

## OREAD MOUNTAINEERING CLUB

## NEWSLETTER OF THE OREAD MOUNTAINEERING CLUB

June 1993

The scene and composition of the Oread has changed considerably since my last stint as Meets sec and therefore newsletter editor in 1972. I do not however intend to change the present format of the newsletter in the short term. Rob, as my most immediate predecessor has done a fine job for which we should all be grateful, and I think it appropriate to follow his format The next two months should bring the best of the summer weather, and the best meets often take place before the summer holidays. (The Alps are now only for the traditionalist, there is much more diversity in the main holiday these days). In the immediate future we have choose your own venue, Wales, two local meets, a destination which Larkham will not disclose until the publication deadline, T.W.Y. and finally another of these very popular Derbyshire walks.

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Summary

4 - 5 June Pinnacle of Achievement

11 - 12 June Cwm Eigiau 11 - 12 June Roches

Wed 16 June

Midsummer Manifold Madness

18 - 19 June Heathy Lea Barbeque

18 - 19 June Remoter Rock 26 - 27 June Wasdale

2 - 3 July Tan Wr Wyddfa Sun 11 July Summer Stroll

4 - 5 June Pinnacle of Achievement Bobby Gilbert

See May Newsletter for particulars.

John Green 1i - 12 June Cwm Eigiau

See April Newsletter for particulars.

11 - 12 June Roches Ron Chambers See May Newsletter for particulars.

Wed 16 June Midsummer Manifold Madness Kev Allsobrook Summrer is here yet again so it's time to get down to the Manifold area for a bit of madness. Plenty to get at at such places as Beeston Tor. or what about Thor's Cave. Then again you could go to Dovedale like me. I'll be leaving the Milldale car park at about 6.00pm. and heading to Ravenstor via a paddle. Wherever you go I hope to see you in the pub, the Watts Russell for a change, and don't forget to go mad.

Heathy Lea Barbeque Colin Hobday Long hot days, warm summer evenings, all the makings of a good weekend. I propose to meet at 2.15 on Saturday at Heathy Lea

spending the afternoon climbing on Gardoms and returning via the Robin Hood at about 6.00 for a pint or two before commencing the barbeque at 7.30 It is hoped that Reg Squires will provide the bonfire and Mike Wren the music (Hope is all that one dare express in respect of those two drunken bums -Ed.) Please bring a portable barbeque if you have one plus food drink etc. Those wishing to stay the night please book as accommodation is limited, or just turn up for the day or evening. Sunday will be a walking or climbing day depending on what takes your fancy. For more details contact Colin Hobday on Derby 551594 or at the Brunswick.

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i8 - i9 June Remoter Rock Roger Larkham Eschew those crags where you have burdens of preconceived burdens of supposed limitations. Discard "I've done all I can do there". Get thee to Kinder Downfail. Have a mind for Herford's Mermaid's Ridge (100ft. VS on Kinder Buttress) Ragald's Wall(60 ft Ei SA Amphitheatre), Don't Look Back (150 ft HVS 5A), Gomorragh (90 ft. VS 4C), Girdle (330 ft ft VS 4C) All on Great Buttress. I propose the Downfail on Saturday to complement the Barbeque activities. Walk in from Bowden Bridge (gr. 048 869) and head for Great Buttress.Burbage (possibly North), a similarly unfashionable crag, is proposed for Sunday

26 - 27 June Wasdale Ron Chambers
Not on the Meets card, but a vacant weekendand at the end of June,
it seems sacrilige, so why not a trip to Wasdale?
The area needs no introduction from me apart from saying
Scafell", "Gable" & "Pillar"! - a connoisseur's choice whether
walking or climbing.
Camping will be at the National Trust site at the head of
Wastwater.
contact me either at the Brunswick or on 0629 823797 for lifts
etc.

