



Activity



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TrevMASters' Voice

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Greetings to you all.

It doesn't seem possible but it is already exactly halfway through this season. Time really does seem to pass more quickly the older we get! I hope your experiences so far have been as enjoyable as ours.

Towards the end of April many of us, representing all three of our Areas, gathered at Ashford-in-the-Water for this year's Festival of Walking and Cycling. I think everyone I met was impressed by the location and warmly appreciative of all the efforts our Peakland friends had made to make it such a successful event. A big thank-you to you all. Among the various attractions they provided was one real novelty. Locating the Elsan disposal point at the end of an obstacle course! Nice one! (Not to be outdone, Wessex at its next meet had stewards Terry and Ann providing a guided tour to find the Elsan!)

I think I need to clarify a query that has been raised. At the Wessex Area AGM I stood down as Wessex chairman; in fact I did not stand for re-election to the Wessex committee. Lindie Pink, former sites officer, has returned to the Wessex committee and been elected its chair. Congratulations to her. Also to Alan and Lynne Wakely, who have been elected to the Wessex committee; especially as they are primarily cyclists.

However, at the Section council meeting, following the Section AGM, I was honoured to be re-elected as Section chairman. (That meeting also experienced a real novelty. It was held in the snooker room of the Village Hall and we all sat around the table. There was little lighting from the few bulbs on the side walls which left us all with our heads and shoulders poking above the table in the gloom. Then we noticed the coin-in-the-box that had to be fed to illuminate the cradle of fluorescent tubes above the table. First meeting I've ever attended where every six minutes someone had to leap up and feed in another 20 pence!)

As I have been typing this the sun has been shining so hotly through our south facing window that I have had to move. Let's hope this is a sign summer is really with us and we can enjoy the rest of this season. Happy camping, walking, cycling to you all.

Trev Masters.

Festival of Walking and Cycling

Hello folks,

We had an excellent Section AGM meet at Ashford between the 27th of April and the 2nd of May, with 60 units camping during the five days, 47 MAS and 13 visitors, so thanks to all those who attended and helped to make it such a success.



Walks were held everyday, usually three, which were all well supported. Some went off cycling while others went around the local area visiting various attractions. Those that emptied the toilet cassettes also completed several extra short walks over the meet as the elsan point was off the site, over a road and through three gates into a field where they were in danger of being savaged by new born lambs.

The AGM went smoothly, followed by a Bring and Share supper and social natter when I was voted the best dressed male present, simply as I was the only one wearing a tie.

The vocal entertainer went down well on Sunday evening. It was amazing to see so many people up dancing, some of it quite spectacular.

So on behalf the Peakland committee I want to say thank you everyone who helped to arrange the various events including leading walks, afternoon tea and cakes, the fish and chip supper, the cryptic quiz, to those who donated the refreshments and everyone who parted with their money to support the charitable fund raising. Last but not least to Robin for fitting a water supply at the bottom of the field, without that there would have many, many more short walks!

Regards

Les Morton.



This is a photo of yours truly and Annette—we were first on the floor and I was challenged to print it, so here it is!! Toni

(Photo Christine Ford)

Extra Meet at a Club Site

The Section Council have decided to hold their September meeting at the **Wolverley Club Site**. We are therefore making this an opportunity for an MAS 'get together' for an extra 4 night meet from **Thursday 28th September** to take advantage of the walking and cycling opportunities in the area. By making this a group booking we are able to take advantage of the special low rates offered for groups of 7 units or more. For a hard standing pitch with electricity this will be **£11.15 per unit per night**.

This will obviously be a booked meet only so if you wish to join us please let me know a cwdwild@gmail.com.

Colin Wild



A selection of things seen during the FoWC, By Toni



An old mill wheel and the weir from which it was once fed



Approaching Monsal viaduct, and the view from above the viaduct



The viaduct from further above



Approaching Magpie Mine



A Pub sign which gave rise to conversation. It sold nice beer, too.



Close-up of scenery on a wall. Note the snail!



Gate on the way to Bakewell



Stone steps and stile

As this is the MAS 30th anniversary we thought you might like to read the account we wrote of our first MAS meet.

