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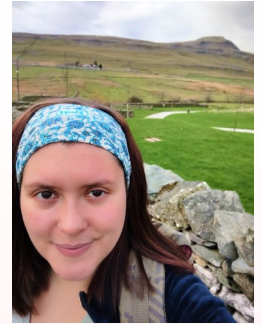
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# Welcome From the Editor



Just like that we are heading into summer! Let's hope this beautiful weather continues to make an appearance for us.

I know for one it has made me want to get out more and enjoy some local walks. Wedding preparations have left me with little time on a weekend to go very far afield for walks. Who knew a wedding actually takes planning! However, I am thoroughly looking forward to making the most of the summer post wedding and getting out on the hills. I've even dusted off my bike so look out Yorkshire, I may be coming to a town near you.

Once again, this edition has been a pleasure to compile for you all. We have a fantastic selection of meet reports and reminisces. Big shout out to Sol and I imagine Mabel, who took the time to, in his words, "put pen to paper", dug out some wonderful photos and posted it all to me. I am always more than happy to receive newsletter entries like this if it is easier for anyone. Also, a shout out to Kath and Graham Willis who once again have spoiled us with a number of meet reports and photos.

As you will see in the committee matters update there have been a number of appointments to the committee from the AGM, but I wanted to say a specific thankyou to Natasha Cook, our new YMC President. I know you will do a brilliant job!

So without further ado, grab a brew (or a beverage of your choosing) and enjoy!

Deadline for input to the next Newsletter is **14th September**.

Material for the next newsletter can be sent to me at:

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*Soraya Homayoonpoor*



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## Committee Matters

Members received their copies of the minutes from the Club Annual General Meeting back in April but there are certain aspects contained within them that merit further mention. Recruiting members into administrative posts has been a problem for many years so it is an overdue position in which we find ourselves with an almost full complement.

One of the appointments on the night made club history: Natasha Cook became the first-ever female president. Ladies in the past have undertaken various posts, such as newsletter editor, meets secretary, membership secretary, hut warden, but never president. We wish her well in the post. Natasha will be supported by Henry Green as vice-president and we also wish him well. Henry of course is developing the club's revamped website. Natasha was originally a general committee member and the vacancy she left here has been filled by Mark Bradley, whom members attending the AGM will recognise as the person assisting Henry in the development of the website.

Another new appointment on the night was that of Hut Warden, where Ken Tilford stepped up from the Hut Sub Committee to fill the vacancy. Ken was club president between 1984 and 1987 and his deep knowledge of the club will be put to good effect.

Mentioned in the last newsletter was that a reprint of the Yorkshire Gritstone Guide Volume 2 should be undertaken. Robin Nicholson, a former YMC guide editor has confirmed his willingness to assist in this, assisted by Adi Gill, who was also involved in the production of previous YMC guides, but as yet there have been no developments.

The new website mentioned in the last newsletter has yet to become operational. It is understood that fine tuning in its development is still taking place and it is planned to have a working system in place later this year.

Members were given a progress report in TYM 391 of the work taking place on the internal refurbishment at the hut so they can now be informed that this phase is now finished. The tiling to all required areas is complete and the stainless steel cooker hood and splashback has been installed on the end wall. Initial preparation to all walls in what is sometimes called the common room enabled painting to be completed, though it took well into the evening to do so. In addition to the painting, new bespoke shelving was installed, replacing the units which had been in place for many years.

Members who have visited the hut since the work was completed will have noticed the transformation.

The rest of the property needs attention internally and it is expected that re-plastering will be necessary as a result of general deterioration over time. This will enable repainting to be undertaken on the upper floor.

The club's new Hut Warden is aware that there have been comments from members about the lack of improvements in the member's cottage and these concerns will be addressed in due course.

No firm plans for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Coniston Hut opening have been established and since there are four months to go before the event takes place (October 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup>), there is still time for members to make any suggestions they feel appropriate.

