

July 2026 Monthly Information Sheet

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Trips coming up

Notes to organisers

1. Please remember that no bookings can be taken before a trip appears in the MIS. Trips should be posted in the MIS at least four months in advance.
2. Please make it clear from the time of booking whether or not dogs are to be accepted on your trip. Thank you.
3. All trips should have a pre-trip meeting where members of the trip can raise any concerns.

Arrive	Depart	Trip details	Contact
Mon 6 Jul 2026	Fri 10 Jul 2026	East Midlands trip to Cae Ysgubor, Beddgelert. 10 places for 4 nights. Well equipped bunk house near to village in North Wales. Snowdon summit is just a couple of hours walk from the bunk house, and Tremadog is a 20 minute drive. Cae Ysgubor hut details - Lancashire Mountaineering Club No dogs are allowed. Booking forms should be sent to the organiser, and payment preferably by bank transfer to Red Rope East Midlands, sort code 09-01-51, account no 71087305. If you pay by bank transfer make sure that you use reference "CY26+ surname" and email the organiser to tell them that you've paid. Cheques acceptable if you can't transfer. Organiser: Heather Morris	
Fri 17 Jul 2026	Mon 20 Jul 2026	Scotland Trip 8 places for 3 nights at Ronnan Cottage, Aultbea, NW Highlands, grid ref NG873891 www.ladiesscottishclimbingclub.org/index.php/huts/ronnan-house A well-equipped cottage (not really a hut) in the coastal village of Aultbea, near Gairloch. Good for climbing, swimming and Corbetts. Munros are a bit further but worth it - Torridon, An Teallach, Fannichs, Beinn Dearg. Inverewe gardens nearby. May be possible to extend booking to make the most of being in the area. No dogs are allowed in this accommodation. *This trip is now full* *Please contact the organiser to go on a waiting list* Organiser: Helen Todd Treasurer: Richard Bennett	

Fri 7 Aug 2026	Mon 10 Aug 2026	Merseyside trip to Cae Ysgubor, Beddgelert. 12 places for 3 nights at lovely well equipped comfortable spot in Snowdonia - lots of high and low walks and lake swimming locally. No dogs allowed. Please forward booking forms to the organiser, and make payment to: Merseyside Red Rope, Account number 47026482, sort code 23-05-80. Please reference: "CYB 7/8/26 + your name" on your payment. Organiser Fiona Coyne	
Fri 14 Aug 2026	Mon 17 Aug 2026	Scotland Trip 8 places for 3 nights at Muir Cottage, Inverey, between Braemar and Linn of Dee, grid ref NC216118 A welcome return to Muir Cottage, just as the heather will be fully in bloom and the expanding woodlands on Mar Lodge estate looking spectacular. A spacious hut close to the big mountains, right on the river for swimming and with lots of cycling opportunities too. No dogs are allowed in this accommodation. Booking forms should be sent to the organiser and cheques made out to 'Red Rope Scotland' and sent to the treasurer, or pay by BACS to Red Rope Scotland, sort code 80-02-77, account no 00715058. The deposit for bands 1 to 5 is £21.00/£37.50/£54.00/£70.50/£87.00. If you pay by bank transfer make sure that you use reference '2026-08 Inverey' Organiser: Malcolm Bruce Treasurer: Richard Bennett	
Sat 15 Aug 2026	Sat 22 Aug 2026	National Trip 7 nights at High Moss, in the Duddon Valley, Seathwaite. 15 places are reserved at this spacious, comfortable hut with lots of bunk rooms in a beautiful, off-the-beaten-track part of the Lake District. Walking, cycling, climbing, swimming and The Newfield Inn within walking distance! No dogs are allowed in this accommodation. Please contact the organiser with expressions of interest. You will be emailed a link to a web form to book. Organiser: Sue Whittle	
Fri 18 Sep 2026	Mon 21 Sep 2026	Scotland Trip 8 places for 3 nights at Agnes Spencer Memorial Hut, Patterdale https://www.clevelandmc.com/the-hut Located at Grisedale Bridge grid ref NY391162 it is ideally placed for walking to Helvellyn, Fairfield and High Street. There are many climbing and bouldering possibilities including Eagle Crag. An hourly bus service and "steamers" on Ullswater may be used for linear walks. No dogs are allowed in this accommodation. Booking forms should be sent to the organiser and cheques made out to 'Red Rope Scotland' and sent to the treasurer, or pay by BACS to Red Rope Scotland, sort code 80-02-77, account no 00715058. The deposit for bands 1 to 5 is £21.00/£37.50/£54.00/£70.50/£87.00. If you pay by bank transfer, please make sure that you use reference '2026-09 Patterdale' Organiser and Treasurer: Richard Bennett	

