

Welcome to the Yorkshire Mountaineering Club. We hope your association with us will be a long and happy one. As an Aspirant member you will want to learn more about the Club, its history, activities, and also the rules and regulations which need to be adhered to. Please peruse the Club's website <u>www.theymc.org.uk</u> where you will find a wealth of up-to-date information about the Club and its programme, and access to information and the Form you will need to progress to Full Membership.

Your Aspirant Membership lasts for a year, during which you may apply for Full Membership. Three months grace is granted at the end of your 12 months to enable you to submit your application. An application form, available from the Membership Co-Ordinators, or from the Club website, together with a statement of support from a Proposer and a Seconder's name and signature, will need to be submitted to the Club Committee via the YMC Secretary for approval.

During this first year, you will be expected to demonstrate your commitment to the YMC by attendance at Club Meets (Meet-Up Meets included) including a Hut Meet, preferably a Housekeeping Meet, sufficient to enable the club to become acquainted with you.

The Club has a top class hut/cottage in the Lake District but Aspirant Members are not entitled to visit the premises unless accompanied by a Full Member, or on a Hut Meet. Application for a hut key can only be made after Full Membership has been granted.

The Club has Meets most weekends of the year, including visits to Scotland, Wales, the Lake District, Yorkshire Dales, North Yorkshire Moors and Derbyshire, as well as evening climbing/pub meets. Details are available on the enclosed Meets Card and also appear in the Club Newsletter distributed to all members.

NEWSLETTER

The Club produces a Newsletter every quarter. Members can choose to receive their copy through the post or electronically if in possession of an email address. The Newsletter contains a wealth of information including details of forthcoming meets, reports on previous meets with maps and colour photographs, a variety of articles, Club news and administrative matters.

USEFUL CONTACTS

Membership Co-ordinator: Joanne Fulton, email: <u>membership@theymc.org.uk</u> Honorary Secretary: Pete Stott, 45 Oldham Road, Delph, Oldham OL3 5EB E-mail: ymcsec2016@gmail.com Facebook: Yorkshire Mountaineering Club

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CONISTON HUT

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The property is situated in part of a row of old miners' cottages. Four cottages have been merged into two, linked together but both with separate entrances. The smaller part is for Members and their guests, sleeping 8

whilst the other part is for Members, groups and clubs sleeping 20 in 3 rooms of 6, 8 and 6. These rooms can be booked individually.

GUIDEBOOKS

The YMC has been the major producer of rock climbing guidebooks to the Yorkshire area since the 1960s. The current "Yorkshire Gritstone" guides, Volumes 1 and 2, produced in 2012 and 2014, are available to Members at a 25% discount. Copies can be obtained from the Club's distributor Cordee, either on line or by phone on 01455 611185. The" Yorkshire Limestone" guide, 6th edition is also available.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

It is recommended that Aspirant Members familiarise themselves with the following documents, all of which appear on the Club website: -Health and Safety Policy Guidelines -Health and Safety Policy -YMC Regulations and Procedures

BRITISH MOUNTAINEERING COUNCIL

An adult Member [including Aspirant Members] of the YMC automatically becomes an associate member of the BMC when they join and this gives a number of benefits, including world-wide Third Party Liability cover [For UK resident Members only]. Further details of the insurance cover are available on the BMC website- see also YMC webpage "Benefits of Membership". Discounts at the BMC online shop as well as many major retailers are also included.