



# *The Mynydd Journal*



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See you out there,  
*Martin*

## ROGER BELL

To all our friends in The Mynydd

I would like to thank you all from the bottom of my heart for all the kind thoughts, support and generous donations received since the sudden and untimely death of Roger. The devastation and loss has hit us all; family, friends and work colleagues- Roger was a wonderful husband, dad, friend and everyone's favourite handyman. More than anything he was my best friend. I know that we will all miss him terribly.

The donations from everyone, including family and work colleagues has totalled £860. I have arranged for £400 to be sent to the Glencoe MRT, £175 to one of the Snowdonia teams and £110 to the Kinder team.

Roger's son-in-law, Gareth, wrote the following poem which we all think sums Roger up to a tee.

Finally, I again send my sincere thanks to you all. Roger was very fortunate to have some exceptional friends within The Mynydd. The club was very special to him.

See you all soon, I'm sure

Brenda, Andrew, Alison, and Adrian

## ALEX WEBSTER

### MORE TEA, VICAR?

#### The Wasteland

(The place for articles that have no place)

## Meets Reports

Talk about delayed reactions! However they are here at last, and with apologies to any reporters whose reports have gone missing, read on...



### New Year's Walk, Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January

Weather:- Perfick...cold, snow covered hills, clear blue skies, sunshine all day and no mud.

Main walk:- 32 people set off at 10 am with 12 miles to go till we got to the pub. This was where we hoped to meet up with the short walk team. The route went via Litton, Tansley dale, Cressbrook Dale to come out at The Three Stags Heads pub on the A623, not open thankfully, or I may have lost some at this point! By now the team was quite spread out and I needed a willing soul to act as back marker...Chris Moore kindly took on this role.

We headed for Windmill next and then on to Tideswell rake, and opencast working from long ago which provided fluorospar, a common mineral of hydrofluoric acid and metallurgical flux. That was for those of you who asked, and if you didn't: sorry to be so boring!

Anyway, we plodded on and lunched at the limestone way above peak forest. To this point we had only lost the Lock family, so things were proceeding well.

We headed south through the five dales, starting with Dam Dale, followed by Haye Dale and then Peter dale which was well flooded.

At the end of Peter dale a road passed through the dale which went direct to Tideswell. Here the team split. Fifteen didn't have a reason to wimp out and continued down Monk's Dale into Miller's Dale and the Angler's Rest (closed).

After a short break, we headed for tideswell on the limestone way arriving just before dark. We piled into a caff for a well earned cuppa and some cake.

Short Walk:- Members set off at noon, led by Brenda and wendy R, heading south out of Tideswell for the Monsal Trail via the picnic area in an old quarry, whih was where they met up with Phill and Alison's little group. They all arrived at The Angler's Rest in good time for a pint, which is more than can be said for Phill's basket of chips, but he made up for it by losing his rag with the landlady. The team made their way back to Tideswell and met up with those who wimped out at Peter Dale from the main walk.

Anyway, everyone, whether on the main or short walk seemed to have had a good time. The only disappointment was that these two walks didn't meet up as I'd hoped they would. Maybe next time?

Roger Bell

## Jeffing and Blinding

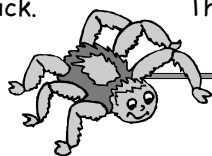
A regular column in which a randomly selected member of the club airs their views on something to do with climbing. This issue: Jeff Wincott and bouldering mats.



"Bloody bouldering mats? How much are these idiots paying for one of those? Hundred quid or more and for what? Just so they can do some of their poncy boulder problems without hurting their ankles. You know what I say? If you can't get up it without falling off, you're bloody crap and you should stay at home and do the knitting you bloody wimp. You see 'em don't you, coming over the horizon like a load of bloody sailing ships and then they do a grit route that has no gear with a pile of the bloody things underneath! Might as well have a bloody top-rope on it. Bloody 'ell. I've been climbing for years and never needed 'em. If I don't need 'em then no other buggger does. Waste of sodding money. Ben Moon got rich from it all though. Did I ever tell you I pissed up Requiem without friends? Made it bloody easier, I reckon."

