



# OREAD Newsletter

## October 1985

PLEASE NOTE: FINAL COPY DATE FOR NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER: OCTOBER 22nd

Swanage

September 28/29

Pete Scott

THE INDIAN SUMMER IS NOW!!  
THERE ARE ONLY A FEW PLACES LEFT ON THIS MEET -  
HURRY! HURRY! HURRY! PHONE ME ON 842108.

The Mike Wynne Road Show

October 1

Mike Pearce

What is it that makes a man travel all the way from England to Kenya in a landrover accompanied only by (amongst others) a grandmother, a Scot who learned to ski in Iran, an unemployed student (Wilmorton - failed), and half an ex-NATO trailer. What about the small man on the motorbike and where is the other half of the trailer? Who's grandmother was she anyway?

The answer to all these questions may be found at the first Indoor Meet at the Royal Oak at Ockbrook starting at 8.00 pm on Tuesday 1st October.  
Members and Guests welcome.

Tan y Wyddfa

October 5/6

Ruth Conway

'Twas dismal and the slimy crags  
Did ooze and fester in the rain  
All soggy were the Idwal Slabs  
And dank Cwm Silyn dripped again.

Beware the lure of ropes, my friends!  
The krabs that pinch, the boot that bites,  
Beware the cheerless Gogarth wind  
And shun Tremadoc's gloomy heights.....

But if you actually like that sort of thing, the weekend of October 5/6 is yet another chance to sample the worst that Wales has to offer. If we all go gallumphing back to Tan y Wyddfa chortling Calloo! Callay! perhaps we'll get a frabjous day or two.

If you want to book prime bed-space give me a ring on Matlock 3411 Extn 6840 (day) or Matlock 56636 (evening), otherwise I'll see you there.

(P.S. Book early because a mini-Working Party on the same weekend has already booked 8 beds).

\*\*\* DON'T FORGET, SOMETHING FOR THE J O U R N A L -. ROCK HUDSON \*\*\*

Avon/CheddarOctober 12/13Richard Freestone

Well, here is a new venue for you. Certainly is for me anyway. With Cheddar open to climbers and all those 3-star plums to be picked, it's a Meet not to be missed. If there is any walking in the area, I'm blown if I know (the Mendips are around there somewhere) but fine climbing there is in abundance. I aim to camp at Cheddar, climb there on Saturday, then move up to Avon on Sunday morning on the way home. The campsite I recommend is at "Froglands Farm" on the A371. If you leave the M5 at junction 21 and follow the A371 Wells road into Cheddar. Don't turn for the gorge but stay on the A371 and the campsite is found on the left before leaving the village. The guidebooks to the area are Pat Littlejohn's South-West Climbs or the separate Avon and Cheddar softbacks - Ripoff-O-Reilly should be able to accommodate (Ed. 1. The Editor wishes to point out that the views of his contributors are not necessarily those of editorial policy! 2. South-West Climbs is out-of-print and is not expected back in print for some time).

Look forward to seeing you all there.

Photo MeetOctober 19Robin Beadle

The entry fee is a very reasonable 50p for which you may submit up to four slides in each category. These are:-

Action U.K.  
Aesthetic U.K.  
Action Abroad  
Aesthetic Abroad  
and Club Interest

Points will be awarded for the best three slides in each of the first four categories, with prizes for the three people who accumulate most points. There are trophies for 1st and 2nd places and also a prize and trophy for the Club Interest Section.

I will be available in the Rowing Club to collect entries on Tuesday 1st (Ed. however, he will probably be on his own as we hope most people will be at the Royal Oak in Ockbrook for the 'Mike Wynne Road Show!') and Tuesday 8th October, and it will not be possible to accept any entries later than Wednesday 9th October. Please ensure all slides are clearly marked with your name and the section entered, and spot marked in the bottom left-hand corner when viewed the right way up.

The venue is, as usual, Baslow Village Hall with a start time of 7.30 pm.

\*\*\*\*\* S T O P P R E S S \*\*\*\*\*

Anyone who has high quality, original colour slides of 3000 foot + peaks in the British Isles, particularly Skiddaw, Tryfan, North end of Carnedd, or of some unpronounceable hill in Ireland near Dublin ("Look na Quilla"??) should contact Ken Wilson NOW as he urgently requires these for his latest book. (P.S. Correct spelling = Lugnaquilla and it's in Wicklow).

Family MeetOctober 26/27Gordon Gadsby

After the fantastic weather we enjoyed on the Alpine Meet at Zinal, it's time once more for the Oread families to get together again for the annual autumn meet at Tan y Wyddfa. As usual, good weather has been ordered (but

/cont.

\* \* \* DON'T FORGET, SOMETHING FOR THE JOURNAL - ROCK HUDSON \* \* \*

cont./

this year not guaranteed). Please write or phone to book your place as soon as possible - Gordon Gadsby, "Konstind", 7 Imperial Avenue, Beeston, Nottingham, NG9 1EZ. Tel: Nottingham 227012.

Climbing Wall, Shepshed

October 28

Tony Raphael

As the nights draw in, are you dreading those twilight ascents - stumbling back down from the crag in pitch darkness cursing that your headtorch is still in the drawer at home?

