

OREAD MOUNTAINEERING CLUB  
MEETS CIRCULAR SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 1972

SEPT 22/24

WELSH HUT WORKING PARTY

J. WELBOURN

It has been agreed that the working party will concentrate on the painting of the outside of the building particularly the west wall. Two extra ladders will probably be available to speed up this operation as there is a possibility that a thorough wire brushing of the surface will be necessary prior to painting. Gordon Gadsby will be on hand to give advice regarding this.

A certain amount of landscaping can be done in the garden.

In the event of poor weather painting will be carried out in the various rooms plus plastering and renewal of skirting boards.

If you are joining this W.P. please let Colin Hobday know and bring along the necessary tools.

SEPT 29/OCT 1

SYMONDS YAT

R. REEVE

Unfortunately Robin is unable to lead the meet but with a bit of luck this could be as well attended as last year.

To get there take M5-M50-A40 towards Whitchurch (O.S. Map 142 grid 549175) About ½ mile before Whitchurch turn left towards Goodrich on B4229. After about 1 mile (grid 569183) turn sharp right down a narrow lane, over a bailey bridge towards Huntsham Hill where the lane traverses round the hill in a left hand direction before dropping into a small valley. This is where the campsite is, on the left at a house called 'Highview'. (grid 562162 approx).

Everything about this area is good—climbing, walking, scenery, beer and it's only 2 hours from Derby.

OCT 3

INDOOR MEET, ROYAL OAK, DOCKBROOK.

8.00 P.M.

For the first indoor meet of the season we are holding a members evening, so dig out those funnies and let's have a good laugh. Try and be there on time so we can make an early start.

OCT 7

PHOTO MEET

G. REYNOLDS

ROYAL OAK, BAKEWELL 7.30 PROMPT.

Now is the time to bring out those slides you didn't consider in the Milner Mould. This year we are fortunate in having Ned Kelly to judge the competition and as he is colour blind it might give us lesser mortals a chance against Radders and Gadsby. Who knows Ned Kelly might not like those 1st. class slides, so don't cling onto your lot get them entered as this may be your lucky year.

The rules etc., below are printed by kind permission of Ken Hodge who appears to be the only one who keeps a record of them.

All slides must be in the Meet Leader's HANDS by Tuesday evening 3rd. OCT. Together with the entry fee of 12½p. per person. The rules are set out below and particular attention should be paid to Rule No. 6 concerning the mounting and identification of slides, in order that there is no doubt concerning a) the ownership of the exhibit; b) the section of entry and c) the correct way round for projection.

The competition rules are as follows:-

- 1) The competition will be limited to 35mm colour transparencies suitably mounted for projection on a screen.
- 2) There are two cups—one for overall 1st. place and the other for overall second place. They will be held for one year only.
- 3) The sections of the competition will be divided as follows:-
  - (A) MOUNTAINEERING AT HOME
    - (a) General Views
    - (b) Action
  - (B) MOUNTAINEERING ABROAD
    - (a) General Views
    - (b) Action
  - (C) CLUB INTEREST (To be judged by the President)
- 4) Number of entries to be three (3) in each section giving a total of 15.
- 5) No transparency placed 1st., 2nd., or 3rd., in a previous Oread competition to be entered.

- 6) All transparencies to be mounted in glass or plastic preferably 2"x 2" They should be spotted in the bottom left-hand corner looking at the slide the correct way round and marked with the competitor's name and appropriate section of entry.  
e.g. Mountaineering Abroad-General Views. Any slide not correctly marked will not be JUDGED.
- 7) Points will be awarded for 1st., 2nd., & 3rd., places in each sub-section on the basis of 3 points for 1st; 2 points for 2nd; and 1 point for 3rd.

The competitor obtaining the highest points aggregate after the judging of the five sections shall be declared the winner.

If anyone requires a pit at the Cottage please contact me at the Wilmot.

OCT 13/15

RHINOGS

P. GARDINER

I can't really remember how it was that I came to have my name down for this meet. As far as I can recall it was only when Williams had twisted my arm up my back and was forcing the third pint down me that I submitted. One has to be pretty far gone to agree to run a meet in this sort of territory.

However, having been landed with the job it is wise to look at the implications of traversing the Rhinogs in mid-October when the days will be shortening.

To my mind the criteria are:-

- 1) To have a variation of the usual south to north thrutch which, on the last occasion, took 12 hours and even then Fawr was by-passed.
- 2) To provide a bivvy site for Friday night which can be found with relative ease.
- 3) Ease of retrieving cars without either having to cover long distances or, alternatively, walk in a circle.
- 4) The proximity of a boozery on Saturday night should be an added inducement to turn out.

For the benefit of those who are this year getting the totally wrong idea of hill walking there will be no teams of four starting off at timed intervals and having cards stamped at selected check points, neither will accommodation be permitted in Hotels even if of only 1 star rating.....

The plan is:-

FRIDAY NIGHT Leave the Transfynydd-Dolgelley road (A487) at a point approx. 2½ miles south of Transfynydd Lake at grid 713306 in a westerly direction (small sign at turn marked CWRT.) pass through a gate 100yds. from main road and travel 2.2 miles to entrance of Forestry Commission Land Coed-y-Brenin. Bivvy at grid 685302.

SATURDAY A 1½ mile walk through the forest to Bwlch Tyddiad and a N. to S. traverse of the Rhinogs & Y Llethr, descending on good tracks parallel to the Afon Gamlan to Ganllwyd. Campsite approx. ½ mile S. of Ganllwyd.

Suggest cars fetched back to this point as there is ample parking space. I will ferry 2 drivers.

There is fine local forest walking here for non-combatants, lady drivers, & Co.

SUNDAY I propose to break what is, for me, new ground by walking N.E. parallel with the Afon Mawddach (fishing rods to be well concealed) and cross the watershed to descend the Afon Lliw to Llanuwchllyn.

I anticipate the usual pre-walk shambles in the Wilmot on Tues 10th. Oct. where no doubt the transport will get sorted out ??.

OCT 20/22

HEATHY LEA WORKING PARTY

R. CHAMBERS

Well, this weekend, apart from installing a washbasin in the small room below the stairs I think an all out effort on the barn is required.

Although the date for the official opening of the Geoff Hayes Memorial Barn has been put back to the AGM. weekend there still isn't much time to do the amount of work involved. Lets hope that all will give a little in the way of practical help. The work envisaged is as follows:-

- 1) Finish off Bedding.
- 2) Provide a Sink Unit.
- 3) Provide Calor Gas Rings.
- 4) Provide a Stove or Heater.

As usual everyone willing to work is more than welcome!!.

At a recent committee meeting it was agreed that the Geoff Hayes Memorial fund would be closed at the end of September.

NEW MEMBERS At a recent committee meeting Los Peel was made a Full member.

TEAM ALPHA There is a meeting arranged for 8.00pm on Monday 9th Oct. at the Black Horse

TAN-Y-WYDDFA BOOKINGS

Sept 22/24 W. Party  
During Oct, no bookings as yet.  
Nov 3/5 17 beds booked.

FOR SALE

- 1 pair hand sewn Italian Mountaineering Boots size 10 nearly new £3.
- 1 pair ski's with release bindings. Length 190cm. £7-50. see Colin Hobday.

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- 1 pair size 7 first class F.E.B. Mountaineering Boots £7-50 will travel 6m.p.h. see Roy Darnell.

Next Meets Card There are still a few blank weekends on the next card. If you fancy leading a meet please let me know the time and venue before Monday 2nd Oct.

Save now for the event of the year--The Annual Dinner  
The next circular will contain the booking form, and full details.