

What's on?...

Hello, John and June should be back from their holiday in NZ and I will be handing back the reins after this issue. Hopefully you continue to find these newsheets interesting and informative and the editor would welcome feedback. Apologies to those people who received poor copies last time – I had a bit of a nightmare with both my printers and have tried harder this time !

To save on postage costs this issue has been sent to all members with the syllabus but I have also sent an electronic version to all known email addresses.

From the Chairman

Syllabus

You should have received this years 2008-2009 syllabus and the evening walks syllabus with this newsheet. If you have any ideas for next year or if you would like to organize and run a meet please let me know.

Clive Bell 01772 635306 ring@the3bells.fsnet.co.uk

From the Secretary

Chester Hut Swaps

Recently issues were raised by Chester Mountaineering Club (CMC) over problems with hut swaps. These issues have been satisfactorily resolved but we must ensure that our valued relationship with the CMC is maintained and to this end we require all members to abide by the agreements relating to hut swaps.

1. Dates for hut swaps are arranged through discussion between Chris Thistlethwaite (FMC) and Rich Fahy (CMC) and then confirmed back to the clubs and printed in our annual meets list.
2. During a hut swap, the Chester hut is for the sole use of FMC but since Chester now have just one hut the member's dorm will be reserved for CMC members.
3. Fees from hut swaps go to the occupying club. Therefore, anyone staying at the Chester hut during a hut swap pays their hut fees to FMC and fees go to CMC for anyone staying at the FMC hut.
4. During a hut swap, any FMC member wishing to use Stair or Little Langdale (whichever is CMC's during the swap) must first check with CMC whether there are spaces available and any hut fees they incur will be paid to CMC and vice versa for CMC members when

FMC has their hut on a swap - we don't want to make it so that FMC & CMC members never meet each other, but we don't want to arrive at one of the huts during a hut swap and find it already full of the owner clubs members.

5. At times other than hut swap weekends, FMC members wishing to use the Chester hut must first check availability with CMC and then pay their hut fees to CMC promptly and vice versa for CMC members.

6. Chris & Rich (or whoever holds these respective posts at FMC/CMC) or the meet co-ordinator will confirm the date of the hut swap prior to the swap. Unless this date has been confirmed, we will assume that the swap is not going ahead (hopefully this will stop any mix ups over dates).

Contact Kevan by e-mail:- ebby.clan@tiscali.co.uk or by post to 47 Victoria Street, Lytham, Lancs FY8 5DB.

From Stair hut custodian

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Stair Porch – We are finalising details and hope that works will commence this summer. Watch this space !!

Contact: Chris Bell 01772 774072
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From Little Langdale hut custodian

There will be a working weekend at Langdale on 17/18 May and we will provide some food

Chris Bell 01772 774072 rachnchris@tiscali.co.uk

From the membership secretary

Anyone not had a membership card yet please let me know and I'll mail you one.

Martin Dale 01253 772073 nobbydale@yahoo.co.uk

May 2008

- 3 / 4 Pembroke.** Dave Wood 01772 684969
- 3 / 4** Little Langdale is available
- 7** Evening walk Preesall. Darren Hartley 01253 811485
- 8** Evening climbing Denham Quarry
- 10 / 11** Stair is available
- 11 Day meet – the Roaches.** Martin Dale 01253 772073 nobbydale@yahoo.co.uk
- 13** Evening climbing Trowbarrow
- 14** All day walk Parlick – Trough of Bowland. Clive Bell 01772 635306 ring@the3bells.fsnet.co.uk
- 14** Boozy bike ride Bus Stop opp R. Wyre Hotel Cartford Arms/Gt Eccleston
- 17 / 18 Working weekend & Food, Langdale.** Chris Bell 01772 774072 rachnchris@tiscali.co.uk
- 20** Evening walk Sunderland Point. Jennie Tolley 01772 791121
- 21** Evening climbing Anglezarke
- 24 / 25 Skye.** Tony Mitchell 07870 577303
- 24 / 25** Stair is available
- 27 Mid week meet Little Langdale** Kevan Ebbrell :- ebby.clan@tiscali.co.uk
- 29** Evening climbing Farleton
- 31 / 1** Little Langdale is available

June 2008

- 3** Evening climbing Egerton
- 4** Evening walk Dunsop Bridge. Clive Bell 01772 635306 ring@the3bells.fsnet.co.uk
- 7 / 8 Llanberis (Chester swap).** Martin Dale 01253 772073 nobbydale@yahoo.co.uk
- 7 / 8** Stair bookings under control of Chester MC
- 11** Evening climbing Robin Proctor Scar
- 14 / 15 Hut to hut** Clive Bell 01772 635306 ring@the3bells.fsnet.co.uk
- 18** Evening walk Crag Hill. Peter and Gillian Llewellyn 01539 562369
- 19** Evening climbing Witches
- 21 / 22 Ladies meet Stair**
- Pat Bennett 01772 681126 ring@the3bells.fsnet.co.uk

22 Day meet or poss weekend bivi meet Esk Buttress. Martin Dale 01253 772073 nobbydale@yahoo.co.uk

24 Evening climbing Foredale Quarry

25 Boozy bike ride Bus Stop opp R. Wyre Hotel Over Wyre

28 / 29 Family meet Langdale Liz Hird 01772 769337 drew.liz@btinternet.com

28 / 29 Mining meet, camping, Alston Peter Llewellyn 01539 562369

Contacts:- Darren Hartley 01253 811485 Climbing meets

Martin Dale 01253 772073/ 07717481701(text only please) Boozy bike rides, climbing meets

John Wiseman Tel: 01253 826594 evening walks

Advance Notices

19 July 2008 in the Ecrins

This trip to Pelvoux in the French Ecrins National Park is from 19th July 'till 2nd August. You can choose the dates to suit yourselves. Still some time to book on to this magnificent trip of a lifetime. Clive Bell 01772 635306 ring@the3bells.fsnet.co.uk

Bits and Pieces

14 – 18 May Keswick mountain festival www.keswickmountainfestival.co.uk

24/25 May British Leading Climbing Championships Blackpool

25 April - 4 May Ulverston walking festival 01229587120

From the Editor

In the last issue I tried to encourage people to send their current email address to me at mikehowe50@hotmail.com if they had not already done so and I was underwhelmed by the response. So I repeat the request so that we can get a more comprehensive list for the club if we need to get information out quickly. If you normally get a paper copy and would accept "What's on?" by email you will get the information quicker, save the club money and reduce the number of copies the editor has to stuff in envelopes (plus all the usual "Green" reasons). Just include this in the email to me.

Could all those who are due to lead meets in July/ August send in an advert (and explanation) for the meet to John Wiseman by 20 June.

Any other announcements or adverts to go in "What's on?" should also be sent by 20 June or sooner.

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