

Summes. 1927  
July 23<sup>rd</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>

Name	Form
A. Walker	6Bc.
Jn Pennington	4e.
J. F. S. J. Hubbard	4x
N. M. Jones	3x
J. Thornley	4.P.
J. A. Houghney	R2
R. A. Martin	4X
H. I. Wallace	3 x
S. S. Pavillard	2 R
N. Woodhall	2 L
S. S. Fox.	4P
C. G. Dobson	R.M.

HB Smith.

E. M. Brown

D. Willett

K. J. Lishman.

K. D. White

Unattached Staff

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Saturday, July - 23<sup>rd</sup>

Party of 13. - Mr. H. Bartlett, D. Osm. Humphrey, Walker, Thornley, Fox, Peeling ton, Parillard, Wallace, James, N. M. Woodhall, Hubbard, Martin R. A., arrived & joined Mr. G. L. R. Brown, at 3:30 p.m.

Weather - lovely (really wet, in (wind) pool.) Excitement, washing at the pool, drawing of blankets etc. prevented anything being done, except TEA.

After dinner the whole party walked to Wendenath Tarn and the Devil's Punch Bowl. Getting back at about 10 p.m. Whether it was because the skaters had not been used to boys or boys not being used to skaters, but many crashes from skaters and many falls from boys persuaded the otherwise silent of the night.

Sunday, July 24<sup>th</sup>

Weather breaking up to 11 o'clock, but a gloriously sunny afternoon evening.

After breakfast the whole party went to Castle Crag: all were drenched but on reaching the top, our efforts were rewarded by sunshine. We got back to dinner at 1 o'clock.

After dinner and a rest a party were taken to the Banning Pool.

Tea was at 6-30. After which the whole party walked to the Hominian Power House and Quarries.

Monday: Dull morning but bright sunshine after about 12. Whole party went to Gt. Gable - via Power House, Brandreth, Gilliecomb, Gran Gable, G.D. Gable. Back via Straghead Pass. (Mist on Gable.) by about 3:30 p.m.

Time of 2 1/2 hours - quite good considering many were small boys?

Tuesday, July 26 - Heavy rain all the morning. Forecasts for the day were numerous and varied including those collected from the local inhabitants. Quits and table tennis (ping pong!) were exhausted and finally the toss of the coin decided on fate for the day - "Heads we stayed in camp and kept dry; tails, we went out and got wet." It came down 'heads' and we went out and got wet.

The walk was over Hornister to Ballymore and back. Sounds dull but proved to be most enjoyable. (The Ballymore sandwiches were eaten on the bridge at Gatesgarth.) The return journey was fine with patches of sunshine, and a few of the 'Supers' raced ahead in great style making the camp by about 4 p.m.

Wednesday, July 27 - Hornister - Dale Head - Robinson - Ballymore - Hornister - Camp.

A bright morning and the best possible view from Dale Head. Had the party split into two, 'weak' and 'strong'. The 'weak' party returned to camp at about 3 o'clock and the 'strong' party went on to Robinson where mist was met. This however soon cleared. There was considerable difficulty in finding a route down to Ballymore <sup>lake</sup>, but great fun was experienced in crossing a very steep gorge where some quite difficult climbing was called for. Thunder was now very near and one member of the party got an electric shock from the wire fencing. By the time the road was reached rain was falling fast and all were thoroughly soaked on the return journey over Hornister. Penlington, who became lame on Robinson, did well to finish with the party at about 5:30 p.m. It is not known whether he did this in spite of, or because of, his stick which has been taken round the lakes by many generations of Penlingtons. Made of mountain ash and shod at one end with at least a pound of iron, his stick of Penlington proves useful in practising, throwing the javelin.

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Thursday July 28. Scafell Pike.

Weather fine in the valleys, but dull and heavy mists higher.

The party set out at about 9:45 a.m. <sup>for</sup> Scafell Pike via. Esk House.

The top was reached at about 1:30 p.m. Owing to the mist the party got split into three on the return journey one of which missed the Styhead Pass and before discovering the right take got well down into West Dale, they were back by about 6:30. The main party returned by 5:45 p.m.

Friday July 29. Scafell Pike & Scafell.

A party of 5 set out at about 10:30. for Scafell via Styhead, Piers Gill and Lord's Rake. Return via, West Dale Head & Styhead.

