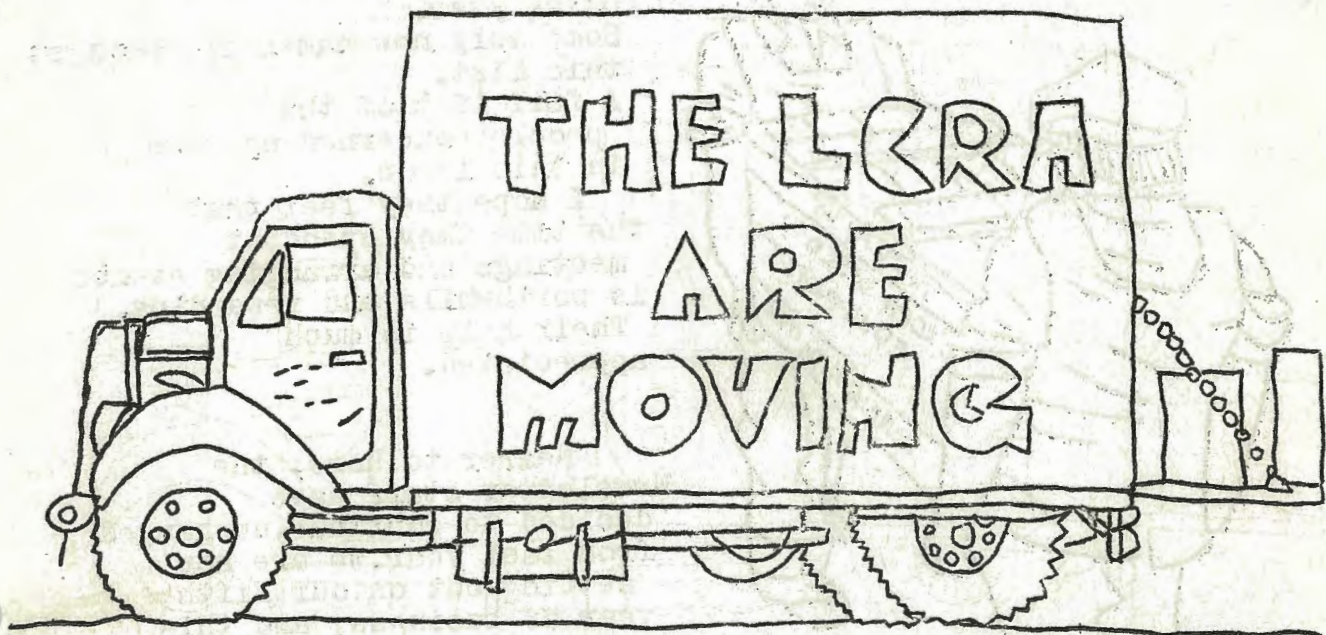


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LIVERPOOL CATHOLIC RAMBLERS
NEWSLETTER

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EDITORIAL.

Welcome once again to another Newsletter.

Since the last issue appeared the 1981 AGM has taken place, and has produced a large number of changes in the Committee who have the task of running the club for the coming year.

Some very new names are amongst this list.

A full list of the people concerned appears in this issue.

I hope they feel that the time they spend at meetings and arranging events is worthwhile and rewarding. Their help is much appreciated.

Nearer to home, the Newsletter staff have decided to continue, unchanged from last year. We are now setting out on our fifth year of business, and this issue is the first offering of this new Committee year.



First of all I must apologise for the rather late arrival of this issue. This particular issue always proves an extremely hard one to put together. It is very often the case that the various people I require information from are often on holiday. Or having suddenly realised the error of their ways in volunteering to become a Committee member have decided to hide themselves out of reach. Take for example Mr. News, that well-known announcer par excellence, who also wishes us to believe he is spending this year as one of the Rambling Chairman. As walkers on his rambles will already know who go on walks led by him that it is difficult enough to find out from him where he is supposed to be walking to nevermind trying to get him to write this information down for the benefit of publishing it in the Newsletter.

Fortunately we have managed to get most of the information we were after. The main news this month is of course the now almost upon us change of premises. We trust that many members have already received a handout at the Clubrooms over the past few weeks. Two articles are enclosed in this issue about this move.

We trust that some of the advance information concerning rambles and social events will be of immediate interest.