Fri 2 Oct 2026	Sun 4 Oct 2026	National Gathering 31 places for 2 nights at Foundry Adventure Centre in The Peak District National Park. This comfortable bunkroom style centre is situated in the village of Great Hucklow, central to the national park and close to many of the area's attractions. It provides excellent access for walking, climbing, and cycling. The accommodation includes a spacious lounge, library, wood burning stove, TV and Wi-fi. The kitchen is fully equipped for group catering and the dining area is equipped for serving and seating up to 60 people. There are 4 male and 4 female showers, in two bathrooms with private lockable cubicles, plus an additional bathroom with 2 showers, 2 sinks and a toilet. The building is situated in 2 acres of enclosed land with grass, trees and car parking. Group activities will be provided, including a Treasure Hunt and potentially a quiz. If you have ideas for other activities please contact the organiser. There will be a bar providing wine, bottled beers and soft drinks, all at cost price. So there is no need to bring your own drinks! As this is our largest booking of the year we are applying a 25% multiplier for members, and there will be a one third discount for members who haven't been on a national trip before. Please express your interest now, by filling in a booking form: https://forms.gle/AkbKesjga9JKDTJy8 Pricing is as follows: Band 1: £27.50 (£18.30 new to trips) Band 2: £41.25 (£27.50 new to trips) Band 3: £55.00 (£36.70 new to trips) Band 4: £68.75 (£45.80 new to trips) Band 5: £82.50 (£55.00 new to trips) Please make payment using a bank transfer (BACS) to the Red Rope Trips Account (sort code 08-92-99, account no 65829967), with a reference consisting of Gath26 + your first name + initial of surname. For enquiries and more information, please contact the national trips secretary.	
Fri 9 Oct 2026	Mon 12 Oct 2026	Scotland Trip : 8 places for 3 nights at Riasg Hut, Roy Bridge, Inverness-shire PH31 4AE, grid ref NN 27101 81095. https://climbers-club.co.uk/huts/riasg and https://huts.mountaineering.scot/Hut/riasg A large and comfortable centrally heated bungalow, Riasg ('The Boggy Place') is situated in the heart of Lochaber and gives many options for climbing and walking in the hills to the north and south of Glen Spean, including Glen Roy and Creag Meagaidh Nature Reserves, Corrour and the Grey Corries. Accommodation is in one five-bedded and one three-bedded room. As well as a well-equipped kitchen there is Wifi and a drying room. We regret that no dogs, camping or campervans are permitted. Booking forms should be sent to the organiser and payments by BACS to Red Rope Scotland, sort code 80-02-77, account no 00715058. The deposit for bands 1 to 5 is £21.00 / £37.50 / £54.00 / £70.50 / £87.00. When making your bank transfer, please use reference '2026-10 Roy Bridge'. Organiser: Liz Murdoch	

