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SYLLABUS -- CHANGE OF VENUE -- LAKE DISTRICT MEET Please note September 13th, 1964. A meet will be held at Kinniside Lead Mine - Assemble Cleator Moor Square, Near Whithaven 10.30.a.m. THIS MEET REPLACES THE MEET TO NENT VALLEY given in the current Syllabus.

SYLLABUS - RESEARCH PROGRAMMES: We would like to see more members attending the various meets. Good work is being done in the areas by those attending but all the projects suffer from the same defect - we would like to see more helping hands. WHAT ABOUT IT?

NEWSLETTERS WITHDRAWN from circulation. Replaced by MEMOIRS and MEMBERS' BULLETINS.

MEMBERS' BULLETINS: Will be issued as considered necessary. Will contain extracts from and minutes of meetings, general notices, personal advertisements, special requests, etc. Material to Hon. Assistant Editor.

MEMOIRS: I have pleasure in presenting the first number of our 1964 Memoirs. It is planned that three numbers will be issued in any one year. The three numbers issued in any one year will constitute the Volume for that year. A Volume Contents List and printed semi-stiff Volume cover will be issued with the final number of each volume - as was the case with the 1963 Newsletters.

Our sales to non-members of the Society are steadily increasing. It is hoped to increase the sales to such a level that these publications will prove to be a source of income to the Society,. The only way in which this can be done is for us to put out first class material in a first class publication. The source of material is of course our individual members of the Society - I therefore appeal to each of you individually to give the matter serious consideration and to put pen to paper. We do not want the same authors names to appear in every edition.

As illustrated publications are always more attractive efforts will be made to illustrate each number.

The illustrations in MEMOIRS 1964 No.1 can be used as a guide as to the amount of space available on a 10" x 8" sheet of paper. You must remember that all the sheet cannot be utilised as room has to be left for margins, binding edge, loss on trimming. Fig. 1 (p.2); Fig.3 (p.8) and plate I (p.16) are good examples of what is wanted - you can see that plenty of margin has been left. Fig. 2 (p.4) can be considered an example of what should not be done - you will see that very little margin has been left, the plan extends to the outer edge of the paper with a result that when the complete Volume is trimmed after binding there is a very good chance that some of the plan will be cut away in this process. Fig. 3 (p.8) can be used to illustrate another point. In the original sketch the shaded areas were painted in in solid black such solid black areas do not reproduce well on an electronic stencil it is better to hatch or stipple such areas.

With regard to photographs - these should be of such a size that they can be arranged on a 10" x 8" page leaving room for lettering etc. I would refer you to Newsletters 1963 No.2 page 16; No.3 page 28 & 32 and Memoirs 1964 Number 1 Plate 1 page 16. These show how one or more photographs can be

arranged. A 10" x 8" electronic stencil illustration costs approximately 26/0d whether there be one or more photographs on the page. Obviously we cannot afford to give full page cover for all photographs. Photographs should be black and white, should have a good contrast and a HIGH GLOSS finish. They should NOT BE MOUNTED ON CARD. Contrast is necessary to ensure reproduction - the illustration of "Timbering in Poorer Section of Buckden Gavel Mine (Newsletters Volume 1 No.3 p.32 shows this very well - the timber prop being dark in colour does not show up against the black background. If your photo is too small or too large please send me your negative and I will have suitable sized prints made. Your photos and negatives will be returned to you. Do not be afraid to send single photographs as it is possible to make up a multiple plate illustrating items in one or two articles.

Maps, sketches, etc should be done in BLACK INDIAN INK on white paper or THIN white card (not thicker than post card). The reason for the thin card is that in making the master stencil the illustration has to be placed round a small diameter cylinder on the machine.

DO NOT SEND MAPS, ETC IN MULTICOLOURS. WE ARE NOT ABLE TO PREPARE MULTICOLOURED ILLUSTRATIONS (as yet).

COPY DATES The last day^s on which I can accept material for publication are as follows:-

MEMOIRS 1964. Number 2 30th. June 1964

MEMOIRS 1964 Number 3 17th. October 1964.

Please make a note of these dates and let me have your contributions as soon as possible.