I would like to offer my thanks to Annie Egan and Louise Kelly for staying with us as our regular typists and thank also Eric Kavanagh for continuing to act as the printer of each issue. May I thank all this month's contributors.

If you have any material you would like included in the next Newsletter please hand it to me or Gerry Penlington at the Club rooms or post it to:

Laurence Kelly,
c/o 114 Frankby Road,
Newton,
West Kirby.

The closing date for material is: Thursday 26th November, 1981.

The next Newsletter will be the Christmas issue published on Thursday December, 10th.

We do hope you enjoy reading this Newsletter.

(Signature) Laurence Kelly - Editor.

RAMBLERITE

Hello Ramblers,

Recent attendances on rambles have been well above the average with an almost full coach of 45 members. Let's hope this healthy trend continues into the winter months.

A new addition to our usual winter programme is a Chalet Weekend near Mold in North Wales. This will be held on Friday, December 18th and being the weekend before Christmas we should all be in festive mood with a Christmas dinner served on at least one of the days. The Chalet belongs to the Ramblers Association and is hired out at very reasonable rates to other clubs at their discretion. We used to book for several weekends annually but the general section have not been there for some years now and I can certainly recommend this cheap weekend.

Also there is a Saturday ramble on December 5th finishing with a basket meal and disco in the evening at the Clwyd Gate Hotel, Near Mold, in North Wales. This is worth noting in your diaries.

Finally, the Yuletide Walk on January 3rd is the highlight of the winter programme.

Happy Rambling,
Dave Newns.

November Rambles:

8th PENDLE HILL
 Leader Peter Kennedy

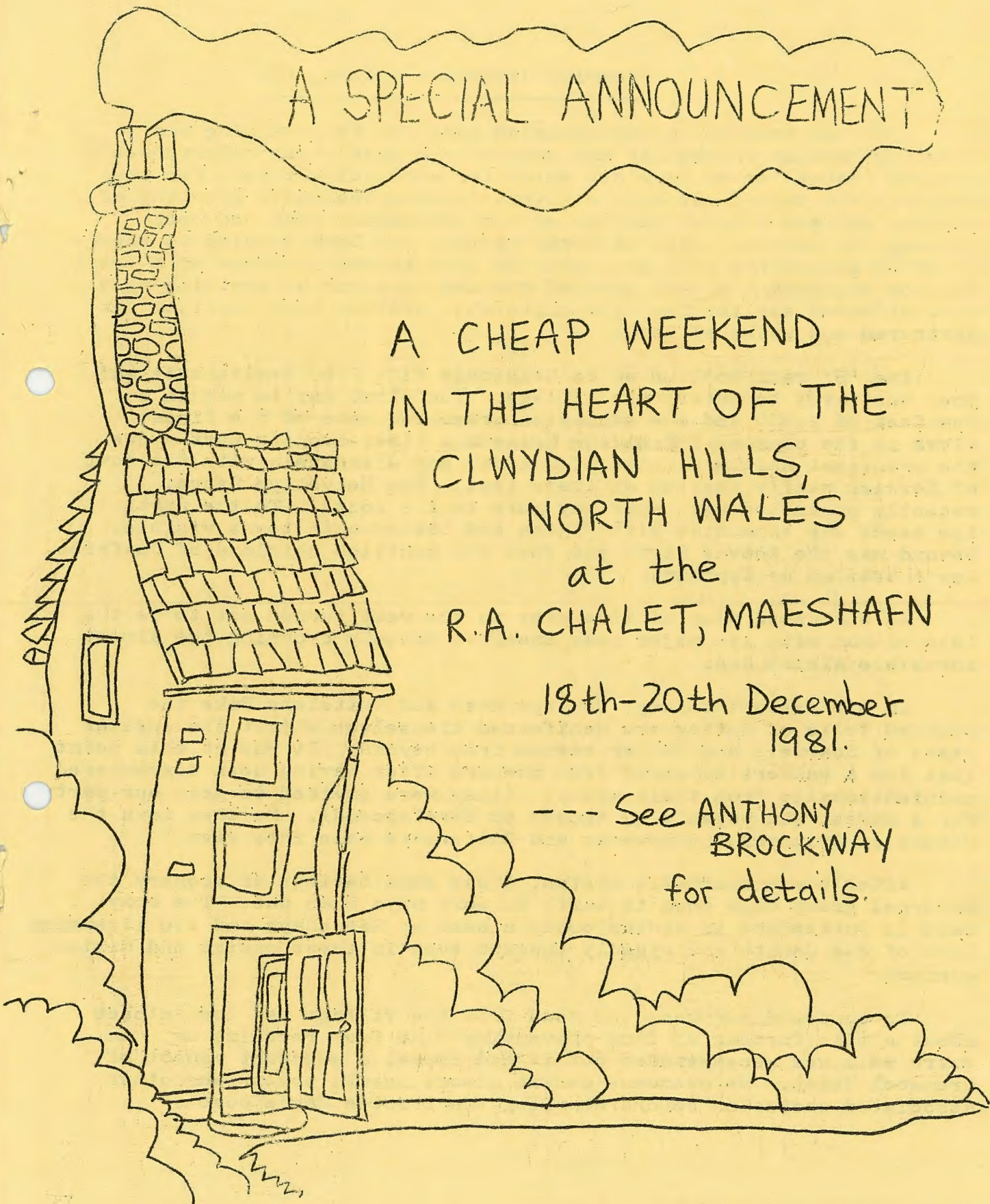
22nd LLANTYSILIO MOUNTAIN (N. Wales)

A SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

A CHEAP WEEKEND
IN THE HEART OF THE
CLWYDIAN HILLS,
NORTH WALES
at the
R.A. CHALET, MAESHAFN

18th-20th December
1981.

--- See ANTHONY
BROCKWAY
for details.



Keswick Weekend - Autumn, '81

1981 has been an undistinguished year for fell-walking and rambling because of regular wet weather and mist which unfortunately present themselves on days set aside for such activities. For the faithful who turned out on the Autumn Keswick Weekend a greeting of a clear sky and a sunny day formed the invitation that had been missing for months. Many of these walkers had been tempted to engage in other activities such as slowly falling asleep in front of a hearty fire or spending the best part of the day in a pub or anything else that afforded shelter from the miserable weather that has that has partnered our walks of late.

The 'B' walk took us up to Grisedale Pike from Braithwaite and then westwards to Buttermere village. The climb was to within a few feet of 2,600 and the excursion presented some of the finest views in the country. From the Grisedale Pike, looking east where the prominent northern fells of Skiddaw and Blencathra with the town of Keswick neatly nestled at their feet. The Helvellyn Range, recently sprinkled with snow lay more to the south. To the north the scene was expansive with Wigton and Lockermouth towns visible. Beyond was the Solway Firth and then the Scottish mainland of Dumfries. Don't beam me up Captain!

An elongated wisp of blue grey to the west turned out to be the Isle of Man with its major peak Snaefell proudly crowning the almost invisible Irish Sea.

On the descent through Wanlope Moss and Whitelers Pike the rounded fells of Buttermere manifested themselves whilst the angular peaks of Scarfell and Pillar beamed from beyond. It was at this point that two A walkers appeared from nowhere after having been dismembered unintentionally from their group. (they were invited to join our party for a modest sum payable by Access or Barclaycard). Further down the waters of Crummock, Loweswater and Buttermere came into view.

After these aesthetic vistas, these exhaltations of scenery the enlarged group came down to earth in more ways than one. The cosy cafe in Buttermere is ridiculously closed on Saturdays and the licensing laws of the County are rigidly imposed even in these quaint and distant corners.

To compound our woes the road from the village had been closed about a mile further up thus preventing Mike from reaching us. An extra walk was necessitated but it did reveal a pleasant aspect of Crummock Water. We overcame cement mixers, earth movers and other associated obstacles before boarding the trustee Maple coach.

Abundant thanks to Paul Healy for selecting and leading a highly enjoyable walk, a walk considered by most of the party to be the foremost of the year.

"THE TRAVELLER HAS NOW REACHED THE END OF THE JOURNEY. IN THE FREEDOM OF THE INFINITE HE IS FREE FROM ALL SORROWS, THE FETTERS THAT BOUND HIM ARE THROWN AWAY AND THE BURNING FEVER IS NO MORE - WHEREVER GOOD PEOPLE DWELL THAT IS A PLACE OF JOY BE IT IN THE VILLAGE OR IN A FOREST OR IN A VALLEY OR ON THE HILLS. THEY HAVE NOT THE BURDEN OF DESIRES, THEY HAVE THAT JOY WHICH OTHERS FIND NOT".

