

Grassington 08 January 2012



In December we were south of the Craven fault but today we're more or less on top of it to give us the limestone of the Yorkshire Dales and the millstone grit of the South Pennines in a single trip.

Again we have just the one main coach; but this was anticipated due to the time of year and relatively local destination. Since we're not losing money, we're out walking and we're catching up after the festivities I can't see a down-side to this extra trip (although the weather may have other ideas).

The Blackburn feeder coach and Burnley main coach will combine around Gisburn and then head straight for Grassington. We're not having an official toilet stop but if the Blackburn feeder manages to wangle one at Gisburn then please be quick about it!

Today's Walks

- A Walk** **Robert Eccles** **15 miles Strenuous**
Starting from just after the Craven Heifer we trundle over Flasby Fell and down into Rylstone. From there we visit the cross and the obelisk before crossing the Fell and dropping into Thorpe. Our journey from Thorpe to Grassington will depend on the weather: if it's fine we'll go via Burnsall and Hebden for a 16 mile walk but if it's not good we'll take a short-cut on the Dales Way for a 14 mile walk. Walk classified as strenuous due to distance and time constraints rather than any ascent (plus there's a bit in the middle that may require a little wall hopping).
- B Walk** **N/A**
There is no official B walk today but if anybody feels like doing something between the A and C walks then have a word with me (Robert Eccles). I can't guarantee to sort something (see above!) but I'll do my best.
- C Walk** **Paul Brown** **7.5 miles Moderate**
This walk starts at Rylstone, from where we walk to Hetton, then join Moor Lane and walk northwestwards rising gradually for about one and a half miles, cross Boss Moor Lane, then continue round Hamerton Hill before descending to Eller Beck. We then walk north eastwards to the lovely village of Linton. (Some interesting things to see here). We continue on lanes and field paths to Linton Falls, cross the River Wharfe by footbridge and walk up Sedber Lane to the coaches. Most of this walk follows good tracks but please be ready for some muddy stretches.
- D Walk** **Frank Mason** **6 miles Fairly Easy**
Alight at Grassington Car Park, Tourist Information Centre. Footpath to Linton Falls and Church, field paths and minor road to Thorpe and then to Burnsall. Back to Grassington following the Dales Way and River Wharfe.

Pick-Up Times and The Return Journey

Just the one pick-up point for this trip:

05:00 PM Grassington Yorkshire Dales car park Walks: A, C and D.

The Burnley coach will rendezvous with the Blackburn feeder coach around Gisburn and both will drop off in "last on first off" order.

Our next trips:

Today we'll be taking bookings for:

Arnside (05 February)

Hayfield (04 March)

Grasmere (01 April)

Ticket cost is £13:00 / £6:50 - but see below for complications. After today contact Robert by email (bookings@coach-rambles.org.uk), telephone (07795 250502 / 01282 798145) or on-line at www.coach-rambles.org.uk/book

Money, Money, Money

The Area Coach isn't about making money. Granted we need to balance the books, secure our future and make sure we pay our way but, minor details, that's all. Thus I intend to limit our reserve to about £1,500. This is just about enough to cover the future commitments.

Once we have that buffer then any excess from a trip will be refunded to passengers and late cancellations as a credit against another trip. However, if we drop below the £1,500 mark, then £50 will be added to the coffers before any refunds are made.

In practical terms this could mean a refund of around £2:00 per trip for regular passengers (ca 15% - 20%). Not a fantastic amount but that's just because the standard ticket price is already very close to that needed to safely cover costs.

Today's contacts: Robert Eccles 07795 250502

Dates and Destinations for The Diary

Events

03 February: Burnley and Pendle Quiz Night

7:30PM at Burnley Cricket Club. Tickets are £5:00 which includes a pie and peas supper. See Margaret Clarke on the Burnley coach for tickets and further details.

05 February: Coach Ramble to Arnside

Book today on the coach; later by telephone (07795 250502) or web (www.coach-rambles.org.uk/book).

04 March: Coach Ramble to Hayfield

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Walking in the brrrr from Jan to Feb; our local groups' walks between now and then:

Date	Group	Time	Destination
10 January	Clitheroe Ramblers	10:00	Newton
	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Admergill
11 January	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Tockholes
14 January	Clitheroe Ramblers	09:00	Chorley
	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Whelpstone Crag, Lunch at the Rock or Kelbrook
15 January	Hyndburn Ramblers	09:00	Clapham for Ingleborough
	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Forest of Rossendale
17 January	Clitheroe Ramblers	13:00	Waddington
	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Crown Point
18 January	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Rossendale Valley
21 January	Clitheroe Ramblers	09:00	Great Harwood
	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Mytholmroyd, Rodger Moor or Barnoldswick
22 January	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Hapton
	Hyndburn Ramblers	09:00	Nicky Nook
24 January	Clitheroe Ramblers	10:00	Long Preston
	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Old Laud Booth
25 January	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Rylstone
28 January	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Grassington, Walloper Well or Trawden
29 January	Clitheroe Ramblers	09:00	Chipping
	Hyndburn Ramblers	09:30	Mytholmroyd
	Hyndburn Ramblers	12:00	Pendleton
	OXO Coach Rambles	10:00	Local from the Old Church, Great Harwood followed by pie and peas.
	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Aspull
31 January	Clitheroe Ramblers	13:00	Hurst Green
01 February	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Irwell Vale / Bull Hill
04 February	Clitheroe Ramblers	11:09	Carnforth to Lancaster (train)
	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Cowling, Kelbrook or Barden Bridge

To join any of the Above Walks then just Contact the Group's Co-ordinator:

Burnley and Pendle Ramblers

Clitheroe Ramblers

Hyndburn Ramblers

OXO Coach Rambles

Pendle Walkers

Rossendale Ramblers

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