Friday 25th – Sunday 27th September 1987

Melbourne Farm

Derbyshire

Our first ever Meet! We decided to join the new Caravanning and Camping Club Mountain Activity Section and this was the first meet we could go to. *(We think it was the first MAS meet in the Peakland Area)*

We arrived just after 6pm and parked ourselves well away from everyone else (typical!) – everyone who came later pitched neatly in two parallel lines.

Both Saturday and Sunday nights were very cold – about 3° – with some ground frost. There was a lot of cloud, but it was quite a pleasant weekend – some sun and not much wind, although when it did blow it was from the north.

We joined the long walk and rushed around the countryside – Sheldon, White Lodge, Monsal Head and Bakewell. The walk was 12¹/₂ miles. We enjoyed chatting to different people for a change and they were all very friendly. There were 24 units at the meet.

There was a meeting at 10am on Sunday to discuss the future of the group. *(The 3 founders of the Section i.e. the 3 Dereks were there: Derek Buckle, Derek Wood and Derek Price. Derek Wood talked about setting up the new Mountain Activity Section and said if we want it to be successful we must remember it is our group and it's up to us to make it work. 30 years later we think we did.)* After the short meeting most people went off for another rush through the countryside – this time through Lathkill Dale to Monyash. We decided to go off on our own this time and we went down to Bakewell. We probably didn't go any slower than them, but we preferred setting our own pace. We had dinner by the river and then sat and waited for the bookshop to open. We walked back in time for a cup of tea at 3pm. Sheila went and had a chat with some people who had a VW with a Leisuredrive roof and then we packed up and got home about 5.30. Bakewell was even busier when we came through.

We're debating now whether to go to the next meet near Settle in 3 weeks time, but it's even darker then, although it may not be colder!

The cost was £2.20 for the weekend.

Ruth and Sheila

Mountain Activity Section Officers 2017/18

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A Wandering Mind Whilst Wondering

Eyam (pronounced EEM) is a strange village in the Peak District, sitting on a flat plateau above Stoney Middleton but below the moors. I call it the village of halves - halfway up, halfway down, it lies on the boundary between the limestone and the gritstone areas, there is an upper and a lower half to the village, and half of the houses are built of gritstone the rest are limestone.

We parked the car by the church, where there is half a sundial on the wall, and donned our walking boots. Wandering through the churchyard half the gravestones are very old and made of gritstone, the other half are modern marble.

We made our way up the hill to a gate. I laugh, the sign on the gate has an arrow and the words 'Monpresson's well'. The wrong punctuation gives it a totally different meaning. It's ironic as the village is famous for the great plague. In the summer there is a little museum, with free parking; it's worth a visit if you have the time.

We go through the gate, the hill becomes steeper and our breathing deeper as we wind our way through the woods, eventually popping out of the shade into bright sunshine. From the green fields we have a stunning view of the village below, with the limestone walls corralling the sheep as they graze on the short green grass. Sliding through a couple of squeezes, the dry stone walls turn from limestone to grit and the green fields to spectacular purple heather, as we head onto the moors.

Eyam Moor must give one of the finest views in the Peak. To our left is a trig point that was used by the Ordnance Survey to take measurements from one high point to the next using trigonometry. In previous years contours were indicated on maps using this method.

If you look closely on the right there are some shooting butts used by the gentry in the grouse shooting season. Somewhere, although I've never found it yet even though it's marked on the map, is an ancient stone circle hidden amongst the heather and bracken.

The terrain flattens out as we follow the narrow footpath to the far side, past the old lead workings to a cairn; I can't help adding a stone every time I pass. As we survey the valley below over to the next high moor on the other side there's a stunning view of nine different gritstone edges, on which I have spent many a happy evening climbing.

I've always told Sal, "When I die cremate me and scatter my ashes here." As I get older I'm changing my mind, if there is an afterlife would I be happy stuck out on a wild windy moor in a snow blizzard for the rest of eternity, or would it be better sitting on a dusty shelf watching the telly ?

