

THE LIVERPOOL  
CATHOLIC RAMBLERS  
ASSOCIATION



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APRIL '73

SPONSORED WALK

IN AID OF

ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPICE

SUNDAY APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup> 1973

MEET

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Delamere Station car park and picnic area from 12 noon.

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Pick up points will be arranged along the length of the course where walkers who have completed the number of miles they wish to walk can pick up transport back to the start.

TRANSPORT

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Coaches to and from Liverpool will be provided if necessary

Please ring Ray O'Connor 228 9826 before 15th April.

FOOD and DRINK

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Bring a packed lunch and something to drink (hot or cold)

FIRST AID

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This will be available but we hope you wont need it!

CLOTHING

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Please wear boots or strong shoes. Also bring some warm clothing and waterproofs. Remember if you have it with you you dont have to wear it but if you left it at home you can't wear it?.

THE COMMITTEE OF THE

L.C.R.A.

TENNIS CLUB

LANCE GROVE

WAVERTREE

INVITE APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

FEEES

UNDER 21's	£1-50
OVER 21's	£2-50
HUSBAND & WIFE	£3-00

VISITORS

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A charge of 15p is made per visit for a maximum  
of six visits after which the balance of the  
subscription becomes payable.

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## WHAT'S THIS SPONSORED WALK ALL ABOUT

On the 29th. April the L.J.R.A. are having a sponsored walk in aid of Jospice International. (St. Joseph's Hospice Association.) This is a local Organisation which has for the past 10 years been caring for the destitute incurable sick.

Jospice International was founded 10 years ago by a Crosby priest Father Francis O'Leary. He was working as a teacher in a place called Rawalpindi in West Pakistan. The plight of the destitute sick was a constant heartache to him and particularly when one woman was brought to him and he could not get the local hospital to care for her. He resolved that he would build a hospital for the destitute sick. In November 1962 the first group of the Association was founded in a mud hut in Rawalpindi with it's first donation of 75p. In 1964 with the combined help of the group in Pakistan and a group in Crosby the first hospital was opened.

Father O'Leary felt that if this could be achieved for one group of people then it was possible to put up more hospitals. He asked the Franciscan Missionaries who were working in Rawalpindi, where they felt the next hospital ought to be situated. They suggested a small village on the Caribbean coastline called the San Bernardo Del Viento. This village had approximately 30,000 inhabitants and practically no medical care. The hospital was opened in 1968 and is at the moment staffed by a fine group of lay volunteers.

Father O'Leary then moved down to Peru, at the request of a friend Father Vincent Hughes. He asked father to site his next hospital in a place called Negritos which is situated in the desert in the North of Peru. This hospital opened in 1970 and is being administered by the Sisters of Notre Dame who are carrying out social, educational and catechetical work.

At the request of the Peruvian Government the next two hospitals were sited in Peru, one in the North of Lima in the port of Calloa, the other in Villa El Salvador which is a vast sandbank just outside Lima. Here the Association has the task of caring for at least 200,000 people who were the victims of the earthquake in 1970. These poor people own literally all they stand up in.

With so many people to care for abroad any ordinary man would feel that he was doing his bit, but Father O'Leary is also aware of the need of the destitute sick at home. In November last year he acquired some property at Thornton, at a cost of £90,000. He hopes to open his first hospital there later this year.

And so the work goes on at ever increasing pace - a boat for a mobile dispensary on the River Amazon, a hospital for Chile and perhaps another in the North of Peru.

Father O'Leary is one of the few people who has acted upon Pope Paul the sixth's Encyclical 'Populorum Progressio'---We must make haste. Too many are suffering and the distance is growing that separates the progress of some and the stagnation, not to say the depression of others.

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Now you know a little about the organisation who will benefit by our support which you can give in one of two ways:-

- a) To take part in the walk.
  - b) To sponsor one of your friends or colleagues to the extreme of your generosity.
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Our Vice President, Cyril Kelly has written a few words which are directed at you! But most important, THINK and RESPOND in a POSITIVE manner.

