

MEETS

1988 FIRSTHALF.

CUMBRIA AMMENITY TRUST MEETS LIST FOR FIRST HALF OF 1988

Meets commence at 10.30 unless stated otherwise.

Jan 3rd. Malham Cove. D. ML Anton C-P-Thomas, phone 0229 35951. A visit to the Pikedaw Calamine Caverns. SRT. Meet beside the road above Malham Cove at SD 893640.

Jan 17th. <u>Coniston Coppermine</u> D/S An attempt to prove the connection between Brow Stope, Middle Level, and the Top Level extension. It is hoped that separate groups will simultaneously visit the three locations and try to make contact. Meet Leaders Peter Fleming, Ian Matheson and Mike Mitchell. Meet at the BMSC Hut. This meet will be followed by:

A Sale of Artifacts. Books. Periodicals and Caving Equipment. At the Crown Hotel, Coniston, at 8.00 pm.

Jan 31st. Thornthwaite Mines E. ML Dave Blundell, phone 0539 821750. Meet at the road junction on the A66 at Thornthwaite, NY 223260

Feb 7th. <u>Training Meet.</u> An opportunity to learn or to polish your SRT techniques on the indoor climbing wall at Dent. ML Anton C-P-Thomas, phone 0229 35951. NB There is a charge of 50p for the use of the wall.

Feb 21st. Coniston Coppermine. S/EXP A two pronged assault on Deep Level from the New Engine Shaft and from Taylors Level. Meet Leaders Chris Jones and Mike Mitchell.

March 6th. Carrock Mine. E/D SRT. ML Ian Tyler phone 0228 61883. Meet at the mine, NY 324329

March 20th. <u>Coniston Coppermine</u>, <u>Triddle Shaft</u> S Another opportunity to descend this deep and interesting shaft, and to view the copper carbonate deposits featured on the cover of Journal No 1. ML Phil Merrin, phone 0524 62612.

Narch 31st - April 4th. <u>Easter Neet</u> All grades. Neet Leaders Chris Jones, Dave Blundell, and Anton C-P-Thomas. The now traditional Welsh meet, based this year at Bettyws y Coed. Aberllyn Mine, Pandora, the Blaenau Ffestiniog slate quarries and lots more. Further details in the Newsletter.

April 17th <u>Greenside Mine</u> E/D ML Peter Fleming and Martin Mahr, phone 0229 24103. Weet at Greenside YHA, NY 365175.

April 31st - 2nd May <u>Tyndrum</u> Extensive lead mines close to the road. ML Mike Mitchell and Ewan Cameron. Details later.

May 15th <u>Crossfell Mines.</u> D/S. ML Chris Jones and Mike Mitchell. Meet at Appleby Market Square, GR 683203, at 10.30 prompt, in order to drive to the venue.

May 29th Potts Ghyll Mine, ML Ian Tyler, phone 0228 61883. Descents into the open stopes (D SRT), and a visit to Thomas Level, a sporting and wet 150' SRT pitch. Neet at Nether Row, NY 323378.

June 12th <u>Nenthead</u> A one day meet, but note the early start. Meet at 10.00 am at the old smelt mill at Nenthead. ML Gordon Gilchrist, phone 0657 4539.

June 18th and 19th. <u>Derbyshire Weekend</u> Hillocks and Knotlow Mines, Monyash. D SRT. As interesting series of lead workings dating from C17 -C19, including handpicked levels, a handpicked shaft and a drainage sough. A sporting trip. Wetsuits are recommended for the sough. ML Anton C-P-Thomas, phone 0229 35951. Details later in the Newsletter.

July 3rd <u>Roughten Ghyll Mines</u> E/D ML Ian Tyler. phone 0228 61883 You are assured of an interesting day in this extensively mined area. Bring tools and expect some walking. Meet at Fellside, 305376

July 16/17th Nenthead Weekend. All grades ML Peter Fleming, Mike Mitchell. Smallcleugh again? Another descent of the 270 foot Brewery Shaft? Details to be decided later. If you require B&B at Cherry Tree Cottage you must book via the Meet Secretary before 30th June. phone 05394 32957.

VEDNESDAY EVENING MEETS

A Social meeting, usually with members slides, is held at the Farmers Arms, Lowick, on the second Wednesday of every month except July and August from 7.30 pm.

April 20th. <u>Coniston</u> A visit to Levers Water Mine. ML Peter Fleming. Meet at Coppermines YHA at 7.30 pm.

May 18th <u>Backbarrow</u> A visit to the remains of the blast furnace, which was in continuous operation from 1711 until 1964. ML Ian Matheson. Meet at the furnace, GR 355847, at 7.30 pm.

June 15th Coniston Mines on Brim Fell and Great How Crags. ML Ian Matheson. Meet at the Fell Gate on the Walna Scar Road, GR 288970, at 7.30 pm.

July 20th <u>Lindal</u>. A walk round the surface with an easy underground visit. ML Lindsay Harrison. Meet at the layby near Ding Dong, MR 245768, at 7.30 pm.

GRADING SYSTEM

E - Easy: Level walking, scrambling on easy ground, no SRT or ladder work.

D - Difficult: involves abseils or ladder pitches, and awkward ground. Short prussick pitches may be included, in which case the meet will be designated SRT.

S - Severe: Long or awkward SRT pitches, false floors, unstable ground.

EXP - Exploratory: These meets are intended to push into unknown ground where long abseil and prussick pitches, rope traverses, and deep water might be expected, and individuals requiring supervision in such circumstances could be a liability. Members participating should therefored be fully self sufficient in SRT and be able to exercise their own judgement.

Mine exploration is a potentially hazardous activity, and members and guests participate at their own risk. Advice and guidance will be available at all meets except those graded EXP, but individuals are responsible for deciding at which grades they should participate. Do not hesitate to contact the Meet Leader or the Meets Secretary in advance for advice or information.