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 Catholic

 Ramblers
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EDITORIAL.

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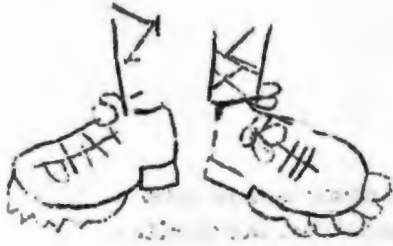
If you have any material you would like included in the next Newsletter, please hand it to me or to Gerry Penlington at the Clubrooms on Thursdays or post to :

THE EDITOR:

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Welcome once again to another Newsletter, somewhat later unfortunately than scheduled. I have a number of points to mention this month, some happy, some sad.

Congratulations: Our congratulations and best wishes go to newly-weds John and Denise Mc Lindon on their recent marriage. A letter from them appears in this issue.



Safety on Rambles.

Many so-called "rambles" are held in mountainous areas and a few commonsense precautions are necessary for the safety and enjoyment of those using the countryside.

CLOTHING Most important is correct footwear which is essential both for ankle protection and grip on slippery surfaces. Boots with a good tread and fitting comfortably are a must for all rambles. The leader can refuse to take a person on a ramble if he considers that person is incorrectly dressed. Warm and waterproof clothing must always be taken even on a hot, sunny day as weather can deteriorate in mountainous areas in a matter of minutes. They should be carried in a well-fitting rucksack when not worn. A complete change of clothes should also be taken, but please, not carried on the ramble but left in the coach.

Food The best way to get energy is to eat and a picnic lunch should be carried with plenty to drink especially during the summer months.

DISCIPLINE The leader is in charge from the moment they step on the coach at Liverpool and no member may leave the party without the leader's sanction. If any member decides not to take part in a ramble on arrival at the destination, they must inform the coach driver of their intention to stay with the coach. In the unlikely event of anyone getting separated without the leader's or the whipper-in's knowledge they must get in touch with the coach driver as soon as possible or if lost dial the LOCAL POLICE immediately so that contact can be made. No responsibility can be taken for persons leaving a party without the leader's sanction. In the case of an accident dial 999 so that police can contact the nearest mountain rescue team.

EQUIPMENT Torches, first-aid, compasses, maps, whistles, etc. are carried by all leaders. Members should carry at least a torch and whistle in case of emergency.

DAVE NEUNS.

RAMBLERITE

Hello Ramblers,

An attempt has been made to introduce some new rambles in the Summer programme and repeat old favourites such as the Pike of Blisco in the Langdae area of the Lake District, or the Arans which are behind Bala Lake in North Wales - note the mistake that the printer made in the programme.

We desperately need leaders especially for the B walks, so if you think that you might be able to help out please contact the committee.

Looking back, starting with the caravan weekend at Easter where 19 members enjoyed the sunshine in Anglesey, the Nantle Ridge was conquered by the majority of the group where a magnificent panorama of Snowdonia was the reward from the summit. Aber Falls was the highlight of Easter Monday's sunny ramble. A writeup was promised for that weekend but none has been received to date. In fact rambling writeups in general seem to be hard to obtain at present. Why not try your hand at writing a short account of a day out with the ramblers in one of the future newsletters but don't forget to contact the leader first who will gladly supply you with a few facts and figures if you need them. In the past we have sometimes had several writeups for one occasion and occasionally only one gets published, so check with the leader to make sure yours is the official writeup for that ramble.

The Coniston ramble was a memorable one with deep snow on both the A and B walks, and a Switzerland-type setting took ones breath away with the sight of so much snow at the end of April.

Snowdon was conquered by both A-plus and B-plus walks without the assistance of the named leader in the programme who had run off to Canada. We tried to lose two more members that day also, but didn't quite succeed! All members please read the SAFETY ON RAMBLES page of this Newsletter.

Well-done:

Congratulations to Anthony Brockway on his successful climb of the 14 peaks on Saturday 6th June (the top of Snowden to the top of Drum with 12 peaks all over three thousand feet). This climb took Anthony 15 hours 50 minutes. A full report on this will appear in the next newsletter.

O'frell RUFC DRAW

The winning time in this years draw has been announced as 00/12 hours 02 mins. 57 secs. Unfortunately nobody from the LCRA figured amongst the 246 winners. We would however like to thank all of those members and friends who bought tickets. The profit made from the tickets has boosted the Club funds.

