



## Subscriptions 2009

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## ULMC anniversary

The current President of ULMC, Linda Coombs, has told us that the Club will celebrate its 60th anniversary early in 2009, with an evening of talks/ picture shows of the walking and climbing adventures of current and ex members. She would like to know of any ULGMC members interested in giving such a talk, or attending. If that's you, please contact Linda on [trojanbadger@hotmail.com](mailto:trojanbadger@hotmail.com). ULGMC committee members will certainly be there, application forms in hand!

## Forthcoming Meets

Please contact the meet leader if you want to come on one of the meets. If you would like to share a lift to a meet you may want to use the YahooGroup to post the request.

Do you want to lead a meet? Send Heather Rumble. an email ([meets@ulgmc.org](mailto:meets@ulgmc.org)) or phone her (07876 690979) and she will be glad to help.

### Caseg Fraith, Christmas and New Year 24 December 2008 - 4 January 2009

Christmas and New Year at Caseg are always fantastic; who will be there, snow or sun? One thing is certain that it will be a good week.

Elspeth Howell [elspeth.howell@lineone.net](mailto:elspeth.howell@lineone.net) or 01604 769277.

### Fallcliffe, Cold and Bright 30 January - 1 February 2009

Good time to see the Peaks in good winter condition or to stare into a cup of tea at Outside remembering how much better it all was 20 years ago...

Keith Mott 01379 677238 or [saymellon@gmail.com](mailto:saymellon@gmail.com).

### Caseg Fraith, Any Snow Left? 20-22 February 2009

Given that there was snow in October in Wales there may be some snow and ice left in late February. Even if there is not the refurbished hut will be a great weekend treat.

Elspeth Howell [elspeth.howell@lineone.net](mailto:elspeth.howell@lineone.net) or 01604 769277.

### Fallcliffe, Student Meet 6-8 March

Opportunity to meet the 'new' members of ULGMC and do come cragging at the same time.

Mark Stitson 07770 338676 or [mark@stitson.com](mailto:mark@stitson.com).

### Lakes, Midweek meet 31 March - 2 April

Quiet time to get away from the weekend crowds

Contact: Sue Darling 0148 320 3420 or [sdarling521@hotmail.com](mailto:sdarling521@hotmail.com).

### Caseg Fraith, Easter Meet 9-13 April

PYB Climbing Classes aimed at 8+ year olds. Like the New Year meet this is always a good family meet.

Keith Mott 01379 677238 or [saymellon@gmail.com](mailto:saymellon@gmail.com)

### Roybridge, Scottish Meet 9 - 16 May

Scotland again and always fully booked, so book early.

Willie Butler 01883 743289 or [whbutler@btinternet.com](mailto:whbutler@btinternet.com).

### Land's End, Spring Bank Holiday 22 - 26 May

We all how that it is not as windy as last year if it is you'll need good insurance. Always a good meet.

Geof & Margaret Batten 0121 475 6604 or [grb@batten.eu.org](mailto:grb@batten.eu.org)

Want to submit a report?  
1 November latest

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Date	Location	Meet	Organiser
December/January 2009			
24 - 2	Caseg Fraith	Christmas & New Year	Elspeth Howell
January/February			
30 - 1	Fallcliffe	Cold and Bright?	Keith Mott
February			
20 - 22	Caseg Fraith	Any Snow Left?	Elspeth Howell
March			
6 - 8	Fallcliffe	Student Meet	Mark Stitson
March / April			
31 - 2	Lakes - tbc	Midweek Meet	Sue Darling
April			
9 - 13	Caseg Fraith	Easter PYB Climbing Classes aimed at 8+ year olds	Keith Mott
May			
9 - 16	Roybridge	Scottish Meet	Willie Butler
22 - 26	Land's End Camping	Spring Bank Holiday	Geof & Margaret Batten
June			
16 - 18	South Pembroke	Camping - Midweek	Sue Esten
July			
25 - 31	Fallcliffe	End of term escape	The Motts
August			
14 - 16	Bishops Castle	Mid Wales Camping	Bill Towlson
28 -31	Caseg Fraith	August Bank Holiday PYB Climbing Classes aimed at 8+ years	Keith Mott
September			
4 - 6	Norfolk Mountains	Keith's 50th Birthday Bash	The Motts
October			
23 - 25	Caseg Fraith	AGM & Dinner - Swallow Falls Hotel	Heather Rumble
November			
6 - 8	Fallcliffe	The Bonfire Meet	Neil Brindley
Late - tbc	Ystadfellte, S Wales	Early Winter?	Bill Towlson
December/January 2009			
24 - 4	Caseg Fraith	Christmas & New Year	Elspeth Howell
If you would like to suggest or lead a meet please contact Heather Rumble (07876 690979, <a href="mailto:meets@ulgmc.org">meets@ulgmc.org</a> ).			

