



PMAC E-NEWS APRIL 2024



Midweek Walkers on the summit of Fairsnape

For those of us unfortunate enough to have been stuck in the North West over the winter period I think the common consensus is:

"What a bloody awful winter!!"

Wind, rain, mud, clouds..... no where near enough of the white stuff or freezing temperatures.

The image above of the midweek walkers in glorious sunshine is not the whole picture.....

Others ventured farther afield to find proper winter conditions with Tony ticking off the Dolomites and the Northern Norway in the space of a month...



The hill walking meets kicked off this year on 7th March with the scheduled walk from Dunsop Bridge being moved to Parlick instead. Mainly due to the amount of mud in the Dunsop area, and the wind which was blowing from the East and covering the hills with thick cloud. There were 8 of us on the walk and we headed up Parlick by the track going round the hill, mainly to keep out of the wind, but then headed for the summit once we hit the fence line. Once on the summit the full force of the wind hit us and we could see the thick grey cloud layer getting nearer. Having had enough of being nearly blown over we headed down the lea side of the hill and into brief sunshine and a lunch stop. The walk passed through the farmland and skirted around the base of Parlick back to the cars. By then the clouds were over the summits and rain threatened. Most of us headed for the Cobbled Corner cafe in Chipping to warm up and munch cake. Attended by Fliess, Christine, Liz and son Tom, Nick and Eileen, Bill and Steve.

Next Hill Walk will be Thursday, 11th April.
Meeting at Holme for Farleton Fell.



The annual dinner this year was held at the Achille Ratti Climbing Club Hut in Langdale. Despite awful weather great fun was had by those attending.... a great meal, traditional games, and great company....



Nikki & Anne found some winter on an Austrian Alpine Club (AAC) Ski Touring meet. The AAC is always worth a look at as membership provides emergency rescue cover & a calendar of meets & instruction!



Up-coming meets.....

Date:	Venue:
April 12 th - 14 th	Peak District North Lees Campsite Walking & gritstone climbing
May 17 th - 19 th	Snowdonia. Ty'n Lon Hut Llanberis Walking, Scrambling & Climbing
June 14 th - 16 th	Duddon Valley. West Lakes Wallowbarrow Camping Barn Walking, Scrambling & Climbing
July 19 th - 21 st	Camping TBA Walking, Scrambling & Climbing
August 16 th - 18 th	Camping TBA Walking, Scrambling & Climbing
September 4 th - 8 th	Pembrokeshire. St Davids. Camping Coastal Walking & Sea Cliff Climbing
October 11 th - 13 th	Lake District Coniston Coppermines Walking, Scrambling & Climbing

PMC Scotland

The February PMC Scotland meet was cancelled due to a lack of numbers and poor weather. The March meet went ahead led by Christian and stayed at Waters Cottage in Kinlochleven (FRCC Hut). A few hardy PMC'ers ventured north of the border in small groups in search of the elusive white stuff...

Routes were completed on Ben Nevis, Stop Coire nan Lochan and Buachaille Etive Mor.



Mid-Week Walks....

Thursday April 18th Leader: Liz
 Meet at the Bob-In Cafe, New Barns, LA5 OBN, on coast c. 1 mile south-west of Arnside. Grid ref: SD 442 778. Park up on Arnside promenade (or catch the train) then walk south-west along the shore for about a mile to New Barns. Allow about 15 mins, so depart Arnside at about 10.15 a.m. to arrive at the rendezvous at 10.30 a.m. Liz will lead a walk in the Silverdale / Arnside area. c. 6 – 7 miles.

Thursday May 16th 2024 Leader: Kath
 Long Preston to Settle via the Ribble Way. Meet at 10.30 a.m. at The Maypole Inn, Main Street, Long Preston, BD23 4PH, on A65. There may be parking on the street, or in the station car park. We walk to Cow Bridge, then follow Ribble Way to Settle railway station. Train back from Settle to Long Preston railway station. c. 7 miles.

Thursday June 20th 2024 Leader: Fran
 Circular walk from Dunsop Bridge via Burholme Bridge and Hareden.
 Meet at 10.30 a.m. at Puddleducks cafe, Dunsop Bridge BB7 3BB. Grid ref. SD 659 502. (Turn right off the Trough of Bowland road into Dunsop Bridge). The walk goes south to Burholme Bridge, up the road towards Chipping a little way, then across the hillside to Hareden farm then back to Dunsop Bridge.(7.5 miles)

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**Spring is here....
 Thursday Cragging!!**



*This weekend!!
 North Lees
 Campsite
 12th - 14th
 April
 There are still
 spaces
 Day-trippers
 welcome!
 Meet leader
 Laurence.*

11 April	Troy Qy
18 April	Wilton 3
25 April	Noggarth
2 May	Witches
9 May	Round Barn QY
16 May	Wilton 1
23 May	Cadshaw
30 May	Troy Qy
6 June	Hutton Roof
13 June	Witches Qy
20 June	Wilton 3
27 June	Anglezarke
4 July	Warton
11 July	Trowbarrow
18 July	Wilton 1
25 July	Egerton Qy
1 Aug	Witches Qy
8 Aug	Warton Main Upper
15 August	Troy Qy
22 Aug	Hutton Roof
29 Aug	Anglezarke Qy
5 Sept	Denham

**Up-coming meet...
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