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Blue skies and crisp underfoot for everyone

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Important Announcements

Membership Renewals

Happy New Year to you all. How are the resolutions holding up?

I am afraid to say that this is also the time to renew your club membership. If you have already set up a Direct Debit you will receive an email shortly. Otherwise please make a bank transfer (acc no 04145127 and s/c 52-30-40), or set up an authorisation for a Direct Debit via https://dashboard.gocardless.com/api/paylinks/0QNYCBJ71A. You can also send a cheque made out to ULGMC to David Roche, ULGMC Memebrship Secretary, 3 Eastfield Cottages, Tidebrook, Wadhurst, TN5 6PF

The rates are as follows: £24.25 (first 2 years); £28.25 (single); £52.50 (joint). Thank you.

AGM 2023

The 71st Annual General Meeting of the University of London Mountaineering Club will be held at Plas y Brenin, Capel Curig over the Easter weekend, 2023. The date and time has yet to be confirmed. Further information will be contained in the next newsletter due out in early February.

Please send any agenda topics or articles to Seb, editor@ulgmc.org, for inclusion.

Upcoming Meets

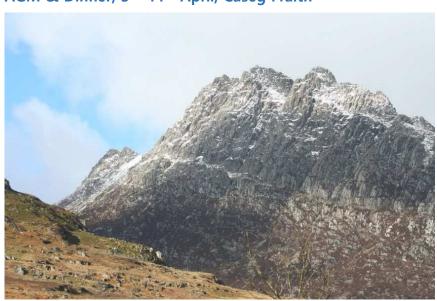
27th-29th January, Peak Snow



This has often been one of the meets with the most snow. After an almost complete lack at New Year we are hoping for at least a light smattering at Fallcliffe.

Please contact The Motts to book your places. saymellon@gmail.com

AGM & Dinner, 5th-11th April, Caseg Fraith



Even if you're not interested in attending the AGM this is a great opportunity to explore this classic climbing and mountaineering area. Remember, this is the 70th anniversary of the first scaling of Everest and the training took place here!

Please email Elanor, meets@ulgmc.org, for more information.

Inspired? Fancy running a new meet?

Contact the meets secretary: meets@ulgmc.org

Meet Reports

Bonfire at Fallcliffe - Keith Mott



After fears that the undergrowth would be too dry for fireworks, the weather came to our rescue and gave us more than enough damp to allow the fun to commence.

The Ukrainian family joined ourselves, Andy & Elena and Jon Jones in building the bonfire on Saturday morning. Pauline, James and Amanda arrived later for the fireworks.

In the afternoon some of us left the relatively clear conditions at the hut to drive into the mist and rain for a walk along Burbage. We tried to describe the views across to Higger Tor and beyond for our friends. We hope they will come back someday when it's clearer.

The rain kept off in the evening for the bonfire and fireworks. Frances and her team of helpers provided plenty of hot food for the intermissions. We all had a great time, especially us kids.

Sunday saw the group scatter in different directions to explore some of the attractions nearby.

Left to right: Elena, Keith, Rachael, Andy, Jon & Alex. Thanks to Olena for the image

New Year at Caseg Fraith – Keith Mott

We were a very select crowd this year with only 6 of us sitting down for a meal on New Year's Eve. We were expecting more but last minute changes and a COVID-like 'flu put paid to many plans.

We joined Trevor for a meal at the Caban, https://www.caban-cyf.org/, an interesting alternative to, and just a 2 mile yomp away from, Pete's Eats, https://petes-eats.co.uk/.

I must say that those who did stay away picked the best time to do so. The weather for most of the time was foul with heavy showers and strong winds putting paid to any high level ambitions. And no snow!

Mark and I managed a quite pleasant low level walk above Capel towards Betws, crossing over the river in full spate and heading back to PYB. Otherwise we spent the time on improving the facilities in the hut.

Interested in joining the committee?

Here's a brief description of the committee roles available at the moment in ULGMC.

Committee Members without Portfolio

This is a role for anyone who is interested in helping out with the committee, but who doesn't want to be tied to a specific role. CMWP's attend committee meetings, helping make decisions on behalf of the club. They also take on ad-hoc roles to generally get stuff done – this could be a clothing order, helping out with the AGM, tidying bits of the website or just being a voice of wisdom. This role is ideal for those that think they might want to take on an officer position, but want a taster first. We also have CMWP's who have held officer roles in the past, to offer advice and to help out.

