

Views

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Our African connection

People have always come from all over the world to stay at Langdale. But now even staff are travelling across continents to work here.

Langdale has become a prime destination for South Africans seeking to work in a top resort, with the result that almost one in ten of our full-time staff hail from the country.

Surprisingly, it can be difficult to find enough top-notch people locally to work at Langdale, largely because of the high employment levels in the Lake District and the relatively sparse population. Of 126 full-timers, nearly half live in our staff accommodation, most of them coming from the British Isles. Eleven of them, however, have made the 5,625-mile journey from South Africa specifically to work for us.

Our African connection began

five years ago when David Fairs, our general manager, travelled to South Africa and stayed at the Champagne Sports Club in the Drakensberg Mountains.

Impressed with the quality of the staff, he made contact with the resort's assistant manager and head chef. Within months, the two of them had flown to the UK to take up positions at Langdale, where they stayed for two years. Others followed in their footsteps.

We have been so impressed with our South African friends that now our deputy hotel manager, Cathy Marsh, has set up an arrangement with a travel agent in Johannesburg to help us find more like them.

20-year old Hans Van der Merwe from Petersburg, has been working at Langdale for 8 months as a waiter at Purdey's Restaurant.

Out of Africa (from left to right): Hans Van der Merwe, Bruce Fenthum, Peter Maree, Kevin Penney, Helet de Waal, Johann Daffue, Shelley Crichton.



He said: I heard about Langdale from friends who have worked here previously. I love working here because of the beautiful situation, breathtaking views, quality of the resort and the friendliness and caring attitude of everyone — not only to the guests but also to each other and the resort.”

Cathy Marsh said: “We currently have 11 South African staff, and without exception their natural and charming social skills are much appreciated by everyone who comes into contact with them. They enjoy working here and it solves our recruitment problem.”



Breathtaking views wanted

Your views of the Lakes could win you a free weekend at Langdale: we are looking for stunning photographs of Langdale and the Lake District to illustrate our new website.

The sender of the best picture will win a complimentary weekend at the Langdale Hotel, including dinner, bed & breakfast. There will be further prizes of dinners for two and club passes.

We want photos of your favourite scenes, activities or places in the Lakes. These will be published on a special page on the internet where visitors can vote for their choice of winner. This

will ensure winners are chosen by you: our owners, guests, friends and potential customers.

Photos will also be displayed on the Estate and if you would like to vote by less electronic means, drop by and vote by more traditional methods. The winner will be announced, and published, in the next Views.

Send your submissions by 1st Nov 1998 to the Vote for Art competition, Marketing Dept, The Langdale Estate, Nr Ambleside, Cumbria LA22 9JD.

Left: washing hanging in the Langdale Valley — can you do better than this?

Net casts wider

We have just launched a new, improved website for Langdale. It's bigger, has more information, is more user friendly and has lots of changing features.

One reason for updating the site is to attract new visitors to Langdale. With the internet we can reach potential visitors all around the world at very little cost and the more attractive the site is, the more likely they are to come!

Another reason for the changes is to give our members access to news, special offers and details of what's going on at Langdale and in the Lakes. The new site is much easier and quicker to find your way around, and will be regularly updated with new features.

Features on the site include directions to Langdale, a map of the Estate, plus there are links to other useful sites such as money converters, railway timetables and the RAC road planner.

We are in the process of developing our own Langdale screensavers, and we will be including floor plans and menus. The site is at <http://www.langdale.co.uk>

We have also set up an email request list, where you can receive up to date information about special offers and news from the Langdale site by email weekly. To subscribe to this service, simply email your request (from the site or to fred@johns.edi.co.uk), or call us or drop us a line.

Visit our twins on the internet

Langdale's twin resorts are also using the internet to let potential clients get a taste of what's on offer. Here is a round-up of our sister resorts and details of where to find them if you're connected to the internet.

Four Seasons Fairways is situated at the heart of Quinta do Lago in the Algarve, southern Portugal, right beside some of the finest golf courses in Europe and close to mile upon mile of golden sand beaches. Accommodation consists of luxury villas, some with private swimming pools. The resort is 20 minutes from Faro Airport. <http://www.fourseasonsfairways.com>

Carlton Palms and Madeira Beach Club are both in Madeira. Known as 'the jewel of the Atlantic', Madeira is a sub-tropical island with year-round warm weather, awe-inspiring mountains, and lush, unspoilt countryside.