GOTAMA 483 B.C. (approx.)

T.H.

An advance notice...



A ramble to the CLWYDS
followed by a basket meal
and disco
at the
CLWYD GATE HOTEL
Saturday 5th December
1981

See Anthony Brockway
for details.

LIVERPOOL CATHOLIC RAMBLERS ASSOCIATION

NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

The Committee wish to advise all members of a forthcoming change in the venue for Thursday evening socials.

As from Thursday, 19th November, 1931, and all subsequent Thursdays social evenings will be held in the ballroom of Atlantic House, Hardman Street, Liverpool, (8.00 p.m. - 10.45 p.m.).

Under the new arrangements, as Atlantic House is a licenced club, it will be necessary for all L.C.R.A. members to become associate members of Atlantic House. It is emphasised, however, that L.C.R.A. members subscriptions in this regard will be paid by the Association, and members will not incur any additional expense as a result of the new arrangements.

As associate members of Atlantic House L.C.R.A. members will be entitled to use the facilities there at all times, which include a bar and restaurant. Similar privileges will apply to the Stella Maris Club in Bootle.

Members will receive their Atlantic House membership cards on their first visit to a club social or by post with the Christmas edition of the Newsletter. Family section members will receive their membership cards from Mona Roberts.

The Committee feel that the new facilities will be of great benefit to members and hope that all members will take an early opportunity to inspect them for themselves.

Please note the last social evening to be held at Tom Hall's Tavern is on Thursday, the 12th November, 1931.

Paul Stevens

CHAIRMAN.

L.C.R.A. OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE - 1981 - 1982

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Gerard Penlington
Mona Roberts

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TROUGH OF BOLAND. SEPT. 13TH, 1981. Don and Brenda Feeney.

The ramble started off in bright sunshine and though the weather forecast predicted showers, we never saw one the whole day. We came across plenty of mud though! The mud - much to the disgust of the adults - was a great joy to the children. They kicked and squelched through it quite happily. We forgot all about it when we stopped at a very pleasant spot for a short picnic. Some of us, not mentioning any names, would have liked to stay there all day basking in the warm sunshine, but the T.O.U. ramblers were eager to get going. We tramped through fields and over many stiles and everyone agreed that the scenery was lovely. At one particularly spot we had to climb many stops - was it 39? Who said 139! Anyway, on reaching the top we rambled along a narrow footpath which took us steeply down into what the children called a fairyglen. It was really beautiful. Anyone with a bit of imagination could have conjured up tales of fairies, elves and witches which would have kept the kids quiet for quite a bit, AND maybe some of the grown-ups too. What a hope!

We continued our walk back through the grounds of Stonyhurst College, where the children paddled in the river and fed the ducks. We saw goats, horses and the most adorable foals, but at which points we saw all these interesting things I couldn't tell you because, as I've been told many times, I talk too much while rambling and so miss more than I see.

Thank you, Don and Brenda, for a lovely walk.

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PROGRAMME.

It's all a bit moot as to what I should include in the programme as I'm not sure when the newsletter will be distributed, but I think it will be at John and Cath Pebes' House Meeting. They're at 5 Crawford Avenue, Maghull and it is on the re-arranged date of 12th November, to avoid Guy Fawks night. Why we celebrate that particular event I'll never know.

Contrary to our usual practice, there WILL be a ramble in December. Here's another surprise for you. All those at the Birketts very enjoyable house meeting are probably of the opinion that the walk is going to be Parbold, but I have it straight from the horse's mouth (nothing personal, Bill) that it is now The Wirral Way. It's on December 6th, Bill and Peggy Porter are leading, and they'd like to set off at 12.30, so please be fed and watered for that time. There are toilets on the Way. Take the A553 to West Kirby. Turn right at the Railway Station (Bill always sees that British Rail gets a notice!) towards beach. The Car Park is on the left.

The greater thinkers among our readers will wonder why I gave you the particls of the Paloe house meeting when the newsletter will only be distributed then, Well, if Eric - consciencious, painstaking, miracle-worker that he is can manage to duplicate the copies before then, they'll be available on the Royden Walk. You'll know by then whether flattery gets you anywhere.

My sister Mollie thanks you for all your prayers while her husband Ron was ill and for the Club's Mass Card.

Mona Roberts.