

Imperial College Gliding Club,
Imperial College Union,
Prince Consort Road S.W.7.

15th August 1930.

Dear Sir,

The Club's first Camp will be held during the month of September. I am enclosing as much information as possible, and will answer further enquiries to the best of my ability.

The use of Gore Farm has been given to the Club by the owner, Mr Ralph Gardiner. We also have the use of certain of the farm lands for gliding purposes, and those of an adjoining farm. The ground comprises slopes which should be ideal for gliding. It should be unnecessary to say that we are deeply indebted to the gentlemen owning the farms, and members should be very careful to cause no inconvenience or damage to property whilst at camp.

Gore Farm is situated at an altitude of 750 ft on Fontmell Down, in North Dorset. It is about two miles by road from the village of Fontmell Magna, which is four miles due South of Shaftesbury. The nearest railway station, "Semley, for Shaftesbury", is on the Southern Railway main line between Salisbury and Yeovil. There is a bus service from the station as far as the village.

As regards sleeping accommodation at the farm,

cooking, and harvesting, whenever they are asked to do so by the Captain.

I have to inform you that the glider I.C.I. is not yet finished. Construction is proceeding and it is hoped to have it finished by 1st September. In any case, the machine should have reached a stage where a few days' work at camp will have it completed. Offers of help with construction work during the next few weeks will be received with gratitude. They should be addressed to me.

I regret to have to inform you that R.S. Colquhoun will be unable to attend the Camp, and has therefore resigned the Captaincy. A General Meeting will be held at Gore Farm, to elect a new Captain, as soon as sufficient members are present. Due notice of the meeting will be given to all members.

Yours faithfully,

J. W. Payne.

Secretary to the Technical Committee.

P.S. Please note that the Imperial College Union is closed during August. Therefore, to save time, all correspondence should be addressed to:—

84, GROVE AVENUE,
LONDON. W.7.

a large dormitory is available, with a palliasse and one blanket each, for 20 persons. Members are advised to take with them at least one extra blanket, or a sleeping-bag.

To simplify the preparation of meals, food will all be bought together, and will be cooked by members nominated from day to day. The cost of food under these conditions will be 20/- per person per week, payable in advance. Full details are given in the enclosed "Instructions and Regulations".

As regards clothing, for hot weather tennis shirts and "shorts" will be most comfortable. It will be advisable to take also trousers or plus-fours, as the weather may be chilly. In case of wet weather, waterproof clothing is essential. Puttees and stout boots would be advisable, as the long grass is sure to be damp in the mornings. Members are advised to bring a change of underclothing, as it will probably be difficult to get clothes washed. During the day, it may be advisable to carry a small water-bottle of unbreakable material, fastened to the belt or slung over the shoulders. Finally, the whole luggage should be as light as possible, and should be in a form convenient to carry, especially if the owner is arriving by train, as luggage will probably have to be carried from the village. A haversack or rucksack would hold the impedimenta most conveniently.

The programme of each day's activities will be arranged by the Captain, and will include the preparation of weather charts, construction and repair work, and flying. Members will also help with the farm work,