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Dear Friends,

Elsewhere in this issue you will see details of what is planned for the above walk, so this is just to ask you to take part - yes you and you and you'. We would like to see 100% of the membership on this walk, with all the workers from St Joseph's Hospice who can put one foot in front of the other. The funds raised will never go to a better cause- the care of the destitute, and the incurably sick. Not all of us can look after these people, but your efforts on this walk can count as one of your corporal works of mercy, and the money raised will be of great assistance to those nurses and other helpers who are doing the work which we cannot do ourselves.

So please turn up at the meeting point on Sunday 29th April. Get your sponsor sheet as soon as possible, and get a many of you relatives and friends to sponsor you for a specific amount per mile, and then come along and walk as far as you can. Each mile you do will mean just that little extra for the funds.

I appeal particularly to those who never come out on a ramble. Make an supreme effort on this one occasion. As every mile is left behind you, just spare a thought for those unfortunate thousands who will never be able to walk again, and whose grateful prayers will be offered in thanks for your help.

Even if, after all, you find you cannot walk, then perhaps you could offer your services as a steward, or maybe your car for helping to get people home. But most of all be ready to sponsor the walkers for as much as you possibly can, until it hurts, so that we can all look proudly back on our efforts for the Hospice on April 29th 1973.

Cyril.

# ANCIENT ORDER



Ramble.....8th. April Deeside.

Leader.....Peter Atherton.

Meet 12-30 pm. for 1.0'clock start.  
Down Bridge Street, Chester, cross river by  
old Dee bridge. Forward about 200 yards  
and take left fork. Keep bearing left until  
reaching Army H.Q. for parking.

Ramble.....15th. April Hilbre Island.

Leader.....Tony Roche.

Meet Dee Lane car park West Kirby at 12-30 pm.  
for 1-30 start. Conditions underfoot likely  
to be muddy and wet. Advisable to wear boots  
or wellingtons(particularly children).

Social.....27th. April

At Marie & Mike Coughlans,  
6, Cobham Road,  
Moreton, Wirral.

SPECIAL NOTE.....SPONSORED WALK.....

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For sponsored walk 29th April. Delamere Forest  
Meet Delamere Station car park and picnic area  
at 12 noon. Move off under various leaders  
as ready. When you complete the number of  
miles you wish to walk wait at pick-up point  
for lift back to start.

Your prayers for NORAH TASKER one time registrar. Very ill.

# SOCIALITE

Many thanks for the terrific response you gave to completing the questionnaires forwarded with the last newsletter. If yours is still not completed **it is** still not too late. It is clear from your replies that you are in favour of expanding the clubs social activities; eg. more nights out, and you like a variety of music and dancing at each Thursday Social (with the music not so loud). You generally seem to prefer folk to professional discos.

Some novel ideas were; arranging house parties, the profits of which would go to both our charities and inviting guest speakers on drugs etc. Well we now have much food for thought and any help you can give in bringing your ideas to fruition is always welcome.

As you will see below the committee is trying to plan further ahead and we hope you will bear with us if some dates have to be altered. The best way to keep in touch with what's on is of course to attend the socials more often. A higher attendance also helps us financially to provide special entertainments however, lets not forget that we are primarily a rambling club and the rambles are still the best social events in their own right. If you don't believe me - try one.

Richie Cannon.

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## SOCIAL PROGRAMME.

April 12th.	Golden Oldies Night *** (By popular request)	Bernie McMullen & John Clarke
April 19th	Country/Folk	Monica Moran & Margaret Smith
April 26th	Pop Night	Ray O'Connor
May 3rd	Pick 'N' Mix	Clare Conlon

## Anticipated Forthcoming Club Nights Out

Friday April 13th	'Mr Pickwicks' Liverpool.
Saturday May 3rd.	Neptune Club Preston Brook.

## Other Planned Events.

April/May	Pony Trekking Weekend.
15th June	Camping or Caravaning Weekend.
July	Childrens Outing.

Also Putting and Bowling Evenings in the Summer.

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\*\*\*\* For the Golden Oldies Night you are invited to bring down any of your old records.

# Ramblerite

FOOTPATH

March proved to be a month of surprise rambles, starting with Eddie Webb's Millersdale trip by mini bus which turned out to be one of the best for some time, in spite of the small attendance. The Nant-y-Ffrith ramble was cancelled by a public transport ramble to Moel Famau. The reason for this was lack of private transport, Captain Brian Keller supervised the boat trip across the Mersey on the eventful day.

