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EDITORIAL

The Annual Buffet Dance, still in the minds of those 200 or so who were there at Dovedale Towers on February 7th, was a memorable occasion for Cyril Kelly who, along with his wife May, were congratulated on their being members of the Club for over 40 years, (in fact almost 41!).

Cyril had been chairman of the club for many years and has always passed his valuable experience on to the new committees and chairmen, in fact he still does at the committee meetings which he attends every month. On behalf of the Committee and Chairman, and all past Chairmen (myself included for I was chairman for three years before John Clarke stepped into my shoes). we say "congratulations Cyril."

Thanks to Chris Dobbin, Bill Naylor and those three young ladies, Ursula, Pat and Daphne for organising the Buffet Dance and selling the tickets. Their efforts resulted in an enjoyable evening for all those present.

Easter is approaching and it is then that ten of us are off on a ski-ing holiday to Italy whilst back home, the club are planning their own mad weekend. See Frank Fitzmaurice for details.

Finally, you will notice that once again this is a fairly large edition of the Newsletter. Obviously this entails a lot of work for a number of people, but especially the typists. May I ask therefore that if any of our members have the use of a typewriter and are prepared to help us out that they please contact Pete McLindon as soon as possible. Help us to produce your newsletter. Many Thanks.

David C. Newns

THE FOLK BEHIND THE RAMBLERS

In this issue we begin a series which we hope, over the months, will help better identify some of the people who have worked, and are working behind the scenes for the good of this club.

It is particularly appropriate to start the series this month, and to concentrate on the man who has completed 40 years with the Club. This is one of the "Folk behind the Ramblers."

CYRIL KELLY

As you come into the club on a Thursday evening, I am sure many of you will have spoken to the grey haired gentleman who often sits with Gerry at the door. He is Cyril Kelly one of our two Vice Presidents.

Cyril joined the ramblers forty years ago and is still an active member of the club. During his time in the club he has been Editor of the newsletter, (he still is a member of the newsletter committee) Tennis Section coach, Trustee, Vice Chairman in 1949/52/53 and Chairman for the ten years 1954 to 1964.

Recently (writes Margaret Smith) I had a short interview with Cyril concerning his years as a club member and his opinions of the club.

Question: Why have you stayed a continual member of the Catholic Ramblers for forty years?

Answer: I joined originally because I thought mixed rambling a very good idea. The first night I came to the club (March 1st 1934) I met May Furlong who was later to become my wife. May, an active club member and a keen Rambler, was leading the Ramble the following Sunday to Frankby on which I duly went. Those days, rambling was the major activity of the club, it was much later that the socials began to play the part they play today. When I joined, the socials as we know them, were meetings (admission 1/-) containing a wonderful atmosphere and warmth. These were the main reasons I stayed in the club but also I became very interested in the club and its members. I felt it was a good organisation for youngsters to join, and today, still think its the best way to foster a love of the open air in the young and not so young.

Question: Would you join the club as you find it today?

Answer: Today there is a different environment. I still have a love of the open air, but whether I would come to the socials!

Question: Which part of your life in the club have you enjoyed most, e.g. Chairman, Vice Chairman or ordinary club member?

Answer: While I did enjoy just being a member of the club, I found

being Vice Chairman a great challenge. At that time the club was going through a rough period and it was my job as Vice Chairman to help get things going again. But my most enjoyable part in the club life was my time as Chairman. I found the responsibility and the fact that people turned to me for guidance, very enjoyable. "I suppose I enjoyed being boss." I retired eventually because I feared I would become an institution. After ten years in a job there is a danger that one will be re-elected not because one deserves to be, but because it becomes habit with the members.

Question: What over forty years as a member, do you most connect with the club?

Answer: Naturally the first person to mind in connection with the rambles is May, my wife whom I met in this club. Also I associate many things with the rambles. The very many happy marriages this club has helped to make. The Cathedral Penny, this weekly collection of one penny per person per week started before the war and is still continued today. So far it has raised £400 for the Cathedral. On the Club's fortieth anniversary a few years ago we held a reunion dance. This was such a success bringing together so many members old and new, that since then we have held an annual buffet dance each February.

