NEWSLETTER OF THE OREAD MOUNTAINEERING CLUB

April 1991

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

| Summary | |
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| 12 - 13 April | Tan-yr-Wyddfa Working party |
| 19 - 20 April | Derbyshire Walk |
| 26 April | AGM |
| 3 - 5 May | Yorkshire Dales |
| 10 - 11 May | Dow Ćrag |
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12 - 13 April Tan-yr-Wyddfa Working party Chuck Hooley This working party will take place entirely out of doors. Particular attention will be paid to the grounds of the hut including the narrow strip of land that runs down to the road. So please bring gardening and tree lopping tools. Please book bunks through Colin Hobday. A good hard day on Saturday should provide opportunities for recreation on Sunday. Free petrol as usual of course.

19 - 20 April Derbyshire Walk! Colin Hobday It would appear to be a long time since the Oread had a meet at Heathy Lea. The fire damage from last year has been made good; the hut has been re-decorated and re-furbished, so now is your chance to sample the hut and climb some of the routes first put up by Oreads many years ago.

I propose to meet on Saturday at Heathy Lea at 2.15 and then climb on Birchen's before moving on to Gardom's for the Grand Finale. The evening will take the form of a barbecue (in the old barn if wet). Please bring your own barbecue if you have one, along with food and drink. It is hoped that Reg Squires will provide the bonfire.

On Sunday, the traditional walk will start from Heathy Lea at 10.00 for a liquid lunch at the Chequers Inn below Froggatt Edge before returning to the hut.

Anyone wishing to stay at Heathy Lea should contact me either at the Brunswick or by telephoning 0332 551594. Look forward to seeing you all.

Saturday 26 April. 8 p.m. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING The AGM of the club will be at the Royal Oak in Ockbrook this year. The committee have nominated the following members for the various offices: Bobby Gilbert (President), Rock Hudson (vicepresident), Steve Bashforth (secretary), Roger Larkam (treasurer), Lisa Welbourn (asst. secretary), Chuck Hooley (huts custodian), Rob Tresidder (meets secretary), Colin Hobday (hut bookings secretary), Ray Darnell (Welsh hut caretaker), Ernie Phillips (Derbyshire hut caretaker), Richard Coghlan, Richard Hopkinson, Mike Wynne (Committee members).

Proposed alterations to rules 2, 12 & 15 were detailed in the last newsletter along with a proposed new rule on club liability. There will be the usual reports from the club's officers and probably an update from Dave Wright on his search for a climbing wall in Derby. RT

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4 - 6 May Mayday Holiday Yorkshire Dales Mike Wynne Deatils are as yet to be finalised for this meet, but the plan is to cater for both walking and climbing teams and for those who like a drop of good ale!

Hopefully we will be able to camp in a different place on each of the three nights of the bank holiday weekend, always near a good watering hole, and that depending on the balance of walkers/climbers, the car bound climbers will be able to transport vehicles and equipment to the next site for those who prefer to walk. Unfortunately the locals will not accept 30 rupees to carry our gear for us !

Friday night will definitely be in Kettlewell, just up the road from Kilnsey. Simple farm campsite in easy reach of fine watering holes. Saturday will probably be at the Malham campsite which will provide a fine day's walk, while climbing will be found at Attermire Scar, Malham or other lesser crags nearby. Sunday may be near Ribblehead if I can find out about a campsite there which would put Twistleton and Crummockdale in easy reach and provide an opportunity for the three peaks to be jogged over before breakfast. On the other hand we may be still at Malham!

For full details please contact me at the Brunswick or on 0332 360851. For logistical purposes I do need to know who is coming and roughly what they intend to do at least a week before.

<u>Change</u> of <u>date</u>: please note that the photo meet will now take place on Saturday 12 October in Holloway. Details nearer the time.

PAST EVENTS AND ANCIENT HISTORY

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL OREAD FELL RACE

It was a dismal wet day for this year's race. In spite of this the numbers of competitors held up well and the race was much better supported than usual by a walking contingent in small parties totalling nearly a dozen. Many thanks to Sally and Kate, the soup making and serving stalwarts in their makeshift stone kitchen. After deductions for soup and squash, a total of f10.00 was donated to Comic Relief.

