

Ceunant News

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AGM

by Fiona Devine



This year's AGM was held on 17th March 2018 at the Vaynol Arms, Nant Peris. Numbers were significantly up from last year with over 30 members attending.

Emma Bastock the **Chair** opened by reporting back on the one action from the last AGM of revitalising The Annual Dinner. 45 members responded to the online survey with the clear majority wanting the same format of alternating between a formal dinner in Wales with speaker and a party at Ty'n Lon. The committee will be working hard to make next Dinner special. Next Emma spoke of the 2 big pieces of work that the committee had undertaken. First, preparing for General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), a new EU law that will come into effect on 25 May 2018 to replace the current Data Protection Act. It's the biggest overhaul of data protection legislation for over 25 years and will introduce new requirements for how we, the club processes personal data. To ensure compliance with the new regulation we are undertaking a review of data protection policies and practices. We will be emailing members shortly with details on this. Note, we will need to seek a club members consent to pass on their contact details or address to another member. We will of course make the Committee contacts details available. The second work stream was responding to the BMC organisational review to make sure our club is represented.

Secretary & Membership Report was presented by me, **Fiona Devine**. I reported that in 2017 we welcomed just 1 full member Craig Shelly who had attended a record 6 events in 6 months. We had 4 prospective members join John Russell, Sarah Whelan, Martha Prinsloo and Holly Coleman.

Many others showed interest, some even came along to the odd meet but for one reason or another didn't join. 170 members were affiliated to the BMC.

As always I finished by thanking everyone for promptly paying their subs, and I encouraged those still to pay to pay quickly... there's about a dozen of you!!!

The **Treasurer's Report** was presented by **Andrew Ring** as Andrew Bevan was still out on the hill, though he managed to arrive just as Andrew had finished saying "Are there any questions?". What timing!

Of note is that the **Ty'n Lon Account** which covers income generated by the cottage use and expenditure required for its upkeep is down from previous years. We heard that total income was down from previous years but that we still maintained a surplus. It seems members are not using the cottage as much or this could be down to members not signing in and/or not paying.

The **General Fund** which covers expenditure required for the wider club activities and income for subscriptions remains healthy. We didn't spend anything on training and want to focus on addressing this next year.

Overall then, we made a surplus of just under £5000 and our Total Accumulated Funds stands at **£35,173.69**.

For more details and a copy the of "Ceunant Mountaineering Club Accounts 2017 Report" Email secretary@ceunant.org

Vaynol Arms

The **Hut Warden Report** was given by **Kevin Devine**. We heard that it had been a year of keeping everything ticking over with no major jobs needed. Oh, well there was one big job of unblocking the drains earlier in the year, in fact during the the meeting Kevin received a phone call from Welsh Water saying they arrived to unblock the drains so he dashed off not before thanking SIRCH and Bill for keeping an eye on Ty'n Lon.

We then heard from **Ann Millichope** our **Hut Secretary** that Ty'n Lon is still popular with outside groups. We had 21 outside bookings in 2016; 18 in 2017 and 17 in 2018. The minimum booking fee of £120 per 12 spaces per night which was set at the 2016 AGM hasn't deterred clubs using the hut.

We also heard that a former member had taken an outside group without making booking, luckily, Joe Harris was around to have stern words and get the key back from him.

Ann reminded members that the key safe is for outside bookings only, members should be using their own keys, keys available, £10 deposit. Finally Ann reminded members that all hut bookings are posted on our google calendar on the website. Do check it out if you want to avoid busy times.

Outdoor Meets was delivered by **Luke Bowman**. We heard that the start of the year had been plagued with poor weather. Arran was a washout with no climbing undertaken. At the lakes meet just a day of climbing on the Saturday was completed with rest of the weekend being a washout. Luke wondered if he was the jinx? Being the new meet leader. The Yorkshire and Peak District meets met with better weather. The peak District meet staying in a hut just outside Hathersage proved the post popular with over 30 people attending.

The Summer meet to Argentiere proved popular too with lots of climbing undertaken, including an alpine ascent. Luke also spoke of the saga of the recent Roaches meet that ended up being cancelled by the BMC due to water leak at Rockall Cottage. We did get a full refund and a free rebooking for the inconvenience. In fact members could have stayed as the water leak was fixed in time but with the Beast from the East no one did go.

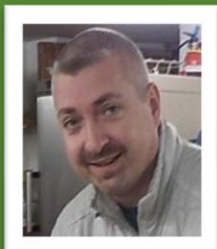
Indoor Meets was delivered by **Bonnie Donegan**. We heard that lots of great events had been organised including a trip to the Film Festival Reel Rock Tour, Christmas Chilli Evening, Decorating Ty'n Lon for Christmas, a visit to the Toby Carvery to name just few. Bonnie has loads more ideas including whisky and gin tasting evenings. Keep an eye out for these on Facebook, please pass any suggestions too.