## Coniston Hut Procedures

It has been brought to our attention that certain procedures required for members visiting the property have, on occasions recently, not been followed.

### **The procedures which have not been adhered to are as follows:**

- Immediately upon arrival at the hut/cottage, all users must enter their name and date of arrival in the logbook, located in the cottage-

*There were no entries in the logbook which related to certain names in the Hut Booking Secretary's booking calendar.*


- The adjoining door between hut and cottage must remain locked, except where the club has exclusive use of both facilities-

*A member arriving at the hut reported that the adjoining door had been left open, thus giving access to the exclusive members only cottage to booking parties using the hut.*

It seems that members need reminding of the procedures which they are expected to follow when visiting the premises.

A full set of Coniston Hut and Cottage Rules is available on the club website and a study of them would be useful for members new and old to familiarise themselves with what is required.

**HONORARY SECRETARY**



## Hut Work Meets (Or if you prefer, House-Keeping Meet)

Well, it's been a while since mention of what a work meet entails; over the last year some quite ambitious tasks were undertaken by club members.

Prior to and to enable us to comply with the environmental sewage permit, substantial groundwork involving the diversion of rainwater from the septic tank to a ground soak-away and maintaining records for this.

In the leasing side of the cottages the kitchen area; over a couple of meets, has had a facelift, with some of the walls being tiled and the installation of a cooker hood. The electric sockets have been renewed, some of them having USBs.

In the common room, new handmade bookshelves replace the old overloaded ones.

New benches have been installed at the front of the cottage.

While this has been undertaken, running repairs and cleaning has also taken place.

Now, it had been my intention to include photos of these works but they don't do it justice, best come up and see it for your-self. A good opportunity would be the next work meet, later in the year. (See meets list).

Some of the jobs mentioned above have required various skills but even people who had never undertaken such work before became enthusiastic learners. But, as mentioned there are lots of more basic DIY jobs that need doing, painting general cleaning and tidying up at the end of the meet.

A lot of the work has been done in the leasing side of the property; it's time now to improve the member's side, any ideas welcome.

Tools and materials are provided.

These meets are actually a good social occasion, a communal meal on the Saturday, along with some good banter. And, if enough people turn up! it may be possible to fit in some time on the hill.

A last thought; if you can make it, it will give us some idea as to how many people to cater for by booking a place with Claire.

**Ken Tilford**

# YMC Meet Report – Arncliffe and Firth Fell

**Date:** Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2023

**Start Point:** Brootes Lane Arncliffe - adjacent to the bridge over Cow Side Beck -  
**OSGB SE 929 719**

**Attendees:** Dick, Steve & Martin (Craven MC guests), Rosemary Beale, Steve Buxton, Tony Raithby, Kath & Graham Willis (YMC members).

After hitting several potholes hidden under large puddles along the road to Arncliffe, we were relieved to find the bridge still open despite a large section of it having disappeared into the beck below.

Setting off back over the bridge and through the village, we crossed the River Skirfare and the minor road from Hawkswick onto the slopes of Old Cote Moor. It was a cloudy but dry start and this made up for the relentless up hill slog which required several stops for a breather – it was after all the first walk of the YMC calendar after the excesses of Christmas and New Year.

As our path climbed higher, the weather started to close in and it became very dull as we crossed the wall and onto the start of the ridge of Old Cote Moor. Here we encountered another group of walkers who had come up from Wharfedale and we exchanged a few pleasantries along the lines of – ‘So we’re not the only group of silly beggars who thought it would be a good idea to walk up here on a day like this!’ There was no view, a howling wind and it had just started to look like rain, but with the wall on our left which offered some protection against the elements we headed uphill.

It became apparent a short while later that the rain was setting in for the afternoon, so a brief stop ensued to allow everyone to dig out their waterproofs. However this didn’t dampen our spirits and after carefully crossing the slippery stile at Old Cote Moor Top we continued to follow the wall up to the summit of Firth Fell. With the relentless rain, wind and hail we decided against lingering for too long and began our steep descent down Haw Fell walking into the driving rain. When we arrived at a wall about halfway down we stopped for a short lunch break taking advantage of the small amount of shelter on offer.

