

Bakewell 10 June 2012



Today we have two coaches for our trip to Derbyshire and the White Peak. We'll have a brief stop at Buxton before heading south to the Derbyshire Dales.

It's a fantastic area with the beauty, flora and fauna of the limestone but without the moorland tops of the South Pennines that we both love¹ and hate².

NB: The walks will drop off in alphabetical order. The "A" walk is starting before the rendezvous at Buxton so anyone intending to do this walk will need to be ready soon after Glossop. The "D" walk will be the last off so anyone intending to do this walk *must remain on the coaches at Bakewell* for the short trip to Baslow.

Today's Walks

- A Walk** **Harvey Thompson** **13 miles Moderate**
Starting just before Buxton we have a short climb to view the massive "man-made" complex of Watersfalls and Tunstead Quarries. After passing through Chee Dale Nature Reserve we go up to join the former Midland Railway Line. Soon we detour from the line to follow the River Wye down a series of gorges which are deep and narrow with steep cliffs rearing up the sides. At Monsal Head the river widens providing a spectacular view over the Wye valley and its famous viaduct. Passing through the wonderfully named Water-cum-Jolly Dale, Putwell Hill and Pineapple House Farm it is almost an anti-climax to reach Bakewell but it is certain the day will be remembered.
13 miles with 1312ft (400m) ascent, on well established paths.
- B Walk** **Trevor Whittaker** **10.5 miles Moderate**
Starting from just off the A6 we travel through the SSSI designated Deep Dale with its orchids and lily-of-the-valley. Then it's across the wild flower meadows of High Low to Monyash village where the "king" and "queen" trees on the green celebrate the coronation of George V and Queen Mary. From there we'll drop down into the limestone valley of Lathkill Dale which is home to the rare Jacob's Ladder and follow it to the 18th Century Conksbury Bridge before turning for Bakewell. Overall, a walk that shows the beauty of the Derbyshire Dales at this time of year.
- C Walk** **Brian Chaddock** **8 miles Moderate**
From the coach Park we will leave via Station Road and cross the golf course, then up a steep path through a wood to the top of a hill where there are wonderful views. A short road walk followed by a track will take us to Edensor [Tea Room!]. Then down in to the grounds of Chatsworth.
A river walk to Calton Lees, over the hill and fields, down across the golf course again and back to the coach.
- D Walk** **Sue Baxendale** **7 miles Moderate**
Alight from coach at Baslow. Take minor road into Chatsworth Park to pass Queen Marys Bower and cross the river. Continue to the village of Edensor (hopefully ice cream stop).
Walk uphill to New Piece Wood to gain good views of Chatsworth House then down to Carlton Plantation. Up again through fields to Manners Wood then down minor road to pass Bowling Green Farm and then field paths into Bakewell. Two uphill sections but plenty of time, maybe muddy patches in the woods but no stiles to climb over.

Pick-Up Times and The Return Journey

One pick-up point for this trip:

06:00 PM Bakewell Agricultural Way car / coach park (usual place) Walks: A, B, C and D.

Due to the extortionate parking costs in Bakewell the coaches may not be at the car park until 04:00 PM.

The Burnley coach will drop off at Padiham first and the Blackburn coach at Darwen first. Any additional toilet stops or drop-off points are at the discretion of the couriers; these must though take into account everyone's desire to get home quickly and any restrictions with drivers' hours.

Our next trips

Today we'll be taking bookings for Kirkby Stephen (08 July), Ruthin (05 August) and Broughton-in-Furness (02 September). Ticket cost is the usual £13:00 / £6:50. After today then contact Robert by email (bookings@coach-rambles.org.uk), telephone (07795 250502 / 01282 798145) or on-line at www.coach-rambles.org.uk/book.

Promote, Promote, Promote!

We're doing Ok; numbers are fine and, critically, our finances are improving. Like many places (e.g., Greece, Spain) we could do with a bit more in the bank but our situation is, for now, stable.

