



# What's on?



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## Fylde Mountaineering Club

**Winter Socials ...** These events are free to all and offer a fantastic opportunity for you to invite guests along to sample the delights of club membership.

**The OLD TOWN HALL, Poulton 7.45 for a 8 pm. Start.**

### Wednesday November 11th 8.00pm

Dave Earle is about to share with us the delights of Corsica from it's tranquil and stunning coastline to parts of the infamous GR20, Corsica's famous and difficult high route across the island. Dave is known for a high standard of photography and his dry wit so we are assured of yet another fantastic event.

### Wednesday December 9th 8.00pm

Dave Turnbull (CEO of the BMC) will be featuring:- 'climbing around the world to include Patagonia, Himalayas, sea cliff climbing, Mali, Venezuela and a few other places.' along with a brief insight into the BMC.

This is fantastic opportunity for us to showcase a vibrant FMC with a great turnout with the usual social buzz.

### Socials 2016

Wed Jan 13<sup>th</sup>; Wed Feb 10<sup>th</sup>; Wed Mar 9<sup>th</sup>.

### From your chairman's pen.

*'Annual Club Dinner, Nov 28th 2015 - Yes it's true you may have heard a rumour that the dinner is coming to somewhere near you! This year's event is being held on the fylde coast at the highly rated Villa restaurant in Wrea Green, many have booked already and we are looking forward to the event being a great success. For those who are still deliberating commit now to avoid any potential for disappointment' .....Regards Darren*

### The FMC Magazine - January issue

You will all have seen Roy's first magazine with its professional layout and colour. Its a pity it was so thin, club meets happened without them being reported. However Roy is the editor not the author. To rectify this he needs articles, reports and photos – the more the better. The 'provisional' deadline is the end of the year . . . but earlier is always better. ( [roy-turner@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:roy-turner@blueyonder.co.uk) )

### Evening climbing – contact Steve Longworth.

There are weekly climbing meets on a Thursday at Preston climbing wall and “extras” at other venues.

### From the treasurer:-

Thanks to those members who have renewed their subscriptions (due 1 October). If you have paid you should have received your new card. In spite of reminders some people have still not renewed - don't forget the new rates are £30 single and £50 joint. Please let me know of any address changes. ( [mikehowe50@hotmail.com](mailto:mikehowe50@hotmail.com) )

### 2016 Advanced notices.

### Cold Ice and other winter sports

**Dave Hicks is down on the Syllabus for this meet, which has catered for a wide variety of activities from technical ascents of steep ice to more relaxing activities in the snow. Contact Dave if you would like further information. If you may be interested Dave would like to hear from you and canvas your opinions.**

### Easter 'HOT ROCK' Trip 2016

Chris Thistlethwaite is proposing a trip to a warmer place See his full letter on page four for his thoughts on where to go. Please contact him if you are interested or just want to be kept informed of developments.

Tel 01282 844668

**Congratulations to Dave Hicks and Karen on their recent marriage.**

## EVENTS CALENDAR

### NOVEMBER 2015

#### Weekend 7<sup>th</sup>.8<sup>th</sup>. November

##### *Working W/E and bonfire Little Langdale.*

*We've got a long list of jobs so there will be something for everyone. Saturday lunch and evening meal included!*

*Please come along and help.....Andy and Liz*

#### Weekend 7<sup>th</sup>.8<sup>th</sup>. November.

Old Lags meet. Stair. You have already received an e-mail about this.

#### Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>. Evening Social

Dave Earle takes you to Corsica. See above and "page 3"

#### Thursday 12<sup>th</sup>. Day walk

Meet in the car park at Garstang, 10am. Ref 493454 ( This is a paying car park but there are side streets where you can park for free if you wish.) There is the option of a pub for a drink and/or a meal after the walk. John and June

#### Weekend 14<sup>th</sup>. 15<sup>th</sup>. Stair. Fell Race/Walk & Food Meet

Continuing a long tradition the fell race will be followed in the evening by a sumptuous meal. Please contact Dave Hicks by the Thursday evening so they know how much food to buy. - dave21hicks@live.co.uk or 01772 681953.

As usual Mark will be divining the handicaps and organising the race itself.