Continuing down Ackerley Moor, we followed the path and track down to the hamlet of Litton where we hoped to have a warming drink at the hostelry – but alas it was

closed, so we headed across the road down to the River Skiffare, where we crossed the bridge and headed in a south easterly direction with the river on our left. It was here that there was a break in the clouds and although there was no sunshine, there was no rain either and we had some lovely views all around the valley. However we had to negotiate several water-logged fields which resulted in a few diversions, before we eventually arrived at our starting point.

Despite everyone being eager to get to the warmth of the pub, chivalry was required as poor Rosemary had a very flat tyre which needed some attention. Many hands make light work and after changing the tyre and our wet gear, the Falcon Inn beckoned – and what a welcome sight it was. A blazing log fire in a cosy room at the side of the bar just big enough for our group was the perfect way to end the first Meet of 2023.

The route was approximately 12km (8 miles) & 430m (1411ft) of ascent.

**Kath Willis**



# YMC Meet Report - Freeholds Top and Gorpley Clough.

**Date:** Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2023

**Start Point:** Todmorden town centre car park on Branche Square- **GR SD 936 241**

**Attendees:** Deidre Sanderson (Craven MC guest), Emma Denton, (guest), Pavlina Svarcova (prospective member). Natasha Cook, Ben Gilbert, Tony Raithby, Peter Sanderson, Peter & Jennifer Tennant, Kath & Graham Willis (YMC members).

Despite it being market day in Todmorden on Sundays there was plenty of free parking and with the group assembled we headed up to the roundabout and south on the Rochdale Road. On reaching the bridge we turned right onto the towpath beside the Rochdale Canal. Across

the canal the huge railway embankment wall towered above us and after encountering several locks we passed under the railway before reaching the Bacup Road at Gauxholme. Here we crossed the canal bridge and turned left onto the road before turning left again along the short-lived Naze Road. A gate on the left opened out onto a broad green track and a steep climb ensued, zig-zagging up The Naze until a brief enclosed section between walls led to a gate and the open moor. Here we went straight ahead tracing a stone causeway across the moorland of Inchfield Pasture. With the path deteriorating at a beck crossing we continued on, going left of a pond to join the broad unsurfaced Foul Clough Road by Thorns Greece Farm. Turning right we continued along it, sweeping round above the intake wall to a stile and gate above the last house. The improved track continued between crumbling walls and taking a



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right fork we maintained the climb passing the ruin of Coolam to a gate in a fence giving access to the moor beyond. Taking the firmer track rising right with the fence, we passed over the spoil and ruinous walls of an old mine before following a narrow trod with a short steep climb to the Ordnance Survey column on Freeholds Top.

From here we crossed the adjacent stile and followed the fence and old wall along the broad ridge top where the county boundary with Lancashire sits. As the fence was replaced by a wall we continued along a rather boggy section, eventually reaching a stile in the wall and here we turned right descending off the ridge on a dry grassy path to join an old mine road at some former workings. Crossing straight over we headed down a steep clough – Range Hoyle where we stopped for a well earned lunch and group photo.

Resuming our descent we trended left to a collapsed wall and followed this round to the left skirting the pronounced drop to Gorpley Reservoir and a pathless march led us to a farm track. At a small house we went left along the drive following the road down before turning right to descend to the treatment plant below the dam. A gate on the left descended a part-stepped path into Gorpley Clough, which made for a very pleasant walk through a wooded dell with water cascading down the beck. After crossing and re-crossing the water we emerged onto the Bacup road, where we turned right before reaching a gap on the left beyond a house and took a rising path through Stones Wood. At a kissing gate we left the wood to cross two fields to a junction of green ways and rising steeply left we went through a gate and onto a minor road above Gauxholme. Following the road we continued down passing the entrance to Dobroyd Castle Activity Centre before arriving at the passenger bridge over the railway. This eventually led us to the A6033 in Todmorden where a short walk along the road led us back to the car park and refreshments were taken by some of us at The Old Hall (now a Wetherspoons pub).