## Past Meets

### Norfolk mountains camping

19-21 September 2008

No report submitted.

### Caseg Fraith, Look out for the Alpines

3 - 5 October 2008

## Report by Heather Rumble

Having seen the glittering (with rain) forecast for the weekend, five intrepid climbers from Surrey arrived at Caseg Fraith on the Friday night expecting to find the five strong car park to be full to the brim with excited ULGMC members. Obviously everyone else was far more sensible than we were! It was the first ULGMC meet for Rob Gamm and Heather Rumble. Also in tow were Matt Walters, Mark Stitson (secretary) and a guest, Sam.

Saturday morning greeted us with the comforting sound of an inch of rain pelting down on the roof. Still, it meant we could have a lie in.

So, as with all indecisive climbers, it was off to Pete's Eats for some deliberation.

Having eaten our own weight in fat, it was decided that a bracing walk around the quarries was in order and we set off at once.

Despite the rain the quarries never fail to impress. Taking in an awe inspiring slab of looming, black slate, darkened by

the rain, is a sight I won't soon forget, not to mention the tail end of a majestic buzzard disappearing over the crest of a hill. The tour was headed by Matt Walters who embellished our glorious walk with historical facts and trivia surrounding the quarries.

Now carrying enough water in our clothes to run the Piccadilly fountain we decided it was time to visit Wales' premiere climbing wall, The Beacon. Here we spent a few hours destroying our fingers on S.O.S's and conquering the terrifying wall switch on the lead wall before retiring to Caseg for toad in the hole and a copious amount of wine and cards.

Sunday greeted us with far finer weather and a Caseg cooked breakfast. We headed out to Ogwen to climb some slabby multipitches, but on arrival it appeared that half of Wales had also headed to Ogwen. It was decided, therefore, that we would split. Mark, Sam and Rob climbed a multipitch, in boots, taking them about 3 hours. Matt and I headed around the lakes to take in the scenery and greet various dogs that happened to be frequenting the area before heading back to leafy but rockless Surrey.

A marvellous time was had by all on the Wales meet, we ate well, we drank well, we climbed well. Generally we were stunned, as usual, by the beauty that is North Wales and I very much enjoyed my first trip as a ULGMC member.

## Fallcliffe AGM and dinner meet

24-26 October 2008

## Report by Heather Rumble

Saturday morning started brightly enough so the Motts headed off to Birchens. Rachel and Keith braved Yo-Ho crack on a top rope before the rain put a halt to the frivolity and a retreat to the Robin Hood was in order.

However, Mark Stitson (secretary) and I joining the Royal Holloway Mountaineering and Climbing Club (MACs) for the day spent far too long eating our second breakfast and arrived at Stange Edge (Plantation) just as the rain made an appearance. Pushing on it was decided that some soggy climbing could continue and most people managed two leads before deciding the now black gritstone really was a bit too slippery for comfort. I however spent the afternoon learning to lead, setting up belays at ground level (feeling rather foolish) and spending at least 20 minutes releasing a stubborn hex from an unyielding crack.

Now thoroughly soaked and frozen to the core (how else should you feel after a days climbing?!), Mark and I left MACs (who, it turned out, went for a bouldering session at The Works) for the AGM meal where we learned that many people had got a good walk in and anyone else had thoroughly enjoyed the rugby!

Sunday greeted us with brilliant sunshine and a large party parked at the Grouse - to the consternation of the Landlord - for a walk along the top of Froggat and back along White Edge for a late lunch. Another smaller group parked at Curbar and met up along the path. As with most ULGMC walks along White Edge, the wind stiffened and the rain came but fortunately not until we had turned our backs to it.

Mark and I, once again joining MACs, headed to Hathersage for some breakfast where it was decided a days climbing at Rivelin could be productive. However, on arrival the rain once again began to pelt down so it was off to The Foundry for some indoor climbing where I was defeated by almost every bouldering problem there!