Fred Norbury Cup

Very full details and results appear elsewhere in this issue and the details cover the first four events. Only the tenpin bowling to be held on Saturday 4th July remains. The contest is brewing (just like the beer consumed on these occasions) into an exciting finish, more, much more exciting than anything seen at Goodison Park in the last 15 years or so. I have calculated that the leading positions in the mens and ladies events are as follows, bearing in mind that the best results from three of the five events will count, and that some competitors have yet to enter their third event.

Mens events - Richie Cannon. 19 points from 3 events (10, 5, 4)
Paul Healy. 17 points from 2 events (10, 7)
Paul McGrory. 16 points from 3 events (7, 7, 2,)

Ladies events Maria Byrne. 20 points from 3 events (10, 7, 3,)
Collette Roberts 20 points from 3 events (10, 7, 3,)
Kathy Diver. 17 points from 3 events (7, 7, 3,)

Brian Keller

It is with great sadness and a great loss to the ramblers, albeit only temporarily, that we bid farewell to Brian Keller who has departed to work in Canada for six months (some may say not long enough). We will all miss the sight of 'Super leader' leading many an 'A' walk through the mountains. We wish him every success. Kathy Diver will be taking over his duties as assistant registrar until his return.

Finally many thanks to Arthur Molyneux for providing this month's cover and cartoon. Thanks to all of this month's contributors, our typists Ann Egan and Louise Kelly and to Eric Kavanagh for printing this issue. Material for the next issue should reach me by Thursday 5th August. The next issue, the 100th and the AGM issue will be published on Thursday August 19th. We hope you enjoy reading this newsletter.

Laurence Kelly - editor.

LETTERS

71, Himmer Ave.,
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Dear Peter,

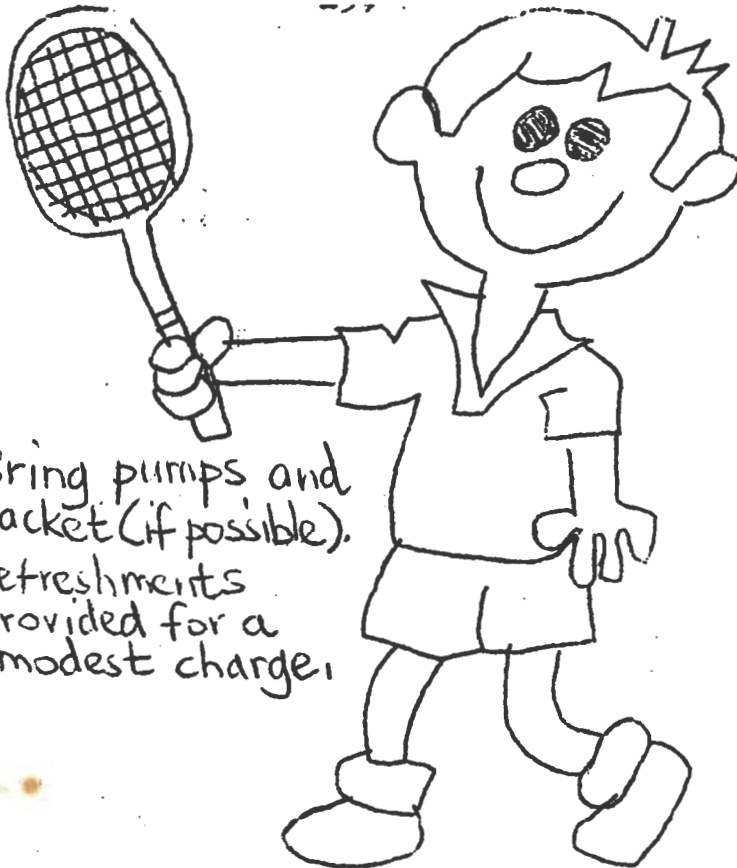
Thank you very much indeed for the cheque which you sent from the Catholic ramblers for £90.00 I was amazed and delighted that you had raised so much - you really have been a wonderful support to us this year and we are most grateful for all your help.

As you can imagine things are very hectic now as we prepare to go on tuesday - say a prayer that all goes well and of course we will remember you all in our prayers at the grotto in Lourdes.

Very best wishes and many thanks.

Kathleen O'Gorman,
regional secretary H.C.P.T.

Ed. Note. The total amount given to the HCPT now stands at £590.



Bring pumps and racket (if possible). Refreshments provided for a modest charge.

TENNIS
TOURNAMENT

ELECTRIC
SUPPLY
GROUND

Thingwall Road

18th JULY

2 p.m.

For Further Details:
CHRIS DOBBIN - 722 0621

This is a
handicap
event.