The route was approximately 13km (8miles) & 420m (1377ft) of ascent.

**Kath Willis**



# YMC Meet Report – Helvellyn Winter Meet 2023

Date: 26th February 2023

In attendance: Jo (YMC Member), Pavlina, Patrick, Andrew, Charlie Rose & Damian Rose (YMC Member)

Meeting outside the Tourist information centre in Glenridding at 10 am on a bright, crisp morning the party set off on the first leg of the walk from Glenridding up towards Birkhouse Moor.



Young Patrick demonstrated his detailed knowledge of the area (as well as a prodigious walking pace) and led from the front at most points throughout the day; while he could have probably run the whole route, the party remained within sight of each other all day.

Conditions were warm in the valley, but as we reached the Hole-in-the-Wall, remnants of ice were dotted around the

path and the whole east facing section of the ridge had a thin layer of rime ice, giving the walk quite an atmospheric feel.

Once on Striding Edge, the rock felt dry and grippy with the party closely following the ridge, which like all good things, was over all too soon. It was Charlie's first scramble in the lakes, but he managed the ridge with confidence and aplomb. The group reaching the summit shelter in just under 3 hours.

After a brief lunch, the return down Swirral edge was managed quickly and efficiently (despite Jo suffering from severe cramping and carrying on through sheer determination).

The walk concluded with some well-earned refreshments sat by a roaring fire at the Travelers Rest.

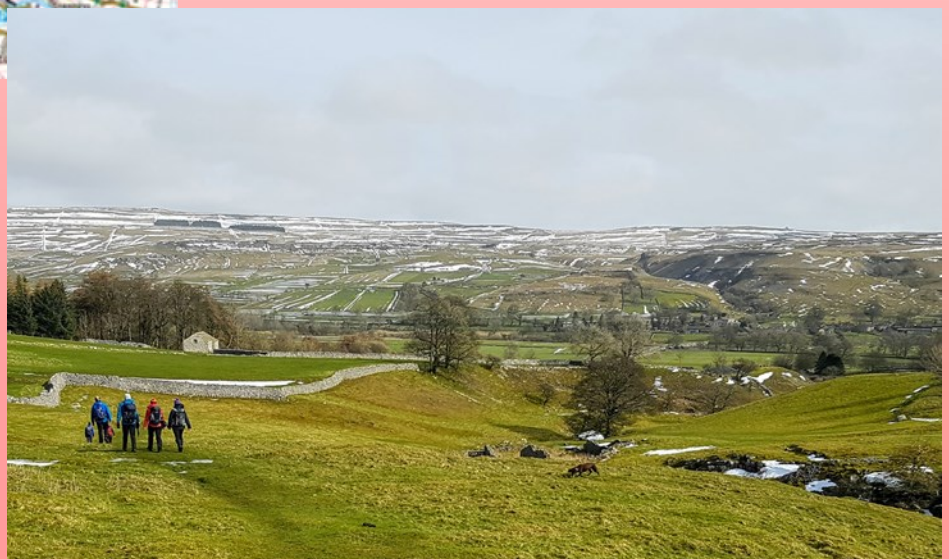
**Damien Rose**

# YMC Meet Report- Threshfield Quarry, Conistone & Grass Wood

Date: Sunday 12th Mar 2023

A group of YMC and CMC members met at the YDNPA car park in Grassington before heading off down to the quarry at Threshfield via Linton Falls and the fields. From there we wandered up the side of Threshfield Quarry onto Green Haw Hill, We then began descending into Conistone and ascending to The Dalesway via Conistone Dib. We then went back down to the River Wharfe, through Grass Woods to return to Grassington via the riverside.