Though the British weather was, as is most often the case, against us, some mountaineering and climbing was certainly achieved. I thoroughly enjoyed members of the club regaling wacky stories from their ULMC days and felt this weekend was an excellent introduction to the club.



## Fallcliffe, the Bonfire Meet 7-9 November 2008

No fireworks reported this year!!!

## Caseg Fraith, Early winter?

### 28-30 November 2008

Bit early to expect a report! Can you let me have one for April please...

## News from Members

### Downing Street meet, October 2008

#### Tim Marshall reports:

Nice wine and nice decor at the meet at Downing Street. Climbing was not so good!



### Early Skitouring on the Hasenflüeli, November 2008

#### Shaun West reports:

The snows have come thick and fast this year. A short day out to the east of Switzerland near Davos gave some stunning views and around 1000m of power snow for the decent. Strange how much effort it takes after a break of five months!

## Club News

### ULGMC committee meeting, 25 October 2008, Fallcliffe

Present: Tim Marshall, Sue Darling, Keith Mott, Mark Stitson, Heather Rumble (as observer).

Apologies: Neil Brindley, Shaun West

Minutes of last meeting were accepted

Matters arising not covered elsewhere: Keith will address the issue of donations from the club at the AGM

**Committee reports:** These were deferred to the AGM

**Huts:** Tim outlined the situation of the huts and the BMC and again this will be discussed at the AGM with details in the AGM minutes.

**Meets:** Sue Darling has completed the 2009 meets list and as she is standing for the president's position, Heather Rumble volunteered to stand for the meets secretary position.

**Recruitment:** The committee approved the application of Jim Nicholson, a friend of the Bevises. Several ideas for recruitment were discussed and a detailed plan will be formed at the next committee meeting.

**BMC:** Tim has attended the BMC Huts seminar and is working with the hut trustees on implementing the new legal requirements, which should not have any effect on the club.

**Any other business:** The ULGMC want to celebrate their 60th anniversary, which takes place in the 2008/2009 academic year and have invited us to contribute. They will let us know once they have more details and the President is keeping in touch with Linda, the ULGMC president.

The next committee meeting is set for 28 October 2008, which will enable us to take in all the suggestions and ideas from the AGM.

### Minutes of the 58th Annual General Meeting of ULGMC

#### Held at the Millstone, Hathersage on Saturday 20 October 2008

The meeting convened at 6 pm with the President, Tim Marshall, in the chair.

##### 1. Apologies for absence

Michael and Liz Parkinson; Derek and Jeni Fordham; Trevor and Janet Hellen; Geoffrey and Mary Williams; Elspeth and Tim Howell; Neil Brindley; John and Laura Hampton; Pauline Owens

##### 2. Minutes of the 2007 AGM

The minutes were unanimously accepted as a true record.

##### 3. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

##### 4. Committee reports

###### President

The President's written report 2007-8 was handed to all present and will be printed in the newsletter.

Tim announced his retirement as president and thanked the past and present committee members. He wished

John and Laura Hampton best wishes on their new life in Australia.

The issue of an ageing club is slowly being addressed with Stuart Elliott writing to the ULGMC as a first step, the committee putting together new information and leaflets for recent graduates and an introductory membership fee for recent graduates.

Tim also mentioned that the ULGMC were planning a 60th anniversary event for the 2008/2009 academic year and had invited us to an as yet unspecified event in London.

On the subject of the huts Tim noted that the Caseg refurbishment was nearly complete and we could now look towards the essential fire safety work required for Fallcliffe.

Tim also noted that changes in legislation meant that we now required a responsible named person for each hut, which made the safety work even more important. There was no difference in the safety and related requirements whether the huts were members only or open to non-members to book. Tim is going to write up a report on the BMC hut seminar he recently attended for the newsletter.

He also reiterated that the BMC affiliation not only gives us liability insurance but also pays for the legal advice, the representation of our interests towards the government and other bodies, as well as access to the hut insurance and the travel insurance schemes.

###### Secretary

The secretary reported that most newsletters were now sent per e-mail, which meant a lot less work in printing and posting newsletters and asked anyone not receiving their newsletter to contact him directly.