RAMBLERITE cont'd

Cars were used at the beginning of May on one of the blank Sundays in the programme when the Glyders in Snowdonia were "climbed" with a well-rewarded view for miles around from the top. More of these car rambles may take place on blank Sundays so if you are interested keep your ears to the ground.

The grading of the rambles was carefully worked out for the Summer programme with many A-plus and B-plus walks planned but the printer decided to ignore the plus signs on the copy and we are back to square one with simple A and B rambles. If you are wondering whether a walk is too difficult for you then check with the leader first, also read the rambling preview in the Newsletters.

Boots are a problem for new or prospective members who are sometimes hesitant in splashing out on these unfamiliar objects to shod themselves with, so we are trying to establish a Boot Library just to start them off on the rambling way of life. Anyone who has any boots that have been put in retirement or otherwise please contact us so that we can come to some arrangement and start our Boot Library. Meanwhile, Happy Rambling.

RAMBLING PREVIEW

June 28 - Joint Rambles. The Chatsworth Park area will be explored with Ritchie Cannon leading a B walk in this picturesque corner of Derbyshire. Most of the family section will be going by car but the coach is leaving at the usual time. The A walk is new and quite strenuous.

July 5 - Pike of Blisco. In the Langdale Area of the Lake District. Anthony Brockway leading the A-plus and Phil Steele the B-plus. There will be a C walk but leader to be found yet.

July 19 - Lledr Valley. in the Betwys-Y-Coed area near Dblwhddelan. A and B Walks both very picturesque.

August 2 - Cader Idris. Note 09:30 start on this ramble.

DAVE NEWS

Greetings, all you happy Ramblers.

So, you never did find out where we were heading and now you know! Was it all worth it we ask ourselves? Answers on a postcard to

Seriously though, we would both like to express our thanks to you all for giving us such a great day on Saturday, for all your presents and for all your help during the "lead in". Our friends in the Ramblers mean so much to us, whether they have known us for 14 weeks or 14 years. 14 years, is it really 14 years? They all cry seems hard to believe doesn't it? Anyway, sincerely, many thanks to each and everyone of you. And now, the 6th and final competition for the Fred Norbury Cup, it could be the decider.

- (1) Q. How old must John be?
Clue. A year younger than you think.
- (2) Q. What date did we start going out?
Clue. The eve of Ged and Ann's wedding.
- (3) Q. What date did we get engaged?
Clue. Joanna Carter's birth-date.
- (4) Q. Who were our match-makers?
Clue. The two who wed on the same day as us in 1980.
- (5) Q. How many toast racks have we got?
Clue. Don't ask us!
- (6) Q. Who's going to win the Fred Norbury this year?
Clue. The honey-mooners!

Pat Hearne will be accepting your answers (on a postcard please), on or before the publication of this honeymoon special. 30 bonus marks for the first correct entry in both male and female sections.

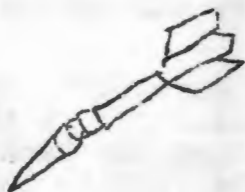
See you all soon,

Denise and John.

RESULTS SO FAR:-

DARTS COMPETITION

	<u>MEN</u>	Points
1st	Paul Healy	10
2nd	Paul McGrory	7
3rd	Dan Hyland	5
4th	Pete Kennedy	4
5th	Richie Cannon	3
6th	Pat Hearne	2
7th	Tommy Stevens	1



		Points
1st	Christine Shutt	10
2nd	Kathy Diver	7
3rd	Maria McDonnell	5
4th	Mary Kerr	4
5th	Maria Byrne	3
6th	Collette Roberts	2

POOL COMPETITION

1st	Eric Kavanagh	10
2nd	Tommy Keenan	7
3rd	Anthony Brockway	5
4th	Richie Cannon	4
5th	Dave News	3
6th	Paul McGrory	2
7th	Tony Kirwin	1

1st	Maria Byrne	10
2nd	Kathy Diver	7
3rd	Mary Kerr	5
4th	Maria McDonnell	4
5th	Collette Roberts	3
6th	Monica O'Beirne	2

PITCH AND PUTT

1st	Richie Cannon	10
2nd	Paul McGrory	7
3rd)	Pat Hearne	4½
3rd)	John McLindon	
5th)	Peter McLindon	2½
5th)	Paul Healy	2½
7th	Eric Kavanagh	1