## Personality or person?

This is the section in which you get to find out what makes some famous club members tick. This issue



## The Web of Lies and Deceit

Not, as you might imagine, anything to do with Steve saying he's definitely going to turn up somewhere, but all things to do with the internet and our soon to be "Most Glorious Website in the World".

**Firstly**, a note from Norm about the aforementioned website he's cobbling together. He needs your help.

**[www.mynydd.org.uk](http://www.mynydd.org.uk)**

**I need the following information from anyone who can supply it:**

Club history; Hut details; Evening meets lists; Weekend meets list; Special events details (e.g. big trips away etc.); Gallery photos (I've got a scanner, so whatever format you've got); Committee members names (but no photos: -eeugh!); List of contacts for prospective members; Club BMC membership No. (and suggestions for other inclusions)

*Norm [mynyddwebmaster@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:mynyddwebmaster@blueyonder.co.uk)*

**Secondly**, an informative and thoroughly exciting feature bringing you the best of the virtual rock climbing and mountaineering universe...



The Mynydd guide to what's on the web

[www.dangeroussite.com](http://www.dangeroussite.com)

[www.indoorclimbing.com/cyberclimber](http://www.indoorclimbing.com/cyberclimber)

Any further suggestions? Send 'em in: [mynyddnews@hotmail.com](mailto:mynyddnews@hotmail.com)

*Meets To Be*

*ON THE HEDGE*



Reknowned mountain guide, Mr Oliver Tightwad-Allen is celebrating after kissing his way to a brand new £16000 Mercedes A-Class. He was among five contestants who puckered up to several police dogs last week in a bathroom showroom. Dad of three Oliver managed to kiss the dog for 58 hours.

### **SOCCER SOCK BLOCK KNOCKER**

Mynydd United's new striker "Young" John McJohn (54) was sent off in Saturday's game against Hayfield Irregulars for trying to kill the referee with a sock. He was previously cautioned for attacking the linesman with a swan.

### **FIRE STATION PLANS REFUSED.**

Plans for a new fire station in Hayfield have been rejected by borough planners. The builders had submitted plans for a 109 storey development, including a vibrating restaurant on the top, and a load of shops at the bottom, with 28 storey wings radiating in several directions as far as the church and the WI hall, in case the building ever needed to fly. A representative of Hayfield Council told a Journal reporter that "This is not the sort of place for that sort of thing. The firemen's pole would be over 1100 feet long."

## *Hayfield News*

### **PRISON OPEN DAY**

Last Fridays' open day at HM Prison Hayfield ended in chaos when all the computers were stolen and 76 prisoners escaped. The prison's governor, Sir Colin Foord-Perfect issued a statement declaring the day "A shameful out-and-out failure from start to finish." He said he was considering his future.

### **WINS A CAR**

The developers are planning an appeal, which the council are planning to reject.

### **JUDGE FINED**

Mr Justice Royle QC was fined a million gazillion pounds by a jury of seven year olds who didn't appear to understand the legal process at all, at Hayfield CofE Junior Community School last Monday.

### **BIKE SAFETY INITIATIVE**

Schoolchildren in Hayfield are being given "I'm a safe cyclist!" stickers to help reduce road accidents. The stickers, which are of the size of an eight year old and made from 40mm high tensile steel plate "will protect them from anything short of a howitzer" say road safety officers.

CLIMBING CLINIC  
MEETS LIST 2003

Quiztastic

*What do you know about climbing and climbers? Bugger all, I bet.*

What does "Clogwyn d'ur Arddu" Actually mean?

What is it the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this june?

Which book features a picture of Keith George's arse on the front cover?

Which county is The Dewerstone in?

What famous route makes a beeline up Slime Wall in Glencoe?