Lunch on the Pike at 1:30, and Scafell by just before 3. Haze prevented much ~~any~~ being seen. The return journey was not commenced until just after 4 o'clock as an hour was spent hunting for D. Space who ~~was~~ lost by the ~~haze~~.

Walker who led <sup>the</sup> ~~a~~ hiring party up West Dale is to be congratulated on his valiant effort and staying power. Camp was made by 7:15.

Saturday July 30. Much time spent saying "Goodbye." General clean up in camp and welcome to newcomers.

For most of the party the week was an energetic one and most enjoyable.

Rylands	4H
L. G. Santos	3 <sup>H</sup>
N. Archer	4 <sup>x</sup>
F. Wilson	4 H
F. W. Rew.	Rc
A. J. Bolton	Rx.
C. G. Robson	Rm
J. Maughey	RX
H. R. Hunt	R. S. C.
G. H. Buck.	5 b.
S. S. Ravillard	2R
J. E. Wallace.	3x.
G. K. C. Brown	4P.
B. E. Elford	4H
L. W. Parkinson	4P.
J. F. S. J. Hubbard	4x
J. Leiper.	A. C.
n. woodhall	2 $\frac{1}{2}$
P. S. Mason.	3D
E. J. Wright	Rc.
J. Pennington	Le
H. W. Roberts	R. Sc
S. G. Parson.	
A. E. Rice	Rm
H. P. Pabley	

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Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup>. weather wet in morning; fine afterwards.  
 one party to Castle Craig; one party did Bole Head, and  
 back over Cobstone Band quarry.  
Monday, ~~July~~ Aug 1<sup>st</sup> - 1<sup>st</sup> Langdale by way of Stake Pass.  
 very wet & wiggly; one party straight to Harrison Stickee, and  
 back by High White Stones; one party to Pike o' Stickee, and lunch  
 and onto Loft Craig, Harrison Stickee, Pavey's Ark, High  
 Whitestones, back by Greenup - this might be called  
 "Stoneup" or "Greenup".  
Tuesday, Aug 2<sup>nd</sup>. "Fable"; misty & cold; one seen  
 folk and back down Aaron's Slack, up pony track  
 to West-dale, past Yew-banow, up Black Scaie pass,  
 over into Emsdale valley; up South Gap over into  
 Buttermer, back up Hristler's horse (a small party of  
 1 staff & 1 boy did this) the rest - home.  
Wednesday Aug 3<sup>rd</sup>. (p. 64)

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Sunday, July 30th. Raining in morning; this is a mere detail  
 as far as we are concerned. One party went up Honister  
 Quarries, visiting caverns, and looking for gold!!! We  
 found none: afternoon party did Dale Head, and  
 returned to camp via Cobstone band quarries.  
 Ended up very fine day. Mr. D. G. Parson arrived at 3:30 p.m.  
Monday, Aug 1st. Weather unsettled, rainy intervals,  
 started off for Langdale by way of Skelton Pass, in rain.  
 One party moved rapidly up the stake, and did Harrison  
 Stile, afterwards High White Stone and home: second  
 party did Pike o' Stiles, Loft Crag & lunch there;  
 afterwards Harrison Stile, High White Stone & home  
 again: fine for rest of day.  
Tuesday, Very <sup>fine</sup> again but misty: whole party did  
 Gable, and lunch on top. afterwards came down  
 Aaron's Slack, and divided: main party home by  
 Glaramara; R. S. & Murlington by pony track to  
 Westdale over Black Sail pass, down Emedale, over  
 Scout's Gap dam. Butterwee, and home over the  
 Honister Pass.  
Wednesday, August 3rd.  
 whole party did Scale face & Crummock  
 Water & back by Honister Pass. & Quarnie.  
 Fine weather continued on. Some came  
 back over Red Pike, High Stile &  
 Haystacks.

Thursday Aug. 4<sup>th</sup>

One party with Mr Parson over Glanamara:  
and the party to Keswick with R.H.S. through Portinscale  
Newlands, Catlells, over Maiden Moor, Scawdell  
Fell; High Scawdell thence again via Cobstone  
Bard quarries.

5<sup>th</sup> August.

Friday Party to Scawfell <sup>via Lady Rake</sup> Scawfell Pike  
to meet <sup>the</sup> Headmaster. Party returned via  
Allen Crag & Glanamara.

