



What's on?



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Fylde Mountaineering Club

AGM hot off the press

The outgoing secretary's excellent minutes will no doubt be sent out very soon but highlights from the meeting are:

The proposal to increase member subscriptions was passed unanimously – the fee is now £25 single and £40 joint.

Election of committee – Chairman: Clive Bell, Vice Chairman: Darren Hartley, Secretary: Rob Lewis, Treasurer: Mike Howe, Booking Secretary: Liz oops Andy Hird, Membership Secretary: Martin Dale, Stair Hut: Andy Dunhill (and Christine of course), Little Langdale Hut: Chris Bell, Social Secretary: Tim Worrall, Newsletter Editor: Caroline Webb, WhatsOn Editor: John Wiseman (even though the lucky *** is in Australia), Committee Members: Kevan Ebbrell; Mikala Tolley; Alan Lovett; Tom Knowles.

New Members

Welcome to new introductory member Laura Moran and full member Mary Aspin

Wednesday March 9th. At the River Wyre The FMC Photo competition

This year the judge is from a local photographic club. We would like digital photos to be e-mailed in advance to Liz Hird at drew.liz@btinternet.com from now on but **by Sunday March 6th**. Liz will acknowledge their receipt so get in touch if you don't get a reply. Please name your pictures Landscape 1 "your name" Action 1 "your name" and so on.

If you don't have broadband then you may bring them on the night, but please be there before 7.45pm. Prints and slides may be sent in advance to Andy Hird and they will be digitalised. (By 1st March please) These arrangements should enable **all members** to enter. One of the winning pictures may appear in the next Newsletter - now there's fame !

You may enter up to three pictures in each category:- Landscape, Action and Humour. Pictures should have been taken in the last year. Don't delay, get sorting your entries out now and sent in.

Day Walks / Evening Walks

We need to get the evening walks list out in the next few weeks (with the ordinary syllabus) so if you would like to lead one contact me now. We would like new people and new places.

Day walks will be advertised in What's On if you would like to organise one let me know. We have nothing fixed for May onwards.

John Wiseman

Advance Notices

Northumberland 25th 26th June

Andy Dunhill has again booked places in a bunkhouse at **Cragside** in Northumberland. (Good walking and climbing and your hut fees give access to the NT gardens which are extensive) which he thinks is Gods country (I thought it was a few miles South – Ed)

August Bank Holiday for the USA or Picos de Europa.

This year's syllabus will show a meet for August Bank Holiday for the USA or Picos de Europa. We have not seen any club meets outside of Europe since we last went to the States 6 years ago so I'm offering to co-ordinate one around mid August to early September. We tried this last year and a few people said they might be able to make it in 2011. This would largely be a camping trip, predominantly for climbing but walkers would be welcome. The destination would be Colorado but it could be flexible depending on interest (I would not be interested in going to Yosemite Valley again but I could advise those eager to plan their own trip). If this sparks no interest then I would be happy to lead a trip to Picos on the August Bank Holiday week. This would be mainly trad and possibly sport climbing high up in the El Naranjo del Bulnes area (Google it for stunning images!) for starters, retreating to the Bolts of Leon if the weather was iffy. We would probably use a combination of mountain refuges and hostels. Register your interest for either by Easter please.

Dave Wood (woody2000@btinternet.com , 01772 684969)

French Alps

Just started thinking about this summers outing. Going back to the Ecrins for climbing, Via Ferrating, walking or just lazing on that fat bottom. Probably first two weeks in July. Staying in La Blanche again or camping near-by. You do not have to stick to the two weeks just come and go as you wish. If you are interested let me know.

Clive

EVENING CLIMBING

Contact Darren Hartley 01253 811485 or Martin Dale 01253 772073/07717 481706 (text only) for details.

For Sale

1. Mountain Equipment Ladies Seraph Goretex Pro Shell Jacket, size: 12, colour: Porcelain Blue/Ocean Depths, £40.

2. Mountain Equipment Mens Lightline Down Jacket. size: small, colour: dark green, £35.

Joanna Goorney 01772 633628

EVENTS CALENDAR

March 2011

Wednesday 2nd. Pub meet The Thatched House Poulton.

Sunday 6th. Day Meet Brimham Rocks

"Forget all that snow and ice, time to dust off the rock boots and creak into action out on the grit on this day meet to one of Yorkshire's premier gritstone crags. It's an amazing jumble of boulders and outcrops with climbs and problems to suit all abilities. Yes, if its warm enough we could even get the ropes and cams out!"

Martin Dale.

Weekend 5th..6th. Langdale is available for members.

Wednesday 9th. Social "The FMC Photo Competition" see above.

Weekend 12th.,13th. Winter Meet Cairngorms

Lairds Bothy, Kingussie has been booked again. If they don't have Orkney Dark Island on at the Lairds, we might even get some climbing done. Ice virtually guaranteed (Come to daddy!)

Chris Bell

Weekend 12th.,13th. Stair is available for members.

Weekend 19th.,20th. Ladies Meet Langdale

Ladies - yet another wonderful opportunity to escape from those demanding males offspring and grand- offspring in your life and to join the stalwart band of Ladies renowned - and awarded - for their partying prowess(as well as admired for their culinary/organising/socialising /map reading and walking abilities)

All are welcome

Dress code optional

Jennie Tolley - Meet Organiser (mjtolley5050@hotmail.com)
. 01772 791121)

Weekend 19th Caving

Simon Fenna is coordinating 01254 771323

Weekend 19th..20th. Langdale is available for members.

Weekend 26th.,27th. Stair Intro members meet.

Kevan Ebbrell

Weekend 26th.,27th. Family Meet Langdale

Andy and Liz Hird

April 2011

Weekend 2nd ,3rd. Roy Bridge

To avoid confusion Clive Bell will be running this meet not Darren. Put your kilt on (Nickers optional) and come striding through the heather with the FMC clan. (Ed : hopefully too cold for ticks !)

Clive Bell

Weekend 2nd ,3rd. Langdale is available for members

Weekend 9th 10th. Sandstone Meet Stair

Martin Dale is coordinating.

Weekend 16th..17th. Langdale is available for members.

16th 24th Easter Trip 2011

The Easter trip is going to **Spain** and is now booked up but you can always express interest in future trips. Caroline Webb

Weekend 23th.,24th. Stair is available for members.

Weekend 30th..1st.May Langdale is available for members.