**Andy Barton**



# YMC Meet Report – Crummackdale Circuit

Date: Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Start Point: Clapham Visitors Centre CP- GR SD 745 692

Attendees: Margaret (guest) Sophie Wales (prospective member) Rosemary Beale, Martin Girt, Tony Raithby, Kath & Graham Willis (members).

Despite the clocks going forward with a loss of an hours sleep, this didn't deter the seven of us who arrived at Clapham CP to a dry fine day. From here we headed up the road to the church turning right to pass under the tunnels before heading up hill to reach



The Thwaite Lane track. After a short section on the road we continued up to Wharfe village and following the Dales High Way we headed in a north westerly direction running parallel with Austwick Beck.

A short detour from the route took us to a perfect lunch spot with a bench and an old stone foot-bridge by a ford. But alas the bench was occupied by 3 young walkers and it was far too early to eat.

So after a few photos we retraced our footsteps to head north on the intake lane passing Studrigg and Hunterstye. This section of the walk was unusually busy as we passed several groups of young people and when curiosity got the better of us, we discovered that they were geology students on the last day of their field trip.

Finding an old ruined shepherd's hut we found enough shelter from the wind to have our lunch before the ascent up Capple Bank to the Limestone pavement of Moughton Scar.



The views from here were well worth the effort and although the footpaths between the limestone pavements were erratic to say the least and one member of our group was having a few problems with the soles of her boots, we passed Beggar's Stile and Thieves Moss, arriving at Sulber Gate with no sprained ankles!

Joining the Pennine Bridleway heading south west we headed for the impressive cairn at

Long Scar before dropping down to Long Lane and the descent back to Clapham. After changing our boots we all headed to The New Inn Hotel for some well-earned refreshments.

The route was approximately 15.3km (9.6miles) & 383m (1257ft) of ascent.

**Kath Willis**



# YMC Meet Report – Lantern Pike and Cown Edge

Date: Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2023

Start Point: Roadside Parking - **GR SK 023 909**

Attendees: Jennifer & Peter Tennant, Kath & Graham Willis (members).

Arriving at the lane off the Monk's Road opposite Plainstead's Farm, we found ample parking space and although it was cloudy and cooler than recent days, it was at least rain free (unlike the forecast). Setting off along the by-road in a southerly direction, we crossed a stile where the road swung right and followed a thin path through the heather of Matley Moor. Descending to a stile at the top of a walled lane, we passed on through the facing gate and along the track in a southerly direction. After passing Matley Moor and Bullshaw Farms we arrived at a six-way signpost and took the footpath to Birch Vale through the gate and up the pasture. A further gate (lots of gates and stiles on this walk!) led us to a short lane and the National Trust signboard where we ascended the clear sloping path to attain the summit of Lantern Pike. The view indicator on the summit is a memorial to Edwin Royce and overlooks Hayfield and beyond to Kinder Scout.

Descending to a wall and passing Sunny Side we reached the minor road above Birch Vale where we turned right before taking the first right past Wethercotes. A sunken lane becoming a metalled road from Laneside Farm brought us to The Little Mill Inn – a popular but secluded pub. Here we followed the lane leading north-east, going through a gate avoiding the White House, to a stile onto the by-road by Rowarth Post Office. At the junction the route took us between gardens before ascending the ridge by a series of stiles. Here we found a suitable hollow to get out of the wind and enjoy our lunch.

Continuing our ascent we reached Coombs Tor and walked along a well-worn path to admire the enormous land-slipped combe of Cown Edge Rocks - a pinnacle and grassy ridge of land-slipped material known as the Mare's Back. The Edge path eventually becomes a sunken lane, which we descended down to reach the Monk's Road. Here we crossed over towards Whiteley Nab and followed the path south on the moor between Monks Road and the A624. On reaching the road we took the access lane to Higher Plainsteads Farm, where a stile on the left led us down the field to our final wall stile and our starting point. Refreshments were taken at a hostelry in Hayfield as The Lantern Pike pub had no parking spaces.

The route was approximately 13.1km (8.1miles) & 452m (1483ft) of ascent.

