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EDITORIAL.

Any meeting of the Catholic Holiday Guild (C.H.G. to us) should interest us, whether it had ties with the Club or not, whether we knew anything about it or not. The C.H.G. has the strongest ties with the Club, to whom it owes its existence, and any lack of information is easily remedied.

The meeting referred to is the C.H.G's. 21st. Annual General Meeting - it's 'Coming-of-Age', as it were, and will be held in the "Palace Hotel", Birkdale, on the afternoon of Saturday the 6th May, 1961.

It is because of the occasion and the affinity with the C.R.A. that this A.G.M. is being brought as close as possible to Liverpool - the first time for over 10 years. This is, as it is intended to be, a great honour.

For a few years now these meetings have taken the form of a week-end reunion, attended by members from all parts of the country, extending over the Saturday evening into the Sunday, on account of those who cannot return home on the Saturday night.

The business part of the proceedings are completed by about 5.30. on the Saturday afternoon and are followed usually by a Dinner and then a social evening.

Many of you are eligible as members of the C.H.G. to attend the A.G.M., which you would find most interesting, and your attendance would demonstrate to those critical of the C.R.A's interest in the C.H.G. that you still care about your off-spring.

Failing attendance at the A.G.M. you would certainly enjoy the evening, If you need any further inducement, there will be no charge except for any drinks and refreshments you have. Our own Bill Potter will be M.C. and is organising the social side.

There should be enough of you to fill a couple of coaches at least I believe it is intended to try and do just that. Arrangements are being made and names will be taken in the usual way. We are giving you plenty of notice of the date, so there's no excuse for making other arrangements.

That the A.G.M. is being held on Cup-Final day is unfortunately unavoidable, but we do hope that this will not deter you from rolling up.

It is intended by the C.H.G. that this be a great occasion - we by our attendance en masse can make it historic. You will find it interesting and in the company of so many Catholic ramblers from many parts of the country it should be an enjoyable experience.

THE EDITOR.

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S O C I A L C H A T T E R

One man's meat is definitely another man's poison, and the chap in charge of tennis at Walton Park certainly reaped a harvest a fortnight ago when our Sunday ramble was foot and mouthed off. It was glorious to be on the courts again, although there were regrets for a ramble gone west. Hughie and Tom, having discarded their 'L' plates, provided welcome transport, and, apart from the extra weight of the goosepimples we were all carrying, it was grand. To look at tennis more permanently, our own courts open at Easter, we fondly hope. A terrific amount of work has been done on and around the courts, by no means the smallest job being the re-felting of the pavilion roof. Lovely view from up there, but for sureness of foot give me Tryfan any day! There's quite a bit of interior decorating to be done before the A.G.M. on Saturday the 15th April, so come along and help this weekend if you're free. After we've had the A.G.M., never a laborious affair, we're running a social which, despite the unsprung floor, usually a riot.

Do keep your dates straight. April 15th is the Tennis do, but on the previous Saturday we have another Dance at the State. Stan is on the job once more of disposing of tickets, so please see him.

Preceding both of these events is the Fancy Dress on Wednesday the 5th April. Away with inhibitions! Be there, in costume. Prizes unlimited! Well, three anyway.

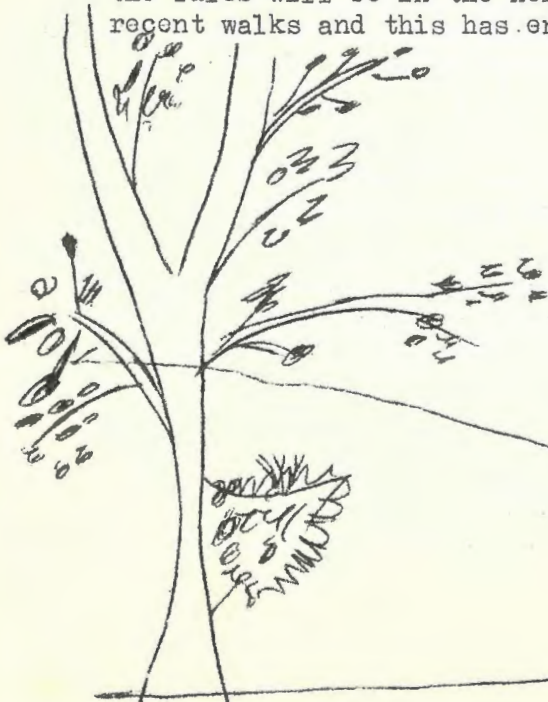
Albert Dowding is on his travels again. He's written telling Tony and Margaret that he's leaving England on the 26th March finishing up at Linz in Austria after a 1,000 mile hitch like through four countries. The life!

