



Dates for your Diaries

- 13 - 15 February 2009. Scottish Winter Meet. CIC Hut, Ben Nevis
- 21 March 2009. AGM and Dinner, Ty'n Lon
- 10 - 13 April 2009. Easter Meet, Princetown, Dartmoor
- 2-4 May 2009. May Day. Inbhirfhaolain hut, Glen Etive.
- 23-25 May 2009. Peak District. Eric Byrne campsite, Baslow.
- 13 - 14 June 2009. Lake District Wild Camp. Dow Crag.
- 20 - 31 July 2009. Hot Rock trip. Arco, Italy.

Chairman's Note

A belated Happy New Year to you all, and welcome to our January newsletter.

In this issue you'll find a full list of our meets programme for the coming year. The old favourites are still there, with some exciting new additions. Most of the meets are designed to appeal to the widest possible range of members. So wherever your interests lie, I'm sure you'll find something for you. Watch out for full details of

each meet as the year progresses. In addition we've decided that every third weekend of the month will generally be an informal meet at Ty'n Lon. So if you're thinking of a weekend at the cottage why not choose one of these weekends as there should be more people around to climb (and socialise) with. And look out for some special events on these weekends throughout the year.

Kevin.



AGM and Dinner 21st March 2009

This year's annual general meeting will be held at Ty'n Lon on the afternoon of Saturday 21st March (3pm start). As usual committee members will report on the club's activities over the past year. We'll then elect a new committee for the coming year. Remember, we are always looking for volunteers. So if you think you can spare a little of your time for your club, please step forward. We do hold our committee meetings in a pub if that helps you decide!

A year ago we asked for your views on what type of function we should have alongside the AGM. For this year we've decided to forgo a formal dinner in favour of a party at the cottage on Saturday night. This should keep the costs down, and we hope allow as many members as possible to join us over this important weekend. We'll have food prepared by our good friend Aled (formally a barman at the Vaynol Arms), a few drinks, and entertainment in the traditional Ceunant style. Tickets are £12 including entry to the raffle and are available from committee members.

Fire Safety at Ty' n Lon

As owners of Ty'n Lon the club has a legal duty to make sure the cottage is safe to use. Fire safety forms a major part of this duty. The idea is to ensure that fires are unlikely to occur; that if they do occur they are likely to be contained quickly; or that, if a fire does occur and grow, everyone in the premises is able to escape to a place safely easily and quickly.

We will soon be having a safety inspection by the North Wales Fire Service, and we have taken this as an opportunity to review our fire safety procedures.

We have updated and formalised our fire risk assessment. We can all help by remembering a few simple rules:-

- No smoking
- No candles upstairs
- Any inflammable materials to be stored in the fuel store outside the kitchen (including but not limited to, wood, coal, and paint). Don't store anything flammable under the stairs.

Remember, the primary fire escape is via the front or rear doors. On the first floor, a secondary means of escape is via a signed window in each bedroom.

The notice board contains details of the fire evacuation procedure, and contact numbers for local emergency services.

Please don't tamper with any of the smoke detectors or other fire safety equipment in the cottage. We will be performing regular checks that everything is in order, but if you have any concerns please raise them with the Hut Warden.