Carlton Palms is situated right on the

ocean front with luxury apartments, all with spacious sun terraces, set in the grounds of an historic manorial estate. The Madeira Beach Club apartments are part of a five star resort hotel. Both are near the city of Funchal.

<http://www.pestana.com/html/resorts.html>

Craigendarroch is a spectacular country estate perched on the slopes of Craigendarroch Hill, high above the Dee Valley in Scotland. It is a two minute drive from Ballater where you can browse around the local shops, many of which display the Royal Warrant. Ballater Castle is just along the road. Accommodation is in lodges very similar to the ones at Langdale. Craigendarroch is an ideal centre for golf, skiing and fishing, not forgetting the famous Speyside Whisky Trail. The estate is only 42 miles from Aberdeen, which is served by InterCity trains and an international airport.

<http://www.stakis.co.uk/timeshare/craiga.htm>



Langdale Select guide updated

Select, the listings guide prepared specially for Langdale owners, has been updated.

The new edition lists many of the finest attractions, shops and restaurants in the Lakes, each of which gives an exclusive special offer which can be obtained by using the Langdale Select card. The card comes free with the guide, and entitles the holder to anything from a free glass of wine to a generous discount.

Detailed information on all participating establishments is included — with telephone numbers, opening hours, prices and directions where appropriate — to make planning a day out easier than ever.

All our owners will receive a complimentary copy of the new guide.

Introducing some of our staff



Meet our new groundsman, **David West**, who was formerly a manager with Hayes Garden Centre. With his wealth of specialist knowledge about garden planning and planting, David is well qualified and will be responsible for maintaining the garden areas around the Estate.



Chris Hoggarth, one of the maintenance team here at Langdale, has been certified as an official Corgi Gas Installer in accordance with the Gas Safety Regulations 1994. This is important to ensure that all installations at Langdale are properly checked and maintained to the highest standards.



"Tarry a while." One of three benches donated by Langdale Owners to be enjoyed by all visitors to the Estate.

Langdale gets a voice in Europe

A new organisation was launched in June this year to unite the interests of all existing National Timeshare Associations in Europe.

It is called the Organisation for Timeshare in Europe (OTE) and we are pleased to say that Langdale has become one of its

founder members.

Timeshare is the fastest-growing sector within the travel industry with 3.8 million owners, of which 1 million live in Europe, and over 4,700 resorts worldwide.

The new trade body encourages the development of the

industry by promoting the benefits of timeshare to Government, the media and consumers at national and European level.

A strict code of ethics has been introduced which ensures that the same standards of representation, quality and consistency of product and service are delivered

throughout Europe.

To achieve this, an Ethics Council has been set up within OTE. David Fairs, our MD, has been invited to become a member of this Council, giving Langdale an important voice within this new European organisation.



Meet the new couple at Wainwrights' Inn. Mark and Tina have joined us to run our busy pub. Mark is easy to spot as he's 6' 7" tall. He'll have to watch out for those low beams! Mark and Tina take over from Alan and Alwyn Hurst, our Wainwrights' team for three years, who have left to travel round the world in their motor home.

New Keswick resort is good news for us

Langdale Leisure Ltd has been asked to act as a business consultant on a new timeshare resort at Underscar near Keswick.

This is great news for owners as it generates income which can be invested at Langdale.

It is part of a wider strategy to get involved in the management of other resorts. Langdale is widely respected within the industry for its innovative, customer-centred management, and we hope to be able to capi-

talise on our reputation for the benefit of all our owners.

The Underscar resort is of the same high standard as Langdale and, like Langdale, has been developed by architects Unwin Jones Partnership.

Langdale will receive commission for all sales made to its owners, and a portion of funds received will be contributed to the reserve fund.

If you would like to visit Underscar please contact Langdale on 015394 38012.

Half price Country Club membership offer for owners

Langdale owners can once again get membership of the Langdale Country Club at half the normal rate.

We are now offering half price membership for owners for both monthly and annual payment schedules.

Several options are available, giving either full or restricted access to the Club.

You might find this an attractive offer if you live within a reasonable distance of Langdale and want to take advantage of the Country Club's excellent facilities.

For details contact Christine Cook, our Leisure Manager, on 015394 38056.

Meet Meg and Jet, stars in their field

How do you fancy meeting some international superstars next time you visit the Lakes?

