

Coniston 03 March 2013



Today we have two coaches for our first trip of the year to Cumbria and an ever popular destination at the heart of The Lake District.

The Burnley and Blackburn coaches will rendezvous at Burton-in-Kendal services before travelling together to Coniston via Torver.

Today's Walks

- A Walk** **Chris Thornley** **10 miles Strenuous**
Alight at Torver and take bridleway to Walna Scar Road. Then a path to Goat's Water. Continue to Goat's Hawse. Then climb to the summit of Coniston Old Man. Then continue along the tops and climb Swirl How. Then time and weather permitting, drop down to Swirl Hawse and climb to the top of Wetherlam. Then take a path down to Coppermines Valley and into Coniston.
- B Walk** **Michael Counter** **9 miles Moderate**
After alighting the coach in Coniston we then leave the village to follow the Cumbria Way in a northerly direction heading towards Tarn Hows. The route continues on passed this picturesque lake heading towards Stone Chair Hill and passing High OxenFell. When the bridlepath is reached we begin to follow this, now heading south under Yew Band and passing Raven Crag. The way now continues on a track below Yewdale Fell Side to arrive at the Far End Youth Hostel and then down into Coniston.
- C Walk** **Paul Brown** **7.5 miles Moderate**
This walk starts at Water Yeat on the A5084, about ½ mile from the south end of Coniston Water. We follow a country lane then join footpaths as we climb steadily to Beacon Tarn, then continue past Blawith Fells, Coats Hill, and Torver Falls to reach Sunny Bank. From here we walk to the western shore of Coniston Water which we follow closely for about 2 miles, then continue past Coniston Hall and Bowmanstead to reach Bannock Stone Bridge before walking into Coniston village. Please note that the first mile or so of the shore path is undulating and rough (rocky with tree roots), before it becomes flatter and much easier. Should be some good views of the Coniston Range.
- D Walk** **Sue Baxendale** **5 miles Easy**
Leave coach at Beckstones on A5084 and follow bridle way into Torver village, and Crook. Cross A593 and take footpath to pass Brackenbarrow Farm, down through Torver Common Wood to side of Conistone Water. Follow path along the lake side past Hoathwaite Landing and Coniston Hall. Continue into Coniston, either directly or cut back down to lake and and take path and minor road to come into Coniston town along the B5285.

Pick-Up Times and The Return Journey

Today we have just the one pick-up point.

06:00 PM Coniston National Park Car Park (usual spot) Walks: A, B, C and D

Blackburn coach is scheduled to drop off at Clitheroe first and the Burnley coach at Clayton. Any additional stops are at the discretion of our drivers and couriers but need to take into account everyone's desire to get home quickly.

Our Next Trips

Today we'll be taking bookings for Matlock Baths (07 April), Keswick / Seatoller (12 May) and Middleton-in-Teesdale (09 June). 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.

Advertising and Promotion

We've the 2013 leaflet together with a more succinct flyer that we can distribute. If you'd like a supply or can think of a place to put them then let me know. This is important since it's our main way to grow numbers and thus secure the future.

Leaders

In January I asked for a couple of people to come forward and lead the odd C or D walk. To date, no one has; it's looking like I'll have to try the blackmail / arm-twisting / shame / shotgun approach.

At the moment Hyndburn Group are shouldering the burden of leading with limited support from other Groups.

Events

Fri 22 Mar Burnley and Pendle Quiz Night starting 7:30pm at Burnley Cricket Club. Tickets cost £4 and are available from Brenda Maxwell or Anne Starkie (Burnley Coach)..

Our Group Walks from Coniston to Matlock Baths

Date	Group	Time	Destination
Tue 05 Mar	Clitheroe Ramblers	10:00	Longridge
Wed 06 Mar	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Witton Park (M)
Fri 08 Mar	Spring Vale Rambling Group	11:00	Barley (M)
Sat 09 Mar	Burnley and Pendle Ramblers	09:30	Robin Proctor's Scar
Sat 09 Mar	Clitheroe Ramblers	09:30	Bleasdale Fells from Delph Lane
Sat 09 Mar	Pendle Walkers	09:00	Upper Barden Round (A)
Sat 09 Mar	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Barnoldswick (C)
Sat 09 Mar	Spring Vale Rambling Group	11:00	Barley Car Park (M)
Sun 10 Mar	Hyndburn Ramblers	09:00	Sutton in Craven (B)
Sun 10 Mar	Hyndburn Ramblers	12:00	Barley for Four Reservoirs (D)
Sun 10 Mar	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Keighley Moor (M)
Tue 12 Mar	Clitheroe Ramblers	13:00	Ribchester
Wed 13 Mar	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Jumbles (M)
Sat 16 Mar	Clitheroe Ramblers	09:30	Clapham
Sat 16 Mar	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Waddington Fell from Newton (A)
Sat 16 Mar	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Haworth (C)
Sat 16 Mar	Spring Vale Rambling Group	11:00	Wilpshire Circular via York (M)
Sun 17 Mar	Burnley and Pendle Ramblers	10:00	Worth Valley - including railway
Sun 17 Mar	Hyndburn Ramblers	09:30	Longridge Fell (C)
Sun 17 Mar	Hyndburn Ramblers	11:00	Dunsop Bridge (D)
Sun 17 Mar	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Stoodley Pike (M)
Tue 19 Mar	Clitheroe Ramblers	10:00	Hareden Fell
Wed 20 Mar	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Todmorden and Great Rock (M)
Sat 23 Mar	Clitheroe Ramblers	09:30	Springwood, Whalley
Sat 23 Mar	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Buckden Pike or it could easily be somewhere else (A)
Sat 23 Mar	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Kelbrook (C)
Sun 24 Mar	Burnley and Pendle Ramblers	10:00	Bolton by Bowland
Sun 24 Mar	Hyndburn Ramblers	09:00	Burton-in-Lonsdale (C)
Sun 24 Mar	Hyndburn Ramblers	11:00	Grimehills for Entwistle Reservoir (D)
Sun 24 Mar	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Simon's Seat from Storiths (M)
Tue 26 Mar	Clitheroe Ramblers	13:00	Barley
Wed 27 Mar	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Wigan (M)
Fri 29 Mar	OXO Ramblers	08:45	Pateley Bridge (A+B)
Fri 29 Mar	Spring Vale Rambling Group	11:00	Ribchester (M)
Sat 30 Mar	Clitheroe Ramblers	09:30	Pendle Hill
Sat 30 Mar	Spring Vale Rambling Group	11:00	Woods Paths and Moors (L)
Sun 31 Mar	Hyndburn Ramblers	10:00	Owd Betts for Windfarm (C)
Sun 31 Mar	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Bolton-by-Bowland (M)
Tue 02 Apr	Clitheroe Ramblers	10:00	Downham for Rimington
Wed 03 Apr	Clitheroe Ramblers	18:30	Sabden
Wed 03 Apr	Rossendale Ramblers	09:00	Todmorden (M)
Sat 06 Apr	Burnley and Pendle Ramblers	11:00	Spring Walk and Meal; Hebden Bridge.
Sat 06 Apr	Clitheroe Ramblers	09:30	Ingleborough from Ribbleshead
Sat 06 Apr	Pendle Walkers	09:00	Simons Seat and Lords Seat (A)
Sat 06 Apr	Pendle Walkers	10:00	Lothersdale (C)

Burnley and Pendle Ramblers
 Clitheroe Ramblers
 Hyndburn Ramblers
 OXO Coach Rambles
 Pendle Walkers
 Rossendale Ramblers
 Spring Vale Rambling Class, Darwen

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