I think you'll be getting these by post as there isn't any Club night in Holy Week. Do keep your copy by you and keep in mind the various events mentioned. For those lucky teachers and others who sneak the extra few days off at Easter, don't forget that Gerry and Ann get married at St. Aidan's Church at 11 a.m. on Easter Tuesday, the 4th April and Bernard and May at St. Clare's on Wednesday the 5th. Our best wishes to both.

Enjoy your Easter,

Socialite.

P.S. There will be a photo competition being judged round about October and the rules will be in the next issue so keep at it. We've seen some good ones of recent walks and this has encouraged us to hold the comp.



TROUGH OF BOWLAND "A" WALK JANUARY, 29TH. 1961.

A coach load of happy Ramblers left St. John's Lane speeding toward Preston, some reading and others lamenting over the Reds and Blues. After winding skilfully through the lanes gaining height all the time we entered a sleepy village sheltered from the blustery conditions. We soon stopped by a quickly flowing stream where the local sheep showed their pleasure at having company by almost taking the bread and butter out of our mouths.

Eats over, Harry led his party away from the bus, sheep and Langden B Brook to our first hill (Sykes Nab). Rose and Steve were breaking in their new boots by showing their paces through the heather. Gaining height the wind was getting stronger, balance was becoming more difficult, and to crown it all it started to rain. The scene changed, a fancy dress in the midst of a hurricane, Pakamaks, hoods, leggings and Ronnies Spatts? in record time.

Once over the hill we made for the peak, Wins Brow, where we could see a nice sheltered Valley inviting us to rest. Dropping into the Brennand Valley whose river was a stumbling block to some, Steve found his boots were watertight with no outlet for the water, well you can't have it both ways! More rain as Ronnie wrung out her gloves while the fishes on her mack appeared to be enjoying the conditions as we plodded out of the Whitendale Valley towards Dinsop Fell. After thinking we had had all the rain possible just as we gained height, down came the hailstones the size of golf balls. Someone spotted Toni moving off course but we were glad to take refuge down the side of a high wall (Bless the Romans).

Finding all present Harry set out for the bus, the thought of coffee and a change were enough to encourage the wettest to make the miles disappear as dusk began to fall. Billy and Steve and Rose thinking they had only 1/2 mile to go began to race though often the first one slowed down to normal, just winning by a yard, Rose was still as fresh as a Daisey. Ann, Brian and Terry added a few more miles to the walk (keen types,) before we set off calling at Preston for a grateful cup of tea.

Thanks Harry for a lovely walk, pity the weather was so unkind to us but a happy crowd returned nice and early to their destinations.

'LEGGINGS'



F O O T B A L L N E W S .

RAMBLERS v R.N.V.R.

Kicking off on a beautiful day, we hoped to take two points from this strapping team. A. Garth scored a smasher from 40 yards. Oh! for a few more like this! Mick in goal withstood a seige that followed giving away in the last minutes to lose 2 - 1.

RAMBLERS v RUTLAND.

We seem to pull out something extra for the top team, setting the pace to surprise our opponents. Goal for goal, nobody getting the winner, we drew 3 - 3.

RAMBLERS v RODNEY.

Goals galore, as we played a weakened team, George and Billy getting three apiece out of the ten we scored to their two.

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WATCH THAT THERE LANGUAGE!

We are not all granted the gift of speech and, because of this, many of us from time to time deteriorate into slovenly expressions of thought. These are fairly commonplace and quite useful in ordinary conversation, but when this further deteriorates into --- --- --- we feel that the offenders in this direction should know that they have reached rock-bottom

We would ask whoever may slip into these unwelcome expressions to watch their speech when at any C.R.A. gathering, and most particularly when ladies are present.

RAMBLING NOTICES.

APRIL, 3rd. R.A.Train, meet Exchange for 10.50. train leaves 11.10. Destination, Clitheroo. Leader. S.Lawlor.

One fixture not affected by the cancellation of the Winter Programme is the outing to St. Mary's, Church Stretton. Our own football team and supporters will be going on the 23rd April. Names will be taken 3 weeks before for those wishing to go though there will not be any organized Ramble at Church Stretton.

(leave your flasks at home and bring your rattles instead).

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S O C I A L P R O G R A M M E .

<u>Date.</u>		<u>M.C.</u>	<u>Refreshments.</u>	<u>Washers-up.</u>	<u>GramCarriers.</u>
5.4.61.	Fancy Dress	S.Cunningham.	M.Smith.	N.McGlory. B.Mythen.	G.Gilligan. J.Murphy.
12.4.61.		R.Boardman.	M.Roberts.	E.Connolly. P.Connolly.	T.Kelly. S.Cummins.
19.4.61.	Film Show.	G.Dobbin.	J.Bravin.	K.Connolly. S.King.	J.McEroy. J.Potter.
26.4.61.		E.Thomas.	B.Grant.	R.Doyle. K.Byrne.	S.Hall. S.Lawlor.

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