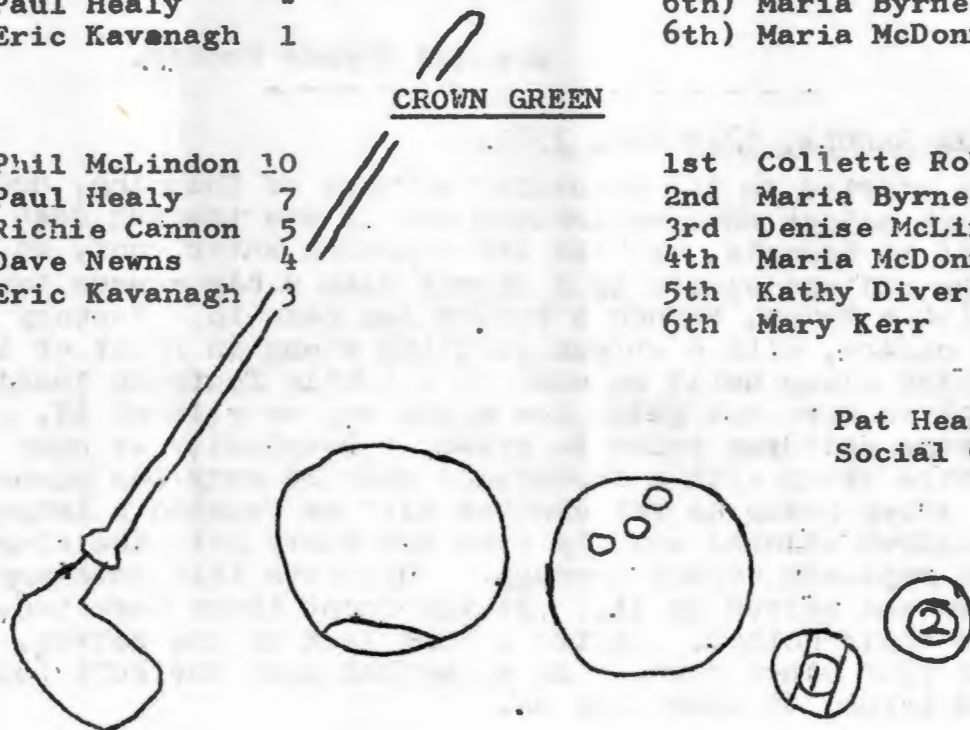
1st	Denise McLindon	10
2nd	Collette Roberts	7
3rd	Christine Shutt	5
4th	Maira Hamilton	4
5th	P. McLindon	3
6th)	Maria Byrne	1½
6th)	Maria McDonnell	1½

CROWN GREEN

1st	Phil McLindon	10
2nd	Paul Healy	7
3rd	Richie Cannon	5
4th	Dave News	4
5th.	Eric Kavanagh	3

1st	Collette Roberts	10
2nd	Maria Byrne	7
3rd	Denise McLindon	5
4th	Maria McDonnell	4
5th	Kathy Diver	3
6th	Mary Kerr	2

Pat Hearne
Social Chairman



FAMILY SECTION. ELLESMERE - 12TH APRIL, 1981.

When the less intelligent amongst us had finally grasped the fact that the Ellesmere in question was not the picturesque Port (it shows the trust we have in our leader that we are willing to contemplate rambling around the Oil Terminal), we all eventually gathered beside the beautiful Ellesmere Lakes. The children had a grand time before we set off, feeding the hundreds of ducks, geese and myriad wild birds begging at the lakeside.

The weather was overcast but mercifully dry as we set off at our traditional steady saunter. We quickly left the road and walked through woods to reach the canal bank. Along the bank were masses of woodanemones and primroses and more little purple violets than we had ever seen before.

We saw a mad March hare here proving how mad he was by leaping about in a very odd manner in the middle of April. Thanks to our ornithologist Bill Potter (complete with binoculars to boot) we were able to identify a woodpecker, several wood pigeons and finches, and to appreciate the beautiful song of the blackbird.

We rounded the far point of the second lake, made our way through the woods again and joined the canal. Decorated long boats passed beneath the bridge, their owners waving and hailing us like long lost friends. The whole day was magnificent - full of smiling friendly people, flowers and hedgerows blossoming, birds singing, everything seemed to be welcoming Springtime and contained the promise of many more pleasant rambles for the rest of '81.

Finally, having spent this ramble with a two year old, I can safely say we observed more than the grown-up Rambler ever does. No stone or blade of grass is left unexamined, no puddle left unpaddled; each hole or hillock fallen into or over. This is our excuse for always bringing up the rear, and we thank you all for your good humoured tolerance.