The Headmaster arrived in camp at 5.30 p.m. without  
the party, having come from Eskdale by Burnmoor,  
Wasdale Head & the Str. He hadn't been  
told to come the other way, & who was bring  
a rucksack from Boot & Beggott over Scawfell.

Saturday August 6<sup>th</sup>. Party of 13 departed <sup>the Pike?</sup>  
from camp after a very pleasant week: a  
new party arrived about 2-10 p.m. (or later),  
drawing blankets: remainder staying on in  
camp, cleaning up huts, and doingundry jobs,  
such as dipping, repairing forms etc. S.L.R. 13 to  
Keswick. Spent at Rothwaite today: continuing  
very fine, and hot; party commenced settling  
themselves in etc.

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August 6<sup>th</sup> 1927. arrived.

Borrows	4 E
Sutherland 10 P.	3 E
Rawland J.	2 B
Rycroft	2 B.
J. H. E. Brown	4 P.
G. H. Buck	5 b.
H. R. Fergie	Rsc
A. Bolton	Rx
Rylands	4 H.
Baer - AU.	4 E.
L. G. Santos	3 H.
N. Woodhall	2 L
L. W. Parkinson	7 P.
P. S. Mason	3 D
J. B. Williams	R. Sc.
J. J. Drayton.	2 E
A. R. Gunt.	R Sc
H. E. Cuddeback	
R. N. Bolton.	4 E.
G. Revell.	Ac.
F. W. Hew	R.
D. L. Hamilton.	Rx.
F. W. Roberts	R. Sc
S. Jenkayman	Rx.
H. Williams.	Rx.

Sunday. August-7<sup>th</sup> Very wet in the morning: cleared  
 after lunch: whole party walked to Dole Head  
 via Cobstone Band: here divided into two parties:  
 one coming down by the ~~Ham~~ <sup>New Slaty Track</sup> ~~stone~~, one going  
 longer way round.

Monday August-8<sup>th</sup> Very wet - continued: two parties:  
 one went up Langstrath Valley to sign post; then on  
 up Stake Pass and came off towards Pavey's Ark:  
 turned round and moved down slope towards Green up  
 Edge. returning via the Langstrath arriving at camp  
 about 4. p.m. 2nd party set out for Pillar Rock Mountain  
 via Power House, Brantreth, Tongue Beck, Black Sill,  
 High Level Route to Pillar Rock (this route begins at  
 Robinson's Cairn, two minutes after top of Looking  
 Street), & so up <sup>on the</sup> left of Pillar R. to top of Pillar  
 Mountain. Down to Windy Gap (betw. Pillar &  
 Trewit How) & by the [vile] scree from Windy Gap to  
 the Mosedale junction, & so by the Black Sill  
 path to Wastdale. By Ritson's Force turn to  
 left - avoiding the old Boy at the Hotel, &  
 make for Burnthwaite & <sup>up</sup> the Stee. N.B. the  
 old route up 't Stee is in some ways <sup>the</sup> better:  
 it keeps to the <sup>main</sup> back side just after you  
 cross the bridge over the beck coming down  
 from Moses' Sledgate, goes over grass for the  
 whole way instead of over the intractable  
 washings from the flanks of Gable, & takes the

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68: \* The account of Aug 31<sup>st</sup> 1926 has <sup>at least</sup> some merit — that it provoked the valuable details on this & later pages.

rise up to Stee Head all in a burst at the end. — The new track (high up on the Gable) is, I believe, about 50 years old. — Time 10 ~~AM~~ to 6 pm, of which six hours was through ceaseless rain; but there was no mist & the views were great all day. All held out most gamely — Borrowdale & Lunt ought to have a mention.

This walk (which is an improvement on the usual "four pass" walk — Hon<sup>x</sup>, South Gap, B. Sail, Stee — & of course much harder & longer) is one of the great walks of the District & ought to be one of the long distance walks ordinarily done by any party which has found its legs.