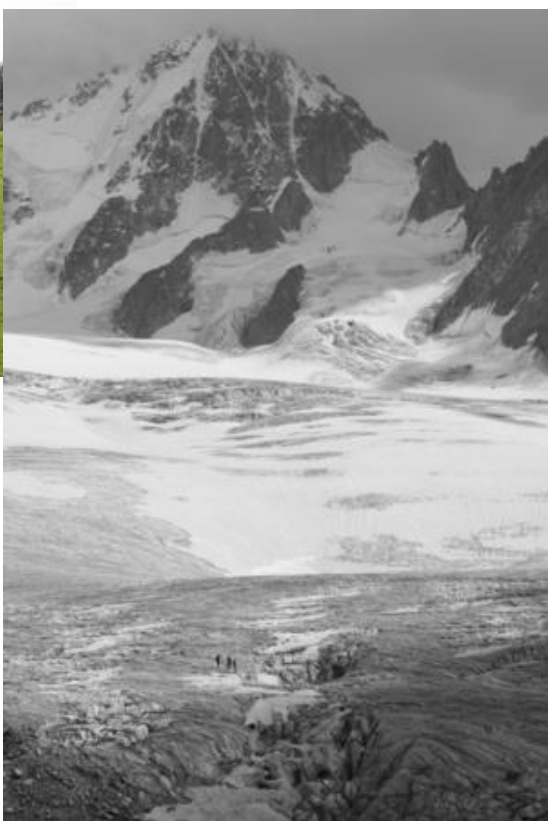


Photo Competition

Once again Elly Holmes is organising a photo competition to be judged at the AGM and dinner. This year we'd like you to dig out old photos of yourselves and other Ceunant members engaged in outdoor activities or just being silly, anything interesting and vaguely mountaineering related will be considered. The older the better. A prize for the best. Hand a copy to Elly, or email them to web@ceunant.org



Ty'n Lon Fees

As you know the cost of gas, electricity and council tax have all risen over the past year. The committee has been looking at ways to keep these increases to a minimum, and we would ask you all to try to conserve energy when you are staying at Ty'n Lon just as you would at home (turn the heating down/off when you don't need it, switch off lights etc.) However, we have had to implement an increase to the nightly fee for members staying at Ty'n Lon. The fee for members is now £3 to £4 per night which I think still represents great value.

Also, can I once again ask that you pay your hut fees promptly. I know most people do, but there are still one or two who have to be chased for payment. And on a similar subject, if you haven't paid your annual membership fee for 2009. You're late!

You can send a cheque to Maggie or Val, or pay direct into the bank

New Members

We have had quite an influx of new members of late. Please welcome - Jacqueline Fizpatrick, Nik Howard, Andrew Gill, Caroline Maynard and Richard Greaves who have all been elected as full members in recent months.

If anyone would like an up to date membership list please get in touch with our secretary Fiona Devine (secretary@ceunant.org)



Ty 'n Lon Bookings

Expect to see the following clubs making use of Ty'n Lon over the next few months:-

- 13/14 February — Tunbridge Wells M/C
- 20/21 February — Avon M/C
- 6/7 March — Brynmawr Walking Club.
- 13/14 March — Lichfield M/C
- 24/26 April — Rawlins special needs group
- 5/6 June — Red Rope Liverpool
- 19/20 June — Gordon Orme Running Club
- 26/27 June — Carlisle M/C
- 3/4 July — Red Rope London.
- 11/12 July — Solihull M/C

Ceunant Mountaineering Club

Outdoor Meets 2009

13th—15th Feb	Scottish Winter Meet	CIC Hut—Ben Nevis
21st—22nd March	AGM & Annual Club Party	Ty'n Lon—North Wales
10th—13th April	Easter Meet—Dartmoor	Princetown
2nd—4th May	May Day Scotland Meet	Inbhirfhaolain Hut, Glen Etive
23rd—25th May	Bank Holiday Peak District Meet	Eric Byrne Campsite, Baslow
13th—14th June	Lake District Wild Camp Meet	Dow Crag. Camp by Goat's Water. Nr Coniston
20th—31st July	Hot Rock Trip	Arco, Italy
15th—16th August	Cloggy Wild Camp Meet	Clogwyn Du'r Arddu, Snowdon
29th—31st August	Bank Holiday Meet	Ty'n Lon—North Wales
12th—13th Sept	Clwyd Climbing	Abbey Campsite, Llangollen
10th—11th Oct	Wye Valley Meet	Cherry Orchard Farm Campsite Newland
24th—25th Oct	Roaches Climbing Meet	Rockhall Cottage
7th—8th Nov	The Gower	tba
21st—22nd Nov	Work Meet	Ty'n Lon—North Wales
5th—6th Dec	Mountain Bike Meet & Family Christmas Meet	Ty'n Lon—North Wales

Every 3rd weekend of the month there will be an informal meet at Ty'n Lon.

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For more information, please contact Emma on 07841 482469 or email outdoormeets@ceunant.org or visit www.ceunant.org