

Sunday 10th May – New Members meet, Lawrencefield, Peak District

Lawrencefield in the Peak District was the venue for this New Members meet held in May. A suitably fine venue – a secluded sun trap with routes at all grades from V Diff to challenging extremes, and only a few minutes from the nearest car park. What else could aspirant or even seasoned LMC members want for?

The group consisted of Andy, Michelle, Dave, Kate, Richard, Ollie, Ruth, David and Kate's Mum (Mari) over from Aussie for an extended stay. Andy Grayson and son also made a short cameo appearance in the morning.

The Gingerbread Slab area provided easier grade entertainment with the likes of Meringue, Gingerbread, Once Pegged Wall, Snail Crack and Nailsbane proving popular. On the other side of the quarry Great Harry and Pulpit Groove also received attention. Dave Toon was on good form (as usual) and climbing with Kate succeeded on the classic Billy whiz and Suspense, both E2, and other extremes in the quarry.

Kate's Mum with her usual infectious charm managed to attach herself to a group of walkers and on returning to the climbing group at the end of the day had amassed a further 15 or 20 aspiring club members. A good day's work!

Good weather and an excellent venue helped to make this a successful New Members meet – more new members welcome on these and indeed all LMC meets!

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