Berry to  
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 Nythe,  
 SWINDON, Wiltshire.

B.M.C. INSURANCE

Anyone interested see Ron Sant as soon as possible for a leaflet.

LUNDY MEET

From 13th September for a week. Please contact Stuart Firth, or Chris Radcliffe as soon as possible if you're interested - I advise no one to miss this great opportunity.

ALPINE MEET - ORTLER JULY 20TH/AUG. 3?

At the time of writing we are experiencing difficulty in finding a campsite in the area of Suldén. After much letter-writing and enquiries, it would appear that there are no official campsites in the upper valleys of the Ortler region. However, rough camping is allowed in the woods above the village for climbers.

The general feeling is that rough camping is not suitable for a large club meet, so it has been decided to use the nearest official site at SPONDINIG which is on the main road from the Reschen Pass to Meran, at the Junction for the road up to the Ortler range.

Best approach to the Ortler group is via the Reschen Pass; first arrivals are expected to be the Smedleys/Welbourns on July 19/20.

Anyone requiring further details contact Colin Hobday, tel. 551594.

FOR SALE

E.B.'s, size 12. £12 o.n.o. Worn once.

Monte Rosa boots, size 6 (39). £45 o.n.o. and

wanted - (to borrow) for the Alps a pair of crampons to fit size 7 boot, from July 19th.

All the above from Margaret Theobald.

Selection of dark-room equipment going for a song - £50 the lot. (Experts say that at least one item on the large list is worth at least £50 on its own!)

Please see Beryl Strike or Ian Brindle.

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