I look over to a surprise view and a Crag called Lawrence Field. I climbed there once starting from the bottom, and as I progressed I had to brush off lots of grit from

hand and foot holds; it gave the feeling I was wearing roller skates instead of my trusty climbing shoes. It was in fact becoming dangerous, if I fell from here it was going to definitely hurt or it may even be fatal. I thought it strange at the time because the rest of the crag was relatively clean. When I eventually reached the top I had the fright of my life! There was a bunch of flowers and a card and written on it were the letters RIP! Oops. I did check and thankfully it wasn't my name on the card.

We carried on over the moor listening to the 'Tommy gun' sounds as the grouse glided low over the heather, eventually disappearing and camouflaging themselves in their natural surroundings.

In the valley below us there are a couple of small derelict farms, being so isolated they survived by small-scale mining and cheese making, long before electricity and running water was available.

Making our way down to the stream we crossed over a small bridge heading onward to the village of Abney that consists of perhaps just a dozen properties, no pubs or shops. Here the ground is always boggy and hard going, and our feet became heavy as the mud glued to our boots, slowing our progress for a while. As we slip and slide over the terrain our stout waterproof boots are a must for fording or jumping over puddles.

The next few miles consists of steep rises and falls over grazing land so we take our time and occasionally stop and turn around to admire the view. I find it strange that most walkers don't take the time to turn around and see where they have been, instead of where they are going. Try it, you're guaranteed a totally different perspective and more importantly a rest to boot.

On top of the next rise we call into a pub called the 'Barrel', for some refreshment and then start the homeward stretch.

We pass a working flourspar mine, which is used to make sulphuric acid for batteries (amongst other things). Personally I think it's a blot on the land scape but it was worked well before I was born and even before the National Park was formed so I will stay quiet about that.

From here we can see Eyam village once more and as we wander through the streets past the houses, some of them have plaques on the walls naming the families and the number of plague victims/deaths in each cottage at the time.

My mind wonders, what it must have been like living here during those terrible times? If there is an afterlife how many ghosts there must be.

Fresh air and exercise is excellent for our wellbeing. But most importantly walking with a loved one accentuates the experience.

Brass Lucas

Northern Area

We have had a busy season so far even though it was quite wet at the beginning. The site for the AGM was too wet but the warden managed to find hard standing for those who attended. It was however quite stressful for the relief stewards who had to step in when electrical failure to their caravan sent the original ones home.

Our visit to Austwick was well attended as always and the spectacular display of flowers was better than ever. Good weather and plenty of scenery in The Yorkshire Dales is always very tempting for getting out and about whether for walking, cycling or just relaxing and enjoying the scenery. (The draw of Elaine's Tea Room with home-made cakes is also quite tempting.)

The highlight of our calendar for me is our holiday meet at Kemplerigg Farm in the Lakes. This year we had mostly good weather apart from one day when many people managed to get caught in a



Hello folks,

The Peak District Boundary Walk has been officially launched, as it says on the tin it follows as closely as possible the boundary of the Peak District National Park. One or two people have asked me about this recently, all the details are available on the website www.friendsofthepeak.org.uk. Could you pass this on to our members in the other areas please as I know there is interest from them. The idea is that it becomes a must do long distance walk, ideally starting and finishing it in Buxton as an alternative to others in this part of the world.

Les Morton

[Click here](http://www.friendsofthepeak.org.uk/boundary-walk/launch-event/) for details of our brand new long distance Peak District Boundary Walk: 190 beautiful miles around the edge of the national park.

<http://www.friendsofthepeak.org.uk/boundary-walk/launch-event/>

downpour. It was a really busy meet (265 unit nights) with several new to Kemplerigg, who enjoyed it so much they said they would return next year with some more of their friends. It was lovely to see 18 children there, all setting off on family walks; most walking, but the smallest on dads' backs. Some days the youngsters stayed on site with mums or grandparents, whilst dads went off on something more strenuous. These families, mostly from Sheffield, have been coming to Kemplerigg for many years, firstly as youth members with their parents and now with their own children.

