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Bulletin 52

Dear Member,

The main purpose of this Bulletin is to give notice of the Annual General Meeting in May. There are two vacancies on the Management Committee; Dave Harding is standing down after completing three years as Treasurer and there is room for one Ordinary Member. Could I make one more appeal for articles for the Bulletin? This is my third request in as many months and judging from past articles your experiences are much more interesting than mine. Many of you will have noticed that the Bulletin envelope carries a "Return to sender" stamp; the Post Office duly complied and returned 32 copies of Bulletin 51, so please notify the Sec or myself of any change of address - it does save so much time and effort.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

There will be an Annual General Meeting on Saturday 4th May, in St Ignatius Social Club, Pump St. PRESTON.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of the last Meeting.
2. Matters arising.
3. President's Report.
4. Chairman's Report.
5. Secretary's Report.
6. Treasurer's Report.
7. Hut Wardens' Reports.
8. Election of Members to the Management Committee.

Nominations to be made in writing not less than 14 days prior to the A.G.M. to the Secretary.

9. Any other business.

Members to be elected for the positions of Treasurer and Ordinary Member.

WORKING WEEKENDS AT BISHOP'S SCALE

The Hut Committee have drawn up a list of jobs that urgently require attention and a number of weekends have been earmarked as working weekends.

March 23/24 and 30/31
April 27/28
May 18/19
June 15/16 and 29/30
July 6/7

A number of members will be contacted for each weekend in order to ensure that some people will be there, but there is no reason why any member who can spare a few hours should not turn up - they will be made welcome. So, don't leave this vital work to the same old faces - everyone benefits from the alterations and repairs.

See you on the above dates,

Matt Bennett (Hut Warden)

THREE COUNTIES TOPS' WALK (or, the A.R.C.C. Lakeland Rally)

To commence after Breakfast 4.30am! Saturday, 11th May 1974. Will all Members who will be at Bishop's Scale on the above weekend - to help, take part or just spectate - please forward their names to Matt Bennett. Booking Forms were included with Bulletin 51. In order to plan the event please say whether you are taking part or not - remember all accommodation is bookable on an 'Events weekend'. There will be a charge of £1.50 to cover Hut Fees, Saturday morning breakfast, butties and brews en route, transportation and Saturday evening meal. Cheques and P.O.s to A.R.C.C. Langdale Account. All walkers will receive a map and a description of the route. The route has been prepared to assist walkers who may not be familiar with parts of the route and in order to ensure as many finishers as possible. Some walkers may wish to start and finish at Bishop's Scale - this is left entirely to the individual, although the Mill-Bridge start is advised to anyone doubtful of the extra distance and climb involved.

In the interest of mountain safety ALL WALKERS MUST pass through the marked controls giving their names on arrival.

All booking forms and fees to: Matt Bennett,
349, Haslingden Road,
Guide,
BLACKBURN. (with S.A.E.)

ROUTE DESCRIPTION

From Mill Bridge (GR 336092) take the usual route to Helvellyn summit via Grizedale Tarn, Dollywagon and Nethermost Pikes. From Summit retrace steps to paths junction and take right hand fork-making haste to Wythburn Feeding Station (GR 325137) a slight pause - then up the road to Steel End, turning into Wythburn Valley (usually wet), following stream up to the saddle at Green Up Edge - then via Broken Fence to High Raise Summit. Cross Country now (no path) down to Stake Beck, then ascend the longish spur to approx 1800' contour with track to Angle Tarn, soon to reach the Esk Hause Control (GR 234081) and refreshments. Quietly onward to Scafell Pikes summit by usual route. (2 down and 1 to go) Proceed to Mickledore and descend to River Esk via Cam Spout, pick up the path on East bank of river, following downstream until 90° bend is reached. Cross country again, rising slightly, then descending, but aiming for large bend in Lingrove Beck (GR 236044) pick up path and proceed down Moasdale to the Cockley Beck Control (GR 018243) for further nourishment. From Cockley Beck ascend to Grey Friar summit, swinging South onto Approach Ridge to Conistone Old Man. (The last of the Three Tops) retrace steps along ridge making for West side edge via Swirl How and Little Carrs, to descend to the Three Shire Stone control (GR 278028) for final cuppa before rattling off the few remaining miles to Bishop's Scale.

For this last section proceed down road approx 1 mile, then contour N.W. just below Hollin Crag. Pick up path which continues past Blea Tarn (west side) up to road. Cross road and follow wall down to campsite - pass the O.D.G. - or call in - finally arriving at Bishop's Scale for welcome dinner - or supper as the case may be.

Estimated distance 34 miles.

Route organiser; Roy Phillips,
119 Woodgrove Road,
BURNLEY.

SHOP PEARSON'S SILVER JUBILEE

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Our Founder President Bishop Pearson celebrates his Silver Jubilee this year and a subscription list for cash donations is now open. All monies received will go towards the making of a Community Centre in Patterdale. Members who make a donation will receive a Club History.

Donations to; Mr T. Hickey,
36, Fleetwood Road,
Poulton-le-Fylde,
BLACKPOOL.

SPECIAL EVENT - LANGDALE.

This event to take place at Langdale on June 8th/9th will take the same form as last year - a three huts tour with route finding problem.