Meg and Jet, an exceptionally talented Lakeland couple who have appeared on TV and competed against the best in the world, are now giving special performances for Langdale guests.

If you haven't guessed, Meg and Jet are sheepdogs who, together with their handler Derek Scrimgeour, have appeared on BBC's One Man And His Dog and represented England at international trials.

A new tour organised by Raven Tours will take you to their remote farm nestling under the slopes of Skiddaw where Derek lives with his wife Helen.

You'll see an amazing demon-



stration of sheepdog handling — a highly skilled art which is an essential part of Lakeland life but which is rarely seen at close quarters by visitors.

Derek is a master of his art. He has judged international sheepdog trials, and given training seminars around the world.

A Raven Tours guide will meet you at Langdale and drive you

via scenic back-roads to the Scrimgeour's farm. Afterwards, the return journey includes a visit to the mysterious stone circle at Castlerigg.

Prices are £35 per person (£21 each for a group of six people), or £41 (£25) for an extended tour which includes extra destinations. Book through the Country Club Desk.

Food for thought in squirrel wars

Casey Allum is helping to save red squirrels by looking after the special feeders at Langdale. In her latest update she tells of the dangers of leaving out the wrong kind of food

Following the story in the last edition of Views, I have had a lot of people stopping me and asking questions when I'm topping up the squirrel feeders at Elterwater Hall and nature trail.

People have also been asking my father, Roger Allum, about the steady influx of the grey squirrels in the area. This is true, but we are trying our best to discourage their presence by making sure that they can't penetrate the feeding boxes which we constantly top up for the red squirrels. This way I'm sure we can protect them from possible wipe-out.

We have recently had some postcards made of a picture my friend Adrian Faulkner took of a red squirrel in the woods. It's absolutely beautiful. These will be available for purchase soon.

Some of the money raised by selling the postcards will go towards food, maintenance of the boxes and to allow us to purchase more for the site.

We are still having problems with people trying to feed the red squirrels. This can cause big problems because the red squirrels only eat certain types of food, and human food can kill them. Food left for red squirrels will encourage the grey ones who are not such fussy eaters, so please don't do it!

Here are some of the things that have been fed to red squirrels which are particularly dangerous:

Walnuts can cause severe muscular weakness in all four limbs.

Carrots, beets and radishes are root vegetables. Red squirrels only eat "hanging" fruits and vegetables (those things that grow on trees, not under ground). Carrots are especially dangerous as they will gorge on them.

Dog or cat food contain meat — squirrels are vegetarians.

Peanuts are not a true nut and contain deadly aflatoxin.

Iceberg lettuce is yukky and



This is the kind of food red squirrels like!

has no food value.

Biscuits or any other egg-containing product will kill squirrels as they cannot cope with egg yolk.

Sunflower seeds can cause

liver disease.

Acorns contain tannic acid which causes hyperactivity in squirrels.

Will write again soon — Casey Allum (13 years).



Ever wondered how Hobson's bar got its name?

Hobson's, the newly refurbished and renamed hotel bar (below), was the name of the Langdale pub before Wainwrights' opened. This letter from J Roger Hobson, published in Views in 1983, explains where the name came from.

It was spring in the year of 1857 when Nathaniel Hobson, wool merchant of Holm Firth in the West Riding of Yorkshire, made the arduous journey west to this area. His destination was Wasdale Head where he intended to meet Thomas Naylor, a local breeder of the famous Herdwick sheep.

His journey was interrupted by a sudden heavy snow storm which blocked the road over the Wrynose Pass. He therefore sought shelter in the Village Inn at Elterwater. There he fell into the company of Jonas Craig, Foreman of the local Gunpowder works. Strong beer and good company resulted in the two new friends staggering home to Craig's cottage at the factory in the early hours, as Craig had offered Hobson lodging for the night.

Craig was still in no fit state for clear thinking at 6 o'clock when he weighed out the first powder mix of the day, and as a result

there was the most almighty explosion. Summoned by the manager to explain this disaster, a blackened and tattered Craig could only mutter: "It was

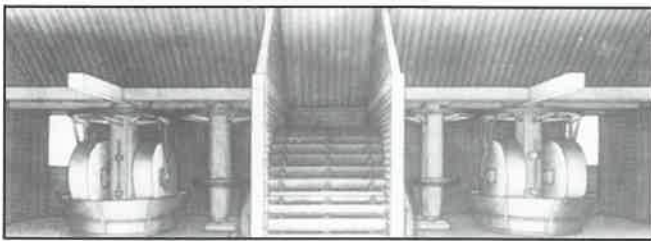
Hobson's fault".

