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THE LANGDALE OWNERS' NEWSLETTER

No. 15

# Lodge and Chapel Stile Offer Extended

Our offer of attractive reductions on the sale of remaining Lodge and Chapel Stile stock weeks has encouraged nearly 100 owners to take advantage of this opportunity and we are pleased to extend the offer through to 31 December 1990. An update of what remains is enclosed.

Why not make that extra week a special Christmas present ... to yourself? Or if you're a company director, how about considering a week as a corporate purchase - which you can use as an incentive or reward for your sales staff?

Or, why not purchase an extra week to enable you to take advantage of RCI's free membership offer outlined in the letter enclosed.

A reminder that we are offering: -30 % reduction on the price of remaining Lodge weeks. -40 % reduction on remaining Chapel Stile weeks.

Management fees for your first year of ownership will be paid by Langdale Leisure.

The offer is exclusive to Langdale owners and their families - so the people securing these weeks are already deeply committed to Langdale and the lakeland way of life. Remember also that weeks at Langdale are not only for your enjoyment in the years ahead, but can be handed on to your heirs.

To calculate the reduced price, simply deduct 30 or 40% from the price .

All owners will welcome the news that some of the



proceeds from this sale will be transferred to the Management Company to help reduce management fees. Please contact the Sales team on 09667 391 if you are interested.



General Manager David Fairs receives Langdale's energy efficiency award - and a cheque for £1,000 from Kenneth Harvey, Chairman of Norweb plc, at the North West Electricity Board awards ceremony in Blackpool.

# THE LATEST IN A LONG LINE OF AWARDS . . . .



Langdale's renovated country mansion, Elterwater Hall, has received a top award from the North West Electricity Board. Elterwater, the last stage in Langdale's development, was built in 1840 and renovated in late 1988 as time ownership suites.

150 years old Elterwater may be, but it was refurbished to the very highest standard with all the style of the Victorian agebut none of the discomforts. An important element is the heating, provided by Economy 7 electricity. The North West Electricity Board, first prize award is given to encourage the efficient use of energy by identifying savings in total energy costs together with improvement in the environment and amenity of the building.

A portion of the prize money will be donated to Langdale's joint scheme with the National Trust to renovate footpaths in the Langdale Valley.

This energy efficiency award is the latest in a long line of accolades for the Langdale Estate, the most renowned of which is the much-prized Civic Trust Award donated in 1986 to a 'development created in sympathy with the environment'.



# Notice Board



COMMENTS FROM THE OWNERS' CLUB COMMITTEE

#### 1990 AGM

You should receive at the same time as this issue of Views the formal notice of the AGM. This is being held at 2.30 pm on Sunday, 4 November at the Cumbria Grand Hotel at Grange over Sands. Accommodation is limited at the Grand Hotel due to other functions, but why not take advantage of the location to stay at the Langdale Hotel under their special offer (opposite page under "Special Offer" for details).

#### **LOST AND FOUND**

If anyone has lost a dragonfly earring, please could they contact Housekeeping.

#### **HOUSEKEEPING**

All Lodges now have some new linen (sheets and curtains in the bedrooms).

Also, we have arranged for hand towels to be placed in all kitchens hooks are being installed as soon as possible.

We are reaching the stage where many items are needing replacing. A timetable exists for this. However, we are very conscious that we need not only a timetable, but also to maintain a coordinated design at least equal to the original quality.

#### **OWNERS RESPONSIBILITIES**

As children who were young at the time Langdale opened, get older, they are increasingly being allowed by parents to use their lodge weeks, sometimes with their friends, unsupervised. Occasionally, such unsupervised occupation has lead to noisy, late-night parties and damage

to furnishings and fittings.

May we remind title holders that they are ultimately responsible for any damage and that Points 2 and 9 of the Owners' Club Regulations explicitly refer to annoyance and noise.

#### **SWAPS**

It may be of interest to those wishing to avoid school holidays that for many schools, half-term falls in week 6 and Easter weekend between weeks 12 and 13.

There are already several parents of school children looking for week 6 instead of 7 or 8, and 12 or 13 instead of 14 and 15 at Easter. If you can help, please contact Sheila Crouch at Ponteland 0661 23458, in the evening or at the weekend.

# **LODGE SWAPPING 1990/91**

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## LANGDALE OWNERS' CLUB COMMITTEE

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# **CHRISTMAS**



And as for Christmas ... a four night celebration programme from 23 - 27 December. It's a time for abandoning diets, relaxing and enjoying festive entertainment! Carol singing and bell ringing, Santa and story telling all await your pleasure, so why not join us for the magic of a Langdale Christmas?

The adult rate for a luxury room for these four nights is £370 (based on two people sharing). Alternatively, if you need a break after a hectic family Christmas, celebrate New Year Langdale style, when the nights of December 30 and 31 are reserved for gala celebrations to ring in 1991. The adult rate for two nights in a luxury room (two sharing) is £175 per person.

For further details, please phone Hotel Reservations on 09667 302 and ask for our special Christmas and New Year brochure.

#### **SPECIAL OFFERS**

Hotel and Country Club Manager Gay Westwood says: "I know that owners always enjoy visiting the area all the year round - not just during their time ownership weeks".

Let me therefore extend a warm welcome to you in the Hotel at a special rate of £50 per person per night, including accommodation, full English breakfast and Table d'Hote dinner in Purdev's Restaurant. This bargain rate, which is exclusive to Langdale owners, is applicable to the end of March, and applies to any night or number of nights with the exception of Christmas, New Year and special themed weekends.