As the historian of Aug. 31<sup>st</sup> 1926\* suffered from a defect of autopsy, the "High Level Route" (which he puts into ~~Wisdale?~~) ought to be described. From Robinson's Cairn — which is big & obvious — drop down hill, half-right, for a difficult 15 yds or so; the path then goes on all along <sup>in side of the mountain</sup> foot of Piller Rock, keeping the contours wonderfully. There are tall cairns every half mile or so. Grand views down & across Easedale all the way. The path is clear in any mist, from the nail scratches, being the rock-climbers' high road to P. Rock. No track from P. Rock



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Tues. Aug 9<sup>th</sup>. Several casualties at home today - indeed in the night three might have quoted Lucian, 'en' robroy 'ep'et'g'. However we blessed Augies, his stables, & had breakfast.

The walk was Lobstone Band, down Newlands to a point opposite the church, then up the track to Brendelhow - as far as the col - & so home along the tops of Maiden Moor & Scowdell. Or so it was intended, but on the top of the last named two separate thunder-storms caught us - one in the face & one in the back of the neck. As the rain was solid from both storms, after 20" we gave up the idea of getting back to Lobstone Band & dropped to the left into Borrowdale. Those who had <sup>no</sup> nails, noticed their absence, & so did the whipper in. However we all got home at last.

Wed Aug 10<sup>th</sup>

A fine day to visit Keswick. Three stayed on a working party with R.H.S., who by the end of the day presented the camp with an incohate incinerator, to be known as Jimmy-Jimmy, said to be Arabic for the same. The rest of the staff present made a clotheshorse

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Thurs Aug 11<sup>th</sup>. R.H.S. & our party walked to Scale Force, then up Red Pike. [Climb up the left bank of Scale Beck as you face it, & you will find good bilberries: part of the L.I. had his experience for the first time, & a subsequent need to wash behind the ears.] The views during this ascent of Red Pike <sup>(after the first 100 ft)</sup> were better than on any of the other ascents, & the distant views, from Scotland to Pennines, were better than on any day of the week. Home along High Stee, High Clay, Haystacks, & the Power House. A red letter day.

R.H.S. & the other party went by the Hoster Craig quarry workings (part way up the miners' track;  $\frac{2}{3}$  then out & up to left by a foot path) onto Fleetwith; down to Warrscale Bottom & round Buttermere by a circuit. Also a first rate day.

Friday Aug 12<sup>th</sup>. Everyone pretty tired & we straggled up the Stee, dropping out if we wished: some came back early & did work in camp - path to boiler house etc. [NB Jimmy Jimmy burnt potato peelings tonight: he needs corrugated iron roofing to keep fog in rain. Please see if

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Jenkinson can get hold of two recent best sheets,  
 R.H.P., H.H.P., Revell, Reid & Parkinson went  
 to Scawfell by Lords Rake & had a great  
 day; again no rain. This is too heavy a  
 work for anyone below a good average.

"Cairn  
 Track" Route from Sty Head Tarn & Lords Rake  
 Tarn, at sign post, towards Esk House. On  
 getting <sup>near</sup> a piece of detached crag (on right)  
 close to the nearest base of Gt. End, turn right  
 through middle of a bit of fallen wall, which  
 runs out from this lump of crag at right angles.  
 Through this wall, walk on a patch of red  
 scree to (left) front - a stream bank -  $\frac{1}{2}$  a mile  
 off: before you get to the scree you will pick  
 up a cairn track. Follow this track for  
 about an hour to Hollow Stones under Mickledore.  
 The track climbs up pretty stiffly at first  
 to half left, under the Wasdale side of Gt.  
 End: then goes round above the head of Greta  
 Fall, & eventually across the upper part of  
 the Pices hill back - all this part is fine.  
 Then through the col between the shoulder of  
 the fike & Lingwell, keeping up the slope of  
 the former & not to the bottom of the col.  
 [This col is on the sky line from Sty H. Tarn].  
 The track now does not fall to right, but

keeps the contours well: this gives you rocks, but cuts out a bigish rise & fall which you will have on approaching Hollow Stones from the grass. - This track is the climbers route from Borrowdale to Seafell Buttress etc. It is nearer than the route which follows up the edge of Piers Gill, & like all "high level" routes, is full of spirited things. One nasty corner above Greta Fall.

For Lords Rake, see Boddaley. When out of the gully there described, swing back left round the top of the out to the top of Seafell Pinnacle & the neighbouring gully. Lunch on the top of the arête is as good a lunch as can be had. You can also go <sup>towards Micklestone</sup> down to have a look (only) at Broad Stand & Fat Man's Agony. - The main or Cokdale cairn is only worth visiting on a day of clear distance, for the sea views.