We even had a supply of toilet fluids for sale (kindly donated by Stuart Lamb) which raised about £40 for Mountain Rescue, which was added to our collection tin enabling us to send a cheque for £85.13.

The holiday enabled members to partake in a wide variety of pastimes. These ranged from very demanding hikes up "the big ones" to leisurely family walks, to strolls on the beach and rides on the Eskdale railway. The nearby Muncaster Castle always has a Festival of Fools coinciding with our annual visit. The old fashioned court jesters bring many a giggle from the huge audiences.

For my part, a leisurely stroll along the excellent beach at nearby Seascale; topped off by a choice from 131 different ice cream flavours at the local cafe could only be favourably contrasted with the world class carrot cake home-baked by Elaine at her cafe in Feizor (pronounces Fayzer) on our Austwick meet.

Frances Doyle

PRO Northern

[Why is English so hard to learn?](#)

- 1) The bandage was wound around the wound.
 - 2) The farm was used to produce produce.
 - 3) The dump was so full that it had to refuse more refuse.
 - 4) We must polish the Polish furniture.
 - 5) He could lead if he would get the lead out.
 - 6) The soldier decided to desert his dessert in the desert.
 - 7) Since there is no time like the present, he thought it was time to present the present.
 - 8) I did not object to the object.
 - 9) There was a row among the oarsmen about how to row.
 - 10) They were too close to the door to close it.
 - 11) Upon seeing the tear in the painting I shed a tear.
 - 12) How can I intimate this to my most intimate friend?
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**PEAKLAND MEET 16TH – 20TH JUNE
AT REDMIRES RESERVOIR**



Peakland Great Get Together – reminiscent of the queue at the Job Centre in the film 'The Full Monty' – but this was for food!



Reservoir and old building near Oaking Clough – just after Colin led us over Access Land. Great walk and weather.

To commemorate the 30th anniversary I have reproduced the minutes from Peakland's first committee meeting held on September 27, 1987, as they were typed originally.

Les Morton

Camping and Caravanning Club

Mountain and Activity Section (Peakland Group)

Minutes of the inaugural meeting of the Executive Committee of the Group held at Melbourne Farm, Bakewell on Sunday, 27th September 1987

Present: Mr. D. Wood - National Co-ordinator
Mr. D. Buckle - Area Co-ordinator
Mr. J. Pearson - Chairman
Mr. R. Eaton - Sites Secretary
Mr. K. Bates - Treasurer
Mr. D. Price - Secretary

1/87

It was agreed that the Committee would represent a sub-group of the Central Area of the Mountain and Activity Section to be called "The Peakland Group", subject to ratification by the members at a later date.

2/87

It was proposed by D. Price, seconded D. Buckle, that the name of the National Section should remain as "Mountain and Activity Section" until formal adoption by the membership at the Annual General Meeting.

3/87

The National Co-ordinator informed the Committee that the Central Area had been allocated the second and fourth Saturdays in each month upon which to hold meets and other activities.

4.87

The committee considered a list of sites which were available within the Peak Park during 1988. It was agreed that the Committee would consider the dates and venues of future meets at the next meeting. Any decisions regarding meets to be remitted to the Co-ordinator at the earliest possible date.

5/87

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Committee would take place on Wednesday, 30th September, 1987 at the Chairman's house - Chesterfield. Items for inclusion on the Agenda of that meeting would be:-

- (a) Future meets
- (b) Programme of Walks
- (c) Stewards and Walk Leaders

J. Pearson

The Wessex Oakfield Farm meet



After Wessex members have had a reviving cup of tea and piece of cake after their walk or cycle ride there is plenty of time left for other activities. Sometimes it is obvious what they are up to, at other times it is probably best not to ask.





