

READ MOUNTAINEERING CLUB

MEETS CIRCULAR MARCH/ APRIL 1973

MARCH 23/25

LANGDALE

dave appleby

"Langdale again! every year we go to Langdale Well why not - it's easy to get to - it's good climbing with Pavey, Gimner, Harrison's etc plus walking to your hearts content. The only thing against Langdale is the camping. I'm sure that you will agree that it can be bloody awful, but at the end of March it should be clear of the pogoes of this world and be free for all we respectable short haired Oreads. So we shall see you at the campsite - boozing should be at The Langdales and I shall be there on Friday night from 9.00pm. Colledge has promised to come and show us all his Alpine tan - accompanied by James and Pretty who will be supplying the ale for a change - Handley will be leading all the routes in his newly acquired Caber ski-boots - high backed, plastic and all (the man or the boots? C.R.) So get your tents out - plus your sponges and get on this meet.

APRIL 6/8

WELBOURNE'S WANDER

JOHN WELBOURNE

Friday night camp at Llangollan campsite. Saturday cross the Berwyns taking in the main peaks and continuing to Bala through the Aber Hunant Forest. The campsite at Bala is very close to the Lake and about  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile from the pubs in the town. The success of such a walking week-end depends upon people offering to drive their cars with the camping gear. In the past this rotten job has usually been left to a few ladies, and so that whoever gives up Saturday's walk I propose to do a circular walk on Sunday including all around the Bala area giving one and all a chance to argue and moan with Welbourne as was the special feature of the wanders in Derbyshire not so long ago. The campsite details will be settled as soon as possible and members will be notified as to the conditions of the barns which may have to be used in emergency. Seventy sheep can raise the floor level of a barn  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " in a period of three weeks. Any member in doubt ring Ernie Phillips for details.

APRIL 20/23

SCOTLAND

Reg Squires

Ann Squires

(watch this space)

Camping will be in Glen Etive, at the first vacant spot by the river about a mile down the Glen, G.R. (approx) 240.540 This may be less squalid than Clenceoe itself. The crags of the Buchaille and Trilleachan Slabs are near at hand, a short drive and the Aonach Eagach Ridge, i.e. climbing on Aonach Dubh and Glen Aonach and skiing in the Grey Corries are all possible, not to mention innumerable Munros, offering fine walking-mountaineering. Don't blame me if the snow goes and melts, as usual Kinghouse is within staggering distance, thus avoiding the horrors of the Clachaig. I hope to arrive at my normal time of late early morning, but may not arrive at all if my offspring chooses this time to enter the world. Don't stay away in droves - it might have snowed and you may even get a glimpse of Kershaw as he comes out of his hibernation in the south.

BOOTS FOR SALE

No doubt as a result of the punishment which Eric Wallace and myself handed out to Ashcroft on last years High Peak Marathon, he is offering his boots for sale. These he describes as size 8 Kastingers, a good buy at £7 o.n.o. Any takers please ring Jack at Sheffield 362463

SUMMER AND AUTUMN MEETS

Any suggestions for meets during the six months after Easter would be gratefully received. Please phone me at Matlock 3411 ext 273 during office hours. I hope to have a tentative programme ready for the committee meeting on March 22nd.

RUSTY