

LMC MOUNTAINEERING CLUB

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News & Notes

From the Committee . . .

From the Chairman

Again, I am asking for volunteers for the Committee. In particular, we need a new Secretary and, in due course, a new Chairman. None of us should take the smooth running of the club for granted so please call or email me for a no-obligation chat.

Next Newsletter: Please send copy for the next issue by **midday on the 10th of the month.**

Meets & Events Programme

Date/s	Meet	Meet Leader	Comments
Fri 30 Sep	Chichester Marina to Ford	Charles Harrison	Day Walk - Update
Fri 7-Sun 9 Oct	Peak District	Andy & Kirsty Johns	Weekend
Sun 23 Oct	Chawton, Hampshire	Rob Kell	Day Walk
Sun 6 Nov	Wimbledon Common & Richmond Park	Alyson Lawton	Day Walk
2023			
Sat 14 Jan	AGM & Annual Dinner	Angela Leaman	Action Required
Sat 17-Sun 25 Jun	W Bay to S Haven Point	John Blight	SWCP Week 9

Your club needs volunteers to devise & lead walks Owing to the high cost & low availability of accommodation, we are putting more emphasis on Day Walks this year. If you haven't put your name down to organize one, please consider doing so. **Bob**

Meets Details

Friday 30 September – Chichester Marina to Ford – Charles Harrison

I suggest we meet at Chichester Station at 10am & get a taxi to the Marina.

Please let me know if you plan to come along.

This walk of 12 miles follows the line of the Portsmouth & Arundel Canal (opened in 1822) from Salterns Lock (near Chichester Marina) to Ford. The first 2.5 miles to Hunston is still in water – this was built to a wider gauge & allowed ships to reach Chichester (the Ship Canal was a 1.5 mile extension north into Chichester which carried trade until 1906). The remaining part (from Hunston to Ford) was abandoned in 1855 but the line is still visible on the map so we can explore this more closely. The cafe at Chichester Harbour & a number of pubs along the route are available for refreshments. There is a bus service (52 or 53) from Chichester Station (served by Southern) to Chichester Marina; Ford Station is also Southern.

Friday 7 to Sunday 9 October – Peak District – Andy & Kirsty Johns (for Paul Ackroyd)

Andy and I have offered to take over the ongoing organisation of this meet as there is a possibility that Paul may be otherwise occupied on theatrical matters down south . . .

We have already received a healthy expression of interest in this meet: eight people have booked into the Premier Inn, approx. a mile north of Matlock on the A6

(<https://www.premierinn.com/gb/en/hotels/england/derbyshire/matlock/matlock.html>).

Matlock is a good base for walking in the eastern area of the White Peak. It has a fine selection of hills, dales, rivers & wooded areas. We can choose from these as we gather for the weekend, with a guideline of 10 miles & 1500 feet of ascent. Possibilities include Lathkill Dale or Eyam & Bretton Clough. The latter walk would take LMC back to its third ever meet, in January 1976, when we stayed at Bretton Youth Hostel, making merry in the Barrel Inn! There will, of course, be some driving to reach walk start points.

If you would like to come along (& haven't advised Paul or Kirsty), please let us know.

You are responsible for making your own accommodation reservations, either at the Premier Inn (Flex advised) or elsewhere. The Saturday rate at the Premier Inn seems to have gone up quite a lot in recent weeks – so get your bookings in soon!

We will be communicating further with all participants nearer the time. In the meantime, we will make table reservations in the coming weeks for suppers for us all on Friday & Saturday – please let Kirsty know if you do not want to be included in suppers on either night.

We look forward to another good weekend's walking in the Peak District.

Sunday 23 October – Chawton, Hampshire – Rob Kell

I will lead a 18km (11m) circular walk from Chawton. This is just off the A31 south of Alton & is home to Jane Austen's House. There is a free car park in the village. The walk will start at 10:30am. Please bring a packed lunch. I can provide the route in advance if required.

Sunday 6 November – Wimbledon Common & Richmond Park – Alyson Lawton

Meet at 10:30 am at Wimbledon Park station. The route takes us over Wimbledon Common & then Richmond Park, ending at Richmond Station. It says it is 11km (7miles) but there is an option midway to catch buses if anyone wants to opt out.

Please let me know if you intend to come.

14th January 2023 - AGM and Annual Dinner / Marlborough – Angela Leaman

We aspire to hold the AGM in Marlborough again in January. The main base will be the Premier Inn but there are other accommodation options in town if you prefer to stay elsewhere. From experience last year, it won't be possible to find a private meeting/dining venue. The Castle & Ball Hotel have offered a space for the AGM in a quiet area of their restaurant (if we all buy a drink!). However, they are not best for food so dinner will be booked at a nearby pub or restaurant.

I'm currently evaluating dinner options which will be steered by numbers. Therefore, if you expect to come to the AGM, it would be very helpful if you could drop me a line now / before 30th September. The Premier Inn currently has a flex rate of £66 so it would also be worth making a booking.

Look forward to hearing from you.

Meet Report[s] <i>None this time . . .</i>

Next time . . .

Friday 12 to Monday 15 August - West Yorkshire & Yorkshire – Sarah Dixon

Saturday 10 to Sunday 18 September – SWCP Week 8 / Brixham to West Bay – John Blight

Out Walking Reports & / or Photos . . .



On an LMC walk in 2010

Other Events / Items . . . *None this time*

Extra Elements: Books, DVDs, Films, other Walks / Climbs – views & comments . . .

If you've read any walking / mountaineering / travel books which you've enjoyed, please share.

Guides / Maps on offer . . .

Charles is having a clear out so wondered if you would be able to use any of these guides/maps:

TRAIL GUIDE MAP

Coast to Coast Cicerone Harvey National Trail Maps - East & West

Dales Way Cicerone Harvey National Trail Map

Glyndwr's Way Cicerone Harvey National Trail Map

Offa's Dyke Cicerone Harvey National Trail Maps - North & South

The Ridgeway Cicerone Harvey National Trail Map

Yorkshire Wolds Way National Trail Guide Harvey National Trail Map

Please contact Charles to decide how best to pass on.

Charles Harrison

PS When Charles donated some Lonely Planet guides to a charity shop, the assistant said that they need to be recent or no-one would be interested in them. With this in mind, he would like to pass the above on while they are current.

- Extra Elements to Sarah -

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