From that day the phrase was used locally whenever an excuse was sought.

Below: the new Hobson's Bar



Years of grind at Lower Tarn



Top: stones from the old incorporating mill at Lower Tarn Mills.
Above: Illustration showing an incorporating mill similar to the ones at Langdale. The waterwheel can be seen between the two mills.

Revealed: the secret history of an overgrown pit on the Langdale Estate

Down in the corner of the Estate, right next to Lower Tarn and overlooked by Lodges 16, 21, 22 and 23, there is an overgrown pit. Have you ever wondered what this used to be?

Thanks to Alan and Glenys Crocker, members of the Langdale Owners' Club and gunpowder experts, we have established that this is the remains of the first incorporating mill to be built at the old Elterwater Gunpowder Works, which was established in 1824.

In an incorporating mill, saltpetre, sulphur and charcoal — the ingredients for gunpowder — were ground together.

At Lower Tarn the waterwheel pit is clearly visible and still fed by a race coming off the pool. On either side you can see the recesses that housed the wooden,

gearing systems which transferred power from the waterwheel to the mills above via wooden shafts.

Two huge circular bedstones still lie in their original positions. Pairs of upright limestone wheels called runners trundled around on top of these bedstones, crushing the mixture.

This was one of six such mills in operation at Langdale at the time. There were three others around Lower Tarn, where lodges 16, 22 and 23 are today, and two more above the waterwheel near the hotel's main entrance.

Work is now currently underway to clear up the pit at Lower Tarn Mills and make it safe. An artist's diagram will be displayed at the site to describe its history. We hope you like it.

Peter takes over at the top

There is a new Man at the Top for Langdale. Peter Entwistle has now officially taken over as our sponsored footpath repairman.

Peter takes over from Phil O'Donoghue, who was filling in until our new man was found (see last issue) following the promotion of original Man at the Top Clive Stretton, to the post of National Trust Warden for Duddon and Eskdale.

Peter is 29 and lives in Barrow-in-Furness. He has a post-graduate diploma in environmental management, and began working for the National Trust as a volunteer in 1992. He has a lot of experience of conservation in the Lake District, having worked on footpath repair projects on Esk Hause and Red Acre Gill among others.

His hobbies include fell walking, which is probably just as well

as there's a lot of walking involved in his line of work!

He works with a team of three repairmen working in the Langdale Valley, although the National Trust hopes to be able to employ a further one or two temporary workers soon. Their current project is to repair paths on The Band, Bowfell.

● We need your help to repave seriously eroded paths on The Band. We are looking for sponsors who will donate £50 — the cost of renewing just one metre of footpath.

Sponsors will receive a certificate and grid reference as to where their metre is located so you can go and visit your metre! Work will be started this summer and carry on to next year. If you can help, please call Heather Flaherty on 015394 38026.



A day in the life of a Langdale footpath repairman

"Meet the lads at 8am, usually at a car park. Trot up the hill, which can take over an hour.

Each of us can create 1.5 metres of path a day. We work in all weathers, even driving rain and wind. If it's bad, we have a portable wooden hut to shelter in. We get volunteers to carry it up, which is a bizarre sight.

Lost people might ask where they are and I've tended a few grazed knees. Summer days mean trails of bronzed girls in Lycra. We might have a

lunchtime fry-up in the shed but usually it's a sandwich.

It's too far from a pub but we often look down on one from a long way. Lavatories are scarce so you plan ahead - if you are caught short, you dig a hole behind a rock.

We're off down at 4pm, when we're absolutely knackered, I might manage a pint but I'm generally in bed by 10pm."

(© Jonny Beardsall 1998. This is part of an article which first appeared in the *Telegraph Magazine*.)

Hotel offers

Thanks to our Sales & Marketing team, Hotel occupancy in the last twelve months has very much improved with an increase in both short-break bookings and conferences.

Even though the Hotel is getting busier, we are still able to make special offers to Langdale owners with special rates being applied at quieter times.

If you would like to take advantage of these offers as they occur, please call our Sales Office on Freephone 0500 051197.