Last year the event proved as enjoyable to the Marshalls as to those walking and many Marshalls have asked to be allowed to take part in this year's event. However, some more Marshalls are still required - offers to;

Mr B. Carter,
53, Montreal Road,
BLACKBURN.

BISHOP'S SCALE HUT - JOBS LIST

Since commencing to get Bulletin 52 together some more information is now available in the form of a Jobs List. If you have any particular skills you will now be better able to choose a date. Some of the work at the beginning of the list has already been completed.

23rd March. Structural Survey. Excavate and lay drain from kitchen to outfall. Tidy up outside of hut, burn rubbish. Carry out essential painting. Measure Family Quarters for sound proofing. Remove unserviceable bunks.

30th March. Outside painting. Re-erect bannister, re-floor men's and women's toilets with hardboard and vinyl. Complete replacement of bad floor boards in women's dorm.

27th April Dig out rear of Chapel to cure dampness. Make good Chapel path. Move sink and cookers in Family Quarters to former Priest's Room. Commence sound proofing.

18th May. Continue sound-proofing. Move boiler to corner of kitchen. Commence to screed Kitchen floor. Commence moving bunks from Family Quarters to Men's Dorm and vice versa.

15th June. Complete screed to Kitchen floor. Make good holes and bad plaster. Complete bunk moving.

29th June Commence tiling Kitchen floor. Prepare walls and woodwork for painting - undercoat.

6th July. Complete tiling Kitchen floor. Complete painting.

So, as you will imagine there are many busy weekends ahead. Any member who visits Bishop's Scale on any one of the above weekends is likely to find some work waiting for them. Having just returned from the 30th March working weekend even casual visits by members are valuable since it really does not take much time or effort to paint a door or window etc., and in any case working weekends can be fun.

After lifting the old boards in the Women's Dorm the Club is now better off to the tune of one new penny, one old penny, a 10p piece, 2 playing cards (who has been cheating then) 10,000 hair grips and one tooth complete with cavity. After casting my eyes down the list of jobs above I notice that on 15th June that "holes have to be made good". There is now a new hole in the kitchen ceiling, the sight of Mick Black's foot appearing, unannounced, through the plaster put one or two people off their food. He swears that

A.R.C.C. JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP

The Management Committee recommends the following proposal for a change in the constitution of the Club;

Proposed by: David Ogden.
Seconded by: Derek Price.

It is proposed that the following paragraph be added to Rule 5.

JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP

1. The Management Committee may grant Junior Membership to the children or wards, under the age of 17, of any full member. Junior Membership will not normally be granted to the children of members who have not been full members for at least 5 years.
2. Junior Membership will remain valid whilst a parent or guardian remains a full member.
3. Junior Membership will cease at the age of 17 at which age a Junior Member may apply directly for Full Membership.
4. Junior Members will pay a nominal annual subscription fee which will be determined from time to time by the Management Committee.
5. Junior Members under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a Full Member when visiting the Club Huts.
6. Junior Members will not be permitted to bring guests to the Club Huts.
7. The Management Committee may make any rule concerning Junior Members which it may consider expedient.
8. Junior Members will not be permitted to vote at any meeting of the club and will not be permitted to hold any office in the club.

If the above proposal is accepted the Management Committee will make the following rules:

1. No children, except those who are Junior Members, may stay at any of the huts without the special written permission of the Hut Warden. Permission will only be granted in exceptional cases.
2. The Hut Warden's permission must be gained before Junior Members use the Buckbarrow Hut. Permission will be granted whenever possible.

GENERAL

Godfrey Holden is now a member of the British Antarctic Expedition and news from his family is that he is well and enjoying the experience. Could all Members who may have occasion to write to any of the Officers of the Club and might need a reply please include a stamped addressed envelope. Since it is impossible to forecast the date of publication of the Bulletin I included notice to hold the A.G.M. in Bulletin 51, there should be adequate time to give the 14 days notice of nominations for the vacant positions on the Management Committee.

Happy Easter,

TED SOUTHWORTH.

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EXTRA LAST EXTRA - DEFINITELY

A Further amendment to Rule II is proposed by the Management Committee. The amendment includes the Chaplain as a full Management Committee Member.

- II. The affairs of the A.R.C.C. shall be administered by a Management Committee consisting of the following officers: President, Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain and 3 other Members, etc. (The remainder of the opening paragraph remains the same.)

There will now be a new section 6 to Rule II:

6. The Club Chaplain will be appointed by the Founder President. After the death of the Founder President the Chaplain will be nominated by the Catholic Bishop of Lancaster and the Management Committee after joint consultation. The appointment will be reviewed every 3 years.

The following amendment is proposed to Rule II(I) (LAST EXTRA)

- (I) The Management Committee shall meet at least once every three months at weekends at Bishop's Scale the Headquarters of the A.R.C.C. or one of the other Huts.

Proposed : Joyce Foster

Seconded : H. Wiggans

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OLD TIME MUSIC HALL

The Hut Committee of Bishop's Scale hope to arrange the above event at St Ignatius Hall, Pump Street, Preston on Friday, 17th May 1974. There will be a bar, refreshments, moustaches, etc. Further details and tickets from;

Mrs Pat Margiotti,
224, Belmont Road,
BOLTON.

and Mr Ben Carter,
53, Montreal Road,
BLACKBURN.

Tel: Bolton: 56297.

Tel: Blackburn 50879.

Costumes optional.