With more people though we can start to reduce the ticket price and travel time; it's all about numbers. The couriers have supplies of our usual posters plus 500 new leaflets available. If you can help by taking a poster or two, or can think of a location where we can drop a supply of leaflets off then it would be appreciated.

¹ Such as the heather in bloom

² Such as lumpy boggy moorland and wet feet

Dates and Destinations for The Diary

Walking from Bakewell to Kirkby Stephen; our local groups' walks between now and then:

Date	Group	Time	Destination
Tue 12 June	Clitheroe Ramblers	13:00	History of Mellor
	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Earby
Wed 13 June	Burnley and Pendle Ramblers	19:15	Black Dog Pub, Crawshawbooth (GR 907468)
	Clitheroe Ramblers	19:00	York Village
	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Norber Erratics
Sat 16 June	Clitheroe Ramblers	09:30	Levens Village
	Hyndburn Ramblers	08:00	Place Fell from Patterdale
	Pendle Walkers	09:00	1612 to 2012 'Witches' Anniversary Walk (A)
	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Walking with Witches (B)
Sun 17 June	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Jumbles (C)
	Burnley and Pendle Ramblers	13:00	Foulridge from Colne Rugby Club
	Hyndburn Ramblers	08:45	Lazonby
	Hyndburn Ramblers	12:00	Stoneyhurst College
Tue 19 June	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Dunsop Bridge
	Clitheroe Ramblers	10:00	Clitheroe Local
	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Clapham (B)
Wed 20 June	Burnley and Pendle Ramblers	19:15	White Heart Pub, Sabden (GR 780375)
	Clitheroe Ramblers	19:00	Sawley near Spread Eagle
	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Ribchester
Sat 23 June	Burnley and Pendle Ramblers	10:00	Jumbles Country Park
	Clitheroe Ramblers	09:30	Great Hill, Belmont
	Pendle Walkers	09:00	Parrock Head, Dunsop Fell and Brennand Stones (A)
	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Ilkley (C)
Sun 24 June	Hyndburn Ramblers	08:00	Kettlewell
	OXO Ramblers	08:45	Muker in Rickmondshire (A and B walks)
	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Whitbarrow
Tue 26 June	Clitheroe Ramblers	13:00	Salesbury
	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Stoodley (C)
Wed 27 June	Burnley and Pendle Ramblers	19:15	Thursden Valley car park (GR 902352)
	Clitheroe Ramblers	19:00	Whitewell
	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Reaps Cross and Raistrick Great Hill
Sat 30 June	Clitheroe Ramblers	09:30	Staveley, Kendal
	Hyndburn Ramblers	09:30	Beacon Fell
	Pendle Walkers	09:00	To Gisburn and back (A)
	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Stoodley Pike (B)
	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Hewenden (C)
Sun 01 July	Burnley and Pendle Ramblers	10:00	Musbury Heights
	Hyndburn Ramblers	08:00	Pendle Plod
	Hyndburn Ramblers	12:00	Beacon Hill
	Rossendale Ramblers	08:00	Lake District
Tue 03 July	Clitheroe Ramblers	10:00	Hapton and Hameldon
	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Spring Wood (C)
Wed 04 July	Burnley and Pendle Ramblers	19:15	Barley picnic site (GR 822405)
	Clitheroe Ramblers	19:00	Treasure Hunt, Mellor
	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Bowland
Sat 07 July	Burnley and Pendle Ramblers	13:00	Victoria Park / Spurn Clough
	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Beatrix and Dunsop Bridge (B)
	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Kettlewell (C)

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

Burnley and Pendle Ramblers	Janet Lofthouse on 01282 435352
Clitheroe Ramblers	Jane Donnelley at enquiries@clitheroeramblers.co.uk
Hyndburn Ramblers	Phil Bedson on 01254 398670
OXO Coach Rambles	Hannah Rose on 01254 886105
Pendle Walkers	John Crabtree on 01282 859437
Rossendale Ramblers	Martin Corbett on 07801 146864