



OREAD Newsletter

August 1985

Black Rocks

August 14

The last of this year's official club Wednesday evening Meets, followed of course by statutory pints in the Blacks Head at Wirksworth.

Agden Rocher

August 18

Ron Sant

Due to the somewhat infirm nature of the Meet Leader this jaunt will be led on traditional lines i.e. from the back.

I will quite happily point the more energetic up the abundance of routes in the S/V.S. bracket whilst I indulge myself in the horizontal pleasure of worm spotting (weather permitting).

The crag (O.S. 264934) is pleasantly situated above Agden Reservoir and is approached via High Bradfield. A track leads down from the road behind the crag.

As those who attended last year will testify, if the weather is good (and it's booked - I promise), the area below the crag is a real suntrap so I look forward to a good family turnout. For further information, please see me at the Rowing Club or ring Melbourne 3579.

St.David's,Pembroke

August 24/25

Les Peel

Camping for this weekend will be at Rhoson Ganol Farm (G.R. 727253) at St.Justinians. From St.Davids, follow the road signs for the Lifeboat Station and St.Justinians. Just before the Lifeboat Station, there is a caravan site on the left hand side of the road - the campsite is behind the caravans. There is plenty of climbing in the area, also good walking on the coast path.

Gogarth

August 31/1 Sept

Paul Gardner

Sunkissed quartzite, calm seas, horrendous abseils, five star routes - how can you resist? Go on - spoil yourself - just this once! Contact Paul Gardner on Derby 558295 for further details - you know it makes sense!

A Report on the Roaches Meet of 11/12 May

Gil Male

A good cross section of the club turned out on this Meet. About 35 Oreads managed to extract themselves from the depths of deepest Derbyshire. They boldly crossed the frontier and acted on the advice of the Staffordshire Guidebook. Lots of stuff was done on a weekend, its the only one this year, which had dry weather. Don't say I don't arrange everything.

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One or two feats are definitely worth a mention. Pete Scott, under severe pressure on the Sloth (because he thought he was off route), got it together and made a fine lead. Dave Wright, after several attempts and a few tense moments, when he was faced with the decision to try something else, finally accustomed himself to Tetley's Mild. And Dawn Hopkinson, with her eagle eyes, spotted a wallaby. Thanks, Gail, for wandering around the woods in your ET outfit. Honest, Dawn, it was Gail - Honest!

On a more serious note, thanks a lot everyone for turning up and making this such a successful Meet. Next year, I hope to be able to recommend the Rock as the Meets PUB, because the miserable landlord who dislikes climbers has gone bust and the pub has a more sensible landlord. This will make life a lot more convenient and acceptable in the evenings.

As I said previously, a well attended Meet with a good cross section from the club. Some excellent climbing was accomplished with a good number of routes of all grades being climbed. It's great to see extreme routes being done by a variety of people so early in the year. This must be a promising sign for the future of the club, with cragging being nowadays a fundamental part of the game.

Thanks again for turning up - hope to see you all next year.

A Report on the Tan y Wyddfa Working Party 29/30 June

Chuck Hooley

People who attended were: Chuck & Margaret Hooley, Lol Burns, Rock Hudson, Keith & Eileen Gregson plus Emma, Fred Phillips, Helen Griffiths, John Shreeve, Roy Sawyer plus Oliver plus Joseph, John & Margaret Linney plus Richard plus Helen, Colin Barnard, Roy & Josie Darnell.

Jobs Completed:

1. Fire Doors & Wood & Superlux purchased from Caernarvon.
2. All the roof ridge tiles checked and cemented.
3. Rear gate post made secure but needs further attention.
4. All the ladies washed curtains, cleaned all windows, made tea & soup, and cleaned floors.
5. Weather permitting, the outside walls were scraped and treated prior to painting - rain stopped play on both Saturday and Sunday.
6. Smoke Alarms fitted (Fire Risk), one in downstairs hall and one above upstairs landing. A Gentle reminder to everyone "Smoking Upstairs is Forbidden".
7. Note: J.Fisher had finished fitting render stop over lounge bays (exterior) during Spring break week - Thanks John.
8. Fitting of half hour Fire Doors still to be completed. Under stairs completely lined with superlux fire proof material.
9. Grass cut around the house and front lawns, and new supply of logs received and manhandled into log store.
10. Landing window skirting boards replaced.
11. Mens Washroom sink U-Bend serviced (!).
12. New Curtain rails fitted where necessary.
13. Oread room - plaster repaired and room painted, all walls.
14. Moel Hebog room - painted all walls.
15. Gutters cleaned out and more down pipe leaf arresters fitted.
16. One downstairs toilet base made secure.
17. Thanks also go to J.Welbourne for supplying a new hasp (vandal proof hinge) for the coal bunker - this has been fitted.
18. The Builders scheduled to line the lounge chimney arrived on Monday as arranged. An inflatable tube was fed down the chimney into the lounge and inflated to approx. 8" diameter, than a mixture of perlite and cement was pumped up to the roof and poured down the chimney flue around the outside of the tube thereby casting a new liner, which as it flows seals all adjacent cracks and porous areas. This was left overnight to set and Tuesday morning the builders returned to remove the tube, sculpture the fireplace

throat and make good the chimney pot. After 24 hours drying time, I lit a fire on Wednesday evening, the fire drew well, was more controllable at the grate and there was no sign or smell of smoke in the bedroom in question. Let us hope that we have solved the problem of smoke in this area.

19. There is a shortage of dinner plates and breakfast cereal/sweet dishes at the Hut - all contributions will be gratefully received.

Finally, my thanks to all those who attended this second working party of 1985 (which was also Keith Gregson's inauguration as Chairman of the Welsh Hut management committee). And last, but not least, thanks to Pete Scott, retiring Chairman, for all his past work and effort - we hope that he will remain on committee, his appetite having been whetted for property management.

Chuck Hooley, Welsh Hut Custodian.

<u>Hut Fees</u>	<u>Committee</u>
The following are the current Hut Fees in both the Derbyshire and Welsh Huts:	
Derbyshire:	
Members	50p
Guests	£1.20p
Prospective Members & Members' Families	80p
Day Fee	20p
Wales:	
Members	75p
Guests with Reciprocal Rights	75p
Guests	£1.50p
Provisional Members	£1.00p
Oread Children up to 16	50p
Oread Children over 16	£1.50p
All other Children	£1.50p
Day Fee	40p

Membership

Congratulations to Tony Hinks and Roger Penlington on being elected to Full Membership of the Club.

An application for Full Membership has been received from Robin Beadle. Would anyone with any comments on the suitability of the applicant please forward them to the Hon. Secretary.

Changes of Address

John Hammond is now at 3 Hamilton Fields, Scalpcliffe Road, Burton on Trent, Staffs. Tel: Burton on Trent 65006.

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