New Constitution

The Langdale Owners' Club Constitution has been reprinted with changes agreed at the last AGM. If you would like a copy, please drop by the office or give us a call and we will post one to you. Call the Timeshare Office on 015394 38012.

Anomalies

Only a few weeks left! Almost everything is rented... call now. Prices per night from £55 to £80.

Millennium

We have a few Grasmere lodges available over the Millennium and an extensive waiting list for larger properties. If you want to rent, please contact us as soon as possible.

Come for Christmas

Please call us if you are thinking ahead to Christmas and New Year, and if you have not yet made any arrangements, why not join us for a varied package of fun and entertainment? Please call the same Freephone number.

Refurb update

A considerable amount of refurbishment has been going on, including upgrading conference rooms to a very high standard, with Italian leather chairs and hand-made bordered carpets.

It all looks extremely smart and has gone down well with our conference clients. In addition to refurbishing Purdey's Restaurant, we have also upgraded the lounge and most of the hotel bedrooms.

Book now for the AGM

Don't forget to book for this year's AGM Dinner Dance at the North Lakes Hotel, Penrith.

After last year's great success, there will only be limited availability for this popular event. The dinner dance will be held on Saturday 17th October, followed by the AGMs of both Langdale Owners PLC and Langdale Owners' Club on Sunday 18th October at the same hotel.

We have negotiated a special price of £78 per night inclusive of VAT for bed & breakfast for 2 persons sharing a double/twin room — a saving of over £40. An additional charge of £59 for single occupancy or £98 for a suite.

To book your hotel accommodation, ring the North Lakes Hotel on 01768 868111 but make sure to let them know it's a 'Langdale AGM booking'.

The black tie dinner dance can be booked by posting a cheque for £25 per person, payable to Langdale Leisure Ltd to Lynette Berry at Langdale.

There will be a buffet lunch on Sunday at £10 per person. This can be booked as the dinner dance by sending your cheque, payable to Langdale Leisure Ltd again for the attention of Lynette Berry.

Unit	Type	Beds/sleeps	Week	Save	Price
8	Grasmere	1/4	26	£4,899	£5,000
6	Grasmere	1/4	52	£?	£neg
6	Grasmere	1/4	1	£?	£neg
66	Coniston	2/6	1	£?	£neg
18	Coniston	2/6	21	£?	£neg
43	Coniston	2/6	49	£?	£neg
33	Coniston	2/6	32	£2,774	£10,870
46	Coniston	2/6	48	£2,127	£3,850
55	Windermere	2/6	43	£2,059	£14,000
75	Windermere	2/6	16	£4,170	£8,750
42	Windermere	2/6	28	£5,409	£8,115
61	Windermere	2/6	46	£2,814	£6,000
11	Ullswater	3/8	6	£3,474	£5,220
22	Ullswater	3/8	43	£?	£neg
82	Ullswater	3/8	17	£2,686	£11,200
5	Chapel Stile	2/6	17	£3,289	£4,933
2	Elterwater Hall	2/6	11	£3,942	£6,080
2	Elterwater Hall	2/6	16	£6,460	£6,460
1	Elterwater Hall	2/6	13	£6,273	£6,260
1	Elterwater Hall	2/6	27	£6,521	£6,520
3	Elterwater Hall	2/6	31	£?	£neg
2	Elterwater Hall	2/6	39	£6,883	£6,882
	Elterwater Cottage	1/4	46	£2,670	£4,500
4	Chapel Stile	1/4	19	£4,382	£2,920
5	Chapel Stile	2/6	14	£5,796	£3,864
5	Chapel Stile	2/6	15	£5,796	£3,864
9	Chapel Stile	2/6	19	£4,456	£4,456
10	Chapel Stile	2/6	19	£4,456	£4,456
10	Chapel Stile	2/6	25	£4,313	£4,312
8	Chapel Stile	2/6	34	£3,060	£6,600
10	Chapel Stile	2/6	35	£3,882	£4,743
4	Chapel Stile	1/4	35	£3,732	£3,053
5	Chapel Stile	2/6	52	£4,280	£4,000
1	Chapel Stile	3/5	44	£4,240	£4,500

Best buys

Some of these weeks are outstanding value for money and some are weeks where there are very few similar properties for sale.

For further details call our Sales office on 015394 38012

VAT's good news

After two years of negotiations with Customs and Excise, they have finally agreed to refund VAT on elements of the management fees for 1982 to 1994.

