



# OREAD MOUNTAINEERING CLUB

NEWSLETTER FOR MARCH 1996

## *summary*

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Ockbrook  
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### *Mar 3 heathy lea Fell Race chris radlciffe*

The fell race will be based at Heathy Lea with start at 11.00 so you will need to be there at 10.30 to allow time to study the course and consider your options. The usual handicapping arrangements will apply so everyone will have a chance of winning.

Hope to see you all on the day.

### *mar 5 (Tues) Indoor meet royal oak ockbrook*

I heard rumours of a possible change to the programme for this meet. This has neither been confirmed nor denied, so contact Steve Bashforth (0116 2395919) for confirmation of the programme, if desired. Indoor meets normally start at 8pm.

### *Mar 9-10 Patterdale colin barnard*

A good old chestnut-Not a lot of places left at all, so if you are interested give me a ring double quick on 01785 276359 (work) or 01785 664644 (home) The hut (GR 394162) is excellent and the format should be well known to all. Meet in the White Lion Inn on Friday evening or in the hut. Looking forward to seeing you.

### *Mar 15-19 Ski Touring Cairngorms richard coghlan*

I now have 12 people signed up for this meet. Plans have crystallised into a long weekend format, everyone arriving on Friday 15th March, some departing on Monday 18th and

some on Tuesday 19th. Latecomers are welcome, but may have to make their own arrangements for accommodation (I can't guarantee that the Youth Hostel will not be booked up by now). 'Phone me on Derby 753807 if you are interested.

### *Mar 23-24 Heathy Lea Working Party john shreeve*

Yes, it's that time of year again-Spring clean up working party. The Hut Committee hopes that willing members, also prospective members, will turn up for the two day event. Jobs to be done are- Wood cutting if we can't get around the main committee for a new chain saw, painting of bedroom walls, renewal of washroom ceiling, making up of duck boards, general painting round the hut as required. The porch floor tiles require burning off and the floor painting. A good clean up round the property is required.

Any help would be welcome for both, or only one day.

For more information contact

Chuck Hooley, John Shreeve, Rock Hudson or Colin Hobday, at their homes or at the Brunswick.

### *march 30 A.G.M. committee*

The annual general meeting will take place at the Greyhound Hotel in Cromford market place at 8pm . No proposals for alteration to the club's rules have so far been received. The committee have proposed the following as candidates for election of officers: Brian West (President.) Ron Chambers (Vice President and Meets secretary) Stephen Bashforth (Secretary) Shirley Wainwright (Assistant Secretary) Chuck Hooley (Huts Custodian) Colin Hobday (Hut Booking Secretary) Clive Russell (Newsletter Editor). Michael Hayes is willing to serve again as a committee member, and other posts on the present committee, under the rules, can be filled by co-opting members. Any club member willing to serve in this capacity should therefore get in touch with a committee member.

N.B. No alteration to the club rules can be made except at an Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting and only if supported by not less than two thirds of those present and eligible to vote. One fifth of the full membership of the club shall form a quorum. Proposed alterations shall be submitted in writing to the General Secretary not less than 28 days before the Meeting, and the Secretary must notify all members of the proposed alterations at least 14 days before the Meeting. (Rule 17)

### ***April 3 (Wed) Harborough Rocks***

The official start to warmer and lighter seasons is signalled by our first outdoor evening climbing venue, the beginner's and early season place par excellence.

## **FUTURE EVENTS**

### ***easter wineaholics meet france richard hopkinson***

See last month's newsletter.

Having been underwhelmed by the response so far, I have nothing to add to last month's notice. "Buis" is still the favourite starting point but as we know of other groups going to other French venues at Easter, I am inclined to keep my options open as we will not go to Buis on our own.

## **PAST EVENTS**

### ***president's meet***

I would like to thank everyone who made the effort to get out on the President's Meet 27 people attended at Peak Dale, most of them having walked there through the best/worst conditions of the winter so far.

Thanks especially to messrs. Gregson, Wren and Larkham, who amazed us with the extent of their musical bent.

Brian West

## **HUT NEWS**

### ***Bookings Heathy Lea***

Mar 1/2 R. Tresidder Cottage

Mar 23/24 Work Party.

### ***Bookings Tan Yr Wyddfa***

Mar 1/2	Vibram M.C.	16 beds
Mar 8/9	Avon Outdoor	16 beds
Mar 15/16	B.P.M.C.	16 beds
Mar 22/23	Coventry M.C.	16 beds
Mar 29/30	Exiles M.C.	16 beds

## **SHORT NOTICES**

### **BRAIN TEASER**

#### ***solutions to february problems***

The first two sentences were taken from Harding's Black Rocks guide, followed by two from the South Snowdon Guide description of Lockwood's Chimney, two from the Climber's Club guide description of Reade's Route on Crib Goch buttress, (one of my favourites), with the alarming conclusion from Wainwright's humorous account of conditions in Lord's Rake, Scafell (the latter even more eroded following a blood curdling ascent by Margaret.)

#### ***this month's problem***

A prominent city accountant "Knight's Attendants", or K, cast off the veneer of financial probity at weekends, and became a notorious karabiner thief. He systematically robbed his climbing companions "Northern Castle" or C, and "Steal Cattle" or S. At the start of 1986 N had 2.5 times as many karabiners as K, and S had one less than N. From then until the end of 1990, K stole one per season and finished up having 1.5 times as many as S, who then had two less than N. How many karabiners had the three men at the start and finish of the period?

## **STOP PRESS**

***28 february (wed) Climbing wall - nottingham richard coghlan***

A cadre of regular wednesday evening indoor wall climbers has been established in the club This will be a good opportunity to see the Or-ead's elite in action (and maybe join them if you are good enough).

### **NEXT EDITION**

I hope to post this on *Sat Mar 30th..* It is essential that particulars of all events for this edition reach me by *Friday Mar 22nd.. and preferably earlier.*

*I look forward to hearing from Dave Weston, Chuck Hooley, Nick Evans and Rob Tresidder.*

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