

Broughton 02 September 2012



Today we have two coaches for our trip to the Cumbrian town of Broughton-in-Furness.

We'll have a brief stop at Burton-in-Kendal services for the two coaches to meet up and then it'll be about three-quarters of an hour before we're off the coach and walking. It's quite a way but the walks and scenery should be worth it.

Today's Walks

- A Walk** **Robert Eccles** **13 miles Moderate**
Starting from Gawthwaite we head over the moor to Great Burney (298m), then Little Burney and Blawith Knott (248m) before dropping down to High Kep. We take the bridleway north over The Knott to Troughton Hall. Through the Postlethwaite Allotment if we can (if not it'll have to be the road) to Bracelet Hall and Broughton Mills. Then it's fields and woodland to Broughton.
There will be some rough ground but only 700m of ascent.
- B Walk** **Trevor Whittaker** **10 miles Moderate**
Starting from Broughton we'll walk to Duddon Bridge and the restored remains of The Ironworks ("one of the most impressive charcoal-fired blast furnaces in Britain"). There is a bit of road-work past Duddon Hall to Beckfoot before we're up and over to Croglinhurst. Continuing North East to Broughton Mills where we may take refreshment at one of the most compact public houses in the country. If time permits we'll make for Broughton over Latter Rigg and Middlesclough; if time is short though then we'll cut a corner or two and come back over fields.
Maximum 500m of ascent.
- C/D Walk** **Paul Brown** **7 miles Moderate**
We alight at Broughton in Furness and follow the former railway (Foxfield to Coniston) for about a mile, continue north eastwards towards High Rosthwaite, then walk south to join a bridleway to Green Moor, Spunham, and Yeat House. We climb steadily to Woodland Hall and Thornthwaite Latter Rigg, then descend to cross Kirkby Pool (footbridge), before returning to Broughton in Furness past Wall End.
Most of this walk is along tracks and country lanes, some ups and downs, very few stiles to cross. Expect good views of the fells and the River Duddon estuary.

Pick-Up Times and The Return Journey

One pick-up point for this trip:

06:00 PM Broughton Foxfield Road / Station Road Walks: A, B and C/D.

The coaches will be parked just south of the square; for those doing the B and C/D walks this should be where you get off but if you're in any doubt then just wait in the main square.

The Burnley coach will drop off at Padiham first and the Blackburn coach at Clitheroe first. Any deviations, additional toilet stops or drop-off points are at the discretion of the couriers; but these must take into account everyone's desire to get home quickly and any restrictions with drivers' hours. We should be ahead of the Illuminations traffic when we get to Preston/M6/M55 so hopefully no delays coming back.

Our next trips

Today we'll be taking bookings for Buxton (07 October), Ingleton / Bentham / Kirkby Lonsdale (04 November) and Kendal (02 December). 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.

Money, Money, Money

Below is the summary of our last three excursions and the current position for today's trip (as of Wednesday).

Excursion Summary	Coach Cost	Expenses ¹	Ticket Sales	Profit / Loss
2012-06 Bakewell	£790	£50	£871	£31
2012-07 Kirkby Stephen	£745	£30	£806	£31
2012-08 Ruthin	£790	£40	£930	£100
2012-09 Broughton	£790	£40	£787	£134

Despite today's loss we're in a far better position than we were 12 months ago².

The Attic

We're coming up to our 50th year and I want to preserve and publish as much of our history as possible. If anyone has any documents or programmes from our earlier days then I'd like to get them scanned and made available. Pat Parrott's "yellow file" has been my only but invaluable source to date and I'm hoping that there are others about.

¹ Expenses are: drivers' tip, parking and contribution to leaders' costs.