**Kath Willis**

# YMC Meet Report- Skye Meet 2023

Date: 27<sup>th</sup> May to 3<sup>rd</sup> June

The Sunny Misty Isle!



Eight members and 3 guests journeyed to Glenbrittle Youth Hostel for the week 27<sup>th</sup> May to 3<sup>rd</sup> June. The weather was stunning every day which meant everyone could get out and do their “thing”.

Pavirnlia, Patrick and Liz made for an efficient climbing team and bagged Bidean and Pinnacle ridge to name a couple. Bill Stevenson completed some huge days up, over and back again.

Here is Bill’s list. Sgurr na Banachdaich, Sgurr nan Gobhar, Bruach na frithe, Sgurr an Fhionn-

Choire, all the tops of Drum nan Ramh, including Druim Pinnacle, Sgurr Deag, An Stac, Sgurr Thuilm, Sgurra Mhadaidh, Sgurr a Ghreadaidh, Sgurr Thormaid, Sgurr, An Diallaid, Sgurr nanEag and Sgurr Dubh Beag. The man is a scrambling machine!!Respect.

Sally, Jenny and Sue found some amazing places to swim including Loch Coruisk and Loch Shianta. Sean, Jenny and Nigel went over to Raasay and cycled for the day.



Lawrence, Sue and Sally took to the water on kayaks on Loch Brittle, Loch Coruisk and Loch Eynort. Thanks to Lawrence for making copious cups of tea after a long swim in Coruisk!!

A few walked to the end of Loch Brittle and explored Rubha an Dunain plus had a refreshing sea swim. Pete and others walked to Coire a Ghrunnda and explored Glenbrittle.

On the Monday the famous Waverley Steamer was popping to Skye. It's the last coastal steamer in operation in the world. Some of us took a trip from Armadale to Inverie on the Knoydart Peninsula. It was a real treat to be aboard and see the workings of the engine.

The Cuillin was on our doorstep with little need to drive for entertainment. The Glenbrittle Youth Hostel was a great place to stay, comfortable and spotless. The wardens were friendly and couldn't do enough for us. All in all, an excellent week.

## Sally Harris





# YMC Meet report – Kinder Northern Edges & the Snake Pass

Date: Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2023

Start Point: Birchen Clough CP - GR SK 109 904

Attendees: Eve & Steve Bartlett, Rosemary Beale, Ben Gilbert, Tony Raithby, Peter & Jennifer Tennant, Kath & Graham Willis (YMC members).



As the Birchen Clough CP is very popular we arrived in good time to find a parking space and thankfully the rest of the party found one too. Heading off down the path at the side of the road, we passed the (now closed) Snake Inn until we reached a stile and continued down a winding track through the felled woodland to reach the river Ashop. As we have had an extended period of dry weather our crossing was made easy, with the stepping

stones above the water level.

From here we started our relentless ascent up Gate Side Clough and with the sun blazing down it made for very slow progress. On the plus side we had spectacular views all day and once on the ridge we headed west along the Seal Edges in the knowledge that most of the ascent for the day had been achieved.

Continuing along the dry, dusty and undulating path on the northern edge of the Kinder Scout plateau, we eventually arrived at Fair Brook Fall which was devoid of water and we scrambled up to some suitably flat rock formations for our lunch stop.



We were rather surprised by the lack of walkers on this popular route, but maybe a walk through the woodland and a paddle in the river Ashop was more tempting in these temperatures.

Well fed and rested, we headed for Fairbrook Naze and admired the views and gritstone rock formations along the way before heading down steeply to reach the Snake Path. A short break here to wait for the party to regroup, gained the attention of one brazen sheep who thought she was going to be fed. As the marker post pointed the way to The Snake Inn (that will now need changing) we left the hungry ewe and headed east along Ashop Clough which was again very dry with very few boggy sections. However some of us still managed to get caught out (no names mentioned).



