

Due to domestic commitments (new wife and new house) Chris has found it necessary to relinquish the Meet Sec.'s job and I would like to thank the contributors to this newsletter for submission of material at very short notice.

A big thank you Beryl Strike for the typing and Jean O'Neil for the duplicating, without whose help this newsletter would not have been produced.

2 NOVEMBERDOVEDALE DASHD. CARNELL

The annual Mercury Dovedale Dash will once again be held from Thorpe Pastures and will follow the same route as last year.

The starting time is 11.00 a.m. on Sunday the 2nd, and the entrance fee will be 30 pence per person. Intending competitors should 'sign in' at the relevant tent and if, as seems likely, a similar number enter as last year, I would suggest you do it early.

The start will be from near the back of the Peveril to enable the 'field' to spread before the descent to the Stepping Stones, and the finish is at the top of the hill by the little quarry.

Spectators and competitors may park in the field behind the public toilets in Thorpe by courtesy of the farmers, who will make a charge for this.

Again, don't be too late getting there - there is NO parking on the road.

Afterwards, though EVERY pub in the district gets its share of people, most Oreads make the usual pilgrimage to 'The George' at Alstonefield to replenish lost liquids and renew old friendships. Following on, a walk, or hobble, depending on stiffness is taken down Dovedale to finish the day off. Let's have a good turnout and give Rust, Radders, and Squires a bit of competition.

I'll be on hand to take your number and placing at the end - good luck!

4 NOVEMBERINDOOR MEET - ROYAL OAKP. B. SCOTTOCKBROOK 8.00 P.M. - MEMBERS' SLIDES

Now that you have all written an article for Robin's Journal, please go and search through your cherished collection of slides and bring a selection along as a contribution to the evening.

Here are a few ideas:- A selection of 1980 Alpine slides
A selection of any slides
A few human interest shots
One or two historical slides
Anything interesting.

So dig 'em out, sort 'em out and bring 'em along. Don't be shy, we can't wait to see your slides.

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8 NOVEMBER

SLIDE SHOW BY JOHN MERRILL

The Appalachian Trail, U.S.A. - 2,000 miles - Springer Mountain, Georgia to Katahdin Mountain, Maine, via 14 Eastern States. Venue Saturday night, 7.30 p.m. at Derby Lonsdale College, Kedleston Road, Derby.

Tickets from:- Outdoor Shop
Cooke's
Derby Mountain Centre
Power's Sports.

Price £1.50.

8/9 NOVEMBER

NEWLANDS

G. WRIGHT

It is several years since we have had a meet in this unspoilt part of the Lakes, which gives excellent walking and if the weather permits, climbing on Dale Head and Miners Crag or in nearby Buttermere and Borrowdale.

I have booked the Fylde Mountaineering Club Hut at Stair, M.R. 238212, which is midway between Keswick and Buttermere. This is a purpose-built hut with all mod. cons. and as it has only 14 beds, early booking may be necessary.

Access is M6-A66 to just past Keswick, then turn left through Portinscale to Stair; the hut is about 100 yards on the left of the road out of Stair towards Little Town.

I hope to be in the Swinside Inn by 10.00 p.m. on Friday night.

See me at the Rowing Club or phone Burton-on-Trent 813690 for booking and arranging transport.

17 NOVEMBER (MONDAY)

ALPINE MEET 1981

P. B. SCOTT

You are cordially invited to take part in a discussion on the venue of next year's Alpine Meet.

All positive and helpful contributions will be extremely welcome.

Put a note in your diary now (the Steward behind the bar at the Rowing Club has!!).

Venue - the Rowing Club 7.30 p.m.

22 NOVEMBER

ANNUAL DINNER

T. SMEDLEY

Although the official Dinner write-up appeared in the last newsletter, the following facts will hopefully provide a 'memory jogger' to ensure that members get a ticket and arrive on time:-

Venue - Green Man
Start - 6.45 p.m. prompt
Price - £6.00 per head.

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Note:- Members have until Friday 7th November to be assured of a place at the Dinner and no bookings will be accepted after Saturday 15th November.

Applications for Dinner tickets should be sent to - Tony Smedley
35 Murray Road,
Derby.

(P.S. Tony's house number is 35 and not 34 as quoted in the booking form.)

