# West Bromwich Mountaineering Club Newsletter



This month's photo: John Edwards "enjoying dog sledging at 20 below zero in Arctic Finland!"

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## Hello readers,

Welcome from the new committee! We'll all be working hard this year to make sure the club continues to be as successful as ever. Thanks to everyone who attended, and congratulations to Guy Harris & Tracey Cook for winning the Malcom Collins award – there'll be a writeup of the AGM in next month's newsletter.

Huge thanks as always to this month's contributors: Dave Jones, Glen Mounfort, Mel Evans, Guy & Tracey, Dave Hind, John Edwards, Nigel Tarr, and Guy Harris.

If you have anything that you'd like to be featured in next month's newsletter – whether you're selling gear, looking for a climbing or walking partner, you've seen an event that members might be interested in, anything at all – send it to newsletter@wbmc.org (or through our website if it's an article) before the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month.

Cheers, Joe

## The WBMC meeting place



The Wheatsheaf 379 High Street, West Bromwich, B70 9QW Join us every Thursday night from 9.00pm in The Wheatsheaf for a chat and a drink.



The BMC recognises that climbing and mountaineering are activities with a danger of personal injury or death. Participants in these activities should be aware of and accept these risks and be responsible for their own actions.

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# Noticeboard

## Malcolm Collins Award



Congratulations to Guy Harris Tracey Cook for winning the Malcolm Collins award! A proper article, including details of the away for those who may not know about it, will be in the next newsletter.

## New Hut Secretary Number

The new number for the Hut Secretary is 07993 484 450.

Also, there is a Hut Working weekend booked for 21st/22nd April. Anyone interested in helping please contact Alison on this new number, or via email on: <u>hutsecretary@wbmc.org</u>

## Cotswold Discount

I have contacted Cotswolds and they have made an error, we are still entitled to 20% discount, but the added bonus is we are now entitled the same discount at Snow and Rock.

I've being speaking to a very nice person that has made posters for us. I have gone one better and requested the WBMC logo to be added, I have sent the artwork and their marketing department are working on this.

Dave Jones

#### Cotswold Discount Code: AF-WBMC -K3

## Second-hand gear

A member who has been on the last couple of meets is looking for help from WBMC members. Does anyone have any second hand gear lying around or gear that they don't use anymore, size 12 or size 7 in ladies footwear.

If anyone has any unwanted items please e-mail anthenia91@hotmail.com

## For Sale

Rab Vapor Rise Ladies Trousers (size 10) - £25 Trespass Ladies Ski Trousers (size 10) - £15 Berghaus Quartz 65+15 litre rucksack - £50 Scarpa Charmoz GTX Mens mountaineering boots EU size 45 - £45 Scarpa Triolet Mens mountaineering boots size 9.5 - £15 Camp Rockstar climbing helmet blue with headtorch attachment - £20 Camp Rockstar climbing helmet white - £15 Eurohike survival bag (brand new in wrapper) - £2 Outdoordesigns classic mountain shelter medium (4-6 persons) - £25 Montane scarab mens jacket blue size M - £25 Hawkshead mens half zip fleece size L - £5 Paramo mens reversible trekker hoodie blue size M - £20 Mountain Hardware Goretex Performance shell mens waterproof trousers size M - £50 Lowe Alpine mens ice cap -  $\pm 10$ Various pairs mens gloves/balaclava

If you are interested in any of these items please contact Guy or Tracey on 07815 185447 or 07967 820002

GoPro Hero 4 silver plus accessories and 30 metre waterproof case -  $\pm 200$ 

Contact Geordie 07505364318 or email geordiehind@gmail.com for further details.



## Hut donations

Members - £4.00 Guests - £7.00 (Max. two guests per member) 16 & under - £1.50

Stamped addressed envelopes are provided in the hut for payment.

## To book

Phone or email Alison Whitehead:

07993 484 450 hut-secretary@wbmc.org

Please contact Alison before going to the hut.