We recently received a rebate of almost £200,000 (£198,863 to be exact) from the taxman.

For the benefit of all owners, this will be deposited in the reserve fund, after fees have been paid to our consultant.

Free wine with dinner

The newly refurbished Purdey's Restaurant is proving to be a great venue for our weekly Lodge Residents' Dinners.

Usually held on Thursday evenings, these are a wonderful opportunity to meet new people and renew acquaintances, and to enjoy a magnificent Table d'Hôte dinner.

Details of the dinner can be found in the Lodge Residents' Information, which is presented to you on arrival at Langdale.

To further entice you, you can also expect a complimentary glass of wine!

James, our Restaurant Manager, arranges the seating plan but please let him know if you have any preference.

For details or to book call Purdey's on 015394 37302



David Fairs welcoming the famous piano-playing sheep on his return, after being cut down to size. Do call in to see him at Purdey's Restaurant

Introduce a friend and we'll repay the compliment

The most welcome visitors to Langdale are those who have been recommended by an existing owner. After all, who better can give them an accurate picture of the beauty and lifestyle of the Estate?

For several years we have offered incentives to owners whose introductions result in sales, but now we have introduced a new programme of incentives.

From now on, if your introduction results in a sale, we say thank you with the gifts listed below.

We will also make the same offer to any owner who refers a conference booking to us (minimum 20 delegates staying for two days).

For the first sale, choose from:

- a table d'hôte champagne dinner for two at Purdey's Restaurant;

- gift vouchers worth £50 for Marks & Spencer, Field & Trek, Langdale's own Hair & Beauty Salon, Lakeland or Rohan outdoor wear;
- mountain bike hire for four, for 10 hours;
- a trip for six people to experience the Hawk Walk — a new attraction in which an expert handler will introduce you to this wonderful bird of prey, and give you the unforgettable opportunity to handle the birds yourself; or
- dinner cruise on Lake Windermere aboard the Teal or the Swan for two adults plus two children.

For a second sale, choose from:

- a complimentary break in the Langdale Hotel for two people for two nights including dinner, bed and breakfast. Subject, of course, to availability;
- quad biking at Greystoke for two;

- guided walk from the Club for four;
- two night stay in a one bed lodge (sleeps 4) during anomaly weeks;
- Gold Card Membership to Interval International;
- any John White Mountain School Activity for four; or
- dinner for two on the Spirit of the Lake, a luxury cruiser on Lake Windermere.

For a third sale, choose from:

- a family holiday lasting one week in one of the international exchange organisation's affiliated resorts throughout the world (airfare not included);
- sheepdog trials demonstration for four (see page 3); or
- half payment of management fee for one week, for one year.

LODGE SWAPS 1998/99

LANGDALE		CRAIGENDARROCH		
Offered	Requested	1998		
1998		Week	Sleeps	Wanted
1-BED — SLEEPS 4		40	6	May,June(99)
42	43,7,(99)	41	6	6
42	43	52(Xmas)	6	52(4or6)
2-BED — SLEEPS 6		1999		
41	43	1	4	10-16,24-36
42	43	9	6	43,14,15,30-34
42	43	16	8	Apr,May,Jun
42(CS)	43,7(1 bed?)	18	8	19
43	38,39(F)	19	8	18
44	41	19	2	19,20,May,Jun
45	school hols. (99)	21	6	22
45	43	21	6	52
Xmas	1999	21	6	21,22
1999		22	6	22,28(18-35)
1-BED — SLEEPS 4		22	62	25,35Jul,Aug,Jun
19	22	23	2	23
21	22,30-35,43,(16,17 in 2000)	25	6	25,30(18-35)
2-BED — SLEEPS 6		27	8	27
1	28,29	33	6	31-34
1(1 Jan)	April,May,Sept,Oct	MADEIRA		
6	5	1998		
7	later, school hols.	Week	Sleeps	Wanted
7	6	50/51(Xmas)	6	Jul,Aug
8	14,15	1999		
8	7	10/11	6	any
9	later	11	6	20-29,37,38
12(CS)	41,42,43	12/13/14	6(Studio)	Jun,Sept
13	43(98),14,43	16/17	6	Jun/Jul
15	13,14	18/19	4	26,27,28,36,37
16	38,39,34,29,26,43,47	18/19	2	May,Sept
17	school hols.	19	4	Apr,May,early July,Oct
20	Xmas	22	4	13,14,21,Aug
21	Xmas (99)	25/26	4	36,37,38
21	24,25	26	4(Studio)	18-37
23	school hols.	28/29	6	any
23	27,28,29	30/31	4	Apr-Sept
29	13,14	41/42	4	26,27,28,36,37
35	28-34	FOUR SEASONS FAIRWAYS, ALGARVE		
36	13,14,22,28-32	1998		
38	13,14,30-35	Week	Sleeps	Wanted
39	19,20,21	Xmas	8	18-39
40	19(F),17	51/52	6	51/52
40	7,13,14,22,43,29-34	(Xmas,NewYear)		
42	school hols.	1999		
45	school hols.	4	6	18-25,36-43
Xmas(98)	school hols.(1999)	27/28	6	31/32,32/33
3-BED — SLEEPS 8		1998		
1(98/99)	August (2 beds?)	1999		
7	6	1998		
8	7	1999		
11	13,14 (2 beds?)	1998		
15	14	1999		
39	13-27	1998		
40	13,14,15,22,28-35,43	1999		