Saty Aug 13<sup>th</sup>. H.H.S. left for Loweswater & R.H.S. with a dozen boys for Liverpool. R.H.P. & Redgway arrived with 3 boys - total of boys 16.

A good tempered lot this week,  
& no grouches. Too many  
juniors.

H.H.S.  
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Aug. 13<sup>th</sup> arrived -

J. Borrow	4E
A. C. Baster	4X
L. Williams.	R <sup>x</sup>
R. N. Bolton.	4E
Drayton J. J.	2B
Hamilton D. L.	R <sup>x</sup> .
Rowland J.	2B
Pycroft. A. C.	2B.
G. H. Backe.	5 b.
N. Woodhall	2 <sup>L</sup> .
H. B. Hunt	R. Sc.
J. Penkeyman	R <sup>x</sup>
H. R. Fergie	R (sc)
J. E. Williams	R. Sc.
A. M. Hannah	5-
to Mrs Gibbon	5-13.
at highway	
W. Peters.	

Sunday, Aug. 14<sup>th</sup> - Rain all night, began to clear about 10 a.m. Whole party set out for Bastle Braz, via Longthwaite 7 am. Ascent this way perhaps too easy. It turned very fine and warm on the way up. Descending Bastle Braz via stone steps, party proceeded up High Scowdel via the slate quarries. Three fell out on the way up and went down again. The rest proceeded over High Scowdel returning via the Horster Wack and the short cut through the woods.

The weather turned dull and wet once more, and there was no enthusiasm for further walking - quite a number having developed blisters. A. R. and W. P. went to Watendlath, proceeded up Ruise Gill and over the Pivots to a view of Helvellyn and Thirlmere, returning via Middle Braz, Shivering Knot, Green Bomb, Knotts Dock 7 am, and a very steep and tedious descent down the woods into the Longthwaite Valley. The weather had again turned warm and sunny, and as the mist lifted some good views were obtained.

Monday, Aug. 15<sup>th</sup> Heavy rain in the morning which increased in intensity and kept everybody in camp. About 2 p.m. almost all hands went via Watendlath to Lodore Falls, but whilst in Watendlath Woods another very heavy downpour thoroughly soaked everybody. Back via Grange and Barwick Stone.

Tuesday, Aug. 16<sup>th</sup> Again wet in the morning, but nearly everybody was keen on seeing the International Motor Cycle Trials and accordingly made for the Horster. Much enthusiastic assistance was rendered to competitors who stuck in the churned up mud. After all the motor cyclists had passed at about 12.30, a start was made for Great Gable. There was heavy mist all the way from Horster House, with cold wind and very heavy rain from the foot of Green Gable onwards. The party was reluctant to tackle Great Gable, but a little community singing and the liberal use of the school cry put heart into them, and the ascent was made, but no views were obtained. Descent via Haven Slack to Sty Head 7 am, and then up to Spunking 7 am. The party then divided, some

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returning via Grain Gill to camp. Borrowers, Baxter A. B., Williams R., Hamilton and Buck with A. R. and W. P. proceeded via Allen Braze to Glaramara.

The mist and rain, which had temporarily ceased, now reappeared, and in addition to getting a thorough soaking, the party were considerably troubled by the mist and by the broken ground, which caused each ridge in succession to be mistaken for the summit of Glaramara, so that everybody despaired of ever reaching Bombes Gill and camp. However, the mist cleared just after the summit of Glaramara had been passed, and the good views obtained and the contrast with the conditions which had just been experienced put everybody in a good temper again.

Borrowers walked exceptionally well throughout the day, being well ~~to~~ in the van at each ascent and descent.

