

**You are invited to a Weekend in the Lake District
Friday 30 January and Saturday 31 January 2015
To celebrate the end of my 50's**

I have rented the whole of High Close (Langdale) Youth Hostel, near Elterwater, for the weekend. The programme will go something like this:

Friday evening

Arrive from 4pm

Soup and pizza bases provided – bring some pizza toppings along to share

Help to decorate the rooms

Beetle drive

Games and/or sit around and relax

Saturday

Breakfast – can be ordered from the Hostel (and paid for) or bring your own

Day time – it's up to you what you do!

Lunch – packed lunches can be ordered, bring your own, or find some of the great pubs and tea rooms in the area

4pm: Tea and cakes

4.30pm: Chris Cook, Magician

5.45pm: Langdale and Ambleside Mountain Rescue presentation

Judging the best badge

Anyone who wants to sing a song, play a tune, tell a story – now's the time!

7.00pm: Vegetarian evening meal (provided)

Rest of the evening – games, make music, do what you like!

Sunday

Breakfast – can be ordered from the Hostel (and paid for) or bring your own

Group tidy up so we leave the place as tidy as we found it

Leave by 12 noon

What you will get:

- Tea, coffee, milk
- Dormitory (bunk beds) accommodation – mostly mixed
- Sheets and duvet
- Showers
- Central heating and log fires
- A job or two – serving food, sweeping up, washing up etc
- Youth Hostel well equipped kitchen

Suggestions of what to bring:

- Please make a badge with your name on it (prizes for the best badge will be awarded)
- Towels
- Walking things – waterproofs, maps, boots etc
- Christmas tree lights and other decorations to help make the place look sparkly
- Torches
- Alcohol or other drink
- Pizza toppings if you want a meal with us on Friday
- Cake (for the afternoon tea) or pudding (for Friday evening)
- Musical instruments
- Party bag gift – I did want to give you all something as a leaving present, but there will be lots of people. So if you could all bring a small something (packet of seeds, unwanted present, Pound Shop purchase) we could have a lucky dip and everyone gets to go home with a random gift
- Games you enjoy playing

Please note that at my great age, I do not want any presents. I would be much happier, if you wanted to give me something, if you would give it to the Mountain Rescue instead. There will be a collection box after the talk on Saturday

Where is it?

<http://www.yha.org.uk/hostel/langdale>

What I need to know:

Can you come? For both nights?

Are you staying at High Close? (some people may prefer their own rooms at a B&B in Elterwater)

Do you want an evening meal on Friday?

Do you want Youth Hostel breakfast? (Saturday and Sunday)

Are you driving, and could you offer someone a lift?

Do you need a lift?

Really looking forward to seeing you all soon!

Helen

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