2 - 3 July

Tan Wr Wyddfa

Steve Bashforth Though
hopefully I'il have been walking and climbing in the Pyrenees, this
is an alpine training meet! We hope to have a good walk and climb
circuit of Snowdon, with rock routes on Cloggy. On the Sunday we'd
look forward to climbing in the pass, or Tremadoc or out to
Anglesey depending on the weather. Please 'phone me or drop a line
after June 15th, when I'll be back, to book your place.

Sun 11 July Summer Stroll Dave Weston The start for this walk will be Errwood Reservoir car park grid ref 013757 (O.S White Peak map) and the time 10.00am The best approach is the A5004 Buxton - Whaley Bridge road, over the dam and you can't miss it. Don't come down the Goyt valley as the road is closed on From the car park we will walk by the Fernilee Reservoir and the River Goyt to Taxal, then to Combs by wayb of Tunstead Farm. Lunch will be taken at the Beehive pub in Combs. After lunch we will walk over Castle Naze and Combs Edge to descend to Whitehall and then by the track back to Errwood Reservoir. So if you can tear yourselves away from the crag or are recovering from the climbing competition ,plus your Pinnacle of Achievement why not spend a day on the Summer Stroil. If you want to do a longer walk, can I suggest you start from the

Derbyshire Bridge car park and go via the Cat and Fiddle, down Shooters Clough to Errwood Hall and then to the car park or catch us up along Fernilee Reservoir. We will be going down the East side of the River Goyt after Fernilee Reservoir. Hoping to see all Oreads and friends. We shall be starting at 10.00 am prompt.

PAST EVENTS (Not in chronological order)
Mountaineering Competition

There was an excellent turnout in almost ideal weather (perhaps a bit sweaty) and most teams targeted the well explored Baslow area edges. Rob and Radders stripped to running order, not bothering to carry any equipment except a rope and so, with Gregson and Rock handicapped by the former's drinking habits, scored maximum points. The jury is still out on a suitable penalty for Radcliffe's immediate departure to play croquet! Jack Ashcroft concentrated wholly on trig point bashing and covered heroic distance, Colin Hobday suffered greatly with the most erratic partner.

T.Y.W. Working Party.

Though not very well supported, quite a lot of jobs were done viz: New light fitting installed in kitchen, and ceiling painted. Drying room, utility room and toilets decorated. Two rear bedrooms decorated. Grass mown around the hut.

Special thanks for all the hard work done by John Shreeve, Peter, Georgina and Robert Amour.

## May Committee Meeting

A letter was received advertising walks and climbs in Russia in the Kodar-Sayan, Kopet-Dug and Pamir pountains. Details are available from the secretary.

The hut sub-committee reported that THE BARN AT HEATHY LEA MUST NOT BE USED as the roof is unsafe. Chuck Hooley was discussing the situation with the newly appointed estates manager at Chatsworth. Alternative occommodation which might be considered includes the pumping station after Severn-Trent-Water decommission the building.

Preparations for the photo-meet were progressing with final confirmation of the booking of Holloway village hall awaited Climbers at High Tor had been met with intimidating abuse. Anyone subjected to this type of occurrence should mreport the incident to the local police and the B.M.C.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

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HUT BOOKINGS

Tan Yr Wyddfa

June 4-5 June 11-12 June 18-19 June 25-27 July 2 K. Gregson Whole Hut A.B.M.S.A.C 10 Beds Derby Scouts 16 Beds Red Rose 16 Beds

Oread Meet

Heathy Lea

June 12 June 19-20 June 25-26 Work Party Cancelled Oread Meet Bar-B-Q Gloucester M.C.

Cottage

July 2-3

Midland Ski Club

Cottage

NEXT EDITION

I hope to print this on Tues 6 July. Please let me have your contributions by Mon 28 June. I look forward to hearing from Rock Hudson, ROB TRESSIDER, Gill Male, Steve McDonagh and Mike Moss. (this form of summons is sanctified by time) Clive Russell.