###### Treasurer/membership Secretary

The Treasurer/Membership Secretary presented the latest membership figures of 40 single members and 130 family members. The club currently has assets of £6413.60 in the bank. Keith had not been able to produce full club accounts yet (independent of the hut accounts), but hoped to have these ready for the next newsletter. Keith proposed the new membership fees to be increased in line with the BMC affiliation fee increase and the new fees of £20 for single members, £30 for family membership and, for their first year only, £12 for new graduates and children reaching the age of 18 were approved by the meeting. Keith also noted that we had not made our usual donations and it was suggested to make these to the Friends of Snowdonia, the Friends of the Lake District and the Mountain Rescue Committees of England, Scotland and Wales; the exact donations were to be left



to the committee. Keith was also asked to split out the costs of membership so members knew what the membership went to in detail. It was also requested that we clarify the status of children with regard to their membership status within the club.

Keith also expressed his thanks to Shaun West for the newsletter and web site; Dave Morley for looking after Fallcliffe; and Stuart Elliott for liaising with the ULMC.

#### Meets Secretary

Sue Darling reported that the meets had generally gone well last year and next years meets list was being finalised and a draft was handed to all at the meeting. Sue thanked everyone who had replied to the questionnaire and thanked the meet leaders.

#### Huts

In the absence of the hut wardens Tim reported that the Caseg account would be in the next newsletter and the Fallcliffe accounts would be available soon. Tim also reported that the hut trustees had decided to increase the hut fees and the new fees would be £5 for members of the club and students of the University of London and Imperial College, £6 for other students and £8 for others. Under-fives would be free. Further, Tim had attended the BMC Hut Seminar which summed up the current state of legislation and gave much needed advice on new requirements.

#### BMC Committee for Wales – report from Trefor Owen.

There were parking issues near Cloggy; the national park had been asked to post warning signs about the danger of the great outdoors; the Nant Peris to Pen-y-pass footpath was now complete, but not in a perfect state; the round Snowdon trek was now complete and postcard sized map card were available and very good indeed; there were still access problems at Langollen; Osprey had nested successfully; the Welsh Highland railway was nearly complete, about 30 feet were still missing.

The BMC web site contains the BMC Area committee meeting minutes in full.

#### BMC Committee for the Lakes – report from Tim Marshall

Tim had been unable to attend any Lakes Committee meetings, so there was nothing to report

#### Election of new Committee

The President informed the meeting that Sue Darling had agreed to serve as ULGMC President, and Heather Rumble had agreed to take on the post of Meets Secretary.

It was agreed by acclamation that the following should be officers/Committee members of ULGMC for 2008/2009:

● President Sue Darling (Proposed: Frances Mott, Seconded: Bill Bristow)

● Treasurer/membership Secretary Keith Mott

● Secretary Mark Stitson

● Meets Secretary Heather Rumble (Proposed: Bill Bristow, Seconded: Frances Mott)

● Newsletter editor Shaun West

● Vice President (to maintain a link to the hut trustees) Tim Marshall (Proposed: Frances Mott, Seconded: Bill Bristow)

Thanks were expressed to all officers for their work.

#### **7. Election of BMC/ULMC reps**

It was agreed that Trefor Owen should represent the club for Wales and Tim Marshall for the Lakes. There was no nomination for the London and SE committee or ULMC rep

#### **8. Election of honorary scrutineers**

Mike Warden and Mike Parkinson were re-elected scrutineers for the Club and hut accounts by acclamation (Proposed: Tim Marshall, Seconded: Bill Bristow).

#### **9. Meets programme 2008 - 9. (See also report of Meets sec and elections above)**

The meets programme for next year was ready and Sue and Keith would help ease Heather into her new position.

Tim suggested having a spring meet in mid-Wales.

#### **10 Any Other Business**

Members were invited to think of ideas for the upcoming 60th anniversary of the club.

Elements of the club archive were being passed from Sue Esten to Jill Bennett.

## **Committee meeting 28 October 2008**

Present: KM, SD, HR, MS

Apologies: NB, SW, TM

Sue Darling opened the meeting as the new president and proposed the meeting follow up on the issues raised at the AGM.

#### **Finance**

In the area of finance our aim was to stay solvent and maintain a working reserve. The club was currently in a healthy state and in control of its spending. KM was maintaining an ordered book-keeping system and this would enable the treasurer to produce ordered accounts in the future which can be audited. Our expenditure was currently estimated to be within our income and we established that we would be happy with a reserve that

equated to roughly two years expenditure.

