

Oread Newsletter

April 1989

April 4th Indoor Meet, Royal Oak, Ockbrook Tony Raphael

This month's meet will be the Oread Anniversary slide show, an entertaining evening covering past and wide-ranging exploits of the Oread! A slightly earlier start this time, at 7.45pm. See you there.

Wednesday April 5th Harborough

This year's first Wednesday night climbing will be at Harborough. The evening are still fairly short so there should be plenty of time for a few pints in the Gate!

April 8th-9th Derbyshire Barn Meet Clive Russell

This meet will follow the successful format of previous years, meeting at 1pm on Saturday for a brisk walk through the Dales, followed by a gargantuan meal on Saturday night, a drink in the British Legion Club and then a barn bivouac. On Sunday there will be a gentle walk back to Wetton, taking refreshment at lunchtime probably in the George. The Saturday rendezvous will be at the car park in Wetton this year, (map ref. 109553) at 1pm on Sat 8th April.

The cost of the meal and the night's kip will be £5, please let me have your booking and remittance before Easter. Sleeping bags and airbeds will be required, and also the means of cooking breakfast on Sunday morning.

April 11th Alpine Meet Discussion

If you're interested in attending/organizing this year's Alpine meet, arrive at the Rowing Club slightly earlier than usual to discuss it.

April 14th-15th Tan-y-Wyddfa Working Party Committee

This meet will be used for a general "spring clean" of the hut, both inside and out. Contact Chuck Hooley if you're thinking of attending.

April 21st-22nd Oread Anniversary Meet Committee

This year is the 40th anniversary of the Oread Mountaineering Club, which was formed on the 21st April 1949 at the Guild Street School, Burton-on-Trent.

To celebrate the event, the committee invite members, prospective members, and their guests to a **BUFFET-DANCE AND SOCIAL EVENING** at Cavendish Hall, Edensor, on Saturday, April 22nd, 1989.

Tickets are £5 per head and will be available from the committee (cheques payable to the Oread M C please). To make sure we cater for the right number of people please buy your tickets by 8th APRIL AT THE LATEST.

It should be a good 'do' with a fine spread of food to suit all palates. The bar facilities will provide all the liquid refreshment you can hope for. The music will be provided by Alan Squires' Band, which will work at a noise level that will allow you to socialise, or to dance. It's a good opportunity for the Club to meet and it would be great if the more long-standing members could contact former members and bring them along. Please make an effort.

Beds are available at Heathy Lea and booking should be made through Colin Hobday. It would be nice if members would be willing to provide accommodation for those living outside the area who are unable to find a space at Heathy Lea.

Saturday and probably Sunday will be for walking and climbing on the Edges. It might be possible to see members using their 1950's gear - I'm sure they haven't thrown it away yet!

Don't leave it until the last minute, make arrangements to come now and ask for tickets.

April 28th-31st MAYDAY Mid Wales Brian West

Originally, I had intended to rerun last year's excellent Cader meet, but as this has been pre-empted, as it were, I would like to indulge myself by taking a look at Berwyn and Arenig.

Details have not been finalised, but leaving the "Blue Lion", Cynwyd (near Corwen) on the Friday night, I intend to traverse Berwyn to somewhere near Llanuwchllyn on Saturday and then push on across Arenig on Sunday. This leaves an appreciable walk back on the Monday. However, as public houses seem to be conspicuous by their absence, this should pose no problem to what will be, by then, a lean, fit and sober team.

Cabins are to hand on Berwyn and Migneint, but are not conveniently spaced; it will be as well to carry a flysheet or two.

Anyone interested, please get in touch (tel 0332 880034) and we'll sort out the logistics.

BMC Insurance

Anyone who requires BMC insurance this summer should contact the Hon. Sec., Lisa Welbourn for details.

Scottish Mountain Safety Group - Avalanche Project

This winter, under the auspices of the Scottish Mountain Safety Group, an Avalanche Project has been set up to gather information on snow and avalanches in the Scottish Mountains.

If anyone has witnessed or been involved in any significant avalanche activity this year, please contact Lisa for an "Avalanche Recording Form" to fill in and send to the project organisers.

Heathy Lea Bookings

Colin Hobday

April 14th-15th 10 beds (barn)

Tan-y-Wyddfa Bookings

Colin Hobday

April 7th-8th Gordon Gadsby - Hut fully booked
April 14th-15th Working Party

Wanted

Pair of PA's or similar required, size 6. Condition fairly immaterial but soles should be attached to uppers!
Contact Graham Foster, Derby 662935.

Change of Address

Tim Whittaker - 194 Norwich Drive, Upton, Wirral, L49 4ED.

Dave and Janet Penlington, "High Park", Parkside Rd, Kendal, LA9 7LG, tel. 0539-32791

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