With the sound of thunder and some angry looking clouds behind us, we pushed on along the winding path which finally led us to Saukin Ridge, where a wide track through the forest eventually turned north up Lady Clough. Despite the warning notices on the gate leading into the forest it was disappointing to see the remnants of fires and barbecues under the trees and discarded cans, bottles and deck chairs. With wild fires raging on Marsden Moor at this time it appears that some people have no conscience.

By the time we arrived at the start point it was very humid and late in the day so some people headed off home and a few of us drove down the Snake Pass to find somewhere for a refreshing drink. With the A57 closed at Ladybower Reservoir due to a motorbike accident we headed towards The Yorkshire Bridge pub – and then the rain came!

The route was approximately 15.2km (9.5miles) & 447m (1467ft) of ascent.

**Kath Willis**

## Back to the 80's

Easter 1986, we were in Glen Shiel with my family and Peter and Margaret Dale for a spot of walking. We intended doing the South Ridge but not in one go. It's a long 14km ridge with seven Munros. We were going to do it as described in The Munros book.

We parked at The Cluanie Inn and walked up The Old Road from Cluanie to Tomdoun Road for 3kms. We turned off the road and climbed south up on to the first Munro, Creag a' Mhaim. A broad grassy ridge which becomes quite narrow leads up to Druim Shionnach, the second Munro. Navigation is straight forward in good weather, grassy slopes to the south leads into Glen Quoich. The next 3km is fairly easy and leads up to Aonach Air Chrith, the highest of the 7 Munro's at 1021m. A narrow ridge leads all the way to Maol Chinn-dearg, the 4<sup>th</sup> Munro. We drop down the steep north east ridge, pick up a delightful which takes us to the road.

## Fast forward to 1987

The 1987 Winter Meet, we are at The Black Rock Cottage in Glen Coe. The forecast is good for the next day. We are going to do Tower Ridge on The Ben. Up early the next day, we drive in the dark to Fort William and park at the golf course. It's getting light as we start the walk up the Allt a' Mhuilinn. We have our second breakfast outside The CIC hut. We then head off up to the Douglas Boulder at the



start of the Tower Ridge. There are five of us; Brian Church, Dave Cleminson, Neville Hawkins, myself and Brian Murphy. The conditions are nigh on perfect, good visibility on Glenn Sky's. We climb un-roped on the easier bits but it soon steepens and starts to get serious. Crampon

and two axes serious. We drop down into an icy notch and travers a bottomless gully. A concrete hard snow and ice, steep slope leads us up onto the summit plateau and warm sunshine. The first we have seen all day! We stop for the obligatory summit photo and walk across to the summit cairn. We don't stay long, it's a long way down. We descend No.4 gully which takes us eventually down to the Allt a' Mhuilinn, then on to the car. Five tired and hungry climbers get back to Black Rock Cottage in the dark. The end of a fabulous day out with great friends.



next Munro, Sgurr an Lochain, is not the highest but the most distinctive. From here we drop down to Col, which is the lowest point of the whole ridge at 726m. The last climb up to the last Munro Creag nan Damh is fairly straightforward.

We continue west along the descending ridge to Bealach Duibh Leac and pick up a stalkers path which takes us down into the glen.

Another great day out with Margaret and Pete and dog Meg, myself and Mabel, Andrea and Claire (Claire Howarth the Hut Booking Sec).

### **Easter 1987**

We are back up in Glen Shiel with Peter and Margaret to complete the South Ridge. We follow the route that we descended by the previous Easter. We turn right and follow the ridge to Sgurr an Doire Leathain. The summit is 100m away, along a grassy ridge. The



**Malcolm (Sol) Lomas**



## Weekend Meets 2023

All Saturday and Sunday Meets start at 10.00am prompt unless otherwise stated.

Please contact the Meet Coordinator if you intend to join a Meet or require further information.

Please check [www.theymc.com](http://www.theymc.com) for confirmation of start point details.