23 NOVEMBER AFTER DINNER SHAMBLES

Assemble Dovedale Carpark, about 11.00 a.m., for the traditional thrutch over Bunster Hill (or down the Dale, according to your state of health), to the 'George' at Alstonefield for a "topping-up" session.

28/29 NOVEMBER TAN-Y-WYDDFA K. HODGE

An impromptu meet but one which I hope will prove popular, weather permitting. I hope to climb on the Moelwyns on Saturday and walk/climb on Sunday, but there's plenty to suit all tastes in the vicinity of the hut if people want to do their own thing!

Who knows - winter may come early this year and provide snow for the meet. It's not impossible in late November and it wouldn't be the first time!!

Night time activities will start on Friday night in the Prince Llewellyn and end on Saturday night in the Tanronen.

See me at the Rowing Club or 'phone Derby 72407 for bookings, etc.

2 DECEMBER INDOOR MEET - ROYAL OAK P. B. SCOTT
OCKBROOK - 8.00 P.M. PROMPT
THE ALPS AND HIMALAYAS

After having had your selection of slides widely acclaimed at last month's indoor meeting it is now time to sit back and listen to the National Officer of the B.M.C. recount some of his adventures including the Eiger Direct and Changabang and Dhaulagiri.

Please support this evening with Alex McIntyre.

5/7 DECEMBER BULLSTONES J. LINNEY

By way of a change and not a rest this year's Bullstones meet will commence in the usual manner. The Nag's Head, Edale, Friday night. After tanking-up at the bar the walk should start at 11.00 p.m. under a star studded sky and crisp conditions. I intend to walk to Jubilee Cabin, O.S. ref. 142887.

Saturday, weather permitting, I hope to walk some of the sixteen stones (give or take a few) over Kinder and Bleaklow, spending Saturday night at Lower Small Clough Cabin, O.S. ref. 146957.

Sunday may see me taking the shortest route back to Edale in time for lunch and a pint or two of arrop.

As this is the last meet of the summer (!) dress is optional, complete with bivvy gear. So -

old ones, new ones, young ones and faithful ones, let's 'ave yer.

Though we may regret it, see yer in the Nag's, Friday night.

13/14 DECEMBER

HEATHY LEA PARTY

P O'NEIL

(n.b. - this replaces the BORROWDALE MEET)

Pre-Christmas rave-up at Heathy Lea under the orgy-nisation of Pete O'Neil.

Usual style of bring your own booze and nosh. No doubt Radders will provide the disco and take us into orbit.

The evening will kick off as usual in the Wheatsheaf, Baslow at opening time. Let's have a good turn-out to ensure it's a 'reet good' evening.

See Pete if you wish to stay at Heathy Lea.

25/28 DECEMBER

CHRISTMAS MEET

K. HODGE

There are only a couple of places left to enjoy this year's festive holiday at the Welsh Hut, so if you intend to come along, please contact me as soon as possible.

As in previous years we will be sampling the excellent cuisine of the Tanronen in Beddgelert. A booking has already been made for dinner on Boxing Day night (Dec. 26) and tariff and menu details will be circulated amongst those members attending when they become available.

I am also taking bookings for the New Year's weekend (Jan. 1 - 4) so, again, if you intend to stop at the Hut, please contact me as soon as possible.

1 JANUARY

BRASSINGTON

TAN-Y-WYDDFA BOOKINGS

31 OCT/1 NOV	12 beds booked
7/8 NOV	16 beds booked
14/15 NOV	16 beds booked
21/22 NOV	16 beds booked
28/29 NOV	OREAD MEET
5/6 DEC	15 beds booked.

13/14 DECEMBER

BORROWDALE

T.SMEDLEY

Bowerstone Cottage, the Northumbrian M.C. hut has been booked so there's no excuse for missing the last meet before the Christmas festivities.

Borrowdale needs no introduction and if winter weather hasn't arrived you can always climb on Shepherds in the rain.

Cars may be left at the free National Trust car park at Quayfort Quarry, 6 miles south of Keswick and the hut is three minutes along the obvious track to the south of the car park GR254164.

See me at the Rowing Club on Tuesdays to book and arrange transport or phone Derby 515685.

Heathy Lea party will now be on Saturday 10th January 1981.