

## Oread Newsletter

## January 1989

**January 6th-7th Tan-y-Wyddfa**

**Rock Hudson**

See Rock at the Rowing Club or telephone Radcliffe-on-Trent 333031 to book places on this meet.

**January 13th-14th Buckbarrow**

**Brian West**

I have booked the Achille Ratti Buckbarrow hut, situated at G.R. NY 137054 and near to what I think of as Strands, but what the O.S. now thinks of as Nether Wasdale.

Accommodation is both basic and limited. Bookings to me, tel. 0332 880034, first come first served.

Meet Friday night in the Strands Hotel: - at Nether Wasdale!

**January 17th Indoor Meet, Royal Oak, Ockbrook Tony Raphael**

Instead of the normal first Tuesday, this meet will be held on the third Tuesday of the month. Malcolm Otter will be talking about trekking in the Himalayas.

The forthcoming programme for the indoor meets is as follows

Tuesday 7th February - Highlands, Islands and Alps - Gordon Gadsby

Tuesday 7th March - To be arranged

Tuesday April (date to be finalised) - Oread Anniversary slide evening

**January 27th-28th Little Langdale**

**Gordon Wright**

I've booked the Fylde hut as usual for this meet, but I haven't been able to book the Yorkshire Ramblers' hut this year, so I'm afraid late bookers are likely to be unlucky.

I don't think I need enlarge upon the possibilities of the area except that there is plenty to do whatever your expectations, from gentle walking to steep ice (if it freezes). I'll try to arrange better weather than last year's downpour.

See me at the Rowing Club or phone Burton 813690 to reserve a place.

I will be at the pub in Little Langdale from 9 o'clock on the Friday evening.

**February 11th-18th Cairngorms, Creagh Meaghaidh  
Dawn and Richard Hopkinson**

There are still a few places left on this meet. Anyone who fancies winter climbing, walking, ski-mountaineering, downhill skiing or just touring the whisky distilleries - why not come along?

Give us a ring on 062982-3392 or see us at the Rowing Club for more details.

It may be possible to accommodate people for part of the week, if you don't mind sleeping on the floor, as the place sounds quite spacious.

**March 4th-11th Inshree Chalets, Onich Richard Coghlan**

Richard Coghlan and Nick Moyes have two places spare in a 4 person chalet. If anyone is interested in joining them, contact Richard or Nick for details. ( The cost is £25 each if 4 people go.)

**Application for Membership**

An application for membership has been received from John Salmon. He has been proposed as a member by Lisa Welbourn, seconded by Roger Larkam, and his application has been supported by letters from four other Oread members. Unless any member has any objection, John will be accepted as a full member of the Oread.

**LOST**

One pair of red-handled scissors at the Oread Auction in December. If anyone has found these, please contact Tony Raphael on Kegworth (0509) 672175 or at the Rowing Club.

**Tan-y-Wyddfa hut bookings**

**Colin Hobday**

Jan 6/7 - Oread Meet  
Jan 13/14 - Red Rope (London) - 16 beds  
Jan 20/21 - Coventry M.C. - 16 beds  
Jan 27/28 - Ilkeston Ramblers - 16 beds  
Feb 3/4 - Oread Meet  
Feb 10/11 - Orpheus - 16 beds  
Feb 17/18 - Buxton M.C. - 10 beds  
Feb 24/25 - North Lindsey College, Scunthorpe - 16 beds  
March 3/4 - Nottingham Wayfarers - 16 beds  
March 10/11 - Rugby M.C. - 16 beds  
March 17/18 - Croydon M.C. - 16 beds  
March 24/25/26 - Easter - Oread

Members are reminded that in future all Heathy Lea bookings are also to be sent to Colin Hobday.

**Tan-y-Wyddfa Improvement and Maintainance C Hooley, Custodian**

30/9/88 - 1/10/88  
J Shreeve, F Phillips, S Bissel, G Burgess, J Salmon, C Hobday.

I was not present on this weekend but I was assured that the hut was practically painted throughout and a new stair carpet laid, a good effort by all who attended. It has not gone unnoticed that one or two new names are appearing on these events.

17/10/88 - 21/10/88  
C Hooley, M Hooley, E Phillips

These four days were spent putting in new wiring and spur boxes for the new storage heaters and immersion heaters. These are due to be installed at the end of November along with the new hot water system.