Email Keith for more information: president@ulgmc.org

We're also looking for meet leaders and people interested in organising socials, climbing and day walks in London and the South East.

BMC News

BMC members area, Summit magazine and lost membership cards

As ULGMC member (resident in the UK) you're covered by third-party liability insurance through the BMC and have access to Summit magazine and BMC discounts. Log in* via https://www.thebmc.co.uk/login. Click "Link your membership to this account today", entering your BMC membership number (on your ULGMC membership card) and your date of birth.

(*If you have never used the member area of the BMC webpage then you will need to register first. Visit https://www.thebmc.co.uk/register .)

You'll now be able to "View your online membership card", watch BMC documentaries and "BMC TV" and get access to exclusive offers.

As a club member, you receive the first annual issue of Summit magazine each year in print. But you can read the other issues online, in the BMC members area or via the app

Android: https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=air.com.yudu.ReaderAIR4536603
iOS: https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/summit-magazine-climbing-walking/id850480265?mt=8

Members' Corner

Wanted: Your Stories of Adventure!

We know that ULGMC members get up to all sorts of exciting things during the year, from snow-shoeing to climbing inaccessible peaks and scaling rock in exotic locations. We would love to hear about these adventures, as they act as a source of inspiration for so many members.

Any contributions are welcome, whether you'd like to write a page or just a few lines with a photo. Please send contributions to editor@ulgmc.org

Meets 2023

Date	Meet or Social	Location	Meet Leader	Notes
January 27 th – 29 th	Peak Snow?	Fallcliffe Cottage, Peak District	TBC	The Real Property lies
March TBC	Joint ULMC Meet	Fallcliffe Cottage, Peak District	ТВС	
April 5 th – 11 th	Easter Meet (and AGM)	Caseg Fraith, Snowdonia	Elanor Mott	TIME TO EATH
May 26 th – June 2 nd	Spring Bank Holiday	Trevedra Farm, Land's End	Frances Mott	· 元全 一种
July 21 nd – 28 th	End of Term Escape	Somerset Camping	The Motts	小元全
August 24 th – 31 st	August Bank Holiday	Caseg Fraith, Snowdonia	Keith Mott	PLAS Y SRESIN
September TBC	Norfolk Mountains	Norwich, Norfolk	The Motts	TIME TO EATH
November 3 rd – 5 th	Bonfire Meet	Fallcliffe Cottage, Peak District	The Motts	TIME TO EATH
Dec 28 th – Jan 2 nd	New Year Meet	Caseg Fraith, Snowdonia	Elanor Mott	TIME TO EATH

Italics denote unconfirmed details



Members: Contact meet leaders directly to attend meets

Non-members: Contact the meets secretary to attend meets: meets@ulgmc.org

Thinking of running a meet? Contact the meets secretary (above)

Your Committee



Clive Pedder Treasurer



David Roche Membership Secretary



Elanor Mott Meets Secretary



Seb Rowlands
Committee Member without Portfolio

Volunteers are always Needed!

We also need: Meet Leaders, London Socialites/Climbers/Walkers

ULGMC is nothing without its members. Make it yours by helping decide the future of the club. Being a ULGMC committee member is a great way to boost your organisational, leadership, teamworking and social skills. Email me, Keith Mott, for more details, president@ulgmc.org.

ULGMC Huts

Fallcliffe



Lead Trustee

Mike Hale

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Hut Warden

Dave Morley

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Fees include fuel and electricity, are £7 for ULGMC members and University of London students, £9 for other students and £12 for guests, per person per night. No individual bookings accepted except for ULMC & ULGMC members. Bunk space available for parties of up to 15 people.

To book the hut, visit:

https://www.ulgmc.org.uk/huts/fallcliffe/book

Caseg Fraith



Lead Trustee Mark Stitson mark@stitson.com



Hut Warden & Booking Secretary
Phil Tarr
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Hut Sub-Warden
Sally Brown
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Fees, which include fuel and electricity, are £7 for ULGMC members and University of London students, £9 for other students and £12 for guests, per person per night. Bunk space is available for parties of up to 40 people.

Wifi Network: CasegFraith; Password: Tryf@n917

Strictly limited to 8 parking spaces.

To book the hut or check availability, visit:

https://www.ulgmc.org.uk/huts/caseg/book