Sat 10 Oct 2026	Sat 17 Oct 2026	East Midlands trip 7 nights to Bontddu, 5 miles from Barmouth. Close to mountains and coast. Very comfortable house sleeps 10 in 1 double bedroom and 4 twin rooms. No dogs are allowed. **This trip is now full** Please contact the organiser to go on a waiting list. Organiser Gwenneth Carter	
Fri 13 Nov 2026	Sun 15 Nov 2026	Scotland Trip 8 places for 2 nights at Waters Cottage, Kinlochleven https://www.frcc.co.uk/huts/waters-cottage/ Kinlochleven is on the West Highland Way, a long distance footpath from Milngavie in Glasgow to Fort William. There is a bus service (44) from Kinlochleven, passing through Glencoe, to Fort William. Easy access to the Mamores, the Glen Coe hills and Ben Nevis. No dogs are allowed in this accommodation. Booking forms should be sent to the organiser and cheques made out to 'Red Rope Scotland' and sent to the treasurer, or pay by BACS to Red Rope Scotland, sort code 80-02-77, account no 00715058. The deposit for bands 1 to 5 is: £14.00/£25.00/£36.00/£47.00/£58.00. If you pay by bank transfer make sure that you use reference '2026-11 Kinlochleven'	
Wed 24 Mar 2027	Mon 29 Mar 2026	London Trip to Dalehead Bunkhouse in Peak Trip near Edale Train Station. 15 places for 5 nights. No dogs are allowed on this trip. Dalehead Bunkhouse Derbyshire National Trust Please contact the organiser with expressions of interest. You will be emailed a link to a web form to book. Organiser Dermot Mckibbin	

DAY ACTIVITIES – REGULAR MEETINGS		
Bristol & SW	Our day walks are on the second Sunday of each month, and range from 7 and 12 miles. For details contact our walks coordinators: Rihae Yuh or John Percival.	
East Anglia	Our walks, starting at 10.30am on the second Sunday of each month, are between 5 and 10 miles; for the longer walks we also enable a shorter route wherever possible. Details, nearer the time of each walk, will be publicised on our Facebookpage https://www.facebook.com/Red-Rope-East-Anglia-616954354987010/ and regional email list and can be also be obtained by contacting Sarah. eastanglia@redrope.org.uk	

East Midlands (Leicester and Nottingham)	Regular day walks take place on the fourth Sunday of each month, starting at 10.30 am. These are between 5 and 10 miles; for the longer walks we also enable a shorter route wherever possible. We have a WhatsApp group for organising and publicising our regular walks as well as impromptu walks on other days. Suggestions for walking locations are very welcome. To be added to the WhatsApp group please contact Heather Morris, giving the mobile phone number that you have linked to your WhatsApp account. For further information about our walks schedule, please contact Mary Bailey, day walks coordinator. Dates for the Sunday walks coming up are: 26th July 23rd August 27th September 25th October 22nd November 27th December	
London	Day Walks coordinator: Claire Marris. Regular walks on the second Sunday of the month, and occasional extra walks. All our walks are accessible by public transport and are advertised in a dedicated WhatsApp group and the London RR email list. Feel free to contact the coordinator for information. Check out our blog for photos and summary of past walks: https://redropelondon.wordpress.com/	
Manchester	Day walks (approx 8 - 10 miles) are now taking place most Sundays. Contact Catherine Agrain initially for details	
Merseyside	Secretary, Walks co-ordinator and Regional Contact: Peter Walker	
North East	Contact Olya Bowers. See also regional website: https://toonredrope.wordpress.com/	
Scotland East	We have a programme of day walks organised by Matthew Crighton.	
Scotland West	Contact Shane Sheridan through WhatsApp Group and by phone for impromptu walks and activities.	
Sheffield	Walks schedule organiser Stuart Bloom. Fortnightly walks throughout the year. 5th July - Catherine 19th July - Jane Beaumont 2nd August - circular walk led by Sue: Barbrook stone circle, Big Moor and White Edge, 7.5 miles. Hoping to end with a swim at Barbrook for those interested 16th August - Philip 30th August – Stuart B 16th August - Philip	
West Midlands	We are offering a mixture of walks and social events. Please contact Naomi Paul, walks schedule organiser.	

CLIMBING

Please phone or email the named contact for current information about your local area.