² I've been organising our rambles for 12 months now? Somehow it seems longer ☺

Dates and Destinations from Broughton to Buxton

Date	Group	Time	Destination
Tue 04 Sep	Clitheroe Ramblers	10:00	Dunsop Bridge for Beatrix Fell
	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Rimington (B)
Wed 05 Sep	Burnley and Pendle Ramblers	19:15	Colne Railway Station
	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Hardcastle Crags
Sat 08 Sep	Clitheroe Ramblers	09:30	Horton in Ribblesdale
	Hyndburn Ramblers	08:30	Thursden Valley
	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Bingley (C)
	Spring Vale Rambling Class	11:00	Barrowford (5 miles)
Sun 09 Sep	Hyndburn Ramblers	14:00	Barrowford (6 miles)
		09:00	Grassington
Tue 11 Sep	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Ribchester for Hothersall Hall
	Clitheroe Ramblers	13:00	Pendle
Wed 12 Sep	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Chatburn
	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	East Marton (C)
Sat 15 Sep	Clitheroe Ramblers	09:00	Foulridge
	Pendle Walkers	09:00	Calf Top from Barbon
Sun 16 Sep	Burnley and Pendle Ramblers	10:00	A wander 'round Old Cote Moor (A)
		10:00	Paythorne Bridge from Gisburn (B), Airton (C)
		10:00	Gargrave / East Marton
		08:45	Wild Boar Fell
Tue 18 Sep	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Ilkley Moor
	Clitheroe Ramblers	10:00	Settle
Wed 19 Sep	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Long Preston (C)
	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Yorkshire Dales
Sat 22 Sep	Clitheroe Ramblers	09:30	Grassington
	Hyndburn Ramblers	08:00	Hartsop for Angle Tarn
	Pendle Walkers	08:00	Grasmere (A,B,C)
	Spring Vale Rambling Class	11:00	Great Hill
Sun 23 Sep	Burnley and Pendle Ramblers	10:30	Edisford Bridge
	Hyndburn Ramblers	09:00	Rylstone
	OXO Coach Rambles	08:45	Eyam, Derbyshire
	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Dunsop and Slaidburn
Tue 25 Sep	Clitheroe Ramblers	13:00	Hurst Green
	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Rivock Plantation (C)
Wed 26 Sep	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Coiners Country
Fri 28 Sep	Hyndburn Ramblers		Blackpool Illuminations
Sat 29 Sep	Clitheroe Ramblers	08:30	Ambleside (strenuous)
		09:00	Ribble Valley Circular (A)
		10:00	Worth Way (B)
Sun 30 Sep	Burnley and Pendle Ramblers	10:00	Gisburn (C)
		10:30	Walsden Moor
		08:00	Bleaklow from Old Glossop
		08:00	Helvellyn Massif
Tue 02 Oct	Clitheroe Ramblers	10:00	Tarnbrook
	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Otterburn (C)
Wed 03 Oct	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Oxenhope
Sat 06 Oct	Clitheroe Ramblers	09:30	Ribchester walk with The Knights Templar
		09:00	Barbon Round (A)
		10:00	Calderdale Way (B), Mountain Farm (C)
	Spring Vale Rambling Class	11:00	Scout Moor

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 Donnelly 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
Spring Vale Rambling Class, Darwen	Glenda Brindle on 01254 671269

Tuesday 18th September: Meeting

Just a reminder, the coach meeting is to be held on Tuesday 18th September at Cambridge Street Methodist Church in Accrington at 7:30PM. Whilst it's mainly to thrash out the 2013 destinations anyone is welcome to attend and make a contribution. If you have suggestions for destinations or how things should be run but can't attend then just fill in the details below and hand the tear-off to Camille, Gwen, Margaret or myself.

Our Excursion Dates for 2013 are now officially ³:

Date	Return Time	Sunset	Notes
06 January	17:00	16:00	
03 February	17:30	16:45	
03 March	18:00	17:40	
07 April	18:00	19:40	
12 May	18:00	20:40	second week to avoid May Day bank holiday
09 June	18:00	21:15	second week to fit better between the May and July trips
07 July	18:00	21:15	
04 August	18:00	20:40	
01 September	18:00	19:40	
06 October	18:00	18:20	
03 November	17:30	16:25	
01 December	17:00	15:45	

Suggested Destinations - and many thanks for these

Alston	Haworth	Middleham	Sandstone Trail / Frodsham
Appleby	High Bentham	Middleton-in -Teesdale	Settle
Arnside	Hutton le Hole	Muker	Silverdale
Aysgarth Falls	Kendal	Newby Bridge	Skipton
Barnard Castle	Lancaster	Osmotherley	Sutton Bank
Buttermere	Leyburn	Penrith	Ulverston
Garstang	Macclesfield Forrest	Ravenglass	Wirral Way
Grange over Sands	Malham	Reeth	
Hathersage	Mardale	Ripon	
Hawes	Matlock	Rudyard Lake	

We'll add our popular destinations to this list and then try and come up with a great mix for us all in 2013. The plan is to have nine trips to our National Parks (The Lakes, Derbyshire, Yorkshire Dales/Moors) and then have three random destinations.

Important question: would we be happy with an earlier start to go somewhere different? I'm thinking about Ravenglass and Buttermere; fantastic suggestions but we would need to set-off early to be home on time.

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Further Suggestions for Destinations

Further Suggestions for Improving our Trips

Reduce fares, reduce travel times, reduce faffing

³ Please arrange holidays, births, deaths and marriages accordingly.