#### **Membership**

In an effort to expand our membership, MS had gathered all the information we needed to start on a membership campaign with current students of the University and existing Alumni. We needed informational material aimed at older alumni as well as material aimed at existing students. It was also noted that the ULMC is not THE climbing club of the University anymore. All larger colleges have their own clubs and as such the ULMC membership only represents a small minority of climbers within the University. There are no formal links between the college clubs and the ULMC. This means any membership campaign needs to be broader. HR volunteered to produce some student friendly material. MS volunteered to implement a paperless application system, which meant that application and payments could happen without paper. The committee also noted that the website needed much new material, including all forms in a accessible way. We will also design an insert for the hut booking form, so students become aware of the club at an early stage. We needed to find out bed nights of the university clubs. HR suggested having a new members meet as an evening event at a central London climbing wall with a sociable pub event thereafter. MS was going to lead the March Fallcliffe meet as a new and prospective member meet.

#### **Meets**

The committee decided to produce guidance notes for meet leaders, so that new meet leaders knew what to do and we could get newer members involved in leading meets.

SD handed over organisation of the next AGM and dinner to HR. The 2009 AGM will take place in North Wales, the 2010 AGM will take place in the Lakes.

#### **Newsletter**

We decided to create a more enticing whole committee report, rather than the lengthy current reports. As we get asked the same questions regularly we thought of producing a useful resources section in each newsletter. HR will chase up meets reports and has started writing those which she attended herself.

#### **Huts**

It was decided to suggest donating some of our funds to the improvement of Fallcliffe once the basic work was done. Any suggestions from the membership would be welcome.

## Email addresses

### @ULGMC.ORG

Just a reminder of the club email addresses:

Sue Darling- [president@ulgmc.org](mailto:president@ulgmc.org)

Keith Mott - [members@ulgmc.org](mailto:members@ulgmc.org)

Heather Rumble [meets@ulgmc.org](mailto:meets@ulgmc.org))

Elsbeth Howell - [caseg@ulgmc.org](mailto:caseg@ulgmc.org)

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Mark Stitson - [secretary@ulgmc.org](mailto:secretary@ulgmc.org)

## President's corner

### Tim Marshall President's report 2007-8

This my last report in this role, and I would like to start by thanking all the other post-holders who in their various ways have helped to keep the club together over the last 6 years. They have done the work, not me.

Next, I want to make a special mention of John and Laura Hampton, who are unable to be here this year, and who may not be at an AGM ever again. Laura - one of the founder members, a former Caseg hut warden, and a former president - and John are moving to Australia in a month's time. Their change of address will be in the N/L, but I would like here to acknowledge the immense debt we owe them both, not least for our very existence. I think the club should send them a formal letter of thanks, and I hope you agree.

The main content of the report is about the three themes that have been of recurring interest - to me, if not to you! - over the last six years: The club; the huts, and the BMC. I'll take them in that order.

#### The club.

Like lots of other clubs, ULGMC is aging; but it doesn't have to be like that, and indeed it shouldn't be. Many of you will have seen the e-mail from the ULMC president which I sent round; the task is to persuade the new graduates to join us and, sooner rather than later, take over the running of the club. We are trying three approaches to canvassing new members.

Firstly, Stuart Elliott has been in touch with ULMC promoting the benefits of joining us, and I have followed this up in reply to the e-mail sent by their president.

Secondly, we shall repeat the exercise Sue Esten undertook a few years ago, by contacting the alumni associations of the London colleges, asking them to circulate information about the club to their members.

(For both of the above, we hope soon to have an on-line application form which can be sent electronically to the Membership Secretary).

Thirdly, we are developing a blurb about the club, and this, together with an application form (and the agreement of the hut wardens), will be sent out to all student groups booking the hut in future.

#### The huts.

We have spent a large amount of money upgrading Caseg. It's not quite completely finished, but will be (I hope) by Christmas. The reserves are reduced accordingly, though there is still a 5-figure sum available immediately to attend to the most pressing problem at Fallcliffe, fire safety. This latter was the main subject of the recent BMC huts seminar, which I'll write a report about for the N/L after this one.

One of the consequences of this work is that hut fees will have to go up. The Trustees agreed the following rates, applicable to any bookings made after October 15th (i.e. any existing bookings, no matter when for, get the old rates).