Bonnie has produced a hardbound year book containing photographs of the years events. Thank you to all that contributed. This is going to be an annual thing so remember to send Bonnie any photos you wish to be included. It will live at Ty'n Lon in our library. Do take a look when you next visit.

See next pages for details of the new Committee

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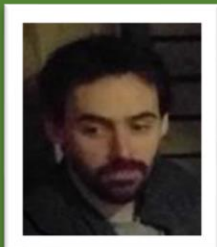
COMMITTEE 2018/2019



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Chair



Jim Daly
Vice Chair



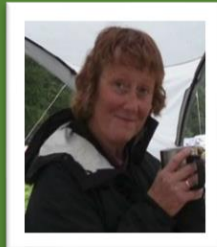
Andrew Bevan
Treasurer



Fiona Devine
Secretary



Kevin Devine
Hut Warden



Ann Millichope
Hut Secretary



Luke Bowman
Outdoor Meets



Bonnie Donegan
Indoor Meets



Paul Donegan
Members



Martha Prinsloo
Member

Contact details on next page

Committee Contact details

Here are the contact details for the 2018/19 Committee. There have been some key changes. Andrew Ring now takes the helm, as Chair and is supported by Jim Daly as Vice Chair. We also welcome one of our newer members Martha. Be sure to make a note of the contact details. We have also posted the contact details on our website.

Position	Name	Email
Chair	Andrew Ring	chairman@ceunant.org
Vice Chair	Jim Daly	vicechairman@ceunant.org
Secretary	Fiona Devine	secretary@ceunant.org
Treasurer	Andrew Bevan	treasurer@ceunant.org
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Member	Paul Donegan	om1@ceunant.org
Member	Martha Prinsloo	om2@ceunant.org

Hut Bookings

Expect to see the following clubs making use of Ty'n Lon over the next few months

Date	Who
Fri 11- Sun 13 th May 2018	Lancs Climbing & Caving Club - 2 nights
Fri 8 – Sun 10 th Jun 2018	Carlisle MC - 2 nights
Fri 22 – Sun 24 th Jun 2018	Clitheroe MC - 2 nights
Sun 1 to Sat 7th Jul 2018	EXCLUSIVE USE OF HUT Leo and Jackie are taking a mixed group of young people, and for this booking only, we have agreed to offer them sole occupancy of the cottage to allow them to comply with child protection rules. If you wish to stay during this week please camp in the garden.
Fri 20— Sun 22 nd Jul 2018	Leeds MC 2 nights
Fri 27— Sun 29 th Jul 2018	3 Peaks & Beyond

See the website and our [google calendar](#) for an up to date list of outside bookings or contact Ann at hutsec@ceunant.org



Don't forget:

A polite reminder to please ensure that you pay your hut fees promptly. Rates are still £5 for prospective and full members, with the guest rate £8. Remember that only full members may take guests and this is limited to two, unless you have made prior arrangements with Ann, Hut Secretary.

Paying on line? Then here's all the details you need to know. Easy peasy no excuse!!!

Details Removed for web version, email treasurer@ceunant.org

Annual Dinner

17th March 2018 , The Royal Victoria Hotel

Thank you to everyone who came and supported the AGM Afterparty, it was a really enjoyable night all round as you can see from a selection of the photos. We raised £205 on the Raffle for Llanberis Mountain Rescue, which is a fantastic amount. Big thank you to the club members who donated raffle prizes & particularly those who contacted external companies for prizes, a great effort all round. Thanks to Cotswold, DMM, Joe Brown Outdoors, Victoria Hotel, V12 Outdoor.



★ Kevin Devine
Member of the year



2018 NEXT EVENT

by Luke Bowman



When Fri 4th to Mon 7th May 2018
Where: Baysbrown Farm Campsite,
Great Langdale, Ambleside LA22 9JR



It's that time of year when the bank holidays come at us thick and fast, the first in May we're off to the Lakes again and this time we'll be heading for Langdale, staying at Baysbrown Farm Campsite in the Village of Chapel Stile. It's in a great location and has a small Co-op, a nice cafe, and a pub The Wainwrights Inn within a 5 minute walk. Cost is £6ppn plus £3 per vehicle.

Activities wise, being in the middle of the Lakes we'll be excellently positioned to get stuck into some fantastic climbing, walking and scrambling, all within easy reach. Climbing guidebooks include the comprehensive FRCC guide to Langdale, and the area is also covered in Lake District Rock, a select guidebook also from the FRCC.

If It Ain't Pem-broke, Don't Climb it What you missed last year

Saturday 28th April: the climbing contingent (James Walker, Andrew Bevan, Fiona, Rich Hubbard and a newbie Jason) headed to Bow-shaped Slab, for some classic starred sea cliff climbing, ticking Inset Slab ** HS 4b, Bow-Shaped Slab *** HS 4a, Bow-Shaped Corner HS 4b ***. We then headed to Crystal Slabs which the guide describes as, a tall south facing sun trap, though in our case turned out to be an overcast wind trap. Just a couple of routes completed before we called it a day and headed back to Bosherton Campsite.