Wednesday, Aug. 17<sup>th</sup> A brilliantly fine day, which made practicable the ascent of Helvellyn which had been the topic of the camp all week. Everybody turned out except the crockeries and J. B. Williams who had permission to visit his parents at Keswick. At Watendlath, Woodhall and Ryecroft, who had been a considerable drag on the party decided to return. The going over Middle Braze, Shivering Knott, etc. was very boggy. Descending from Bamof Farm to Wythburn, the party was considerably delayed by the discovery of a plentiful supply of bilberries. However, the foot of Helvellyn was reached at last, and here lunch was eaten. After lunch, Williams, R., Bolton, K. N., and Hamilton decided to return with A. R. without tackling Helvellyn. At 2.25 p. m. the rest of the party - Borrowers, Baxter A. B., Drayton, Rowland, Hunt,

Penkayman, Fergie, Mc Gibbon and W. P. - commenced the ascent, which was very steep and tedious. Frequent two-minute rests were made, and the ascent of 3 miles was made in just under 1½ hours. From the summit, splendid views were obtained, and every peak in the panorama in Beaulake was identified. Several of the party wished to do Striding Edge, but it was decided that there was not sufficient time. The

descent was made in 35 minutes. The return journey was made via Wythburn, under Greenup Edge to Greenup Gill, and down Greenup Gill to Langstrath. There was a quite practicable foot track, with cairns at intervals all the way, and the path was rather luckily kept through tracts of bog and mushees - altogether a very good alternative to the Waterluth route.

Camp was reached at 8 p.m. on the return from the foot of Helvellyn taking 2 hrs. 40 mins. The first five started in to camp on the level from Strathwaite at 4 1/2 m. p.h. - good going considering the steepness of the day's walk - and the stragglers were only five minutes behind. The weather throughout was glorious, and everybody thoroughly enjoyed the outing. The walking of Rowland J in 28. deserves special praise - he was up with the leaders practically the whole way. In fact the whole party who completed the ascent of Helvellyn kept very well together - and there were two 2<sup>nd</sup> forms & ~~two~~ 4<sup>th</sup> form boys in the party.

Thursday, Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>. Opened dull, turning to rain. Several of the party wished to go to Keswick, so a free day was declared and a party set out to walk to Keswick. The weather became atrocious once more, very heavy rain being accompanied by a strong, cold wind. The bad weather continued throughout the day, and the Keswick party struggled in one by one, according to their success (or lack of it) in holding up cars. Games in the evening.

Friday, Aug. 19<sup>th</sup>. Party apparently tired by exertions of the last three days - all any rate unwilling to walk, although the weather was favourable. It was decided therefore to ~~go~~ clear out blankets and stretchers and clean the place thoroughly in view of the dirt trodden in during the wet weather. Most of party as unwilling to work as to walk, although there were several honourable exceptions - (Williams K, Penkayman, Dwyer, Fergie.) Mr. J. L. R. Brown arrived during dinner.

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Saturday Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> - Tidied camp up. Party of 13 left for Liverpool with A. R. & W. P.,  
Bolton having set out at 8 a.m. on his bicycle.

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Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>, arrived :-

Burrows Bm

Cashin J.A. "

Cashin J.R. Am

Baxter A.D. "

Cowan Sw.

Lindsey Bc

Mundell Rsc

Meloy 2R

Johnson Rc

Broughton Rsc

Winn A.G. Rsc

Williams L.G.)

" E.)

Adams )

Sircorn )

By train with  
G. B. L. + H. M. B.

walked from Windermere via Stake

Cycled.

Wet day improving. Fine walk to Watendlath before dinner.  
Valleys very soft & green - Irish looking - after wet summer.

- Robson (Ac) arrived on bike (with one pedal) about 6.0, expecting Tyler (late Am) with M. bike & camping outfit. Put boys to bed late but no bike party till 11.0. Washed & fed & bedded them (personally). At 11.30 Tyler, needing some attention. We slept Robson & him as rain was heavy.

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>

All awake before 6.0, when Tyler left for Seathwaite. Same weather, "fine intervals" of about three minutes. G.C.L. took party up Homister while G.L.R. & H.M.B. mended roof of caravan (very sketchily done by predecessors) & made Private latrine door secure. Afternoon of set off in heavy rain for Wasdale: the higher the fewer, only G.L.R.B. Baxter & Cashin A.R. reaching Wasdale head, H.M.B. with Troughton turning at about 1/2 mile beyond Napes Needle. Heavy rain all the way, violent wind, path inches deep in water all the way & on return deeper still. The gills very fine. 3 hours was good going for the three who went all the way.