WESSEX'S MYSTERY FLOWER

Wessex had a meet in June in the tiny village of South Wraxall which is near Bradford on Avon. It proved to be a very enjoyable meet ably stewarded by Toni & Annette, the weather was good to us and we had some lovely walks. Some of the footpaths proved a bit tricky where they went through fields of oilseed rape and corn. This is not a problem that our more northerly members will often encounter but it is a cross us softy southerners have to bear from time to time. Being keen MAS members we are interested in all aspects of the countryside and this is a about a rare wild flower. At tea time on Thursday afternoon one couple came back from a short walk and reported seeing a pretty cream flower that they did not recognise. It was quite prolific and during the next couple of days on our walks we all saw quite a few examples of it. Lots of discussions ensued and we studied our combined libraries of books but no-one could identify it. Photographs were taken for further investigation when we got home, what on earth could it be, was it truly rare or were we overlooking the obvious? I wished that Mary of Northern group was with us as I knew she had a lot of knowledge of British flora, our own Rae is also a font of botanical knowledge but she was not with us this week-end, what to do next? Anyway as chance would have it on Saturday our walk led us to Brown's Folly from where there is a lovely view of the city of Bath from the escarpment. I am told that there is an even better view from the top of the Folly but the stairs had no hand-rail and only one very brave (or foolhardy) member made his way to the top. We had passed an information board near the Folly and on closer inspection we found THE ANSWER! Our mystery flower was BATH ASPARAGUS apparently introduced to the area by the Romans (*also known as Spiked Star of Bethlehem*). We were really lucky to be in this area at just at the right time of year. It goes to show there is always something to learn as well as enjoying being 'Out and About'.

Jenny Williams

Northern Area Facebook Group

The Northern Area have started a Facebook Group. It can be found at www.facebook.com/groups/masnorth or by clicking on the Facebook MAS Northern link at the top of the Home page on the MAS website at www.mountainactivitysection.org.uk.

The Club only allows us to have Closed Groups on Facebook. To see the discussions, post and comment you will need to click on the Join Group button on the Northern Area's Facebook page. One of the Group's administrators will then process your request.



Website “Drive Here” Feature

A Drive Here button has been added to the Event Map and Route Map pages on the Section's website. It uses Google's direction service to plot the fastest driving route from your current location, show the distance and an approximate travel time.

Please bear in mind that the route that is shown may not be suitable for caravans and motorhomes and follow the directions in Out and About as you approach your destination.



MAS are members of The Walking Partnership operated by Rambler's Holidays. The Partnership provides direct financial support for organisations that encourage walking and organise group walks. If any MAS member books a holiday with Rambler's Holidays they can nominate MAS for a donation. If you are considering a break with Rambler's Holidays please remember to say that you are a member of MAS when you make your booking, otherwise we will miss out on the donation.




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IQ Test

You need to answer 8 correctly to pass. Go for it.


- 1) How long did the Hundred Years War last?
- 2) Which country makes Panama hats?
- 3) From which animal do we get catgut?
- 4) In which month do Russians celebrate the October Revolution?
- 5) What is a camel's hair brush made of?
- 6) The Canary Islands in the Pacific are named after what animal?
- 7) What was King George VI's first name?
- 8) What color is a purple finch?
- 9) Where are Chinese gooseberries from?
- 10) How long did the Thirty Years War last?

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MAS WESSEX 2017 Meets List

Please check the MAS Website: www.mountainactivitysection.org.uk or the current month's Out and About, or by contacting site officers or stewards 2 days before travelling. There is also extra information about each meet on the website. Meets start at noon unless stated otherwise. Own sanitation essential. Wessex Area levy, £1 per adult per meet.

Booked days	Location BSB and map refs	Stewards
From: 16/03/2017 To: 21/03/2017	Venue: Hereford Club Site Map Ref: 149- SO 625411 BSB Ref: BSB page 127	Deirdre & Maurice 01432 860572 Booked Meet
From: 30/03/2017 To: 04/04/2017	Venue: Wildhern Village Hall, Andover, SP11 0JE Map Ref: 185/352511	Trev & Deb 02392 381220 07765 040211
From: 13/04/2017 To: 18/04/2017	Venue: Martinique Farm, East Martin, Fordingbridge, SP6 3JS Map Ref: 184/072203	Edward and Frances 07547 275261
From: 27/04/2017 To: 02/05/2017	Venue: Highfield Farm, Ashford-in- -the-Water, Bakewell Map Ref: 119/19470	National Festival of Walking and Cycling, Section AGM, hosted by Peakland Area
From: 02/05/2017 To: 07/05/2017	Venue: Mill Farm, Barlow, near Chestefield, S18 7TJ Map Ref: 119/336756	NFoWC Follow-on meet Yvonne and Colin 01629 581049
From: 11/05/2017 To: 16/05/2017	Venue: Lee Meadow Farm, Shaftsborough Lane, Lee, nr. Woolacombe, EX34 8FF Map Ref: 180/491447 BSB Ref: BSB 180/138	Barry & Rosemary 01491 838707 07770 278434
From: 16/05/2017 To: 21/05/2017	Venue: Mary Tavy Recreation Ground, Mary Tavy, Devon, PL19 9PQ Map Ref: 191/503793	Please note this meet starts on a Tuesday Richard & Sheila 01392 669392 07808 517647

