

## MOUNTAINEERING CLUBS,

1857—1907.

MR. A. J. MACKINTOSH, the Assistant Secretary of the Alpine Club, contributes to the *Alpine Journal* of August last an interesting list (29 pp.) of mountaineering clubs founded during the past half century. We reprint the English and Scottish section :—

### Great Britain.

1857. Alpine Club.	1899. Kyndwr Club.
1875. Oxford Alpine Club.	1902. Rucksack Club.
1879. Dundee Institution Club.	1904. Alpine Association.
1886. Dundee Rambling Club.	1905. Winter Alpine Club.
1889. Cairngorm Club.	1906. Aberdeen Touring Club.
„ Scottish Mount. Club.	„ Yorkshire Speleological Assoc.
„ Manchester Zweigverein.	„ Wayfarers' Club, Liverpool.
1892. Yorkshire Ramblers.	„ Fell and Rock Climbing Club.
1894. Norwegian Club.	„ Derbyshire Pennine Club.
1898. Climbers' Club.	

### Aberdeen Touring Club, 1 Feb., 1906.

To encourage excursions, including mountaineering in the district. 40 members. Secy., R. Murdoch-Lawrence, 71 Bon-Accord St., Aberdeen.

### Alpine Association for Great Britain, London, 1904.

This is the Zweigverein England, affiliated to the D.u.Oe.A.-V. Members of this Association or of the Manchester Zweigverein (q.v.) obtain the advantages in connection with huts, &c. that are possessed by members of the D.u.Oe.A.-V. Address: M. Marks, 11 Southwood Mansions, Southwood Lane, Highgate.

### Alpine Club, London, 22 December, 1857.

'The object of the Club shall be the promotion of good-fellowship among mountaineers, of mountain-climbing and mountain exploration throughout the world, and of better knowledge of the mountains through literature, science, and art.' 668 members; qualification, mountain expeditions, or contributions to Alpine literature, science or art.

*Peaks, Passes, and Glaciers*, 4 editions, 1859; 5th, knapsack, edition, 1860; Second Series, 2 vols, 1862; *Alpine Journal*, quarterly from 1864; *Index*, vols 1-15, 1892; Longman, *Suggestions for exploration of Iceland*, 1861; *Report on Ropes, Axes, and Alpenstocks*, 1864; *Report on equipment for mountaineers*, 1892; *Alpine Club map of Switzerland*, 4 sheets, 1874;

*Catalogue of library*, 1880, 1888, 1899; *Alpine Distress Signal*, 1894; *Catalogue of Mountain Paintings*, 1894; *Ball's Alpine Guide*, new edition, *Western Alps*, 1898; and *Central Alps*, pt. 1, 1907; *Introduction to*, new edition, 1899.

Address: 23 Savile Row, London.

**Cairngorm Club**, Aberdeen, 9 January, 1889.

'To encourage mountain-climbing in Scotland, with special reference to the Cairngorm group of mountains.' 155 members; qualification, ascent to 3,000 feet in Scotland.

*Journal*, twice yearly from 1893.

Address: Secretary, A. I. M'Connochie, 76 Devonshire Road, Aberdeen.

**Climbers' Club**, London, 25 March, 1898.

'To encourage mountaineering, particularly in England, Wales, and Ireland, and to serve as a bond of union amongst all lovers of mountain-climbing. . . The Committee shall decide on a candidate's climbing and general qualification.' 272 members.

*Journal*, quarterly from 1898.

Hon. Sec.: G. B. Bryant, 2 King William Street, London, E.C.

**Derbyshire Pennine Club**, Sheffield, 30 November, 1906.

'The organisation of the sports of rock-climbing, cave-exploring, and hill-walking, and the collection and dissemination among the members of information, literature, maps, etc., relating thereto.' 20 members.

Hon. Sec.: H. Bishop, Avon House, Fieldhead Road, Sheffield.

**Dundee Institution Club**, 1879-1889.

Incorporated with the Rambling Club in 1889.

**Dundee Rambling Club**, April, 1886.

'To encourage climbing on the Scottish hills.' 32 members; climbing qualification needed since 1889.

Secretary: T. H. B. Rorie, 33 Albert Square, Dundee.

**Fell and Rock Climbing Club of the English Lake District**, Coniston, 11 November, 1906.

'To encourage rock-climbing and fell-walking in the Lake District, to serve as a bond of union for all lovers of mountain-climbing.' Over 100 members.

Hon. Sec.: E. Scantlebury, 11 Clarence Street, Ulverston.

**Kyndwr Club**, Derby, 28 November, 1899.

'To encourage rock-climbing and rambling in the wilder parts of Derbyshire, and mountaineering generally.' 22 members in 1907.

Address: Hon. Sec., H. F. Wightman, Chellaston, near Derby.

**Manchester Zweigverein**, 14 March, 1889.

This is affiliated to the D.u.Oe.A.-V. See note under Alpine Association.

**Norwegian Club**, London, 25 January, 1894.

'To unite those who are interested in or acquainted with Norway and Sweden, either as travellers, mountaineers, sportsmen, artists, etc., by providing them with opportunities of meeting in London.'

*Yearbook*, from 1896.

Address: 112 Strand, London. 125 members.

**Oxford Alpine Club**, 25 November, 1875.

'The Club shall consist of resident members of the University interested in the objects of the Alpine Club.' 37 resident members.

Hon. Sec., A. Zimmern, New College, Oxford.

**Rucksack Club**, Manchester, 13 October, 1902.

'The objects of the Club are to facilitate walking tours, cave exploration, and mountaineering in the British Isles and elsewhere.'

*Annual Report*, 1903—1906; *Journal*, annual, started in 1907.

Headquarters: Albion Hotel, Piccadilly, Manchester. 96 members.

**Scottish Mountaineering Club**, Edinburgh, 11 February, 1889.

'To encourage mountaineering in Scotland in winter as well as summer . . . and to further everything that will conduce to the convenience of those who take a pleasure in mountaineering and mountain scenery.' 170 members; qualification, ascents of, or contributions to science, art, or literature of Scottish mountains.

*Journal*, thrice a year from 1890.

Address: 20 George Street, Edinburgh.

**Wayfarers' Club**, Liverpool, November, 1906.

'To promote the pursuits of walking, climbing, and allied sports among its members, and to bring together persons who are desirous of making the same excursions or ascents.' 60 members.

Address: Hon. Sec., G. D. Ricketts, University of Liverpool.

**Winter Alpine Club**, Manchester, November, 1905.

'To enable winter visitors to the Alps to get information and travelling facilities.' 20 members.

Address: Hon. Sec. W. Coles, 77a Market Street, Manchester.

**Yorkshire Ramblers' Club**, Leeds, 6 October, 1892.

'To organise walking and mountaineering excursions and to gather and promote knowledge concerning natural history . . . and kindred subjects [till 1895, 'also to further the objects of the Commons Preservation Society']. Over 90 members; qualification required, but undefined.

*Annual Report*, 1892-1898; *Journal*, twice yearly from 1899.

Address: 10 Park Street, Leeds.

**Yorkshire Speleological Association.**

Hon. Sec., E. Simpson, 44 Sefton Terrace, Beeston.