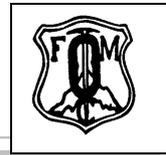




# What's on?



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## Fylde Mountaineering Club

### Stair Porch is being built

After a gestation period similar to that of the Channel Tunnel, work on the porch has now begun.

Work has started and was scheduled to last for 8 weeks, subject to United Utilities relocating the electrical supply on time.

During the work, the existing entrance is out of use and the contractor's area fenced off. The existing lock has been fixed to the fire exit door in the ladies dormitory, so this is to be used for access and exit until further notice. Later on in the project, the drying room and entrance lobby will also be out of bounds.

Please keep out of the contractor's area, and if you are visiting the hut during the week, keep out of their way. Contractors have been permitted to use our toilets and kitchen, so they will be accessing the hut during the week. If anyone notices these areas getting trashed by the contractors or any other problems, please let myself or Andy Hird know. Can any visitors also please make sure that the electrics and water are left switched on during the week.

Foundations are in and approved by Building Control. In order to get a good toothed joint, work on the new block walls will not now commence until the existing outside wall to the hut in this area has been removed. Unfortunately this cannot be done until United Utilities have renewed the electrical supply cable. **However United Utilities failed to turn up at the agreed date 19th August and have rescheduled the work for 9th. September. So the work is temporarily suspended.**

Will members also please note that the safe has been relocated into the drying room, ready for the outside wall to be removed.

Chris Bell

### Committee Notices

#### FMC SUBSCRIPTIONS

Enclosed with this issue is the renewal form. Please reply promptly as sending reminders is a chore also if you do not wish to rejoin let Martin know

#### Committee

As no elected committee member wished to produce What's On John Wiseman has been co-opted onto the committee as a non-voting member to undertake this task. Kevan.

#### Chairman's bit

Just another reminder for suggestions of subjects or speakers for the winter socials, just let me know. .... Clive

I hope to produce the next issue at the end of October so any copy to me please by the 14<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2008.

### Evening Social meets

The Committee has organized these as we do not have a social secretary and are included below. Could you all **note these dates in your diaries and come along**, as they promise to be entertaining evenings. Also the club does not look good if we have a speaker and there is a poor turnout.

All at the River Wyre – starting at 8pm.

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>. October –**  
**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>. November -**  
**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup>. December**  
**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>. January**  
**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>. February -**  
**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>. March -**

**NB** If you are thinking of coming on the **orienteeing meet** see the entry below.

#### NEW EVENT

After the overwhelming success of the mid-week day walks that were tried out in the summer we have another. See 14<sup>th</sup>.Oct.

### September 2008

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup>. Onwards. Mid week meet** Stair.

Especially for those not working during the week like us retired old fogies, so come along and enjoy those twilight years, mountaineering without queues. Stay one night or several as the mood takes you....Clive.

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup>.** Evening Walk – Clougha Pike with Claire Addy.

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup>.** Evening climbing – Trowbarrow

**Weekend 6<sup>th</sup>./7<sup>th</sup>**

#### Ladies' Meet

The next Ladies Meet is scheduled for 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> September, at Little Langdale. There will be at least one, probably two, group walks on each day. Other possibilities include garden visits and café tours. All women members and their friends are most welcome- this is the last chance to get to know the group before the rigours of the Christmas meet (very little exercise, much eating, drinking, laughter and song).

If you would like to come on the September meet, please contact Angela Lovett on 01772 719200 or [angela@thelovetts.org.uk](mailto:angela@thelovetts.org.uk) by August 31<sup>st</sup>, so that I can book the beds, and try to sort out transport. **Please note these contact details are different from those on the syllabus-** Liz Rawcliffe is now in charge of the Christmas meet.

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>.** Day meet. Wimberry with Martin Dale

Wimberry in the Chew Valley is home to the gritstone jamming crack. So, if you can't jam then come along and learn! Otherwise, there are some good arêtes and slabs too. I hear the boulderings not bad either.