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>

Same weather: river covered beach completely, wallowers lying just under bench. G.C.L. & H.M.B. with 15 boys to Scale Force in <sup>Buttermere?</sup> greatly improved weather. Lunch Borrowdale Village in hot sun. The Force in good order. Back (all but form of party) over Red Pike etc. to Power House. In cloud all way to Scarth Gap, but with entrancing glimpses, especially from High Stile - High to Bray portion. The Haystacks much too long & depressing for a finish on second day. All well, however.

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>

G.L.R.B. with small party up Langdales. Very wet, turned back without going on to Bowfell. Rest an easy day in Keswick. Weather improving, Lingmell clear for several hours in the evening.

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Wednes. Aug. 24th.

G.C.L. with eight boys to St. Gable via Sty Head. A leisurely party, this, with strong views against 'guide-racing' & record-breaking. The weather, at last, was quite 'Summery' & glorious views were to be had in every direction. The party returned by Green Gable & by following the railings all the way instead of going left round Brandreth, found themselves on the top of Grey Knott. The descent was a simple one - very little water - & could be done by any other party in 10". By this means, the tyranny of the "Power House" route can be avoided (& high time too!) This should be practicable in the reverse direction, the Honister Road being left two or three hundred yards below the new buildings. [Buddleley's map shows this as the route - over Grey Knott].

H.M.B. & A.D. Baxter, both with 'groffy' knees, stayed in & did a very useful sanitary job by opening the urinal drain. Their remarks prove that it has needed attention for some time. [It had  $\frac{3}{4}$ : I can taste the smell yet.]

Williams E., Wain & Sican spent the day scrambling about hapes & heales, watching two climbers go to the top (in pumps) & hearing what they describe as thrilling experiences in gullies.

Thurs. Aug 25

Party photograph 10.0 a.m. in brilliant warm sunshine (at last!) Large party did the Pike (without frills) & had the day of a lifetime - hot enough to bask on the top with noddings on, yet clear of all clouds & haze. Good photos expected. Meanwhile at home all blankets & stretchers were aired

G.C.B. with 9 boys left camp at 3.30 a.m. to see if the sun would rise. They returned by 8.0 well satisfied, though the show lasted only five minutes. Morning very dull - no rise at all in Borrowdale. Breakfast at 8.30 is the safe time: we had a rather ghastly wait till 9.0.

Friday 26<sup>th</sup>

Continuing dull. An easy day for all - Keswick, Castle Crag & other small items. Hair washed. Much music - Sircom's presence a great boon all the week.

Camp has run as smoothly as ever on the familiar lines. As far as the chief change from last year is concerned I unhesitatingly state my own strong preference for the old way. We have been very well fed indeed, & have had an excellent party of boys.

H.M.B.

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup>.

Miserably wet morning. H.M.B. & 3 boys left by 10.30 bus - Adams had gone at 6.30 in pouring rain. Tunnington (E.) arrived at 2.30 & M. Reece at 7.30. Martin & Maddock (by cycle) & Redington (by car) arrived during the afternoon. G.C.B., four boys, Mary & Rita explored 'The Dove's nest' in the afternoon & returned in high wind & driving rain.

During the week Troughton has considerably altered the Geography of the district. The following is a list of authentic 'Troughtonisms' (i.e. those which have originated with, or been swallowed by, him).

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Troughtonisms

Kings' Head	= Castle Crag.	<u>Unclassified</u>
Blen Cams	= Seathwaite Fell.	Barnaby Ridge
Bowden Stone	= on Sty Head Pass.	Bleak House
Honister	= Honister.	Fagg End.
Big End	= Great End.	Ainley Side
Bracken Moor	= Cat Bells.	Lost Sheep Mountain
Abraham Slack	= Aaron Slack	Bull Rush Tarn
Rain Hill	= Grain Gill.	Green Rush Tarn
High Crack	= High Knott.	Moses Gap
Glen Mary	= Glaramara	Cathedral Rock
Sky Head Pass	= Sty Head Pass	The Sceptre.

G.C.L.

~~Sat~~ Sunday 28th.

Det morning to 10 a.m.: Party of five to Church; three (incl. F.W.R.) to Castle Crag; two to show Troughton "Hurlingham Down". After dinner G.C.L. & three to Dale Head, making more or less straight for the fell which overlooks the Camp. They found it very boggy but had good views towards Helbellyn & Bassenthwaite. Return via Lobsome Band. Remainder with F.W.R. via Watsudalath to Lodore Falls.