Don and Brenda Feeney.

THE RIBBLE AREA RAMBLE, 17TH MAY, 1981.

The ramble started in the beautiful village of Chipping, near Preston. It was about one o'clock when we arrived and it was teaming down with rain. Wrapped in kagools, wellies and anything waterproof, we stood chatting in the village square by a church with a big square tower. At last we started walking, turned a corner and came to a factory that made rocking chairs, with a stream gurgling along in front of it.

Our lot strolled along until we came to a public footpath leading up a hill. Hoping we were not going the wrong way we climbed it, past a few trees which some children tried to climb. Eventually we came down the hill to a little river with a footbridge made of only two planks to cross it. After going up yet another hill we reached a large farmpond. While the children climbed noisily over the rusty gate the older people unknotted the rope and walked through. Opposite this gate was a field which had cows and calves in it. At the front there were two calves suckling from their mother. After a long look at the calves, we came to a bull and four other cows. As we walked past the bull (complete with ring and horns) it snorted at us.

Since the rain had stopped we too stopped and had a butty break. We

CAER CARADOC HILL

After an uneventful journey apart from a cafe stop at Whitchurch, we arrived at our destination, Church Stretton.

For those who do not know, Caer Caradoc Hill is one of the Six Summits of Shropshire, these undulating uplands rise out of the surrounding plains to form an unusual yet impressive sky line.

The walk started under the threat of rain. We crossed a river and entered a field which proved to be very slippery. Crossing a stile we left the field by a gate and followed a muddy path. Here we gained a guide in the form of a sheep dog.

Up a steep hill we went, though it was hard going at least we had left the mud behind. Our four-footed friend reached the top first, returning to the hill's brow to watch the rest of the party sweating and panting. On reaching the top we met a cruel wind, finding a lee slope we awaited the remainder of the party.

After a short rest, on we went along the undulating ridge to the shelter of a crag near the top of Caer Caradoc Hill. After a lengthy rest for butties or whatever, we carried on, dropping straight off the top down to a track in the bottom of the valley.

Whilst walking along this track our four footed friend was sent home to his master by a neighbourhood farmer, who's methods included throwing stones and stamping his feet.

The track was followed to Cardington, here we crossed a ford. Making two right turns we found ourselves climbing again. Entering a field we followed a path up and over Willstone Hill, here we again sheltered in the lee of a rock outcrop. Our human leader led on along the ridge, Turning sharply right down a steep incline, we crossed over a fence and successfully negotiated an area of marsh land. Reaching a track we finished the walk much the same way as we had started.

SOCIALITE

FRED NORBURY CUP

The Fred Norbury Competition is now in full swing. So far the darts have been played and the pool has been played on Thursday nights. Winners for the darts were Christine Shutt for the ladies and Paul Healy for the men.

The next games are Pitch and Putt on Saturday 13th June and Crown Green Bowling on Saturday 20th June. These will be followed by Ten Pin Bowling on Saturday 4th July. To enter these, simply turn up on Saturday evenings at St. John's Lane at 5.30 p.m. sharp for transport across the water for the Pitch and Putt and Ten Pin Bowling. For the Crown Green Bowling all meet at the Seacombe Ferry terminal at the Pier Head at around 5.30 p.m. (The time of the ferry will be confirmed on the Thursday night before).

The points allocation will be as follows:-

Place	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
Points	10	7	5	4	3	2	1

The overall winner is the person who gets the most points out of any three of the five events - not out of the five games as in the last write-up. This gives people who cannot make all 5 games a chance to win.

Pat Hearne
Social Chairman



Barn Dance

ON

Thursday 16th July

CALLER AND RECORDS; John Smith.

Dancing from 8.30 - 11.30 £1-00.
LATE EXTENSION.

walked on and soon we felt heavy rain fall on us. There were old buildings nearby (some with cracks right up the wall? and some stayed to shelter while others moved on. As the rain stopped, we came to sheep fields with sheep, lambs and some cows dotted around. On the hills we saw black sheep, and a few rabbits scampered here and there.

Some time later we climbed up the slope of a hill called the "Saddle", because it looked like a seat made for a giant. It was hard work but it was nice to sit at the top and have a rest, with a lovely view across all the hills. We went round the hill, over a few fields, past a few houses and at last were back in the village of Chipping. We sat down comfortably in the car, threw our dirty wellies in the boot, said goodbye to all our friends and were off. HOME, HERE WE COME.

by

Elizabeth Feeney.