Question: You are, and always have been, very involved in the Family Section. How did this section start?

Answer: Many of the former club members have married and have had children, they thought it would be a good idea to have rambles the children could go on, also rambles which catered for all ages. So in 1969 the very successful Family Section was started and has continued since.

Question: How do you see the Family Section in relation to the rest of the club?

Answer: It should be the next step after marriage and having a family, so as not to feel cut off and to enable families to go out on Sundays and keep up friendships.

Question: How do you see the club today?

Answer: More alive, the members do far more to entertain themselves. The rambles? It might be better if members concentrated more on the rambling and came home earlier on a Sunday. While having no objection to drinking, this could be done in Liverpool so those who wished could get home earlier.

Question: Is there anything you would like to see done by this club today?

Answer: Yes, I would like to see the monthly benediction or church visits reinstated on some of the Sunday rambles. Also I would like once again to hear the rosary said in the club rooms once monthly.

Question: Have you any ambitions concerning the club?

Answer: Yes, I would like to see us get "a home of our own". Some place which we could use permanently, so that nightly activities could be run and so that we could do things which at the moment are impossible. Many miles Fred Norbury and I have travelled looking for something suitable, and many times the time we would see something for £250 when the club's total assets were running at £20. Now after forty years in the club I still hope that one day "Something will turn up." Meanwhile this must remain a dream, a dream which I fear seems to be fading.

This interview with Cyril concluded with him paying a tribute to the late Fred Norbury, one of the Founder members of the Club. "Without him, his time and enthusiasm there would be no Catholic Ramblers today."

This is obviously true, but Cyril's contribution is highly significant. Thanks Cyril, and many congratulations.

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SPORTSMAN AND SPORTS FAN

Sport has always played a major part in Cyril's life both inside and outside the Ramblers. In the mid thirties he was a regular member of the unofficial Catholic Rambler's football team and over the years he was a considerable force in the tennis section. Not only was he a very good tennis player but he proved to be a most helpful coach. Many members who did not know the first thing about tennis learned the basic techniques from Cyril at the L.C.R.A. Club in Lance Grove.

Outside of the Ramblers, Cyril has a great interest in Football, which makes his choice of team all the more surprising! In answer to my question, "do you follow football?" he replied "No, but I am a Stand Season Ticket holder at Liverpool!" Actually he could be described as a reasonably unbiased Liverpoolian, although he will cross swords with any Evertonian at any time. At the time of writing (7th Feb) he was of the opinion that the League Championship would be won by Ipswich or Derby with the F.A. Cup being won by ..EVERTON! For good measure he forecast that the crucial local derby match would end as a goal-less draw. How accurate these forecasts are, remains to be seen.

Blue Boy.

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WRONG!!!

15th. February.... F.A. Cup 5th. Round.
EVERTON..... 1 FULHAM..... 2.

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RIGHT!!

22ND. FEB. LIVERPOOL 0 EVERTON 0

Ramblerite.

FOOTPATH

As was predicted in the last issue, the cost of the Sunday Rambles has been increased in order to cover the increased cost of Transport. There is now a flat rate of £1.30p for all Rambles, but nevertheless in terms of value for money, ramblers must agree that this is by no means an excessive amount. During the last four weeks, the numbers out on Sundays has considerably increased since the rather lean Christmas period. Let us hope the trend continues. Invariably, nowadays, there are both A and B walks so that all types of walker are catered for, and it is good to see so many ladies taking part in rambling activities.

Finally, please remember that if you give your name in for a ramble and are subsequently unable to go, you must inform the leader (or any committee member) otherwise you are liable for the full cost of the coach fare.