The course started and finished in Haywood and went first to the Tegness Pinnacle (where a clockwise circumnavigation was offered as an optional extra). A steep descent led to the bridge at Grindleford station and then an ascent almost as steep to Lawrencefield where runners were invited to climb Shallow Chimney or Grass Groove. Across the Surprise and up to Mother Cap which nearly everyone climbed. From there back across the Burbage brook and through Longshaw country park by way of the lake in Granby Wood.

I hope the marshals enjoyed scribbling and spectating as much as I did - thank you all.

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| 1 | Gresty | 11:07:30 | 12:02:33 | 38m33 | + () = | 38m33 | 55m3 |
| 2 | Larkam | 11:15:30 | 12:04:42 | 40m42 | + 0 = | 40m42 | 49m12 |
| 3 | Gilbert | 11:17 | 12:05:42 | 41m42 | + 0 = | 41m42 | 48m42 |
| 4 | Chambers | 11:09 | 12:07:42 | 43m42 | + () = | 43m42 | 58m42 |
| 5 | Lancaster | 11:15 | 12:04:56 | 40m56 | + 4 = | 44m56 | 53m56 |
| 6 | Hopkinson | 11:24 | 12:09:07 | 45m07 | + () = | 45m7 | 45m7 |
| | Crosland | 11:11:30 | 12:09:35 | 45m35 | + O = | 45m35 | 58m5 |
| 7 | Tresidder J | 11:00:30 | 12:07:03 | 43m03 | + 6 = | : 49m3 | 72m33 |
| 8 | Eyre | 11:08 | 12:08:42 | 44m42 | + 6 = | : 50m42 | 66m42 |

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11:10 12:07:59 43m59 + 9 = 52m59 79 Hudson 66m59 10 Tresidder, G 11:08 12:11:55 47m55 + 6 = 53m55 69m55 10 Hobday 12:09:46 45m46 + 9 = 54m46 11:01 77m46 12:10:14 46m14 + 9 = 55m14Baker 11:13 66m14 12:19:42 55m42 + 0 = 55m42 11 Radcliffe 11:18 61m42 11:13 12:29:17 65m17 + 0 = 65m1776m17 12 Jonson 11:10 12:35:49 71m49 + 4 = 75m4989m49 Briggs 13 Raphael A & J 11.05 12:34:35 70m35 + 9 = 79m35 98m35 (A/s: after scratch; Pen.: penalty minutes) RT CHANGES O F ADDRESS Marcaret Osman 12 Minimum Terrace, Buythorpe, Chesterfield S40 2QG (Correction) Ron Chambers 43 Bedehouse Lane, Cromford, Derbyshire DE4 HUT BOOKINGS Welsh hut: 5 - 6 April vacant 12 - 13 OMC working party 19 - 20 G Gadsby - whole hut 26 - 27 vacant 3 - 5 OMC (not a meet) May 10 - 11 G Gadsby 12 beds Derbyshire hut: Heathy Lea is now fully functioning. Please pay particular attention to security when using the Derbyshire hut. 13 - 14 2 beds April 20 - 21 Oread meet (see above) 27 - 28 Pinnacle Club 12 beds May 10 - 11 Northumbria MC 12 beds Coventry MC (Sunday lunch in the barn) SHORT NOTICES Roger Larkam has received a letter from Nan Axon, a founder member of the club. She hopes to organise a re-union of early members of the club in the spring or early summer. She mentions the following by name: Paul Gardiner, Dave Penlington, Bob Pettigrew, Ray Edwards, John Adderley, "Tipper", George Sutton, Eddie Say and Harry Pretty. I hope my roving reporter will be invited to record re-enactments of such moments as the first ascents of Topsail and Oread! NEXT EDITION I intend to publish the next edition on Tuesday, 7 May. Please send all written material to me at 61 West End, Wirksworth DE4 4EG to arrive by Monday, 29 April. I especially look forward to hearing from Lisa Welbourn, Bobby Gilbert, Keith Gregson, Roger Larkam, Ron Chambers, Derryck Burgess, oh and myself! Rob Tresidder

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