WBMC members can purchase a hut key from Alison at a donation of  $\pounds 4$ 

# Coming up

### Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April Slideshow: Guy & Tracey's Mont Blanc Adventure

Some great photos lined up – not to be missed! Come to the Wheatsheaf at 7:30pm

## <sup>14th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> April Easter Scottish Weekend, Inverie, Knoydart

If anybody is interested in spending Easter in the remotest area of Scotland give me a call. Inverie can be reached by a tough 8-10 hour walk from Kinloch Hourn or by a half hour ferry crossing from Mallaig.

Being hardened mountaineers, the plan is to drive to Mallaig on Good Friday and catch the ferry to Inverie (leaving cars at Mallaig) and spend 3 nights in a bunkhouse. That gives 2 days walking in the Knoydart hills before sailing back on Easter Monday and driving home.

Ferry cost is  $\pm 20$  return and the bunkhouse costs will be about  $\pm 20$  a night.

Inverie is home to the most remote pub in Britain (The Old Forge) which does excellent food and the bunkhouse has kitchen facilities.

For more details please contact Andy Brown on 07870 145026 or come up the Wheatsheaf.

Places in the bunkhouse are limited so be quick.

## 6<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> May Hut Climbing Weekend

Mel is organising a climbing weekend so get practising at the indoor wall! All abilities welcome!

For more details contact Mel on 07845060043

### 22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> September Hostel weekend at Keswick

Youth hostel B/B - £30.25 per person per night. Why not try Ghyll Scrambling with Chase Adventure -£35.00 per person £20.00 deposit (non-refundable)

If interested please contact Nigel Tarr 07703 345739

### Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September Women's Weekend

Book with Vanessa on 07709 514 180

# Hut Insulation

A much warmer and more energy-efficient club hut

I thought I would give you an update on the recent insulation work that has been carried out at the hut. It was decided many months prior by the committee that it would be beneficial to undertake this project to help keep/maintain heat relatively longer inside the premises, but more importantly members/guests will be able to use the premises in the winter months knowing it will be warmer.

I would like to add that upon investigation there was NO roof insulation at the club hut - this was confirmed by our competent contractor. In adding insulation it will hopefully increase nightly usage at the hut and reduce the amount of wood being burnt because heat should stay inside the building for longer.

I have already received lots of positive comments stating that the work has been carried out very well and has not affected the natural charm of the building.

The Committee have been working very hard to improve facilities at the hut. Recently we have seen new windows/doors, wood-burning stove, mattresses, roof insulation to name a few, and there are some additional plans in the pipeline.

Please see the photos below that show how much work was involved to make our facilities more comfortable. I hope that members/guests/families enjoy the club hut for many years to come.

I would like to thank Neil Easter for carrying out the project very successfully, and for attending meetings and answering numerous questions to ensure we got the project right for our members.

See you on the Hills.

Dave Jones Chairman

With photos from Neil Easter



By Dave Jones









# Llanberis Coach Meet

#### Article by new member Glen Mounfort

I've been climbing and mountaineering for 30 or so years, but I'm a newcomer to the club, this being only my second coach meet. I was encouraged to join by my partner Lara, who was concerned by the fact I was walking solo. I found the first trip last year thoroughly enjoyable by all and everyone was very friendly, chatty and welcoming. I hope this serves not only as a write up of the day but also appeals to any prospective new members as I'm coming from the perspective of a "newbie" to the club.

The coach departed West Bromwich promptly and picked the remainder of passengers at quarter past seven, before the usual rest stop in Corwen. I had a preferred option in mind of doing route four, but awaited the circulation of the route book to ensure there were others planning the same. Around half the coach left at Pen Y Pass, myself included, at around quarter past ten. The weather forecast had warnings of 60mph easterly winds as well as snow and ice above around 500m. I joined a group containing Ade, Dee, Liz, Paul, Geordie and Phil planning to head over Glyder Fawr, Y Garn and Elidir Fawr and down to Llanberis.