23rd Feb.	Pendle Hill	-	Frank Mullin
* Mar. 9th.	High Street	-	John Wheeler
* Mar. 2nd.	Millersdale	-	Jim Adamson
16th Mar.	Sychmant Pass	-	Mike Turner
23rd Mar.	Thirlmere	-	Richie Cannon
28th-31st Mar.	Easter Weekend	-	Ross-on-Wye
* 6th April.	Penine Way	-	Margaret Smith
* 13th April	Offa's Dyke	-	John Coyle.

* Changes to original rambling programme.

Frank Johnson

Rambling Vice Chairman

MAY 2nd.-4th.

KESWICK WEEKEND

- (a) Bookings for the above Weekend will commence at 8.0.p.m. on Thursday 17th. APRIL at the Mona Clubroom.
- (b) Approximate Cost (exclusive of Coach Travel)....£6.50.
- (c) Dave Holden is collecting names and £3 deposits on 17/4/75.
- (d) Bookings restricted to L.C.R.A. members only.

THIS AND THAT

FOR THE RECORD:- The Rambling fixtures of the last 6 weeks produced the following statistics.

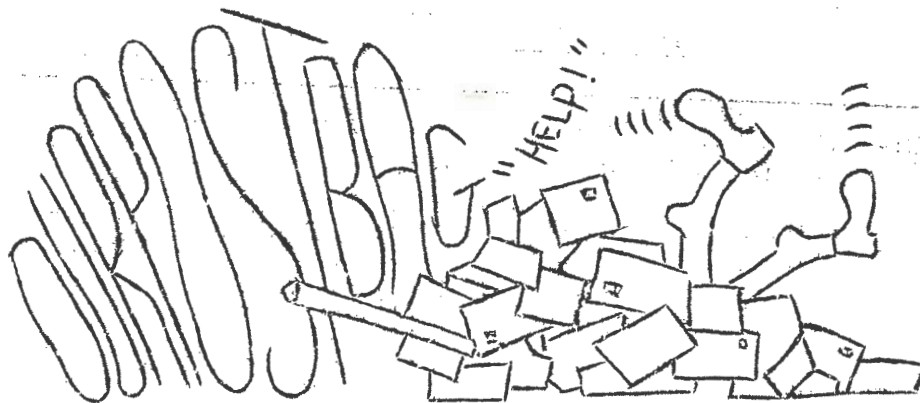
<u>Date</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Weather</u>	<u>Cost</u>
12th January	Mam Tor	13	Unpleasant very wet and windy.	£1.00
19th January	Kentmere	37	Heavy snow Rain later	£1.10
26th January	Berwyns	22	Windy, Dry.	£1.10
2nd February	Trough of Bowland.	31	Clear, blue skies Sunny and warm.	£1.10
9th February	Drum	24	Sunny and cold.	£1.10.
16th February	Llanarmon Hot pot	44.	Cold and wet at first; dry & bright later.	£1.75.

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DISPROVED! Understandably, the players of Plymouth Argyle were rather worried when they were drawn to play against Everton in the 4th Round of the Cup. However they were so apprehensive about playing the best team in the country, that Tony Waiters, the Argyle manager, decided to enlist the help of a couple of DEMONS, whose job it was to haunt the Everton dressing room prior to the game. Mr. Waiters decided that this occurrence would undoubtedly put the talented blue's players off their game, and he was so confident of the success of his plan that he told his players what he had done. They did not at first believe their manager, but on his suggestion they planted an observer in the visitor's dressing room to await the appearance of the DEMONS. Sure enough, 10 minutes before the kick off they appeared. With chants of Liverpool!, Shankly! and Altrincham! they did their best to upset the Blues but all to avail for, of course, the Merseysiders won 3-1. Manager Waiters after the match was disappointed that his plan had failed. "I feel," he said, "that this disproves the theory that 'DEMONS are Argyles best friend'." (Yuk!)
(Note:- Cyril Kelly did not write this! -)

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NEW MEMBERS:- welcome to the following, all of whom joined the Club recently. - Margaret Dillon, Rosemary Bamford, Leslie Drury, David Elsen, Mary McKey, Bernadette and Catherine O'Neill, Janice Gaynor, Martin Moore, H. Sheridan & Family, Anthony Snape, Sheila Mulhearn, Shelagh Comerford, Terrence Dunne and Family.



