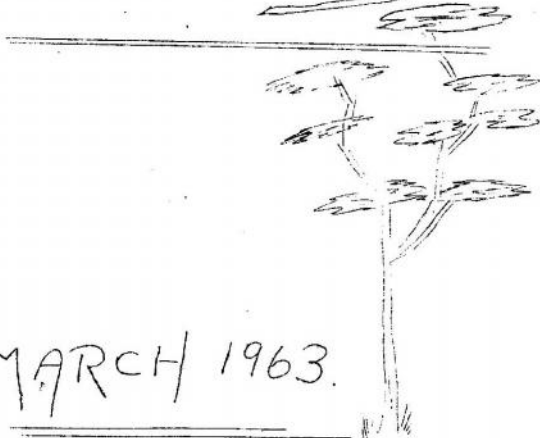


DURBAN
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CLUB



MARCH 1963.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: 10/2/63.

THE HIKE: What a pity it rained during the Saturday night before this hike as I'm sure when many of you saw the grey skies the next morning you thought you could just forget Rambling and turn over and have an extra 40 winks. Well, you-all slipped. It turned out a really lovely day and the few brave types that turned up were well rewarded by a really little hike.

Glen collected us all together at his home - hello there, Dawn Leibrandt, long time no see, and very nice to see you out again. After passing through Kloof Falls picnic spot we went across the road to the Game Warden's cottage and through his 'farm-yard' andwhoops.....we were transferred right into the 'berg. A little stream accompanied us on our winding path through a fern-strewn path right into thick wooded glade - just like the Fern Forrest at Cathedral Peak - lovely.

A short, cool hike and there in front of us a most delightful little falls. Lindy tells me we used to hike there many years ago and I for one suggest that we take it back again. Our leader was off again and up we went next to the falls - a short, sharp climb and there we were on top of the falls and a lovely view down the Kloof gorge. We made our way past a delightful country cottage!! ?? - we probably will have our next 'hotel-week-end' there?? It even had a piano - well, I did say HAD - anyone good at putting pianos together - or windows - or doors - or ...

It didn't take us long to tumble down the hill and up the opposite side right into Glen's lovely swimming pool - where we met all the lazier types and their wives. After a quick lunch tracks were made to Lahee Park where the meeting was held.

THE MEETING.

A fair turn-out of about 45 persons were present and were soon seated in the hall.

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Mickie McConnell, the retiring Chair, opened the Meeting and welcomed all present and apologies were acknowledged and accepted. The Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting were then read by our Secretary and after these had been passed and accepted, the Chairman gave his report on the year, during which all office-bearers were thanked and a general resumé given of the year's figures and activities.

The election of Officers then began and some lively voting took place. (The new Chair and Committees are given below).

General, was the shortest in history, and tea was then served to the starving mob, after which the meeting officially closed at approximately 4:30 p.m. - All nice and early.

OFFICE BEARERS FOR YEAR 1963/64.

CHAIRMAN

ROBIN PHILP

VICE-CHAIRMAN

Garry Rabie

SECRETARY.

Denise Philp

TREASURER.

John Scott.

EDITRESS.

Gloria McConnell

CAMP CAPTAIN.

Glen Wessels

CHIEF LEADER.

Lindy Lindhorst.

SUB LEADERS:

Garry Rabie, Claude Ambler

Entertainments Chairman: Charles Smeda.

Ordinary Members: Dymock Parr Michael Castleden
Peter Roffe Margaret Moore.

SUB - COMMITTEE.

EDITORIAL COMMITTEE.

Daphne Thomas; Dawn Leibrandt; Chris & Adele
Schorn; Kath Bartley.

CAMP COMMITTEE.

Jean Carter; Arthur Roffe; Derek Lamble; Brian
Harding; Neil Oellerman; Rosalie Wossels.

ENTERTAINMENTS COMMITTEE.

Fred Clark; Harry Pripe; Claude & Terry Ambler;
Gloria McConnell; Mike Castleden.

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EDITORIAL.

Dear Rambler-ites,

You thought you had got rid of me a few years back by talking me into having a family, well I was very decent about it and after due deliberation with my husband we obliged and now here I am again full of bright ideas!!!!???

Joking apart - I'm very flattered to have been re-elected and I will certainly do my best, together with the Committee, to give you an interesting and useful magazine.

As you see I have Adele, our retiring Editress on the Committee so I can't go very far wrong. Thank you Adele, for stepping into the breach last year and doing a very fine job.

Might I suggest that you keep these two previous pages with all the Committee members and Officers so you can refer to it at any time during the year in case you should want to contact them. Their addresses or 'phone numbers can be passed on to you by the Secretary or

Editor.

I am afraid I shall also have to start my new year with an apology. As they say in all high-class organizations - Due to circumstances beyond our control - I have been unable to give you a decent cover or pictures.

Actually I am going to pass the buck, as they say in the classics. It's very difficult to have covers and pictures inside your magazine if we haven't any recent photographs of hikes etc., to use. So PLEASE, PLEASE give us a hand by sending any clear, fairly dark printed black and white photographs of any recent hikes etc., - don't be bashful and say you're not a wonderful photographer - as long as the print is clear and of interest to the club, we can use it. Perhaps on reading a magazine you come across an amusing cartoon with a hiking or climbing flavour - please send it to me. Or perhaps you can draw. Can You? Well, if you can have a go at perhaps character drawings of members or your mental picture of a hike or a social - we can use it.

Now for you literary-bugs. I'm sure there are a couple of you who can wield a pen rather well. Please don't be shy. If you feel like writing up a hike you've just been on - go right a head and do so - the more the merrier, 'cause then I can pick the best efforts. There again any article that might interest the members will be most welcome.

So get going you guys, and help us turn out a really good magazine.

(Address: 89, Quentin Smythe Road, Kloof.) Gloria McC.
Ph.77267.

HATCHERY.

Our warmest congratulations go this month to Ashley and Alex Hanbury on the birth of their first Son, David. Another little future Rambler.

FOR SALE.

Cross Scotty/Dachshund puppies. Males: R4. Females: R2.00 each. Contact Michael Castleden, Phone: 857434 (home)

Small glass tropical fish-tank in good condition
Price: R3-00 (£1.10. 0.) Phone 77267 (home)
Mickie McConnell

NEW MEMBERS.

This month we would like to bid welcome to the following members:

Anne Milne : Kath Bartley : David Shackleton
Jenny Driver : Derek Lamble.

It's wonderful to have you with us. I'm sure you will have great fun with the Club.

CLUB ENDEAVOURS:

Fortunately it is not often that we have to reprimand any of our Members for breaking rules, as they have all been very good, but as we have had so many new members joining us of late, we thought that it would be a good idea to remind you all of the Club ideals and endeavours.

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It is a feature of our Club that we endeavour to protect flora and fauna and the natural features of the countryside - after all were it not for these things hiking would not be half as pleasant as it is. The picking of flowers or protected plants or the damaging of trees or shrubs is strictly prohibited.

Please take the responsibility for disposing of your own tins and any other waste before leaving a lunch spot. All paper to be thrown on the tea-fire (please make sure that it is still burning when you do this).

A Leader of the Hike is there not just as a figure-head, he has been appointed because of his knowledge of hikes and the country-side - so please follow him and do not try and pass him, as this is very discourteous. This is a rule that has been made in the interests of your safety - as the leader knows the correct paths and carries the snake-bite and First Aid kits in case of accidents. Incidentally, should the Chairman not be on a hike, the Leader has full authority to give decisions on whether a member should be allowed to swim if a river is dangerous and Members and visitors are requested to please obey any decisions he may have to make.

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