If you are interested in exchanging, contact Sheila Crouch on tel/fax 01661 823548. Admin charges: Langdale £25, others £50.

TIMESHARE CALENDAR 1999

WEEK No.	WEEK COMMENCES		
	FRI	SAT	SUN
1	Check Holiday Certificates		
2	8/1	9/1	10/1
3	15/1	16/1	17/1
4	22/1	23/1	24/1
5	29/1	30/1	31/1
6	5/2	6/2	7/2
7	12/2	13/2	14/2
8	19/2	20/2	21/2
9	26/2	27/2	28/2
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29	16/7	17/7	18/7
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31	30/7	31/7	1/8
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45	5/11	6/11	7/11
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47	19/11	20/11	21/11
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Langdale Walking Holidays

More and more people are recognising the importance of a healthy lifestyle. Walking in particular can lead to a more relaxed and stress-free life, and it is an exercise that can be enjoyed at any age. Many people return home from a Langdale Walking Holiday feeling rejuvenated — as long as they have not overdone the good food and wine!

If you have not yet travelled with Langdale Walking Holidays, it is worth mentioning that each one is a unique one-off adventure, exploring new and exciting destinations. When we return to popular places we always plan new itineraries so as not to bore our regular travellers.

New destinations include Rajasthan, Cyprus, New Zealand and Fiji, Patagonia, Switzerland, and Arizona, with return visits planned to Nepal, Madeira, Austria and South Africa. Other destinations in the planning stage include the Canadian Rockies, Ireland and Oregon.

We visited Crete in May for the first time which was a great success and everyone enjoyed the

Samaria Gorge — the longest in Europe. We return to Crete next year (4-11 May 1999), this time adding some interesting variations to the itinerary, including walking the route across the Plain of Askyfou trudged by Allied soldiers in 1941 during the withdrawal from Crete.

If you have not yet finalised your holiday arrangements for 1999 or if you are looking for something special to commemorate the Millennium, please let us know and we will send you a copy of Walkie-Talkie, our colourful newsletter, which describes our programme for the next two years.

For details, and to receive our new regular newsletter, call 015394 37302 (office hours) or 01539 735108 (other times). Alternatively fax your name and address to 015394 37394, or post to: David Fairs, Langdale Walking Holidays, PO Box 18, Great Langdale, Ambleside, Cumbria LA22 9GF



Top: Langdale walkers at the Church of St Nikolas, Crete, in May this year.



Left: Langdale walkers in the Drakensberg, South Africa, February 1998.



Langdale walkers photographed by Tom Lawton

Make friends in high places on our walking weekends

The Walking Weekends at the Hotel are increasingly popular and are a great opportunity to experience some of the best walks in the Lake District while enjoying the hospitality of the Langdale Hotel.

The next one, from 25 to 27 September this year, is nearly full at the time of going to press.

Hosted by David Fairs with Tom Lawton as our Guide, you can expect a great weekend.

Others planned for next year include 26-28 March and 3-5 September.

If you are interested, please call Freephone 0500 051197 for further details or to make a reservation.

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Now no matter where you are on the site, with one click you can

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Once you're inside a particular section, an easy to use menu out-

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Be sure to visit the For Members Only section. You can check the address and telephone details we hold for you, and even

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