Booked days	Location BSB and map refs	Stewards
From: 25/05/2017 To: 30/05/2017	Venue: Oakfield Farm, King Lane, Horton, nr. Chipping Sodbury, Gloucestershire, BS37 6PF Map Ref: 172/753858 BSB Ref: BSB 172/032	Steve 07814932309
From: 08/06/2017 To: 13/06/2017	Venue: Orchard Farm, Rushmead Lane, South Wraxall, Bradford-on-Avon BA15 2RH Map Ref: 173/824643 BSB Ref: BSB 173/014	Toni and Annette Busuttil - Reynaud 07762326340
From: 22/06/2017 To: 7/06/2017	Venue: 7 Acres, The Camp, Stroud, Gloucs., GL6 7EU Map Ref: 163/897098 BSB Ref: BSB 163/181	Rae 01295 267463 07773 953434
From: 06/07/2017 To: 11/07/2017	Venue: Beckford Village Hall, Main Street, Beckford, GL20 7AA Map Ref: 150/974357	Jenny 07984 003348
From: 20/07/2017 To: 25/07/2017	Venue: Sussex Farm, Partridge Green Nr. Henfield, RH13 8JR Map Ref: 198/187192	Tricia 07753 613180
From: 03/08/2017 To: 08/08/2017	Venue: Westfield Farm, Medmenham, nr. Henley Map Ref: 175/796839	Derek & Lesley 07443 899885
From: 24/08/2017 To: 29/08/2017	Venue: Bryn Moel Farm, Llanycil, Bala, Gwynedd, LL23 7YG Map Ref: 125/911348	Invite from Peakland Area
From: 07/09/2017 To: 12/09/2017	Venue: Silverwood Farm, Three Legged Cross, Wimborne, BH21 6SD Map Ref: 195/072065 BSB Ref: BSB 195/231	Sandra 07944 837386
From: 21/09/2017 To: 26/09/2017	Venue: Brailes Village Hall, Castle Hill Lane, Upper Brailes, Nr. Banbury, Oxon. OX15 5AS Map Ref: 151/307395	John & Polly 07734 852656
From: 05/10/2017 To: 10/10/2017	Venue: Hill Farm Caravan Park, Sherfield English, Hants SO51 6FH Map Ref: 185/300234	Booked Meet Ray & Hazel 01425 627159 07484 214755

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Dates, Event/info, Nights	Venue, Address, Map ref	Stewards
From: 17/03/2017 To: 19/03/2017 Start: 14:00	Venue: Foufineside Farm, Parwich, DE6 1QF Map Ref: 119/183549 BSB Ref: 119/017	Les Morton 01298 213430 07967 900225
From: 31/03/2017 To: 02/04/2017 Start: 14:00	Venue: Sterndale Green Farm, Kingsterndale, Buxton, SK17 9SF Map Ref: 119/093720 BSB Ref: 119/065	Ian & Libby 01524 63645 07957 172434
From: 13/04/2017 To: 18/04/2017 Start: 14:00	Venue: Riverside Caravan Park, Bridgenorth Map Ref: 138/719921	Invite from Chase DA
From: 27/04/2017 To: 02/05/2017	Venue: Highfield Farm, Ashford in the Water, DE45 1QN Map Ref: 119/194701	National Festival of Walking & Cycling. Section AGM
From: 02/05/2017 To: 07/05/2017	Venue: Mill Farm, Barlow, near Chestefield, S18 7TJ Map Ref: 119/336756	NFoWC Follow-on meet Yvonne and Colin 01629 581049
From: 25/05/2017 To: 30/05/2017 Start: 14:00	Venue: Willow Hall Farm, Apperley, GL19 4DJ Map Ref: 162/864279	Les & Jean 01298 213430 07967 900225
From: 16/06/2017 To: 20/06/2017 Start: 14:00	Venue: Wyming Brook Farm, Soughley Lane, Redmires, Sheffield, S10 4QX Map Ref: 110/270857 BSB Ref: 110/132	Roger & Sandra 01246 232379 07503 000568 Invite to Northern Area

