

FYLDE MOUNTAINEERING CLUB

NEWSLETTER

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EDITOR'S NOTES

February approaches and once again a young mountaineer's fancy turns to the A.G.M. when the humble back room at the Buccaneer becomes a high chamber of debate, hot bed of controversy and bubbling think tank of new ideas and innovation.

This year is likely to see a few changes on the committee as one or two officers will be standing down and anybody who wants to be Treasurer can be. Suggestions for meets and people prepared to lead them would also be welcomed.

NEW MEMBERS

The following are welcomed as introductory members:-

Tom and Christine Warmsley 1 Primrose Cottages, Calder
Vale, Nr. Preston.
Tel. Garstang 4616

Michael T. Davies 25 Lammack Road, Lammack,
Blackburn, BB1 5JW.
Tel. 672735.

SOCIALS - 8.30 pm. Buccaneer

16th Jan. '85	Focus on France, Audio Visual	Dave Langhorne	<i>0/10 then 2/10</i>
30th Jan.	Around the Bowland Fells	Steve Lister	<i>✓ 3/10</i>
13th Feb.	A.G.M. 8.00 pm.	✓	<i>1/10</i>
27th Feb.	Slide Competition. Sections... Scenic & Climbing. Competitors allowed max. 3 slides in each section.		<i>2nd & 3rd J.C.</i>
13th Mar.	Mountains of Britain	Bill Ruthven	
27th Mar.	Film Night Projected by	Peter Horsley.	

FUTURE MEETS

19/20th Jan.	Family Weekend: Langdale		
26/27th Jan.	Members Meet, Langdale	N.B. This meet will now be led by Martin Dale and rumours abound that an Andy Dunhill curry may be provided.	
17th Feb.	In Search of Snow (Mk 22)	Jack Jowett, ✓ Clev. 853039	
9/10th March	Family Weekend: Stair		
23/30th March	Ballachulish Hut	N.B. This meet already half full. Book quickly to avoid disappointment.	B. Crook, Clitheroe 24629
6/8th April	Devon, Cornwall camping	Martin Dale	
" " "	Llanberis Hut Meet	Dave Earle, Poulton 890283	

HUT AVAILABILITY

18/19th Jan.	Stair	
25/26th Jan.	Little Langdale	
1/2nd Feb.	Stair	
8/9th Feb.	Little Langdale	
15/16th Feb.	Stair	
21/22nd Feb.	Little Langdale	
1/2nd March	Stair	
8/9th March	Little Langdale	Stair (Families)
15/16th Mar.	Stair	
22/23rd Mar.	Little Langdale	
29/30th Mar.	Stair	
5/11th (Easter Wk)		Also Gloucester M.C. Hut
April	Little Langdale	Llanberis 5/6th April
		18 places available.
		Dave Earle to lead.
12/13th Apr.	Stair	
19/20th Apr.	Little Langdale	
26/27th Apr.	Stair	

SUCCESSFUL EVENT

The slide show given by the Club at the Teanlowe Centre in Poulton proved highly successful and thanks are due to Dave Earle, Paul Robinson, Martin Dale, Sean Smith, Andy Blaylock and Glen Brooks for their combined efforts. Over £300 was raised and this will be allocated as follows:-

Patterdale Mountain Rescue Association	£200.00
Keswick Mountain Rescue Team	£50.00
Langdale Mountain Rescue Team	£59.30.

CHILDREN, THE SECRETARY MAKES AN EXHAUSTIVE STUDY

I have been asked to clarify the point raised by our mischevious Editor in respect of members' children.

I have made an exhaustive study of the Club Rules and Constitution to ascertain how many children members may have and I can confirm that there is nothing in the Club legislation that limits the number of children that may be born to wives of professional gentlemen, professional wives, wives with a profession of their own, non-working wives who are not very professional, working wives without a profession, and in these enlightened times even ladies who are not wives at all, and who are of course definitely not professional!

Members' children are exactly that. They are not guests and are not subject to limitations placed on the proportions of guests to members at the huts. If Big Liz would marry me and bear me 14 children there is no reason why we could not fill Little Langdale on our own providing we were properly booked in and obeyed the hut rules. Members' children at the hut have the same rights, responsibilities, and privileges as members and are responsible to the Club through their parents or other members acting as their guardian for their behaviour in the same way as adult members, or members who are over 18 if still not yet

adult, are also responsible for their own behaviour.

Children who are not the offspring of members are guests, with all that that entails, and pay the full guest fee at the huts. Members' children pay half the member's rate.

It is just as well the 'Committee' hasn't seen the way the club secretary behaves on Family Meets as he would be looking for a new club, and it was very nice for two very delightful and extremely professional ladies not to mention it either, so presumably my secret is safe.

ECOLOGY

Two evening courses are to be run in Preston by Liverpool University School of Extension Studies.

1. British Animals and Plants. 10 Meetings on Thursdays 7.30 - 9.00pm from 17th Jan. Fulwood Evening Centre, Fulwood County High School, Black Bull Lane, Fulwood. Fee £11. (£7.50 students and pensioners; no charge - unemployed). Further information phone 051 709 6022, Ext. 2778/2779.
2. Recent Developments in Applied Ecology. Course of 5 meetings on Wednesdays 7.30 - 9.00 pm from 23rd January. Room 7 Livesey House, Heatley Street, Preston. (Further information, as for 1 above)