We reached the snowline not long after setting off, getting buffeted by the wind. It was certainly cold and wearing multiple layers was essential.



It didn't take long for people to start to feel intense cold in their hands. I was feeling pretty warm in relation to my feet, nestled snugly in my plastics boots with cosy inners... until my foot went into a muddy pool of sludge hidden under the snow. Water went down the top of my gaiter and straight into my boot. Lovely! I spoke to Ade and said I may be limiting my walk to Glyder Fawr as we were around three quarters of the way up. Ade was concerned about the wind and exposure making progress slow and said he planned to descend from the col between Y Garn and Glyder Fawr to the valley and to the pub in Nant Peris.

By the summit, the snow had turned to ice and it was time for crampons. The wind was making doing anything that involved standing still or fiddling with crampon straps uncomfortable. A few quick photos were taken before we started the descent. It was enjoyable being in crampons descending some nicely compact snow and ice.



We descended in crampons until we reached softer snow. By this point the snow had started falling again as we reached a path back to the valley. A short walk along the road led us to Nant Peris and the welcome sight of a pub with open fire. After a round of drinks, Liz persuaded the barman to let us eat our packed lunches. We had an enjoyable hour or so waiting for the coach, some good tips and one liners from Geordie, plus a rather amusing incident. A couple sat adjacent to us with their pet dog... which redefined the meaning of the phrase "silent but deadly" with what can best be described as a pub-clearing fart. Much amusement as a few members of the party gave one another funny looks... and were blaming each other only to later find out the culprit was a cute black puppy.

The coach picked us up and the remainder from Pen Y Pass, before heading home. I thoroughly enjoyed my second coach trip, and hopefully many more to come



# Nev's Scottish Weekend

By Dave Jones



Always very popular on the meet card and this year was no different with 63 members present throughout the week. It is very easy to identify the popular events when we have numbers in attendance like this.

Firstly I would like to thank Jonathon Howells for organising the event and liaising with members and also the hotel, also a massive thank you to the members and friends that turned up, weather you was there for the full week or just for a couple of days. For anyone that was not present for my end of week speech I mentioned that it I feel honoured to be chairman when I see such events being organised and well attended.

I think a special mention should also go to the staff at the Ben Nevis Hotel & Leisure Club for looking after everyone during our visit.

The week had started a little earlier for Graeme Stanford and myself, we had come up with a plan based on me failing on two previous occasions to complete the two Munro's from the Glenfinnan estate. In 2016 a group of us had to turn back due to severe weather and Graeme had failed the previous year with the same circumstances, so as the saying goes third time lucky for the two of us.

The plan was to drive up on the Friday, leave nonrequired baggage at the hotel, drive down to Glenfinnan, park the car and walk through the estate and stay in the Corryhully Bothy which would be a first for me & Graeme.

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February arrived and we departed at 09:00am and started the journey with the usual refreshment stops at Tebay Services at Orton in the Eden district of Cumbria. In 1972 two local farmers set up this service in partnership with local bakers when the M6 cut through the Tebay Gorge. It was the first and still is the only family run motorway service station on the UK road network. We stayed there for lunch with one further stop in Tyndrum at the Green Welly.

Arrived at the hotel and informed them of our arrival, I had contacted the hotel some weeks prior and requested if we could store surplus baggage that was not required. Previously we had stopped at Morison's to pick up some wood to walk into the Bothy.