Dates, Event/info, Nights	Venue, Address, Map ref	Stewards
From: 06/07/2017 To: 11/07/2017	Venue: Beckford Village Hall, Main Street, Beckford, GL20 7AA Map Ref: 150/974357	Invite from Wessex
From: 24/08/2017 To: 29/08/2017	Venue: Bryn Moel Farm, Bala, Gwynedd, LL23 7YG Map Ref: 125/911348	Invite to Wessex Area Elaine & Robin 01433 651991 07946 078884
From: 22/09/2017 To: 24/09/2017 Start: 14:00	Venue: Osmaston Polo Ground, Osmaston, DE6 1LW Map Ref: 119/199436	Les & Jean 01298 213430 07967 900225
From: 06/10/2017 To: 08/10/2017 Start: 14:00	Venue: Ranah Stones Farm, Hazelhead, Crow Edge, Penisone S36 4HJ Map Ref: 110/197029 BSB Ref: 110/127	Colin & Yvonne 01629 581049
From: 27/10/2017 To: 29/10/2017 Start: 14:00	Venue: Hobsons Farm, Rock House, Flagg, Buxton, SK17 9QR Map Ref: 119/139685	End of season meet when we will be using the village hall for an evening function Jim and Mavis 01606 851367 07528818053

IQ Test Answers

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- 2) Which country makes Panama hats? Ecuador
- 3) From which animal do we get catgut? Sheep and Horses
- 4) In which month do Russians celebrate the October Revolution? November
- 5) What is a camel's hair brush made of? Squirrel fur
- 6) The Canary Islands in the Pacific are named after what animal? Dogs
- 7) What was King George VI's first name? Albert
- 8) What color is a purple finch? Crimson
- 10) How long did the Thirty Years War last? Thirty years - of course!!!

What do you mean, you failed!????

MAS NORTHERN AREA 2017 Meets List

Please check the MAS Website: www.mountainactivitysection.org.uk or the current month's Out and About, or by contacting site officers or stewards 2 days before travelling. There is also extra information about each meet on the website. Meets start at 4.00pm. Own sanitation is essential. Advance booking not required unless otherwise stated.

Dates, Event/info, Nights	Venue, Address, Map ref	Stewards
From: 16/03/2017 To: 19/03/2017 Start: 16:00	Venue: Rolls Royce Sports/ Social Club, Barnoldswick BB16 6HL Map Ref: 103/881471	Geoff & Carole 07788 197649
From: 30/03/2017 To: 02/04/2017 Start: 16:00	Venue: Park Fold Farm, Jumbles, Bolton BL2 4JP Map Ref: 109/740139	Area AGM on Saturday evening at 7pm John & Margaret 01254 879812
From: 13/04/2017 To: 18/04/2017 Start: 16:00	Venue: Riverside Caravan Park, Cononley, BD20 8LX Map Ref: 103/993474	John & Jane 07768 921192
From: 27/04/2017 To: 02/05/2017	Venue: Highfield Farm, Ashford in the Water, DE45 1QN Map Ref: 119/194701	National Festival of Walking and Cycling, Section AGM, Hosted by Peakland Area
From: 02/05/2017 To: 07/05/2017	Venue: Mill Farm, Barlow S18 7TJ Map Ref: 119/336756	NFoWC Follow-on meet Yvonne and Colin 01629 581049
From: 11/05/2017 To: 16/05/2017 Start: 16:00	Venue: Woodend Farm, Austwick LA2 8DH Map Ref: 98/780691	Invite to Nelda John & Frances 07591 161875
From: 25/05/2017 To: 04/06/2017	Venue: Kemplerigg, Gosforth, CA20 1JD Map Ref: 89/088023	Chris & Colin Ian & Chris 07968 226598 THS
From: 08/06/2017 To: 12/06/2017 Start: 16:00	Venue: Aaron Hill Farm, Cragg Vale, HX7 5TX Map Ref: 104/021237	Craig & Sue 07779 076851