The Keswick weekend was a great success with Lakeside House bulging at the seams. Note we are booked in again for October 26-28th.

Easter is the next club weekend, and caravans have been booked at Talacre in North Wales. See Ray O'Connor for details.

The sponsored walk is the highlight of April's programme and is in the Delamere Forest area. We would like everyone in the club to take part in this event on April 29th. If you can't make it please sponsor someone. All the proceeds are in aid of St. Joseph's Hospice and we hope to raise a considerable sum for this charity.

## RAMBLING PREVIEW...APRIL

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|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| 1st..... | Silverdale.....                                                                                                           | Leader..... | Barry Lyons   |
| 8th..... | The Drum.....                                                                                                             | "           | Ray O'Connor  |
| 15th     | Troutbeck                                                                                                                 | "           | John Lovelady |
| 20th     | Easter Weekend                                                                                                            |             |               |
|          | Caravan weekend at Talacre north Wales                                                                                    |             |               |
| 29th     | Sponsored walk in aid of St. Joseph's Hospice will take place in Delamere Forest For coach bookings see or telephone .... |             |               |

Ray O'Connor...051 228 9826.



Keswick Weekend 16th -18th March 1973.

37 weekenders arrived at Lakeside House and were all comfortably accommodated there. The weather was ideal for fell walking and there was a good turnout for the Saturday Ramble to Grisedale Pike overlooking the lake. The change of season enhanced the beauty of the area by bringing with it brown and green tints to the landscape and spring was really in the air at last.

A narrative of the 'A' walk is given elsewhere, but the 'B' walkers covered roughly the same ground and looked slightly less weary on returning to the cars. All of us were glad of the showers that night.

Only 8 ramblers tackled Blencathra on Sunday, probably due to the average time people retired to bed which was about 3am on Sunday morning. After evening tea on Saturday night, we invaded the 'Woolpack Inn'. Dave Newns announced previously that a social commencing at 9.15pm, would be held in the dance hall at Lakeside House. However, at that time we were still drinking at the Inn. It seemed that only my gentle reminder that the ale was cheaper at our residence drew people back for an early start to our swinging social. A varied selection of the club's records was played to cater for all dancing tastes, and the traditional cups of tea were served at 2am.

After Sunday Mass, and after collecting their packed lunches, the energetic 8 went on their ramble. I and several others decided, after our (cooked) lunch to go boating. Our boat held 11 people and appeared to be leaking. After rowing out we posed for snaps then headed towards an island, disembarked and explored it. We 'accidentally' left behind on the island 4 of our explorers who got lost. For humanitarian reasons only, we returned later to rescue them.

The girls trusting us no further took command of the oars and rowed us back to the jetty in an incredibly zig-zag course, still they rowed well and we landed home and dry-(well almost).

Tea and packing over, we all met up for a pub stop on the way home at Milnthorpe, after what seemed a grand lakeland motor tour through Grasnere, Ambleside and Windermere. As a bonus we had an extra hour of sunlight to enjoy the scenery (it being the first day of official Summertine).

N.B. The club has booked another weekend at Lakeside House in October a date to look forward to.

Richie Cannon.



# TENNIS

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

AND

## DANCE

SATURDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 1973

BUFFET

INCLUDED

### NOTES.

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#### MEMBERSHIP.

Brian Keller and Barry Lyons will be taking names of members wishing to join for the coming season. If you would like to play, even if you are a complete beginner do join us as coaching will be arranged to teach you the rudiments of the game.

#### MATCHES.

The first match will take place early in May. Any one of average ability can gain a place in the team, so why not have a try. Practise games will be arranged to give the Captain a chance of picking the best team.

#### LANCE GROVE

This is probably the last season we will spend here as they will shortly be building houses there, so we will have to look around and find ourselves some new courts. To do this we may well need some extra ready cash. So Barry Lyons our new Tennis Chairman, has thought up a few money raising schemes one of which is the Grand Derby Draw tickets for which are currently in circulation. Please purchase and or sell as many as possible.

*Barry Lyons*