#### Weekend 21<sup>st</sup>. 22<sup>nd</sup>. KMF langdale

Kendal Mountain Festival Weekend (see the KMF website for event program)

Yet another don't miss weekend!! The KMF is one of the biggest and best events of this type in the world so whether you want to attend lectures, see films or just be a part of this exceptional outdoor event you can make it so much easier by spending the weekend in Little Langdale. Enjoy the best of the festival, the best that Langdale has to offer and some of the best company possible.

#### Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>.The FMC Annual Dinner

You all have been told about the dinner and the events before and after it. As I write this its only a few weeks away, no doubt the chairman is writing his speech and Last years "mug of the year" is plying people with drink to elicit stories that can be retold.

#### Weekend 29<sup>th</sup>. 30<sup>th</sup>

Stair is available for members.

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### DECEMBER 2015

#### Sunday 6<sup>th</sup>. Grit Sunday with Martin Dale

*"Grit Sunday, where to go this year? Well, there's a new area near Skipton, Flasby Fell and the Outer Limits? Or there's Gorple, Clattering Stones, Scout or Dovestones? How about Stoney Edge? Eee, can't wait to get on those scrittly top outs! My hands are getting sore just with the thought of it!"*

It sounds as if there could be several Grit Sundays in the offing, weather permitting Ed.

#### Weekend 5<sup>th</sup>. 6<sup>th</sup>.

Langdale is available for members this weekend.

#### Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>. An evening with Dave Turnbull

-see above, It should be a good night so please support this event.

#### Weekend 12<sup>th</sup>.13<sup>th</sup>. Ladies' Christmas meet, Stair.

*( No doubt this has been fully organised for months, but nothing has been sent for What's On.)*

#### Weekend 19<sup>th</sup>. 20<sup>th</sup>.

Langdale is available for members.

#### 26<sup>th</sup> December to 9th. January ...Stair is available

John Wiseman 30-10-15

# The Fylde Mountaineering Club

invites you to join us as we explore beautiful

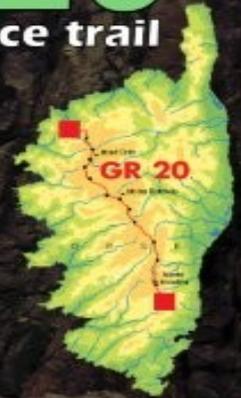
## CORSICA

and a few of the less demanding bits of its

## GR20

long distance trail

**8pm Wednesday  
November 11th  
at the  
Old Town Hall Tavern  
in Poulton-le-Fylde**



**NO NEED TO BE A MEMBER OF OUR CLUB - EVERYONE'S WELCOME!**



Fylde Mountaineering Club member Dave Earle reckons Corsica is a superb holiday island and also rates its GR20 Long Distance Trail as one of the finest in the whole of Europe.

So forget all those chilly November nights and join Dave on his illustrated tour of this lovely, sunny island in the Mediterranean.

This is just one evening in a packed calendar of social events that Fylde Mountaineering Club members enjoy at the Old Town Hall Tavern in Poulton-le-Fylde on the second Wednesday of each month during the winter.

For more details:  
contact Dave Wood at  
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**FREE ENTRY and FREE PARKING on the TEANLOWE CAR PARK**

## **HOT ROCK EASTER 2016**

Again, Easter next is early, Easter Sunday falling on the 27<sup>th</sup> March. This limits our choice of venue for a consistent, suitable weather pattern for our chosen activities ie climbing and walking. Last year Easter was a little later but unfortunately no interest was shown, mainly due to the forthcoming Kalymnos trip in May so 4 of us went to Calpe after the Easter holiday and a good time was had.

We run the trip at Easter mainly that those 'workers' amongst us can maximise the use of bank holidays etc but this does come at an increased cost. Those of us who are retired can travel at a cheaper rate either side of Easter and no doubt this is what we may well do next year.

I have asked the usual suspects where they may wish to go and if they are indeed interested but so far I have had little positive response possibly again due to a potential May trip to Greece. So again I am asking if anyone is interested and if so where to go.

If there are no other suggestions I propose another return trip to Calpe as the weather is usually pretty good, it is relatively cheap to get there and for the accommodation. There is plenty of climbing and walking to be savoured and even though we have been there many times I'm sure that we would all find plenty to occupy ourselves with.

I shall start sorting accommodation and looking at flights in early January for those who have contacted me showing interest.

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