We departed the hotel to start the short journey to Glenfinnan. We parked adjacent to visitor centre, got all our gear together, put on out head torches and started the 2 mile walk in. Corryhully Bothy is one of the very few open shelters in the Highlands with its own electricity supply hence its nickname. There is a kettle 2 lights (one not working) and a couple of double sockets all fed by a meter, myself and Graeme ensured we had £1 £2 coins and 50ps based on the tariff. The building is a long, open shell with an earth floor. A permanent 3 person sleeping platform runs down the length of the far wall. Additional bed space consists of wooden boards balanced on a bench. The focal point is the fireplace at the gable end, where there are a few chairs. In my opinion 3 people is comfortable.

I had no spare hands walking in so had to stop on numerous occasions due change the weight load between wood, sleeping bag, and cooking pot.



We walked under the celebrated viaduct, continuing up the valley until just before the road starts to turn uphill to the lodge, with the bothy in view, but not so much in the dark, head torches could spot deer at a distance with just a set of glowing green eyes. Estimated walk in time is around 45 minutes to one hour dependent if you have any spare hands. Key attractions for this location is an ideal base for the round of Sgurr nan Coireachan (956m) and Sgurr Thuilm (963m) "both was on the to do list" you could complete the horseshoe which would mean taking in Streap a very worthy Corbett at (909m)

We arrived at the Bothy and there was an Italian Gentleman present by the name of "Robin" who was completing the Cape Wrath trail, I think he was pleased to see us arrive with a supply of fresh dry wood, within seconds wood was on the fire and roaring. Graeme had collected water from the stream opposite and the jet boil was starting to boil, menu for tonight was beef stew and dumplings (from a bag!) nice cup of coffee, mattress blown up, sleeping bag ready...bliss.

Robin had stated that he had sort of given up the rat race and was enjoying months of lonely trails that lay ahead. I think that is a brave decision to make and doing it alone deserves a mention, Robin spoke very good English and seemed to like photography and only slept in a very light foil blanket keeping the journey ahead as light as possible.

# Nev's Scottish Weekend (continued)

After a warm around the fire it was time to get into a lovely warm sleeping bag, it's very rare I zip a sleeping bag up, but believe me on this occasion everything was zipped up and no bare skin could be exposed without feeling the cold air, base layer on, long johns, socks and hat completed the insulation.



During the night I had woke on numerous occasions and could hear the rain hitting the tin roof. I think my back had become harder than the wooden platform that I was sleeping on. I woke the following morning to Graeme collecting water and getting the jet boil fired up, speciality for this morning's breakfast was sausages beans, egg, just add water!! We said goodbyes to Robin who was still half unconscious and informed we would be back later to collect sleeping bags etc.

Rain was light but progressed throughout the day turning us into "wet ducks" within thirty minutes we was starting our ascent up to Sgurr nan Coireachan, when arriving at the summit we took the WBMC flag out and got some photos on the summit, we continued towards Sgurr Thuilm being battered by high winds prior to turning onto the ridge Graeme commented shall we carry on. We continued and got to the summit and immediately turned around and headed back down, being hit by high winds buffering us constantly.

A relatively steep route down but on a clear day you could expect fantastic views of Glenfinnan and down into Knoydart. We arrived back at the Bothy collected our gear and headed back down the two mile track. We arrived back at the car tired, wet but had succeeded at a third attempt. We headed back to the hotel for a welldeserved shower and evening meal and meet other WBMC members.

The first day had been successful and I was looking forward to the week ahead. On Sunday I had decided to go into Glencoe and attempt to do the Pap of Glencoe with Hilary Jones, after a very nice breakfast we started the short journey.

We parked the car in the village and headed down the road. Originally, we had taken a detour, but soon found the path and the makeshift sign which states "Pap of Glencoe" or the technical name Sgurr na Ciche(742m) the Pap is on the northern side of Glencoe, and it lies at the western end of the Aonach Eagach ridge directly above the point where the river Coe enters Loch Leven. The pap is so named as it has a distinctive conical shape resembling a female breast particularly when viewed from the West. Myself & Hilary started just before the Youth Hostel reaching the bealach between the pap and Sgor nam Fiannaidh, we got some extra layers on here prior to scrambling onto the ridge, we picked our route out and at the top we saw Mike & Emily Smith and their dog Ginny, we walked off the ridge and decided to have some lunch when out of the wind.