Fine & sunny but cool.

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> August 1927.

Party consisting of E Williams, G Sireon, A.G. Winn, H.W. Martin, set out for Pillar & Steeple. They went by Grey Knotts, Brandeth from which they had excellent views, down Green Tongue into Emmerdale, then up the Black Sail Pass & by the High Level Route to the Pillar. Before reaching the Pillar Rock, Maddock RR, Williams L.I., Johnson H.C. overtook them & witnessed the attempt on Pillar Rock. From the Rock, the original party of four went on to the top of the Pillar Mountain, down Windy Gap to the Steeple. Thence to Wasdale Red Pike and down a strip of Scree to Mosedale. Home by Sty Head. This is the first party to reach the Steeple. They had clear views of the mouth of the Esk, Morecambe Bay, the Pennines & the Scotch mountains. Maddock's party returned by Scarth Gap & Stanister.

A.D. Baxter, D.R. Cashin, E. Lummigton, N.M. Redington & M<sup>r</sup> Reece went to the Gable by the Stanister & returned by Sty Head Lam and Seathwaite.

F.A. Cashin, M. Cowan & A.S. Meloy went to Keswick.

The Misses Cibley & M<sup>r</sup> G.L. Brown strolled to the Stanister M<sup>r</sup> Ledger & Grey Knotts, Brandeth into Buttermer House & back by the Stanister Pass.

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Sunny, fine swarm.

Tuesday August 30<sup>th</sup> 1927

One party to Langdale Pikes by Langshath & the Stake. Some of these climbed Harrison Stickle as well as the Pike of Stickle.

A. D. Baxter, E. Williams & A. G. Winn went by Sly Head to Piers Gill, ascending the left hand side, followed the cairned path to the North face of Scarfell, and climbed Lord's Rake to the Summit. They had a good view of the Pinnacle. They returned by Upper Eskdale to Horse House, and home by Brain Hill. \* This is first time that a party from this camp. was reached Scarfell by this route.

\* The honours rests with those mentioned 12 pages back, <sup>q.v.</sup>  
This is cited as a kind reward for the full description here given!

Sunny fine shot. after morning rain. ~~1927~~ Wednesday August 31<sup>st</sup> 1927.

E. Williams, G. Sison, A. G. Winn, A. D. Baxter, R. R. Maddock went up Brain Hill with the object of doing Central Gully, Great End. After the sloping scree, the gully becomes more nearly vertical & is blocked by a chock stone. This presented most difficulty. Subsequently, however, rock-climbing was resorted to, and Sison & Williams found it easier to go up than down, while the others who had not embarked on the <sup>last bit of</sup> rock-climbing at this point, decided to return.

The descent proved to be even worse than the ascent & they finally emerged after 3 hours in the Gully. Moss-covered rocks & waterfalls made the climbing difficult. Williams & Sison proceeded from the top of Great End to Esk Pike & then home by Brain Hill, while Baxter went over Great

and home by the Sly Head, catching up William & Simon at Seathwaik. Maddock & Min returned by Grain Gill. Mr. Reece, Mr. Ledger & 4 boys went by Castle Crag to Cabbells.

4 boys spent the day picking raspberries near the foot of Castle Crag & ~~found~~ obtained some 4 lbs. Mr. G. L. Brown & Miss Cutley to Keswick.

Fine & warm.

Thursday Sept 1<sup>st</sup> 1927.

Free day. Party including Mr. Ledger & Mr. Reece to Keswick, some of them to the Show.

Party including Mr. Brown & Miss Cutley raspberriying.

Bright sun, fine & hot.

Friday Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup> 1927.

E. Williams & E. Gunnington ran to Wasdale Head & back in 2 hours 18 mins & 2 hours 35 mins respectively.

A. D. Baxter, H. W. Martin, J. A. Cuslin & W. L. Cowan to Great Gable from which they obtained excellent views.

Mr. Reece, 7 boys & the elder Miss Cutley to Sly Head Tarn. Mr. Reece, Miss Cutley & Broughton continued over the Black Sail & up the Green Targae to Green Gable, Brandreth, & back by the Howister.

Saturday Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> 1927

6 cyclists left in the early hours

Redington by car at 10 am.

The remainder, except Mr. Brown & the Misses Cutley, by bus at 11.30 am.

The finish of a grand week.