Well, cheer up! I've booked a couple of evenings on the Hind Leys Climbing Wall at Shepshed, near Loughborough. It's a pleasant wall with a wide variety of problems, and previous sessions have proved quite popular. Numbers are usually restricted to around twelve so let me know as soon as possible if you are interested.

The first session will be on Monday 28th October from 7 to 9 pm and afterwards we'll head for the Black Swan for a pint or two of Bass. See me at the Rowing Club for details, maps etc or contact me at home (tel. Loughborough 843393).

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Robin Sedgwick

It has been brought to the notice of the committee that the walls of the electricity sub-station adjacent to Heathy Lea have been chalked. Readers of the climbing press may be aware that an access problem was recently resolved at Stoney Middleton where the electricity board were refusing access to the quarry area for just the reasons outlined above; climbing and leaving chalk on the walls of a sub-station.

Heathy Lea is not Oread property - it is leased from the Chatsworth Estate. Any complaints from the electricity board could seriously jeopardise the position of our lease.

If it is an Oread member responsible, I ask in the strongest possible terms for the practice to cease. Similarly, if anyone is at the Hut and sees a non-Oread culprit in action, please sort them out (there's a felling axe in the wood store).

Presidential Party

November 17

Robin Sedgwick

Do you remember the "Mike Wynne Goes To Africa" party? Well, the same team now brings you the sequel - "Brain Damage II".

It will take place on the evening of Saturday November 17th after an attempt to drink the Wheatsheaf dry. Loud music and a bonfire will be provided. All we need is you with a bottle and 50 pence to donate to Heathy Lea funds (see, it's even for a noble cause - Bob Geldof eat yer heart out!).

A good evening/night/morning is guaranteed, even if you won't remember any of it afterwards!

P.S. Why not go up on Friday night and make a weekend of it?

\* \* \* DON'T FORGET, SOMETHING FOR THE J O U R N A L - ROCK HUDSON \* \* \*

WANTED FOR THIS YEARS JOURNAL....

Rock Hudson

Articles, illustrations, sketches, diagrams, cartoons; in fact, anything would be suitable. A joke to an epic tale, funny or serious, recent or past experiences, days on local or distant crags or mountains. Just walking or scrambling; on extreme rock or ice. Meet Leaders from Nov.84 to Oct.85 - let's have a report, be it brief or lengthy. Forget your lack of confidence, for what you contribute will be of interest to others and rough drafts are soon tarted up.

It's your Journal, so don't be lazy after reading this Newsletter - put pen to paper. Get started NOW! Please hand in something as soon as possible.

WANTED

Dawn and Richard Hopkinson would like to borrow a super-lightweight tent and small, lightweight rucksacks if they get accepted for this years Karrimor Mountain Marathon (26th-27th October). If anyone can help, contact Dawn during the day on Derby 832746 or Dawn and Richard in the evenings on Wirksworth 3392.

Change of Address

Mark & Ollie Pearce are now at 427 Crewe Road, Wistaston, NANTWICH, Cheshire. Tel: 0270 665942, and point out that they are about half-way between Derby and North Wales, for tea-stops, drying out stops and general visits.

Membership

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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

October 1	Indoor Meet, Royal Oak - Mike Wynne Road Show
October 15	DMC Winter Lecture - Dick Crane on "Running the Himalayas, and Mountain Bikes on Kilimanjaro". Full details from Derby Mountain Centre. Usual venue at Kedleston Road.
October 19	Photo Meet at Baslow Village Hall
October 23	DMC Ski Show, Pennine Hotel. Full details/tickets from DMC.
October 28	Climbing Wall, Shepshed.
November 3	Dovedale Dash
November 5	Indoor Meet, Royal Oak.
November 17	Presidential Party at Heathy Lea.
November 21	DMC Winter Lecture - John Noble on "Wilderness Skiing in the Alps and Arctic". Full details DMC, usual venue Ked.Rd.
November 23	Annual Dinner (see attached booking form).

\* \* \* DON'T FORGET, SOMETHING FOR THE J O U R N A L - ROCK HUDSON \* \* \*

John O'Reilly,  
34 Belper Lane,  
BELPER,  
Derbyshire, DE5 2UQ.

Meets Secretary,

Tel: Home - Belper 7194, Work - Derby 365650

# Annual Dinner

The Dinner will be held on Saturday 23 November 1985 at the Callow Park Country Club, Nr Wirksworth, Derbyshire, commencing 7.30pm for 7.45pm, with a licence until 2.00am. The accomodation is new, and excellent, and good food promised. Some old traditions remain, however, but a departure will be discreet music after formal entertainment (!) made possible by the late licence. A seating plan will be prepared, but it may help to indicate with your ticket application any preference as to who you wish to sit near to (or indeed far away from as the case may be).

There is parking for caravans and tents. Accomidation may be available in the cottages, but these can only be booked 2 weeks before the night, depending on availability. There is also hotel accomodation nearby. Contact the organiser for details.

In view of the expected great demand, tickets are first come, first serve, one guest per member.

DRESS : PREFERABLE

---

## APPLICATION FOR ANNUAL DINNER

Please reserve places for the following:-

.....  
.....  
.....  
.....

Total @ £9.25 = £           

CHEQUE/P.O./KRUGERRANDS ENCLOSED

Please return to Reg Squires, 103 Green Lane, Ockbrook, Derby

HON. DINNER ORGANISER.