Dear Sir,

Lakeside House

This is just a line to express my thanks to all those who volunteered for the Working Party at Keswick in January.

With the co-operation of Newcastle Catholic Ramblers a total work force of twenty five was in action on the weekend and the value of the work done was of the order of £500.

I regret that some Liverpool Ramblers who volunteered had to be turned down due to the limiting of numbers, but these people will be given priority on the next occasion in June.

Yours faithfully

Chris Dobbin.

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On behalf of the Chalet Cooking parties of the early fifties, may I congratulate Cyril on his 40 years in the Ramblers and thank him for his generous use of his car (rare things in those days) both on the shopping trips to Mcd and in bringing the Cooks back to the Chalet after Sunday Mass.

Mona Roberts.

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STOP PRESS.

FRIDAY 21st. MARCH. '75.

8I.M.--12.00.

"RAMBLERS RAVE-UI" at the DOLIHIN HOTEL, Canning Place.

TICKETS;- £1.00 each available from UNA MCMANUS, MARY BARRATT and

FRANCES LEE.

BUFFET

DISCO.

LATE LICENCE.

Dear Mr. Editor,

I wish to express my longstanding gratitude to Cyril Kelly for his friendship and sterling services for the Club, work he has continued when others had cause to surrender the task. The fruit of this work, I feel sure is the "L.C.R.A. for ever."

Bill Potter.

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Congratulations to the Keegan of 1936 from Bill McMahon
and the rest of the Catholic Ramblers F.C.
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I went on my first ramble nine years ago and caused rather a stir. I was only six months old and then it was unheard of for a baby to be taken on rambles. Grandad helped to carry me that day and later helped start the Family Section which has given me and other children the chance to enjoy the countryside.

Congratulations and thank you Grandad,
from Damian and all the children.

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L.C.R.A. (America) extend heartiest greetings to Cyril on
completing forty years with the "Ramblers"

Brian F. Keller.
(Chairman !)

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Congratulations Cyril upon 40 years of L.C.R.A. membership, a
wonderful example of Club loyalty and service, putting back in
committee work something of what you got out of rambling.

May you continue to enjoy many more years of happy Club
membership. Good wishes also to your wife, May, for her part in
this happy anniversary.

God bless,

Anthony Reynolds.

(Iretoria, R.S.A.)

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To a grand member of a grand old club. Heartiest
congratulations to you Cyril on your 40th. year
membership in the L.C.R.A.

May God bless you and grant you many more happy
years in the Club.

Sincerely,

Vi. Duffy.

(Brooklyn, U.S.A.)

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Congratulations To May and Cyril on completing forty years
membership and service to the L.C.R.A. A wonderful example
of loyalty to the Association.

Chris Dobbin.

Dear Mr. Editor,

I wish to send my very best wishes to Cyril Kelly on forty years in the L.C.R.A. He has been a very good member and Rambler in the years. I have known him in the Club.

I remember the many nice walks in Wales, Yorkshire, and at Rivington. I wish you all the very best Cyril and hope you will reach your 50th year in the Ramblers. I hope you will also keep up the good walking and will make your boots last a bit longer yet. If you like a kangaroo, mate, I'll bring you one over, O.K? Save your shoe leather for another 10 years. Congratulations Cyril and see you in September.

Albert Iuss-in-Boots.

(Melbourne, Australia.)

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Congratulations to Cyril and May on your Anniversary. God bless you both.

Pat McLindon and the Ramblers of the mid and late thirties.

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Congratulations Cyril on your fine achievement; the continued success of the Club is due in no small way to your efforts, well done!

Bernard Manley.

Chairman L.C.R.A. 1967,1968.

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EDITOR'S Note:-

We had hoped to reproduce the above messages by electronic means, but unfortunately this proved to be impossible. The next best thing is a "one-fingered typist." That's progress for you!

JOKE:

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JOKE

"Do you want to hear a Blue joke?"