Members, their children, and U of L students: £5 pppn

Other students: £6 pppn

Others: £8 pppn

Children under 5: free.

#### The BMC

I'm aware that there is some scepticism about the BMC and the value the club gets from its affiliation. Elsewhere in this N/L there is a report from the BMC AGM in April, which some might find enlightening.

There are, as far as I can tell, two main "benefit streams".

Firstly (and I've written about this before), insurance on the huts and their contents. This is done through a BMC package, with underwriters who are clued up to what climbing huts are like, and about. (This is more important than you might think: a few years ago, Glan Dena, at the head of Llyn Ogwen, was assessed for rates as though it was a Youth Hostel, and Helyg was rated as a community home!). The importance of having underwriters or rating valuation officers who understand nature of the premises is obvious, and I doubt we could do anything like as well if we went independently to the insurance market.

Secondly, I was surprised to learn that the "affiliation fee" - £11.75 next year - isn't all to do with 3rd party insurance. Full details are in the report of the BMC AGM, but for me the most important element is that of insurance for officers, meet leaders, hut wardens and trustees. At £3.13 per person, we have insurance up to £10M for any one incident. If I tell you that the underwriters are currently facing a claim of several million pounds for a single incident (not climbing - someone wandered away from a bona fide sports event

organised by a club, fell into a river and broke their neck) you can see how critical it is that we have decent insurance. Again, I can't imagine that it would be possible to obtain such a deal covering 15 - 20 people in the various categories described above.

That's all. Thank you for electing me president; I hope you don't feel your trust was misplaced. And (too late for those not at the dinner) enjoy the meal.

## Sue Darling

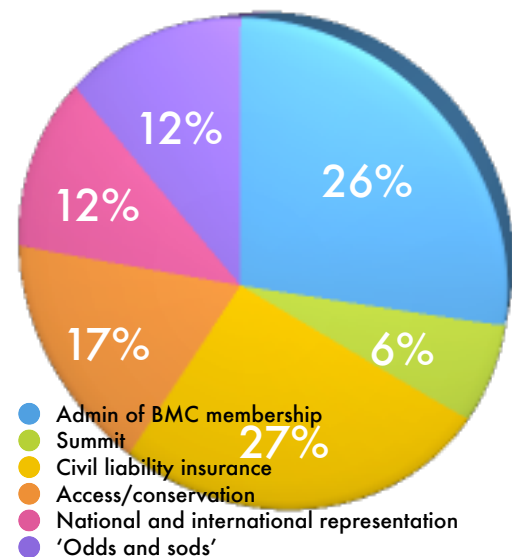
Tim is a hard act to follow as President but I'll do my best, and am always open to your thoughts and ideas.

As you'll see, the Committee has met since the AGM and we've established a few priorities for 2009. First is finance. Due to changes in treasurer we have got behind with the accounts and Keith has been working hard to bring them up to date. Meanwhile we've looked at our operating costs and made a holding decision about the minimum level of reserves.

Next is the continued membership drive, with some innovative plans to get more members and a wider membership base, especially new graduates.

Third, we're looking at ways of

Breakdown of the 11.75 "Capitation fee"



improving services which the Club offers to members both directly and through the BMC. Some changes to the website should be up soon - thanks to Shaun and Mark for their work on this.

'Use it or lose it' - the future of the meets programme is up to you, the members. There are the old favourites and some new sites for 2009, or why not volunteer something different?

All the best for 2009 from Australia.

## BMC news

### BMC April meeting

The BMC AGM was held in Northumberland in April, hosted by the Northumberland Mountaineering Club. A bitter east wind on the Saturday saw the westward-facing Bowden Doors and Ravens crags plastered with BMC members, basking in the blazing sunshine and very well sheltered by the crags themselves.

The AGM itself was rather less fractious than some I've been to: many of "the usual suspects" were absent, which made for fairly level-headed discussion. The main proposal affecting us, mentioned in the last N/L, was the proposal to raise the (adult) capitation fee to £11.75. For the first time we had a breakdown of how this was made up: Administration of club membership: £3.03; 1 copy of Summit: 0.76p; Civil liability insurance: £3.13; Access and conservation: £2.01; National and international representation: £1.42; all else (volunteer development, hut co-ordination committee, technical committee and some odds and sods: £1.40).