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>.** Evening climbing – Twin Towers Blackpool. The last one of the season

**Weekend 13<sup>th</sup>./14<sup>th</sup>.** **Corris** Contact John Wiseman.

Enjoy a good mountain area. Walking of all types, climbing and mountain Biking. All we need is the "Indian summer" that people talk about.... Or is that wishful thinking. We could be going to Wales the week before and will go straight to Corris so book early.

**Weekend 13<sup>th</sup>./14<sup>th</sup>.** **Family meet Stair**

The family meets are becoming quite popular and we are getting a core of families who enjoy the weekend. In June we held the meet at Langdale in ok weather with twelve attendees; Saturday evening entertainment was provided by two of the Dads taking every jug they could find in the cottage up to the Three Shires for take out beer. The children attending are all still young but we are planning a group ascent of Cat Bells this September weather permitting. Ideally we'd like to plan a shared meal on Saturday so we can eat and drink together once the kids are tied to their bunks! If you don't fancy the weekend just come and join us for the day.

Andy and Liz Hird PS - it's a good idea to always take swim gear to Stair, if the weather is rubbish the pool at Keswick has a great slide!

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>.** **Evening walk** – Treales with Les Ward  
The last one of the season.

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>.** Boozy Bike Ride - 6.30 pm Thatched House. The ever popular "Lights Run".

**Weekend 20<sup>nd</sup>./21<sup>st</sup>.** **Northumberland.**

The Northumberland Meet will probably be camping. There is plenty of walking & climbing in a relatively unfrequented part of the country so I hope a few will join me. Maybe we will benefit from an Indian Summer. I would like to know numbers sooner rather than later. Andy Dunhill

**Weekend 27<sup>th</sup>./28<sup>th</sup>.** **Introductory/ Junior meet - Stair.** Contact Martin Dale.

A great opportunity to get involved with the club, join in the various activities that we do on a weekend. Anyone wanting to go rock climbing will be taken. There will be also walking and biking available, just let me know what you fancy doing! I will be ringing round all you intro's individually nearer the time.

## October 2008

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**Weekend 4<sup>th</sup>./5<sup>th</sup>.** **Orienteering Langdale**

Please note the change in venue back to Little Langdale where the first FMC orienteering meet was held. This is a quality area, Holme Fell, which was used for the British Orienteering Championship in 1989. Our format will probably be the same as in the last couple of years, but the navigation could be a little more challenging.

The parking for the event will be at GR 315016 i.e. Take the road to Hodge Close from the A593 Ambleside to Coniston road.

All things being equal we will cater for the Saturday evening meal but John is away cycling in Corsica and my mum may have to have a heart operation around then. If so we may have to ask people to cater for themselves, or at worst we may have to cancel the whole weekend.

Please book by Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup>.Oct. with Sue Denmark 01772 700327 (mobile 07740 099869) and let me know of any dietary requirements. If the event is cancelled we will let those booked in know and notify the website. ....Sue Denmark.

We all know that instruction sheets and maps have to be printed and food bought, so in view of the above good manners would suggest that **if you have not booked in don't come.** ....Ed.

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup>.** **Social at the River Wyre 8pm.**

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>** **Day walk Pendle.**

Meet at 10am south of the Nick of Pendle (GR 772 384).  
Contact ...Mike Howe

**Weekend 11<sup>th</sup>./12<sup>th</sup>.** **Working Weekend & Food – Stair**

The Working Weekend will probably involve sorting things out after the Porch extension but there may be a few other jobs. We will provide food on Saturday evening..... Andy

**Weekend 18<sup>th</sup>./19<sup>th</sup>** **Joint meet with Coventry MC - Little Langdale** Contact Steve Wrigley.

Over the last couple of years this has really been the Coventry MC meet due to a lack of FMC attendees. This year let's try to address the imbalance, why not come along and mingle with a few other like-minded souls from another mountaineering club. If like me you have not been able to get out in the hills much due to the appalling summer weather you will not want to miss this meet so you can make the most out of the promised Indian Summer!  
Steve

**Weekend 25<sup>th</sup>./26<sup>th</sup>.** **Llanberis**

Chester MC swap – Bill Clarke

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## Advance Notices

**Weekend 1<sup>st</sup>./2<sup>nd</sup> November:-** Kevan Ebrell is organizing a Bonfire meet at Langdale.