"Yes please."

"Everton."

(Hey haul, anymore like that and you're sacked! You might draw great front covers but that won't save you.)

DEFINITION:- Debate----- what lures de fish.

Locomotive -- a crazy reason for doing it.

SOCIETY.

Two club nights not to miss in the coming weeks:-

20th March We are taking a break from the Disco scene and have engaged a professional artist (Vin Sheedy) to entertain us. Vin is a highly recommended "all round" club act and a good time is guaranteed (Family Section members are especially invited.) A bar extension has been applied for and admission is only 30p.

10th April A disco with a difference is being provided by "Funky" Phil Gillies. The emphasis will be on fun, and novelty spots ('snowball' dances, golden oldies etc) will be interspersed with pop.

On the Thursday scene generally, if you have any ideas for future activities don't keep them to yourself - pass them on to any social committee member or come along to the sub-committee meetings (last Monday of the month, Our Lady's Parish Centre, Chestnut Grove, Wavertree) and let your views be known. This also applies to the 'duty disc jockey' role. If you are a budding Rosko and fancy a go let me know by the 3rd April, the more volunteers the better.

* Note:- The March meeting actually is on 24th March.

As a final word on the disco equipment I would like, on behalf of all club members, to thank Barry Dooley for the free loan of his stereo equipment over the last eight months whilst negotiations for the new equipment took place.

The next dance at the Tennis Club is scheduled for Saturday, 31st May - full details nearer the time, and as a final reminder to those at a loose end tomorrow night - the Polish Club is the place for another (28.2.75) dance, this time by professional disco.

Will all members interested in the car treasure hunt scheduled for March/April let me know as soon as possible, as depending on demand, it may be necessary to restrict the numbers. A minimum of two people per car is required and an o.s. map of the Wirral. If numbers have to be restricted it will be on a "first come first served basis."

Inflation - as most will know by now the club cheque book has taken a bashing recently from the ever increasing cost of coach hire. At a recent finance committee meeting it was decided to retain the 20p cover charge for ordinary club nights. This amount enables us to pay our way at the Mona, and purchase new records etc etc but it does not allow, normally, much excess to help subsidise rambles. Can I ask all members to be generous when buying raffle tickets on Thursday nights, as all profit from this is a direct subsidy for the following Sunday's

ramble - and you might win a bottle of whisky!

SOCIAL CALENDAR

6th March	Bop with Una McManus
13th March	Ladies Night with Chris Dolan and Mary Barrett.
20th March	Vin Sheedy - late licence applied for (admission 30p)
27th March	Richie Cannons Roustabout (?)
3rd April	The John Mack Sound
10th April	Freak it with Funky Phil
17th April	Spins with the Twins (Bernie & Cath)

* PLEASE SEE "STOCK PRESS" FOR DETAILS OF A SPECIAL L.C.R.A. DANCE.
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Frank Mullin
Social Chairman

THIS AND THAT.

ANY OLD BOOTS?

Martin Moore is helping to organise a Rambling section at the St. John Almond mixed school and he tells me that they would welcome any old or unwanted Rambling equipment. If you can help, please see Martin.

LOST:-

Some of the Club's Compasses have been mislaid. Should you still have one in your possession, then please give it to either Frank Fitzmaurice or Frank Johnson. Thanks.

KESWICK WEEKEND:-

Names and deposits (£3) for the Keswick Weekend, 2nd-4th May, will be collected by Dave Holden from 8p.m. on 17th April at the Mona Clubrooms. Places will be allocated in strict rotation, first come, first served. L.c.r.a. members only.

PLEASE NOTE:- The full weekend charge of £6.50 (approx.) will be applied to ALL members regardless of the time spent in Lakeside House. (i.e. One day DOES NOT mean $\frac{1}{2}$ the weekend cost.)

A Coach will be booked for this weekend but members may travel by car if preferred. The cost of Coach travel is of course extra to the £6.50 quoted above.