D.T. Richardson. Hon. Assistant Editor.

TRANSACTIONS Volume I Number 2 1962/63 We have the printers assurance that we will receive delivery of the Transactions between the 2nd. and 8th. May 1964.

Material is required for the next edition which will be the 1964/65 one. 1965 seems a long way ahead at the moment but the writing of Transaction class articles takes a long time. Please give the matter your consideration. Manuscripts to Hon. Assistant Editor.

GENERAL MEETINGS - BRICK HALL INN, SHEEP STREET, SKIPTON. The meeting held on Saturday 11th. April was very poorly attended. Does this mean that you are forgetting these things. The stability of the Society depends, to a large extent, on the interest of its individual members.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING Saturday 20th. June 1964. Brick Hall Inn, Skipton. 7.30.p.m.

TACKLE ROOM. Devonshire Hotel, Newmarket Street, Skipton. The premises are now in use. Key is held by A.R. Nichols.

MEETING ROOM May I remind you that members are in the habit of congregating in the lounge of the Devonshire Hotel, Newmarket Street, Skipton on Friday evenings. There is always someone there from 8 p.m. WORKING COMMITTEE MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE WORKING COMMITTEE MEETINGS ARE HELD AT THE DEVONSHIRE HOTEL THE FIRST FRIDAY IN EVERY MONTH.

DUPLICATOR Those of you who have so generously donated towards the purchase of a new machine must be wondering what is happening. I have received a total

of £32.18.0. Approximately £10 short of the amount required. Unfortunately our financial commitments for the 1962/63 Transactions are such that we cannot borrow from the general fund. The matter is therefore in abeyance I hope however to be able to go ahead with the scheme so that we can have the new machining in time for the July edition of the Memoirs. The fund is still open - any further donations will be gratefully accepted.

D.T.Richardson.

SLIDE SHOW AND DISCUSSION GROUP MEETING

SATURDAY 9th, MAY 1964 7.30 p.m.

BRICK HALL INN, SHEEP STREET, SKIPTON.

Please come along. Friends welcome. A projector (2" x 2") will be available. Bring along any slides you like. Society Records will be on view. Heres your chance to meet fellow members and have a good natter.

WATER SAMPLES

Members are bringing along samples. The results of these analyses are extremely intersting. More samples are wanted particularly from our potholes. May I ask anyone interested in helping to contact me. I will endeavour to interest would be collectors in the scheme at the Discussion Meeting on the 9th. May.

D.T.Richardson.

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MESSAGE FROM THE RAMBLER'S ASSOCIATION

Mrs. M.G.Wood.

As a result of a letter sent to the N.C.M.R.S. June 1963 by the Ramblers' Association, I attended part of the Ministerial Hearing in October 1963 re footpaths in the West Riding - not in any official capacity, but rather to give friendly support to an Association whose interests are very akin to our own.

It will, of course be a long time before the result of this Enquiry is known, but it is obvious that to keep open many of our footpaths, including some much used by potholers (as was pointed out by the legal representative of the Ramblers' Ass'n), much formidable opposition on the part of farmers and landowners has got to be overcome. The Ramblers' Association is therefore working very hard indeed to establish public rights of way over such paths by reasons of long usage, maintaining that it is not required by law to seek permission to walk on paths which have been used for many years. (It is admitted that leave might still have to be sought to descend potholes as these are not directly on the paths, but the difference between such obligations and the general curtailment of all freedom can be appreciated.)

The whole/ day hearing re paths in the area bounded by Horton-in-Ribblesdale, Trow Gill and the Shooting Box on Simon Fell ended by the inspector's being taken over the area in a land-rover to see for himself the damage alleged to have been done by hikers and others. We hope he was not impressed, as we felt that on the whole his sympathies on this particular occasion had been with those who value freedom to roam in wild places without the necessity of asking first.

The Ramblers' Association extends a very hearty invitation to members of our Society to join them in their work in any way possible and, in letters to me from two of their Secretaries, the hope is expressed that there should be more cooperation between potholers and other underground workers on the one hand and the ramblers on the other hand, than has been the case hitherto.

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