(not only aged ten but a volunteer writer-upper!).

PROGRAMME.

JULY 2ND. The HOUSE MEETING is at Peter and Marie Atherton's, 64 Kendal Drive, Maghull.

JULY 12TH. RAMBLE in the ROCHDALE AREA, led by Harry and Ronnie O'Neill. The meeting place is as last time. Leave the M62 on Junction 19 (nineteen) and the leaders will be waiting for us on the roundabout. Can't tell you the car colour as they may have swapped it by then. They'll be there about noon.

AUGUST 6TH. the HOUSE MEETING is at John and Cath Burns', 20 Beechburn Road, Roby, Huyton.

AUGUST RAMBLE. Everybody seems to be on holiday, so we arn't having one this month.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT. This very welcome Annual event will be held again on the Electric Supply Courts in Thingwall Road, and again we thank them f r the facilities. A fuller notice is elsewhere in the magazine, but please let Maureen Howard have your names for catering purposes. Phone 427 4537.

SEPT. 3RD. By kind permission of Bill and Nora Naylor, our Annual General Meeting is again at 114 Moss Lane, Maghull. Please come, especially those of you whom we haven't seen very often of late. Nice to get everybody's views of the Section.

Don Feeney has written to let us know that they have now pioneered a walk for 13th September to the Trough of Bowland. Meet in the public car park at Hurst Green. It's next to the Bayley Arms, with toilets in the main square 150 yds away. Take the A59 then the A 6246. This sounds like another good walk in the Preston area, especially the part along the bank of the River Hodder.

If you've gone off walking or the day is inconvenient, do come to the tennis. I still have the men's shorts size 31 waist!

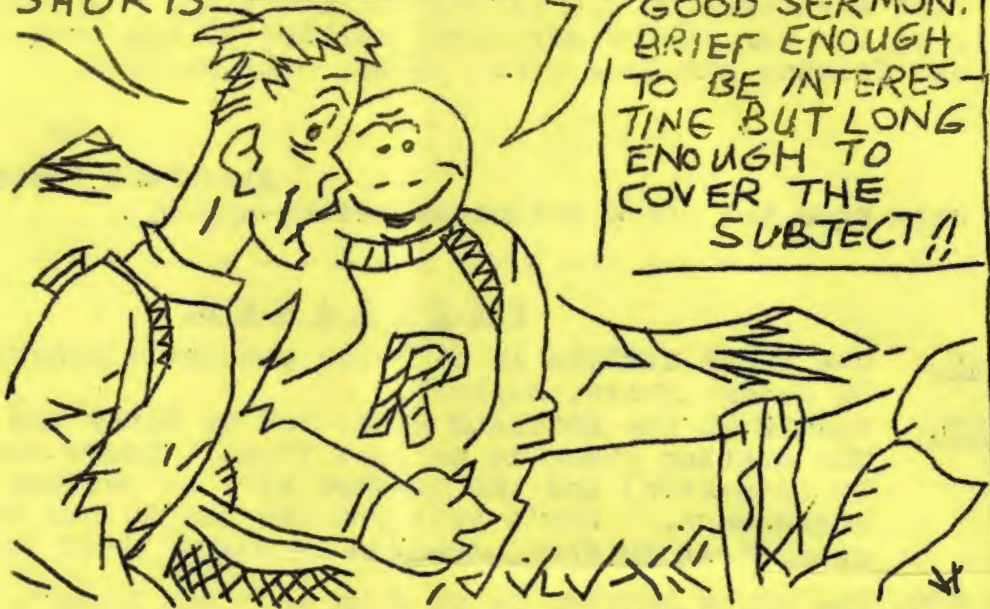
Yours,

The Sec.

WOW REUBEN!
I SEE SOME OF
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AYE LADDIE AND
WITH REFERENCE
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A PAIR OF SHORTS
SHOULD BE LIKE A

GOOD SERMON.
BRIEF ENOUGH
TO BE INTERES-
TING BUT LONG
ENOUGH TO
COVER THE
SUBJECT!!



RAMBLING with REUBEN ^{THE}



CONGRATULATIONS.

Our congratulations to Chris Dobbin.
On 12 - 13th. June he successfully completed
the 42 mile Sponsored Lyke Wake Walk over
the Yorkshire moors West to East. Chris started
walking at 9p.m. and walked through the night
and beyond.

His efforts mean that he has collected
approximately £45 in aid of the Lourdes
Pilgrimage Fund for Missions.

LCRA
Chairman
Chris Dobbin