

JANUARY PROGRAMME

BRING A TORCH AND REFLECTIVE ARM BANDS

Sunday 1st Jan.

NEW YEAR'S DAY HIKE

For details see December programme on previous page.

Sunday 8th Jan

Route: Djouse - War Hill - Tonduffs - Maulin - Djouse Woods.

Leader: Cyril McFeeney

Sunday 15th Jan.

INTRODUCTORY HARD HIKE

Route: Sugar Loaf - Lobawn - Table Mtn. - Stranahealy.

Leader: Frankie Comerford.

Sunday 22nd Jan

Route: Sally Gap - Luggala - Knocknacloghoge - Oldbridge.

Leader: Tony Crean.

Sunday 29th Jan.

Route: Ballinagee Bridge - Art's Cross - Lough Firrib - Conavalla - Camaderry.

Leader: Tim McKenna.

WEEKENDS AWAY

Walking in The English Lake District

New Year Weekend 1995

- Barbara S

- Lorraine Brady

- Linda Woolhead

Depart Dublin Thursday morning 29th December 1994, 11.30pm. departure from Larne to Stranraer.
Return Monday evening, 2nd January 1995, 7.00pm. departure from Stranraer to Larne.
Cost £110 to include car transport based on 4 people sharing ferry and petrol costs, 4 nights full board in High Close YH (near Grasmere). Breakfast, packed lunch, dinner, New Year party with wine/soft drinks included in the cost.

Three days walking will be organised on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. These walks will be suitable for moderate and hard walkers.

We need an idea of numbers interested to confirm accommodation. Anyone interested should ring Tony Crean at 282 0076 after 7.00pm. as soon as possible.

Full amount should be paid to any member of the Hillwalkers committee before 28th November.

SLIDE SHOW ON LAKE DISTRICT

A slide show, by Frankie Comerford, on The Lake District will be held in Mountjoy Street Youth Hostel at 8.00pm. on Wed. 14th December 1994. Admission £1. Tea and biscuits served afterwards.

LEADERS URGENTLY WANTED
CONTACT MARTIN FAGAN AT 8743082 (H) AFTER 7PM.

HILLWALKERS SATURDAY CLUB

DECEMBER - JANUARY

This club is for young people aged 13 to 16 years and hikes take place on one Saturday of every month. Transport is by local bus / DART - depending on the area in Wicklow the hike is being organised in.

DECEMBER PROGRAMME

DATE: Saturday 10th December 1994
MEET: Irish Press Office, Burgh Quay.
TIME: 08.45 - Arrive back in Dublin at 18.00 approx.
HIKE ROUTE: Bohernabreena - Corrig - Seehan - Stone Cross - McDonalds The Square
LEADER: Paddy Doyle

JANUARY PROGRAMME

DATE: Saturday 14th January 1995
TIME: 08.45 - Arrive back in Dublin before 18.00 approx.
MEET: Irish Press Office, Burgh Quay
LEADER: Kevin Parker
HIKE ROUTE: Bray Head - Little Sugar Loaf - Coastal Path - Bray.
WHAT TO BRING: Map and compass (if you have them) as mountain navigation training will be given. Waterproof jacket and pull-ups, hat and gloves, packed lunch, flask with hot drink, torch, change of clothes and a rucksack. More details from Dave Rooney at 834 4811 (h) after 7.00pm.

WEAR: *HIKING BOOTS AND A TRACK SUIT - DO NOT WEAR JEANS.*

*You don't have to be a teenager to hike with the Saturday Club - why not make up a party?
Remember, two adults and up to four children can travel all day on a family ticket for £6.*

In 1995 we hope to have some of our younger members leading hikes - two are showing great promise at map and compass work. We will have a training weekend in Glendalough during the February 1995 halfterm break.

*Happy Christmas to all who hiked with the Saturday Club in 1994 (ask Santa for all the Gore-tex hiking gear). To Kevin Paker, John Lawlor, Rosalen Corpus, Maggie Greaney, Betty Barry, Paddy Doyle and Katryn Vogt, may we say a big "thank you".
See you all in 1995.*

Dave Rooney and Sean Dunne

FEBRUARY PROGRAMME: Articles or notices for inclusion in the February *Hillwalker* should be sent to Maggie Greaney, 14 York Road, Rathmines, Dublin 6, by 19 January 1995.
Anything received after this date will not be included.