Why not take advantage of this offer and stay over at Langdale for this years' AGM, which is being held at Grange over Sands, only 25 miles away. Please ring Reservations on 09667 302.

#### **Dining Discount**

A 10% discount card is now issued to owners when registering at Reception at the start of their holiday. Do remember that the card entitles you, among other things, to 10 per cent off the price of meals in Purdey's from Sunday through to Thursday evenings.

# LANGDALE ALWAYS OPEN!

Like the famous Windmill Theatre, whose boast was that even during the Blitz the theatre was never "dark". Langdale also never closes!

When we had to close the swimming pool for a week in July for essential maintenance, we received several letters from owners expressing surprise that we did not carry out such work during planned maintenance weeks. We thought therefore that a few words of explanation would be appreciated.

Lodges are occupied on the basis of a 50 week calendar year, with 2 weeks retained for cleaning and maintenance. These weeks are spread over a 14 week period between November and March and there is therefore never a time when the Estate can be completely closed down.

Whilst it will remain important for any work carried out on the Estate to cause the minimum disruption to owners' holidays, will of course understand that some maintenance work from time to time will be unavoidable. Whenever possible we will always attempt to let owners have advance information and to provide alternative amenities wherever poss-

When the pool was closed for example we made arrangements for owners to use an alternative swimming pool in Grasmere at no cost to the owners concerned.

# RESORT CONDOMINIUM INTERNATIONAL (RCI) OFFER

We have negotiated a special holiday offer for Langdale owners to be given one year's free membership of RCI and an explanatory letter and membership application form is enclosed with this copy of Views.

Only about 10 % of Langdale owners currently belong to RCI so why not take advantage of our special discounted offer for existing owners to purchase an additional lodge stock week

or Chapel Stile apartment. You could then use this additional week to exchange with RCI for similar sized accommodation with a choice of over 2,000 resorts worldwide..



THE EXCHANGE SYSTEM ks!

#### Report on Timeshare by the Office of Fair Trading

The Office of Fair Trading produced its report on Timeshare in June. This was prepared as a result of criticism in the media due to unscrupulous methods operated by some developers.

Their terms of reference were to consider complaints made by UK consumers about marketing and other problems relating to timeshare. The report went on to recommend statutory or voluntary controls necessary to protect consumers.

We are happy to report that the recommendations contained within the report are already effective at Langdale. Many of you may have read the favourable article in the Mail on Sunday on 22 July where Langdale was singled out for setting such a good example in the industry. Many thanks to Mrs Penny Fenwick, a happy Langdale Owner, for kindly agreeing to be interviewed by the Press.

### **COUNTRY CLUB SHOP NEWS**

As a lasting reminder of ownership vour Langdale, the Country Club shop is now carrying a limited range of watercolour prints of lodges on the Estate, and the Langdale Valley. Specially commissioned for Langdale, these are very much a collector's item. Artist Jenny Holland has spent the last 20 years recording the scenic delights of the North of

England, and she has been particularly inspired by the beauty and majesty of this part of Lakeland. All prints are beautifully framed, and would make a wonderful gift - if you can bear to part with them.

Also, as a postscript, may we remind you that Langdale postcards featuring the Estate are also on sale in the Club shop.

# FROM LANGDALE TO NEPAL - NOVEMBER 1991

As many Langdale owners are keen walkers, how about joining David Fairs, our General Manager, on a trip to Nepal next year!

In conjunction with Leisure Plan Holidays and Mountain Travel Nepal, two unusual holidays exclusive to Langdale owners are planned - trekking in the foothills of the Himalayas, combined with river rafting and a Safari visit to Chitwan National park or visits to remote Buddhist monasteries. Both trips will take place in November 1991 (16 nights).

Nepal is about 500 miles from east to west and the great Himalayan range stretches along it northern border with Tibet and China. Within its frontiers lie the greatest concentration of high mountains in the world. Eight of the world's 14 highest peaks are in Nepal and on the lower slopes of these mountains live some to the most friendly, attractive and hardy people. Our trips will be visiting areas inhabited by Gurkhas and Sherpas.

Even today there are very few roads in this mostly vertical world and exploring the cultural and natural history of these mountains is best done on foot. We have featured the best possible routes for maximum enjoyment.

Interested? Then please complete the following proforma for further information.

To: The General Manager
Langdale Leisure Limited
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Near Ambleside
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#### **HOLIDAYS IN NEPAL**

November 1991

Please send me full details

Lodge: No	Week	
Name:		
Address:		
Telephone No:		



#### ADVENTURE IN NEPAL

Four nights in Kathmandu, six nights trekking in the Annapurna foothills, three days river rafting on the Trisuli River and a two day Safari in the Chitwan National Park - a taste of the real Nepal. Suitable for all levels of fitness and ages.

#### TREKKING IN NEPAL

Four nights in Kathmandu and ten days trekking in the Solo Khumba (Everest) region with visits to Buddhist monasteries - a classical setting and a journey into one of the most spectacular areas of the Himalayas. More suitable for the seasoned walker!

Price guide: £1,450 per person per holiday

Single person supplement: £120 for each trip - unless you agree to share accommodation

Inclusive of:

- ★ International air travel London Heathrow/Kathmandu and return.
- ★ Internal transport arrangements in Nepal by air or road including transfers.
- ★ Four nights Bed and Breakfast Hotel Summit, Kathmandu.
- \* Accommodation (hotel and tented) and all meals on trek, river running and Chitwan National Park.
- ★ Two sightseeing excursions from Kathmandu.
- \* Reception party on arrival and farewell dinner in Kathmandu.
- ★ Guides, instructors, porters, trekking and river permits and all local taxes.