Meet Co-ordinators' personal email addresses and phone numbers can be obtained from the website membership list or contact the Meets Secretary

**Attendance at any meet at the Coniston cottage including maintenance meets is by advance booking only through the hut booking secretary, Claire Howarth.**

### June

June 30<sup>th</sup> Roaches Climbing Weekend. Don Whillans Memorial Hut. Peak District. (2 Nights).  
Rockhall Cottage, The Roaches, Upper Hulme, Leek. ST13 8UB.  
GR SK 007 622 - Rob Dracup.

### July

July 2<sup>nd</sup> Roaches Hut Meet - Day Walk.  
As above.

July 16<sup>th</sup> Blea Moor Environs & Cam Fell. Ribbleshead. Yorks Dales.  
Roadside parking between Ribbleshead road junction & Gearstones Lodge.  
LA6 3AS  
GR SD765793 - Eve & Steve Bartlett.

July 21<sup>st</sup> Coniston Mines Meet – Slate & Lead Mines Underground Tour (2 Nights).  
Coniston Hut Booking - [ymchut@gmail.com](mailto:ymchut@gmail.com)  
Meet Coordinator Sean Kelly.

## August


- Aug 6<sup>th</sup> Hebden Bridge Environs – Deerstones Edge, Cock Hill & Crimsworth Dean.  
South Pennines. Midgehole NT Car Park. HX7 7AA.  
Kath & Graham Willis.
- Aug 20<sup>th</sup> Nether Stilton - Black Hambleton & Great Arden Moor. - N. Yorks Moors.  
Stilton Forest - Forestry England Car Park on Moor Lane, Nether Stilton.  
YO7 2LL  
GR SE 467 937.  
Ben Gilbert & Graham Willis.

## September

- Sept 10<sup>th</sup> Grassington Environs. Yorks Dales. Taking in Hebden Gill, Lead mines,  
Water Fowl Butts, Mossy Mire & Star Treck Lane.  
YD National Park Car Park Grassington village. BD23 5LB. - GR  
SD002637.  
Andy Barton.
- Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> Snowdonia Hut Meet. (2 Nights).  
Booking - Natasha Cook.

## October

- Oct 1<sup>st</sup> Langfield Common & 4 Reservoirs. Littleborough.  
Peak District. OL15 0LG.  
Car parking near The White House pub adjacent Blackstone Edge  
Reservoir.  
GR SD 974 180 - Kath & Graham Willis.
- Oct 6<sup>th</sup> Coniston Hut – Housekeeping Meet. (2 nights).  
Hut Booking Secretary



Oct 20<sup>th</sup> Coniston Cottage Opening ~ 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Club Meet (2 Nights).  
Accommodation Booking - Hut Booking Secretary.  
Shared meal is planned for the Saturday evening.

## November

Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> Coniston Hut – Club Bonfire Meet. (2 nights).  
Hut Booking Secretary.

Nov 19<sup>th</sup> Simon's Seat from Barden Bridge. Near Bolton Abbey. Yorks Dales.  
Roadside Car Parking - GR SE052572 or Approx Sat Nav - BD23 6AT  
Eve & Steve Bartlett.  
Meet Time – 10:30am.

## December

Dec 8<sup>th</sup> Emily Kelly Hut – Pinnacle Club, Snowdonia (2 Nights).  
Nantgwynant. - GR SH.653.541  
David Lomas.

Dec 17<sup>th</sup> Xmas Fuddle Walk - Barden Moor, Skipton. Yorks Dales.  
Barden Scale. Approx Postcode BD23 6AP- Roadside parking - GR SE051568.  
Derek Field.

Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> Xmas / New Year Coniston Hut Club Meet (11 nights).  
Hut Booking Secretary.

Dec 26<sup>th</sup> Ilkley Cow & Calf – Traditional Boxing Day Meet.  
Cow & Calf Public Car Park. Approx post code LS29 9RF – GR SE130467  
Derek Field.

## And finally.....

If there's anything more that you think the club should be doing please let the committee know: by speaking to a committee member or email the club Secretary - [ymcsec2016@gmail.com](mailto:ymcsec2016@gmail.com)



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