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From: 15/06/2017 To: 20/06/2017 Start: 14:00	Venue: Wyming Brook Farm, Redmires, S10 4QX Map Ref: 110/270857	Invite from Peakland
From: 21/06/2017 To: 26/06/2017	Venue: Prospect Farm, Hutton le Hole YO6 6UA Map Ref: 100/705900	Invite from Tees DA
From: 29/06/2017 To: 04/07/2017 Start: 10:30	Venue: Ambleside RUFC LA22 OEN Map Ref: 90/373038	Mike & Sylvia Keith & Margaret 07817 427853
From: 04/07/2017 To: 09/07/2017	Venue: North Ribblesdale RUFC, Settle, BD24 9RB Map Ref: 98/820632	Invite from Nelda
From: 20/07/2017 To: 25/07/2017 Start: 16:00	Venue: Greylands Farm, Hinderwell, TS13 5JH Map Ref: 94/792170	Scarecrow festival Colin & Christine 07968 226598
From: 03/08/2017 To: 08/08/2017 Start: 16:00	Venue: Snitter Farm, Rothbury, NE65 7EH Map Ref: 81/026033	Invite to Peakland
From: 08/08/2017 To: 13/08/2017 Start: 16:00	Venue: Bradley Burn Farm, Wolsingham, DL13 3JH Map Ref: 92/104363	Invite to Peakland Dave and Gill 07818 044313
From: 24/08/2017 To: 29/08/2017 Start: 16:00	Venue: Church Farm, Bishop Monkton, HG3 3QQ Map Ref: 99/328658	Alastair & Jean 07964 902551
From: 07/09/2017 To: 11/09/2017	Venue: Showground, Malham, BD23 4DB Map Ref: 98/899628	Invite from Nelda
From: 21/09/2017 To: 25/09/2017 Start: 16:00	Venue: South View Farm, Great Busby, TS9 7AX Map Ref: 93/519057	Ian & Janice 07964 622779
From: 05/10/2017 To: 08/10/2017 Start: 16:00	Venue: Fooden Farm, Bolton by Bowland, BB7 4LS Map Ref: 103/799491	Peter & Christine 07895 074173
From: 19/10/2017 To: 22/10/2017 Start: 16:00	Venue: Cricket Club, Marsden, HD7 6NN Map Ref: 110/044105	Sue & Mike 07929 717333 Hardstanding

I found a collection of short stories and articles by Robert A Heinlein, one of the best science-fiction authors ever. It was quite interesting to read one particular article — his predictions in 1950 and again in 1965 for the year 2000. He died in 1988, so he never got to see how far away and/or how close he was for the future. Quite apart from the articles, his books and stories are still very readable.

Toni

Editor's bit

Hello All,

I've been away a bit recently and had a tiny problem syncing and sending emails. If anyone has expected a reply and not got it, apologies. Sometimes the technology wins!!

My thanks to all those who sent in items for this and previous editions — please keep them coming.

My email address is tonibr@onetel.com — send anything and everything here. There is also a link to me on the Activity website, so you can use that for a direct link if you find that easier. My snail mail address is 12 Orchard Lane, Emsworth, PO10 8BH, so as a last resort, send letters here.

I can accept information in just about any format - Word, text, PDF, or written as a normal letter, and photos as digital or prints, though anything too complex in layout does cause the occasional headache!

The next edition is due December 2017

Deadline for input is mid November 2017. please.



AND FINALLY.....

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