Meanwhile Kevin, Elly, Paul & Bonnie plus three newbies walked to Barafundle Bay and then decided to see if they could find us climbing and joined us at Crystal Slabs. The evening was spent around the fire (newly built by Rich H), toasting marshmallows and even making a wicked cheese on toast.

Sunday was a washout with no climbing outdoors to be had. After copious cups of Tea a small group braved the rain to walk to....you guessed it to the pub. No, not the nearest but to the Stackpole Inn. We got to see a tractor rally on route. Seems the pub has turned into a gastro pub. So they were perhaps disappointed we only purchased drinks and crisps. On the way back we just had to stop at the National Trust Tea Shop, others made a further stop at the St Govans.

Monday was dry but not the best forecast so we all decided to pack up and head home. Despite the weather all in all a good time was had by all.

In attendance: Fiona & Kevin Devine, Tony & Ann Millichope, Andrew Bevan Paul & Bonnie Donegan, Richard Hubbard, Ellie Holmes, James Walker Lynda & Jason Humphries plus two friends



More meets in 2018

Date	Where	Details
25-28th MAY	PEMBROKE	Spring Bank Holiday – This will be another camping meet in Bosherton. Said by some to be the best trad climbing in the UK, Pembroke has over 5000 routes to choose from in the latest 5 volume comprehensive guide. Hot on the heels of the last trip it's a chance for those honed muscles to crush some trad, or enjoy classics in the sun, or both.
15-18th JUN	GOWER	Summer sunshine is hoped for this meet. Go climbing off the beach, perhaps the most family friendly climbing area in the country get those buckets, spades, and belays, and whatever your age join us for summer fun! Campsite TBC.
21st JUL 4th AUG	AILEFROIDE ECRINS	For our summer we're back to Ailefroide as being the 2nd biggest French mountaineering area after Chamonix. It has lots to offer mountaineering, bouldering, climbing, hiking, Via Ferratas, canyoning.
24-27th AUG	TY'N LON	Summer BBQ – we are having a summer BBQ at Ty'n Lon to celebrate owning our hut for 60 years!!!
21-23rd SEPT	NORTH YORK MOORS	New Venue – Camping. The North York Moors isn't as well-known for its climbing as the Yorkshire Dales or the Peak District but it has plenty of challenges up its sleeves too. A weekend of Walking, Climbing, Bouldering, Eating, Drinking and Japes in the North York Moors. If you're already a climber, there are a number of excellent crags, mostly sandstone but also a couple of limestone options in the North York Moors.
26-28th OCT	PEAK DISTRICT	Returning to where it all began to finish it off with another hut meet in the Peak District. TBC
16-18th NOV	TY'N LON	Work Meet – Ty'n Lon
DEC	TY'N LON	Dates TBC – join us to prepare the hut for Christmas.
28th DEC 2nd JAN 2019	TY'N LON	NEW YEAR MEET Does exactly what it says on the tin. And more.

Informal Meets

Club members regularly arrange their own overseas trips e.g. Kalymnos, as well as informal last minute outdoor meets, including midweek trips here in the UK. Details usually get posted on facebook and the club website which links to the latest facebook posts you're itching to get to, but also holds useful extra stuff such as the clubs Events Calendar, current and earlier club magazine, the latest What's on, hut availability updates.

Notice Board

Membership News

We have had quite an influx of new members of late. Please welcome the following: Martha Prinsloo & Sarah Whelan have been elected as full members and Holly Coleman, Ana Milusheva and Pierce Ferris have joined as Prospective members.

Are you on Facebook then check out BMC Midlands Area
www.facebook.com/BMCMidlandsArea

The page promotes area meetings and communicates information.

We can also use the page for advertising anything we have going on and can post pics of our meets to promote interest in the club.

Keep an eye out on our Facebook pages for updates, impromptu gatherings, banter and invitations to meets.

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SAVE THE DATE 23rd March 2019 AGM & ANNUAL DINNER

Our AGM & Dinner are going to be a week later next year, 23rd March 2019. We have already booked the Royal Victoria Hotel, Llanberis and have a special guest speaker lined up. We will be posting more details nearer the time. Please join us if you can.

Changed Address?

Don't forget to tell us... ..if you've moved house or changed any of your contact details or you're not sure if we have your most up to date contact details. Please send your update to the Club Secretary - Fiona Devine
secretary@ceunant.org



Finally..... Katrin Bergmann has agreed to take on the role of newsletter editor. To do this she needs you!!! She needs lots of articles and photos of your great adventures. Lots of you post on Facebook, but Facebook 'aint forever. What would be nice is to have a permanent record of your adventures, something that'll last forever, and can be read by future generations of the Ceunant. No excuses, your newsletter needs you! Email your articles, photos etc to Kat at magazine@ceunant.org