Bristol & South West	Contact Colin Knowles. Link to our Signal messaging service: https://signal.group/#CjQKINobJeVa_-A051yogsGn-uuufQxEw1fsLVIFAhOFEGr92EhCh82BhVL8UCgtm0DRTEREJ	
Leicester	Contact needed – please contact MIS Editor	
Manchester	Contact Sue Whittle	
Scotland East	Contact by email please	
Scotland West	Contact Nick Kempe	
Sheffield	Contact needed – please contact MIS Editor	

NOTICES

Reminder to members about the LMC huts:

Red Rope has a hut sharing agreement with the Lancashire Mountaineering Club (LMC). Both the LMC huts, Cae Ysgubor in Beddgelert North Wales and The Loft at Blea Tarn, (between the Langdales, Cumbria) are available to Red Rope groups for national/regional bookings and for individual bookings by Red Rope members. Each Red Rope member who books is allowed to take one guest.

Please note LMC should not be approached directly. All bookings and queries should come through the Red Rope bed-night booker: bednight@redrope.org.uk

For individual bookings the member needs to have attended Red Rope events/been active with the club. (The bednight booker may need to check this with a regional rep or trip organiser).

Obtaining a personal key fob for the CY hut

Cae Ysgubor is equipped with an electronic entry system, which logs entry to the hut in the name of the person to whom the fob has been issued. In order to obtain a key fob, which costs £20, you need to email your name, address, and telephone number to the bednight booker, at the email address above. They will check that you are eligible for a key fob, and then advise you about how to pay the £20. Note that this payment is no longer a deposit, i.e. it is non-returnable. Make sure that you apply in plenty of time for your planned stay at the hut, as the bednight booker and LMC member who issues the keys may not always be in a position to respond quickly. You should get a set of instructions from LMC with your key fob. Please read them carefully! In particular, remember that everyone in your group needs to sign the hut log book as soon as you arrive. For further information, and for any postal addresses needed, please contact the bed night booker. If membership is not renewed, key fobs will be electronically disabled. This can be reversed upon renewal if the member contacts the bednight booker.

Changes to charges for Scotland group trips.

Our trips are mostly to mountaineering club huts and we almost always have a surplus on accommodation but due to the difficulty of filling all the trip cars and by subsidising public transport we have a deficit on transport. Some years ago, to reduce food waste, we stopped providing communal breakfast and lunch supplies. Consequently on 1st January 2026 the overnight charges on Scotland trips were reduced by £4 per night, which participants can put towards their lunch and breakfast, and mileage charges were increased by one third. The reimbursement for cars remains the same.

Nightly Trip charges (Scotland)

Band	Charge
1	7.00
2	12.50
3	18.00
4	23.50
5	29.00

Nightly Trip Charges (excluding Scotland)

Band	Charge
1	11.00
2	16.50
3	22.00
4	27.50
5	33.00

Guidelines relating to Infectious Diseases including COVID

The guidelines have been updated as shown below, and can be viewed on the Red Rope website here:

- [Trip Planning – Red Rope](#)
- No-one should go on a trip if they have **any** infectious illness, or symptoms such as a cold or flu, or Covid.
- Normal compensation rules apply if a member cannot go on a trip due to illness. (See [Trip Charges](#) page)

BMC Training

The BMC provides details of training opportunities at its training centre, Plas y Brenin here: [Plas y Brenin - The British Mountaineering Council](#). For coaching and climbing courses go to: [BMC Coach Education and Fundamentals workshops - The British Mountaineering Council](#).

FIRST AID TRAINING

There is a list of discounts with various First Aid Training providers available through your BMC affiliated membership here: Training, courses and first aid courses discounts - The British Mountaineering Council.

A reminder that Red Rope also subsidises this training. We will pay £60 towards a bona fide course plus all travel costs if on Band 1 and half costs if on Band 2. Contact Pete Watson, club secretary, for more information if you need it.

secretary@redrope.org.uk

BMC activities All Red Rope members automatically receive the BMC newsletter by email. To subscribe directly, and to access past newsletters, follow this link: [Newsletter - The British Mountaineering Council](#)

National Committee meetings

All members are entitled to attend meetings of the National Committee. Contact the club secretary, Pete Watson, if you wish to attend. secretary@redrope.org.uk

Dates of future meetings (on Zoom only)

Thursday 2nd July 6.30pm

Date to be confirmed in September.