Set out like that, it doesn't seem quite so unreasonable to me. They re-iterated the long-term goal of setting the capitation fee at 50% of the individual membership fee (to be £29.95 in 2009). It was confirmed that hut insurance - buildings and contents - is done separately, but the civil liability element does cover liability to other persons in the huts (e.g. in the event

that there is a fire in a hut and someone is injured).

I raised the matter of insurance for kids: there will be a capitation fee of £7.00, which doesn't sound too bad unless you're in a club like ours which doesn't charge separately for child members; and we can't afford to subsidise that directly from club funds. There was some sympathy with the position we find ourselves in - I don't think we're the only club that has children coming along, but not as full members in their own right - and a sort of "well, if you don't tell us they're a member, we won't know, and won't charge" (that's a very unofficial version of what was said!). But if you want your child to have the civil liability protection, you can pay the BMC £7.00 directly. There are also some good deals for families: 2 adults + up to 3 children, full membership for £51.00. Then you claim back 2 adult capitation fees (£23.50) and you've got full BMC membership for the whole family for less than £30. Get onto the BMC website ([www.bmc.co.uk](http://www.bmc.co.uk)) for full details.

### The Munro Society.

The club has a number of members who have completed all the Munros - I know of at least three, and possibly four, and there may well be others. At the Keswick Mountain Festival earlier this year, the tent with all the community groups in it had a trestle table for "The Munro Society", and a copy of their journal. If you're interested in finding out more, contact the Hon. Secretary, 12, Randolph Court, Stirling FK8 2AL

The journal is a high-quality production, with excellent photographs.

## New addresses and new members

The contact details and email addresses will be uploaded to the members' section of the website [www.ulgmc.org/members\\_area/](http://www.ulgmc.org/members_area/). The aim is to upload the updated list on a monthly basis rather than to add them to the newsletter.

Laura Hampton:

"Here is our new address:

Green Gables, 18 Eastern Avenue, Mangerton, N.S.W.2500, Australia; Tel (0061) 2 4228 7704.

[hamptons@1s179dn.freemove.co.uk](mailto:hamptons@1s179dn.freemove.co.uk)

We shall not be sending Christmas cards so would you pass on our greetings and good wishes to everyone at the dinner. We shall be glad to hear from anyone visiting Sydney and shall have a spare room for visitors. I hope that people will get in touch if they are visiting Oz."

### Change of (email) address

Penny Lewthwaite:

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James Webster:

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Sarah Sharp:

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### Obituaries

Fortunately none to report.

# UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

## GRADUATE MOUNTAINEERING CLUB

### MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 2009

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Please fill out the highlighted sections and any others, as necessary, below clearly in BLOCK CAPITALS

#### Section 1

This information will be used to identify you to club members and the BMC.

<b>Your first name</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>Your surname</b>	<input type="text"/>
Partner's first name	<input type="text"/>
Partner's surname	<input type="text"/>
Telephone No	<input type="text"/>
email	<input type="text"/>

Children, under 18 years, of members registered with BMC are not covered by the BMC liability insurance unless paid for separately. The affiliation fee for 2009 is £7 per child.

Name(s) and age(s) of child(ren) under the age of 18 to be registered with BMC.

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

#### Section 2

The following information will be used, as laid out here, on address labels for the club to communicate with you.

Title	<input type="text"/>	Name	<input type="text"/>
Address	<input type="text"/>		
	<input type="text"/>		
Town	<input type="text"/>		
County	<input type="text"/>		
POSTCODE	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	Please tick to receive newsletter in email form <input type="checkbox"/>

Please renew my/our membership for 2009

Single	£20	<input type="checkbox"/>	I wish to pay for single membership & in advance	<input type="checkbox"/>
Family	£30	<input type="checkbox"/>	I wish to pay for family membership & in advance	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please find enclosed cheque for the sum of £

When you have completed all applicable sections please return the form to the Membership Secretary together with your fee (£20 single or £30 family). Cheques should be made payable to "ULGMC"

Internet banking is available on request. Please tick if you wish to use this facility

**Membership Secretary, ULGMC, Lincolns Meadow Cottage, Hales Street, Tivetshall St Margaret, Norwich, Norfolk, NR15 2EE** or email to [members@ulgmc.org](mailto:members@ulgmc.org). Thank you.