

OREAD MOUNTAINEERING CLUB

MEETS CIRCULAR

MAY/JUNE 1971

MAY 21st/23rd

CWM COWARCH

D. APPLEBY

What else can be said of the Cwm Cowarch meet that has'nt been said before - year after year it's been a good 'un and always (usually) the weather is perfect.

Janes has recently led this meet but it's been rumoured that the grass in Shelton Lock is growing quickly this year so therefore he's jumard himself onto the lawn mower and the only route he'll be doing is a straight one down to the potting shed. But even he can't and won't miss this meet - even if I have to drag him there myself.

Bryn Haffod has been booked and we have always filled it - the rest havin' to camp on the meadow lower down the valley, so if you want a bed book now. Only 24 places are available to visitors. For those who want them, here are the details:-
Bryn Haffod stands at the head of Cwm Cowarch (G.R. . . . 853194) near Dinas Mawddwy in Merionethshire. Cars are left on the common 'Fawnog Fawr' Please park carefully to avoid farm vehicles. The hut is twenty minutes walk from the place where you park your cars.

Craig Cowarch yields climbs of all standards with routes upto 500 ft. long and good routes are to be found on other crags in the area.

The Arrans (highest point Aran Fawddy 2,970') provide enjoyable walking and Cader Idris is within reach (just!) and you'll be ready for the Knacker's yard at the end of the day.

Boozing is to be had in the village of Dinas Mawddwy (Red Lion) a good pint and a good landlord with a singing room in the back - if you want it.

So whatever you want out of a good weekend :-

Climbing
Walking
Getting a good tan
Boozing

it's all in Cwm Cowarch so let's see the usual turn-out - get yourself on one of the best meets on the Oread calendar.

See me in the Wilmot for offers of lifts. Unfortunately the hut is now fully booked but don't forget the camping facilities in the meadow.

MAY 28th/JUNE 1st.

ISLE OF ARRAN

C. CRADDOCK

After a lapse of two years I am once again introducing an Arran meet at Whit.

For anyone who has never been to this attractive island in the Firth of Clyde, I can say without a doubt that it is well worth a visit. The island has some extremely fine ridge-walking and peaks like A'Chir, Cir Mhor and Goat Fell will not disappoint you, whilst for those who wish to climb, Rosa Pinnacle and Sou' West Slabs offer some very good routes.

We shall be camping up Glen Rosa grid ref. 003375 and shall, as usual leave the cars on the mainland. I expect therefore most people will be hiring one of the 'bone-shaker' Arran bikes and I seem to recall that the hire charge for these was £1.00 plus 50p deposit.

I shall be pleased to hear of anyone who is going and who can offer a lift or requires one. Please contact me at the Wilmot any Tuesday.

BLACK ROCK'S MEET

Because a large number of members are having an extended holiday at Whit this meet has been put back to JUNE 9th.

JUNE 11th/13th

COMBINED LAKELAND WALK AND CRAG LOUGH MEET

P. JANES

Yet another vivid, breathtaking, epoch making first. Why, you might ask, has'nt somebody thought of it before. Because, my dear lad, all the pacemakers have long since gone to the fuller life or banished to a wilderness that is Holbrook.

The idea is that this meet replaces the previously programmed Welsh Walk. The walkers will walk roughly the line of Hadrian's Wall from West to East starting at Brampton (9 miles to the east of Carlisle) and finishing at Chollerford (above Hexham) on route, the walk will pass quite close to Crag Lough which will enable those stalwarts who absolutely must climb the facility of climbing on the Sunday. Thereturn to the start (and cars) will be accomplished by bus from Hexham. This will be confirmed nearer the day. Lloyd Caris (our man rebuilding the Cumberland end of the wall in time for the meet) has very kindly agreed to organise the Pub situation and a barn for 'noddies' on Friday night at the start. This will be advised later.

Now for those of you who have read this far without even reaching into the hearth for your Davenport, it means you're some special brand of man who feels the need to climb. For these gentlemen I am proposing a camping weekend at Crag Lough or even use of the local climbing hut if this can be organised through the auspices of another of our northern comrades.

I'm sure this could be a good weekend, catering as it does for both sides of the house (even archaeologists) but the transport obviously needs organising carefully. Carlisle is only about 4 hours away and M.6 all the way.

Will all interested parties contact me at the Wilmot or by phone. This will be necessary in the case of the walking party in order to 'firm up' on the Friday night boozing venue !

What a bold imaginative scheme!

Thank you Brian and Marian Cooke.

Telephone :- Home - Chellaston 3325
Work - Derby 61461 Ext. 305.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

ARCTIC NORWAY 1972

C. CRADDOCK

I am gathering so much information in connection with this proposed Oread 'mini' expedition, that I am considering having a preliminary meeting sometime in June for all persons who are interested in going, I shall however, be giving more definite details of a date and venue.

I shall be pleased to hear of anyone who is going on this meet since I believe that I shall have to book the boat about November of this year.

GLEN ETIVE

D. BURGESS.

On checking out costs for this proposed coach meet, we have found that with a coach load of about 30 people it will run at approx £5 per head. If however the number of people interested is lower than 30 or so, we shall have to revert to the usual transport of private cars and abandon the idea of a bus.

So names, please, to Derrick Burgess as soon as possible.

TO ALL HUT USERS

It has been pointed out recently, that the rule banning dogs from the huts has been forgotten/overlooked by some members and friends.

Would all hut users please ensure that this rule is honoured in future. Signed by D. Appleby & R. Chambers.

TAN-Y-WYDDFA

A large number of cups and eating utensils has 'strayed' from the hut and replacements are urgently required. All donations, money or goods to Dave, Thank you.

If anyone is going to Tan-y-Wyddfa in the near future and has room for some fencing, please contact Dave.

NEW MEMBER

Roger Kingshott, 4 Park Avenue, Keyworth, was made a member at the last committee meeting.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

Andy Dunham is now living at 55, Grosvenor Gardens, Jesmond, NEWCASTLE.

Leni and Denis Gray have now left for Kenya where their new address will be- Kenya Litho Ltd., P.O. Box 775, Cardiff Road, NAIROBI.

FOR SALE

Ladies Henke Ski Boots size 5; Good Condition £3.50. Contact Betty Gardiner.

Geñts Ski Boots size 9½ £3.00 o.n.o. Contact Paul Gardiner.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

There are still some members who have not yet paid their subs for this year and their reference is drawn to rule 15 which states that any members with subs still unpaid on June 30 runs the risk at the discretion of the committee of being 'struck off' the list of members.