BACK CHAT - the Hillwalkers social column

Any news or views, articles for sale - get well wishes - holiday ideas - give Dave Rooney a buzz on 834 4811 (h) after 7.00pm.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP NOW DUE

Annual membership to The An Oige Hillwalkers Club is now due. Please complete the membership form and return it plus the fee of £7 (don't forget to renew your membership to An Oige as well) to Proinsias Mac AnBheatha at the address given on the form.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

On behalf of Hostel Supplies, Ann Prendergast wishes to thank Martin Fagan, Dave Rooney, Kevin Parker, Deirdre Ni Choileain and Tony Farrell from the An Oige Hillealkers Club for their help during the summer.

If you are interested in helping out during 1995, on any of our work parties, please contact An Oige Head Office at 830 4555.

Ann Prendergast
Hostel Supplies Officer
An Oige

AN OIGE HILLWALKERS CLUB

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

on

THURSDAY 26 JANUARY 1995

in

AN OIGE INTERNATIONAL YOUTH HOSTEL, MOUNTJOY STREET

at 7.00PM. SHARP!

The meeting will be followed by a special Slide Show on Nepal given by Kieran of Bramac Stores, Liffey Street.

Tea served afterwards.

All members are requested to attend the meeting as the committee for 1995 will be elected on the night.

Anyone wishing to go forward should complete the attached form and return to any member of the current committee before 8th January 1995

WANTED URGENTLY!

EDITOR FOR THE HILLWALKER NEWSLETTER.

Anyone interested in this job should contact Maggie Greaney at 497 5063 (h) or any member of the committee.

Everest Calling: The Ascent of the Dark Side
by Lorna Siggins. Price: £15.50 approx.

Now available, the long awaited book of the Irish-Everest expedition.

AN OIGE SOCIAL NEWS

SWIMMING: Every Tuesday evening in the ESB Sports-Co., South Lots Road, Ringsend
Between 9.00pm. and 10.00pm. Price: £1.50

Ceili and set dancing classes will be held in September on Wednesday nights between 7.30pm. and 8.30pm in Na Fianna, Mobhi Road. Anyone interested should leave their names in An Oige head office.

For further information on An Oige social events, contact An Oige head office.

PHOTOGRAPHIC GROUP ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER DANCE

This year the party will take place on Saturday, 3rd December 1994 in the Hollybrook Hotel in Clontarf at 8.00pm.

As usual this promises to be the Social Event of the year with Spot Prizes, Raffles and Live Music. Tickets which are the same price as last year i.e., £17 are now available in Head Office - tel: 830 4555. Deposits taken on tickets and payment by credit card is acceptable. This is an opportunity for all the various groups within An Oige to get together. Looking forward to meeting you all there.

Marie McDonald

An Oige Photographic Group.

P.S. Martin Fagan of the Hillwalkers also has tickets for sale.

*MAP AND COMPASS
PRACTICE WEEKEND*

This weekend is for people who have already completed a basic map and compass course. The idea is that the participants plan out a route, do a route card and each person on the weekend leads a particular section of the walk. Two experienced people will be on the weekend to assist.

DATE: 3rd - 5th February 1995
ORGANISERS: Joseph Kellegher 838 1973 (Home)
Brian Madigan 838 6608 (Home)
AREA: Commeragh Mountains
DEPOSIT: £10 deposit. Contact the above leaders for details.
PLACES LIMITED TO 20 PEOPLE.

*NIGHT OF DANCING AND FUN
in
THE GARDA CLUB, HARRINGTON STREET
on
FRIDAY 16TH DECEMBER 1994
From 8 Till Late*

Tickets £3.00 Entrance strictly by ticket only. Contact Kevin Parker at 453 4627 (h after 5pm.)

All proceeds will be given out on the night in spot prizes

CLUB RAFFLE

There will be a free raffle for all our members in December. It will be held on a Sunday hike before the end of the month. The prize was donated by James Dowling (our bus driver)