A relatively easier day but still some good steep sections and good views back into Glencoe when ascending. When arriving back at the hotel it was pool, Jacuzzi, & sauna for me.

On Monday four of us (Oliver Stephenson, Martin Conway, Adrian Shaw & myself) decided to do Am Bodach (1032m) starting from by Kinlochleven situated on the main ridge of the Mamores. We followed part of the West Highland Way path before turning off right and heading along the boggy track and the fast flowing river, we opted to cut the end of the corrie out and just head directly upwards to save some time, a case of stop, start and breath, but some great views was had when looking back on our route towards Kinlochleven.



On Tuesday a group of us – Dave Hellier, Vanessa Biddulph & Friend (sorry forgot your name) & Martin Conway – had decided to attempt Buachaile Etive Mor parking at Lagangarbh hut we headed up directly passing the SMC club hut, we weaved up the path with the gulley directly to the left, when getting near to the corrie with a section of snow, we got on top and the group was hit by extreme wind, the gully had protected us from the wind. It was so severe we all had to lie down and make a decision to either carry on or drop back down; we all thought the safest option was to head back down and to come back again. Martin Conway did go back and complete a couple of days later.

## Nev's Scottish Weekend (continued)

We got back to the car very wet and decided to head to the Clachaig Inn to get a warm, dry out, drink, or from my prospective buy a tee shirt.

On Wednesday we had decided to do something slightly different, everyone tends to rush towards Fort William for the higher mountains, missing the lovely mountains that can be accessed via the Corran Ferry, today the group consisted of myself, Graeme, Chris Dean, Martin Conway, Adrian Shaw & Hilary Jones, we had just missed one ferry, so we was first in the queue for the next ferry, we opted to get boots on and get gear ready.

The ferry is only a very short crossing, when arriving we turned left and headed down the road parking at a small school. I would highly recommend this day, No Munro's but the destination today was Sgurr Na Eanchainne (731m) The route is an horseshoe, a steep pull up on relatively untrodden paths, we had a full mixture of weather, sunshine, rain, high wind, rainbows, you name it we had it.

We had a fantastic day, stopped for some lunch on the hill and even got a pint at The Inn based right by the harbour, whilst waiting for the Ferry to take us back.

On Thursday I thought I would walk the North Ridge of Fort William High Street, yes time to rest the legs, however you do become used to consecutive days walking, myself and Adrian Shaw done some "Gear Fondling" followed by a Costa "lotta" money Hot Chocolate.

Last day prior to departure three of us decided to do An Gearanach (982m) from Glen Nevis, part of the Mamores range, we crossed the Steall wire bridge ensuring we undone our rucksacks just in case we fell into the water. A steep climb up, fortunately an individual just ahead of us had made a track which we gladly followed; this was the last Munro for Oliver along the Mamore's range. Good snowfall on top which made it thigh deep in places but we kept trudging to get to the summit, this was my fourth Munro of the week and I had also done the Pap & Sgurr Na Eanchainne so I was relatively satisfied on what I and my colleagues had achieved.

Friday Night and we had our last final evening meal together, prior to heading home after breakfast on the Saturday morning.

Again I would like to thank Jonathon Howells for organising and everyone that attended during the week more importantly let's remember the week is called Nev's Scottish week in honour of the late Nev Tandy.