EXTRACT FROM INSURANCE CLAIM FORM:-

One wheel went into the ditch.
My foot jumped from brake to accelerator pedal,
leapt across the road to the other side and jumped
into the trunk of a tree !

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Many Happy Returns, Cyril.

It would be achievement enough merely to complete forty years continuous membership without crowding all these years with direct involvement in just about every one of the Club's activities.

If you were able to remember those years of the middle 1930s you would realise that you would have to go back to before the Silver Jubilee of King George the Fifth, back to when "I get a kick out of you" was first top of the pops, before Gary Shearston was even born. I was not a member of the Club in those days but I've been able to "dig" the archives.

Not a few of the Club's milestones seem to coincide with those middle thirties, including:-

1. Our first football team, on a ground at Queens Drive, Stoneycroft, acquired by Cyril's father, who also supplied equipment, built the dressing rooms and managed the team's affairs until 1940.
2. Our first tennis section with courts at Cherry Lane, Walton.
3. Adoption of Constitution and Rules much as we know them today.
4. The organising of holidays and the formation of the first Catholic Holiday Guild, forerunner of the postwar organisation of the same name and perhaps of the present Catholic Holiday Fellowship based on Lakeside House.

As Cyril was by this time Vice-Chairman (a fact omitted from list of past Chairmen etc published in our 40th Anniversary Newsletter in 1967) it is almost certain that he played a considerable part (at least) in these and many other activities.

In the matter of Socials the Club then was very much alive and active, and anyone who knows Cyril knows he would be well to the fore while they had a dramatic section, the Vagabonds Concert Party and their own band. A black-faced Cyril was a constant member of the Club's "Nigger Minstrels."

Our newsletter dates from 1937/38 and owes much to him from the outset.

Cyril played a considerable part in resurrecting the Club after the war, particularly in the early fifties when, once again as Vice-Chairman, he jolted the Club out of the doldrums into which it had settled.

Since the year 1954 he has been, successively, our longest serving Chairman (11 years), Trustee and, as now, Vice-President, but I know what his proudest boast might be if he were not too modest to voice it himself - that of senior Rambler!

And that is how I now salute you, Cyril - SENIOR RAMBLER!!!

Gerry Pen

ANNUAL DANCE 1975

The weather was kind to us on this occasion, and well over 200 turned up to enjoy the re-union. It had not been billed as a re-union, in case the younger members of the Club would be thinking that it was just a get together for the older folk. Whether this was a factor or not, there were nearly 50 more at this dance than at our last one.

Judging by conversations I had with many people from old to young, everybody seems to have enjoyed the evening. I certainly did. Don Foster's band did all that was asked of them, and the intervals between the dances seemed to be just long enough, without ever becoming too long. The atmosphere was excellent, and from my point of view it was a delight to see so many of the present Club really enjoying themselves and mixing so well with the members of other years. Long may these dances continue to be held, and long may the members of all ages continue to re-unite on these special occasions, and to talk about the good times they have had in the Club.

I was asked to write this article long before I knew what a special occasion it was going to be for myself and May. I knew we had been over 40 years in the Club of course, but I had no idea what was in store, so I hope you will all, Club members, Committee Members, and friends, allow me to say on behalf of both of us, many many heartfelt thanks for the lovely rose bowl and bouquet of flowers, which were presented to us at the dance. Thanks also to all those young and old, who came up to our table to congratulate us after the presentation. We were both very touched by your show of affection, and one of our greatest wishes is to be spared for many years yet, to enjoy the company of the members, past and present, of the Liverpool Catholic Ramblers Association. Thanks again, and God bless you all.

Cyril.

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FAMILY SECTION DIARY.

- 9th. March.....BILL NAYLOR's Walk. Meet in the Car park behind Delamere Station at 12 noon for a 12.20 start.
- 21st. March.....Cyril and May Kelly invite you to an evening at 2, Poverty Lane, Maghull.
- 13th. April.....John Johnston's Walk. Meet in St. Mary's Car Park, Euxton, near Chorley. on the A49.
- 25th. April.....An evening with the Pearsons at 81, Twigg Lane, Huyton, near Liverpool.