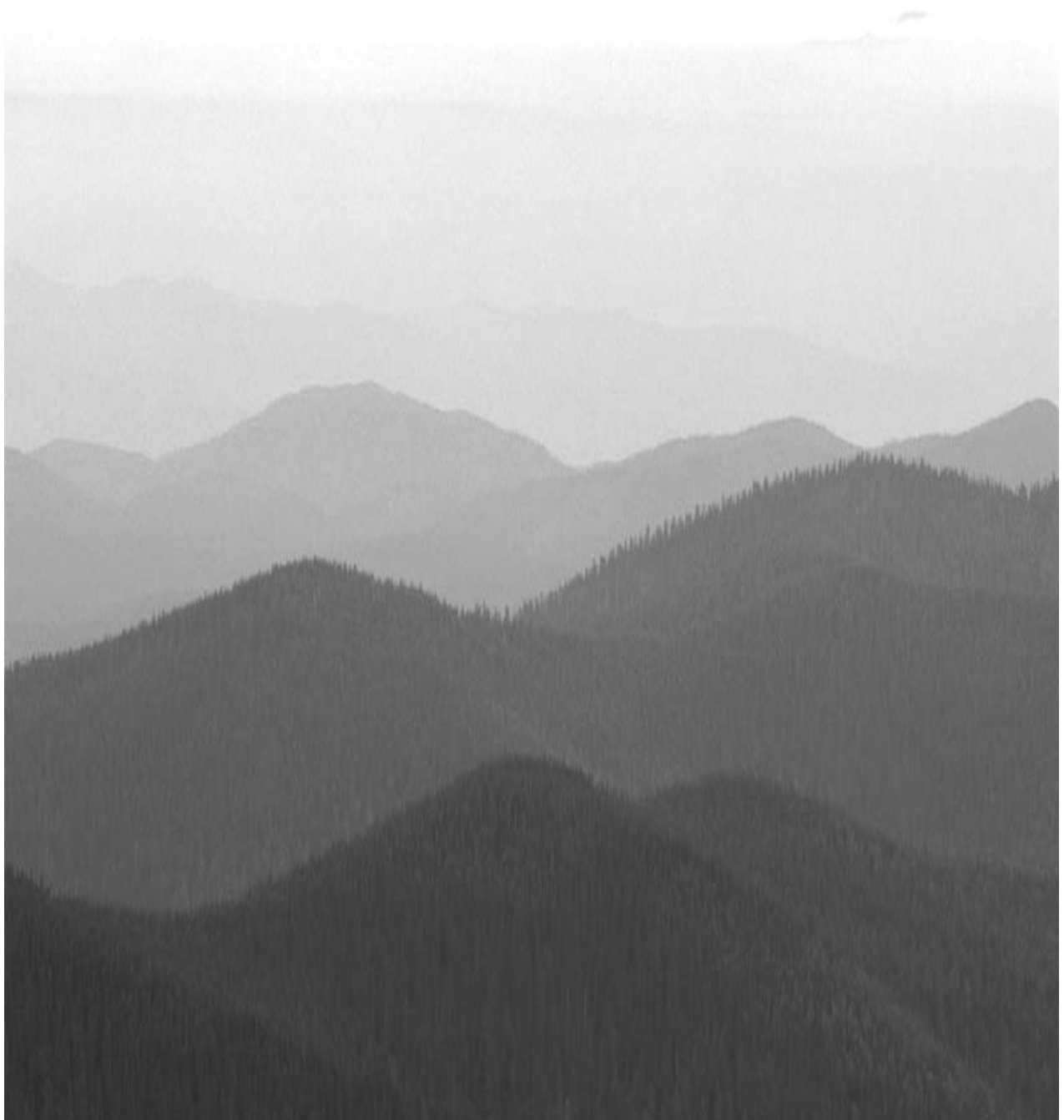
On which island would you find Kilt Rock?

*Answers on the back page.*



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