See you on the Hills. Dave Jones Chairman WBMC

# Coach Meet – Ogwen

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2017

Depart 07:00 – West Brom. Edward St Car Park (B70 8HU) 07:20 Service Road Junc. 2 M54 (Short stop at Corwen)

#### Drop off

Pont Cyfyng (735572) Capel Curig (721582) Ogwen (656603)

Pick up Ogwen (656603) Capel Curig (721582)

Required maps OS 1:25000 Outdoor Leisure No 17 Snowdon

## Suggested routes

From Pont Cyfyng Route 1 (~9.5km / 6 miles)

Follow the track to a disused quarry (71755) then continue to Lyn Y Foel (713547) from where you can climb the SE Ridge of Moel Siabod (Grade 1 scramble of Dear Ddu ) from the summit (705546) descend via the NE ridge to grid reference (713565) continue through the forest to Plas y Brenin and the Capel Curig pick up.

#### From Capel Curig

#### Route 2

Head West and follow the ridge to Galt yr Ogoff (685586) continue over Y Foel Goch (678582) to Llyn Caseg- Fraith (670584) and find a cairn at the col marking the Miners Track. follow the path to Bwlch Tryfan (6625588) and ascend Tryfan (664594) via the South Ridge descend via the West gully to Ogwen.

#### Route 3 (~9km / 6 miles)

Follow route 2 to Llyn Casag-Fraith (670584) and then climb to the summit of Glyder Fach (656583). Continue along the plateau to Glyder Fawr (642579) and descend to Llyn y Cwn (638584) and then take the path to the right of the Devils Kitchen to Llyn Idwal (647598) and back to Ogwen.

#### Route 4 (~16km / 10 miles)

Head North to Craig Wen (729602) and onto Creigiau Gleision double summit (729616) and (734623). Then



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descend to the Llyn Cowlyd Dam and climb Pen Llithrig y Wrach (716624) before returning to Capel Curig. If the weather is bad the return could be via the lakeside track.

#### Route 5 (~16km / 10 miles)

Head NNW to Pen Llthrig Wrach (716624) and descend to its West ridge to Pen Yr Helgi Du (699629). Follow the narrow ridge NW onto Carnedd Llewellyn (684645). Head South and South West and finally West to Carnedd Dafydd (664630) and from here the quickest way back to coach is to contour round to Pen Yr Ole Wen (655619) and descend the path down its South West ridge to Ogwen Falls (649605) then East along the A5 to the coach.

#### From A5 near Llyn Ogwen

#### Route 6

Follow the road to grid reference(663603) and tackle the North Ridge of Tryfan (grade 1 scramble) at the summit (664594) jump from Adam to Eve and back if you dare !! (WEATHER PERMITTING ) and then descend the Siuth Ridge to Bwlch Tryfan (662588) and continue up the Bristly Ridge (another grade 1 scramble ) to the summit plateau of Glyder Fach (656583). A less exposed alternative is to climb the scree slope to the East of the ridge scramble over the Castell Y Gwynt (654582) and follow the plateau edge NW to the top of Y Gribin (651583). Descend this fine ridge back to Ogwen.

# Coach Meet – Thirlmere/Grasmere

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2017

Depart 07:00 – West Brom. Edward St Car Park (B70 8HU) 07:20 – Penkridge

#### Drop off

Threlkeld (325254) Thirlmere Reservoir (316169) Travellers Rest (336089) Grasmere (339073)

Pick up Grasmere (339073)

Required maps Outdoor Leisure: No 4 - Lakes North Western Area No 5 - Lakes North Eastern Area No 7 - Lakes South Eastern Area

## Suggested routes

Route 1 (22km / 13miles) From Threlkeld

Work your way S to Clough Head 334225. A grassy path S takes you over rocky Calfhow Pike 331211 then change direction slightly SE then E to Great Dodd 342345. From here a lovely but very demanding ridge takes you over the summits of Watsons Dodd, Stybarrow Dodd, Raise 343175, Whiteside Bank Lower Man and finally Helvellyn 342152. The high level ridge continues S and ends at Grisdale Tarn 352122. An easy path now takes you down to the road 335092.