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Behind every successful man you'll find a woman who has nothing to wear!

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KENTMERE - Sunday 12th January, 1975.

Flurries of snow began to fall as we gathered in the narrow lane around the bach in the valley of Kentmere. The driver spoke of his plan for the day, to turn the heaters on and sleep, and we seriously considered which of us had more sense, but no-one actually weakened, and so we set off in search of the reservoir, which incidentally proved more elusive than it appeared on the map!

Our first mishap occurred about 200 yards along the track when, as usual, we were so busy talking that we walked right past the hole in the wall through which our leaders had disappeared. We duly retraced our steps, together with all those we had led astray, and proceeded across the fields through the snow which was becoming heavier as we progressed.

After a summit conference with the musical accompaniment of the harmonica, the 'A' Party branched off in an uphill direction, while the 'B' Party continued in more leisurely fashion along the valley path. After about a mile we veered uphill to the shelter of some trees, where we stood for a brief 'butty-break', it being too cold and wet to stand for long. The air was white with snow so that very little could be seen, and shallow snow gave way to thick mud in many places as we nearly all discovered to our cost before the end of the walk. Chris Dolan, and her clothes, are still recovering!

We continued upwards for quite a distance until we finally reached a rough stone wall, over which we were ably assisted by two gentlemen, disguised as snowmen, who prevented us from continuing a rapid descent down the slope to the stream below.

The reservoir was still proving elusive, but a few well-timed, and carefully aimed snowballs, interspersed with demonstrations of the snow-plough by Peter McLindon (without the aid of skis) provided ample distraction.

We continued our way in a northerly direction, likening various flat fields to reservoirs as we went, until we reached an even more insurmountable stone wall. Soggy maps appeared once more and cottage roofs were counted until it was finally decided to turn sharp left and slither our way down to the river valley below.

Once more following the path of the original stream, we plodded through the snow towards the famous reservoir. Suddenly in front of us we saw a group of brightly clad ramblers, shouting in our direction, it was our 'A' party who had called it a day. By now wet and cold we gladly agreed to return as quickly as possible, following the footsteps of our leaders quite literally, in the snow. On arriving at the coach we discovered that we were not the first to return as Mike Bradley had gallantly accompanied another wet and bedraggled member of the 'A' Party who had been forced to give in.

On consideration, as we sat around the fire in the hostelry on our way home, it was lovely to have seen, (and experienced!) our first real snow of the winter. It was almost worth being so wet that we had to sit on polythene bags in the coach, just so that we could really appreciate the joy of being warm and dry in the evening, but I am quite sure that the two girls who forgot their change of clothing will never make the same mistake again! Certainly an unforgettable day. Thank you to all concerned.

M.D. BOOTS?, R.U. WET? and A. SNOWFLAKE.

Editor's Note The snowy weather certainly served as an inspiration to the Kentmere Ramblers for no-less than two reports were received for the above Ramble. A humorous write up by 'B' walk leader, Richie Cannon, entitled "Mission Snowtrek" (to boldly go where no man has gone before) could not be used on the grounds of lack of space. Thanks Richie, but as a regular contributor I'm sure you will appreciate the need for the Newsletter Committee to encourage as many new contributors as possible. Thank you and keep writing.

THIS AND THAT.

TCC YOUNG TO JOIN BUT NOT TO HELP !

Anna Kupiec's brother John at 15 years of age may be too young to join the L.C.R.A. but this does not stop him being "roped-in" by Anna to help her with her duties as Registrar and without a doubt his help really is needed for even now, some 6 months from the end of the L.C.R.A. year, the membership is reaching record proportions. So if you have received your copy of this Newsletter through the post then the odds are that brother John was the sender. Thanks John, you can have a rest as soon as you are old enough to join, and Anna, keep up the great work.

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DID YOU HEAR... that Ursula Norton successfully flew through her driving test. (She landed at Speke Airport). Incidentally, if you need advice how to control a skidding car, see Ursula!