25/11/88 - 27/11/88

J Shreeve, M Hooley, C Hooley, R Sawyer, N Playden, I Spare, J Rogers, M Rogers

This weekend was the crunch weekend, old hot water system out, new hot water system and storage heaters in.

Margaret and I went down on Tuesday 22nd to complete one last run of wire and to take delivery of the storage heaters on Wednesday 23rd. J Shreeve arrived on Thursday and between then and Friday 25th, we were able to install the heaters in the wash rooms. On Friday evening the rest of the team arrived after a tortuous foggy journey from Derbyshire.

On Saturday the work really started in earnest. Under the skilled hands of Roy Sawyer, ably assisted by John Shreeve our joiner, the new plumbing began to take shape, while Ian and Nigel ripped out the old system including boiler, and disconnected radiators, leaving a clear area for me to install the remaining storage heater in place of the boiler. During this process Nigel quietly hacksawed through most of one finger which had become dirty and looked the same colour as the pipe he was cutting. With a pressure bandage applied he was whisked off to Bangor Hospital to have it stitched. Hours later they returned and rejoined the team; by Saturday evening the whole works were complete. We were all sustained by a constant flow of drinks, soup and succour provided by Margaret and guests Jane and Martin Rogers.

On behalf of the Club I would like to thank everyone for their efforts on these working weekends, it is good to see the hut gradually improving.

With this new system there will be constant hot water with a backup should it run out during the day and there will be no need to drain the system down during the winter. All one has to do is follow the instructions displayed in the hut and all will be well. If anyone feels the need to alter switches and controls, please have a lay down until the feeling passes; they have all been arranged to provide a comfortable stay at the hut and should only be altered through consultation with myself. My thanks again to everyone concerned.

#### **Welsh and Derbyshire Huts Sub-committee**

The next meeting of this committee will be on Tuesday February 21st, in the Rowing Club.

#### **Up and Down Around the World - 4 lectures**

These lectures are organised by the Bowline Climbing Club and Workers Educational Organisation.

Fri 20th Jan - P Littlejohn - Seacliff Climbing and Classic Alpinism

Fri 3rd Feb - M Sheldrake and A Wingfield - Parapente from Derbyshire to the Himalayas

Fri 17th Feb - J Barry - Small Expeditions: Laughing all the Way to the Top

Fri 3rd Mar - I+C Dring - Glasnost through the Ascent of Ushba

The lectures will be held at Vaughan College, St Nicholas Circle, Leicester, starting at 7.30pm. Tickets are available from Roger Turners or Vaughan College, price £3, or £10 for the series.

#### **Change of address**

Fred Phillips - Russdine, Chapel Lane, Crich, DE4 5BU.

Steve Tempest, 33 High Street, Linton, Burton-on-Trent, DE12 6QL (tel. Burton 762489).

## Annual Subscriptions

Subscriptions are due on 1st January 1989 and for 1989 have been set by the committee as £11 for members and £16 for family members. ( Prospective membership is thus £5.50 p.a.). This represents an increase of £1 over the subscription rate of both 1987 and 1988 and is necessary as part of the Club's budget which aims to break even in 1989.

Because of bank charges and poor service, the Club now uses the Yorkshire Bank ( no charges whilst in credit ) and not the Midland Bank. Those members who have paid subscriptions by standing order should therefore notify their bank of this change. Anyone wishing to henceforth pay by standing order should fill in the form below and send it to the appropriate bank. Alternatively remittance should be sent to Roger Larkam at 5 Leeds Place, Derby.

Please send all items for the newsletter to  
Helen Griffiths, 9 Bank Buildings, Chevin Road, Milford, Derbys. (tel. Derby 842293 (evenings)  
or Derby 249548 (work)).

Last date for contributions to the February newsletter - 17th January.

### Standing Order Instruction/Alteration \*

To Bank  
Address

Please pay the sum of eleven/sixteen\* pounds (£11/£16)\* from my account no.  
to account no. 050407 45028744 " Oread Mountaineering Club  
General Account ", Yorkshire Bank plc, 28 St Peters St, Derby  
on 1st January 1989 and on 1st January each year until further  
notice.

( This instruction supersedes the existing standing order to  
account no. 401915 50635766 (Midland Bank) which should be  
cancelled forthwith.)\*

signed

name

address

date

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