Route 2 (11.5km 8miles)

Leave the A591 adjacent to Thirlmere Reservoir 315170 and follow the ridge passing Helvellyn Gill 325165 to the summit of Helvellyn 342152. Pleasant walking S leads over Dollywaggon Pike 346131, then descend steeply to Grisdale Tarn 352122. An easy path now takes you down to the road



Fares

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#### Route 3

Follow route 2 to Grisdale Tarn 352122 ascend Fairfield 359117 follow the ridge S to to Great Rigg 356104 then descend SW to Stone Arthur 347092. Follow a good path down to the road 338085

#### Route 4 (10.5km / 6.5 miles)

From the Travellers Rest 336089 follow the bridal path up Little Tongue Gill 342105 then climb steeply W 338106 to the ridge and onto the summit of Seat Sandal 344115. Descend E to Grisdale Hause then continue onto the summit of Fairfield 359117 .Follow the ridge S to Great Rigg 356104 then descend SW to Stone Athut 347092. Follow a good path down to the road 338085

# Meet card 2017 - 2018

Here are the dates from this year's meet card, which details the club's events up until the end of May 2018.

If you know someone who isn't currently a member, but has expressed an interest in any of these activities, then please give them a copy of this page or direct them to the club website.

## June 2017

Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Hut Exchange W/E - YMS visit WBMC Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> Outdoor Evening Meet Sat 10<sup>th</sup> Coach meet Malham Fri 16<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> Challenge W/E Welsh 15 x 3000ers Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> Family Weekend Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Climbing Night

### July

Thurs 6<sup>th</sup> Outdoor Evening Meet Fri 7<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> Gower Weekend Sun 9<sup>th</sup> Coach Meet Black Mountains Fri 14<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> Family Weekend Fri 21<sup>st</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> Hut Exchange W/E WBMC visit YMS Mon 31<sup>st</sup> Climbing Night

#### August

Fri 5<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> Oggie 8 Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> Outdoor Evening Meet Sun 13<sup>th</sup> Coach Meet Berwyns Fri 18<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> Hut Working W/E Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Climbing Night

## September

Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Outdoor Evening Meet Sat 9<sup>th</sup> Long Coach Meet Braithwaite FRI 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> Skills W/E Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> YHA W/E Keswick Ghyll Scrambling Fri 29<sup>th</sup> - 1<sup>st</sup> Womens W/E

## October

Thurs  $5^{th}$  Indoor Evening Meet Sun  $8^{th}$  Coach Meet Howgills Fri  $14^{th}$  -  $16^{th}$  Hut Biking W/E Mon  $30^{th}$  Climbing Night

## November

Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Bunkhouse W/E Bishops Castle Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> Indoor Evening Meet Sat 11<sup>th</sup> Coach Meet Llanberis Fri 17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> Hut Working W/E Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Social Night Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Climbing Night

## December

Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Indoor Evening Meet Sun 10<sup>th</sup> Coach Meet Castleton Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Christmas Social Wheatsheaf

## January 2018

Sun 7<sup>th</sup> "Mitches " Meet Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> Indoor Meet Sun 14<sup>th</sup> Coach Meet Patterdale Fri 19<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> Scottish W/E Fri 26<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> Hostel W/E Mon 29<sup>th</sup> Climbing Night

## February

Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> Indoor Meet Sat 10<sup>th</sup> Coach Meet Ogwen Sat 17<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> Nevs Scottish Week Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Climbing Night

### March

Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> Indoor Evening Meet Sun 11<sup>th</sup> Coach Meet Borrowdale Fri 16<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> Away Dinner Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> AGM Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Climbing Night

### April

Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> Indoor Evening Meet Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Coach Meet Dufton Yorkshire Fri 20<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> Scottish W/E Mon 30<sup>th</sup> Climbing Night

### May

Thurs<sup>'</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> Outdoor Evening Meet Sat 12<sup>th</sup> Coach Meet Brecon Beacons Fri 20<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> Hut Working W/E Fri 27<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> Family W/E Mon 30<sup>th</sup> Climbing Night