Red Rope Facebook pages

We have a Facebook public page, 'Red Rope Walking and Climbing Club' (findable by search or clicking the 'f' from top of our website). It is fully public and anyone can view the page. Take a look, and like the page, add comments or share it. We are trying to use it more to publish photos of walks etc and to advertise Club Events, so please send your photos to publicity@redrope.org.uk. For posting. The page is fully public, and not moderated, although administrators can edit it and remove posts if needed. It has a regular audience of about 450, so well worth reaching out to.

We also have a 'Members only' Facebook group, 'Red Rope Members'. This has a similar function, BUT is a 'Private Group'. So, although anyone can search and find the Group, only members of the group can see who's in it, post to it and see posts. There are currently about 50 members. To join it you need to ask on the page if you can join, and then one of the administrators will check you're actually a Red Rope member and add you. If you have any problems posting to the Group page please send a message to the admin or contact publicity@redrope.org.uk

National Trip Booking process (Updated May 2026)

1. Nobody is booked onto a trip until payment is received.
2. Those interested in attending should email the organiser, or if there isn't an organiser, the National Trips Secretary. *Note that a trip might be advertised before an organiser is found, but people can only express an interest (including offering to organise!).*
3. Once an organiser is identified, bookings will open. Those who have already expressed an interest will be notified (if more have expressed interest than capacity, those who expressed their interest later will go onto the top of the reserve list). Other members will receive notification via an updated entry in the MIS.
4. Those accepted on a trip will be notified by the trip organiser, who will give you a link to a booking form specific to the trip. Make the payment, preferably using a bank transfer (BACS) to the Red Rope Trips Account (sort code 08-92-99, account no 65829967) with a reference consisting of the trip code + first name + initial of surname. (e.g. for a 2023 Incheril trip, the code might be INCH23. For Jane Bloggs booking a place, the bank reference would then be INCH23JaneB). Please be careful that you pay money into this account rather than any other Red Rope accounts that you may have paid into in the past and may appear as options in your online banking page.
5. For trips of duration 4 nights or greater, a minimum of 50% of the full trip charges should be paid when booking. The balance will be due for payment no later than 1 month before the date of the trip. For shorter trips the full charge should be paid when booking.
6. If you cannot / don't want to do online or telephone banking, you can pay a cheque (or cash) into our account (using the details above) and notify triptreasurer@redrope.org.uk you have done this (as unlike BACS payments, no information about the payment would have been received by us). If you have any problems making payments, please contact the National Trips Treasurer. If you don't want to use the (Google) web form, you can email (or post) a booking form to the trip organiser and triptreasurer@redrope.org.uk
7. Two places (or 1 place on a small trip) are reserved for members who are in their first year of membership or haven't been on a national trip for 4+ years. If not taken by 3 months before the trip, these are opened up to everybody.
8. If the trip is full, you can opt to go on the reserve list.

For more information about national trips contact the National Trips Secretary nationaltrips@redrope.org.uk.

For enquiries about payments please contact the National Trips Treasurer triptreasurer@redrope.org.uk

Refunds following cancellation:

- full refund if the cancellation is made more than 3 months before the trip starts.
- 25% payment of full nightly charges if the cancellation is made between 3 months and 1 month before the trip starts.
- 50% payment of full nightly charges if the cancellation is made less than 1 month before the trip starts.

Red Rope Membership Annual Charges

Band	5	4	3	2	1
Annual Subscription (Payable in December each year)	£60	£48	£34	£23	£15
50% subscription (reduced rate for part of year, applies between 1st July and 31 st December)	£30	£24	£17	£11.50	£7.50

Privacy Policy: To view the Privacy Statement of Red Rope, go to the website and look under the "Members" tab, or follow this link: <https://www.redrope.org.uk/members/privacy-policy/>

NATIONAL CONTACTS

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