Grassington 04 January 2015

Today we have just one main coach for our trip to this market town in Upper Wharfedale. The Burnley feeder and Blackburn main coaches will meet at Gisburn and from there the Blackburn coach will take us all directly to Grassington (i.e., there will be no morning stop).



Leaders

Many thanks to George, Pauline and Sue for stepping in at the very last moment to the lead today's B and D walks; it's very much appreciated. We are short of leaders for 2015 so please consider volunteering to lead one (or more) of our 48 walks. In return your coach ticket is paid and you receive a £15 thank-you (technically / legally it's "expenses"); maps, advice and a big thank-you are also available.

Promotion: Posters, Flyers and Leaflets

If all goes according to plan; we'll have A4 posters for Arnside, A4 posters for 2015, 1/3 A4 flyers and the usual 1/3 A4 three-fold detailed leaflets available on this trip. Supplies will be limited but feel free to request more and I'll get them to you.

Today's Walks

A Walk Robert Eccles

16 miles Fairly Strenuous

Starting from East Marton we follow the Pennine Way to Gargrave. Working our way through town to the canal we eventually turn north-ish for the hamlets / villages of Flasby, Rylstone and Cracoe. Fell Lane takes us onto the Access Land where we make a bee-line for the war memorial (it's essentially straight up I'm afraid). We follow Thorpe Fell round until we get to the drop off point for Thorpe where we head for the Wharfe and The Dales Way. Passing Linton Falls we eventually land in Grassington.

A good walk from the South Pennines to the Yorkshire Dales (see if you can spot where we cross the South Craven fault) but probably muddy if the temperature is above freezing. Overall 26km and 679 metres of ascent.

B Walk George M^cAvoy and Pauline Oddonnell

11 miles Moderate

Starting from Grassington we follow the Dales Way along the Wharfe to Hebden. Turning north we follow the line of Hebden Beck to Hole Bottom and then we're on to Yarnbury. Continuing to skirt the edge of Grassington Moor we arrive at Kelber where we pick-up the Bycliff Road west to the Dales Way. We follow this south through the old settlements and field systems until we reach Grassington.

A nice mix of terrains and views with 1200 feet of gradual climbing over the whole walk.

C Walk Paul Brown

7 miles Moderate

We start at the coach park, walk through Grassington village, then continue steadily uphill in a north easterly direction for about a mile along Moor Lane. We then follow field paths, before joining a track which takes us eastwards, then south alongside Hebden Beck. We cross the beck (3 large stepping stones at a narrow point), continue to Hole Bottom, and then follow a pleasant lane into Hebden village. From here we follow field and woodland paths to the River Wharfe to join the Dales Way, which takes us mainly alongside the river to Linton Falls, where we join Sedber Lane which takes us back up to the coach.

D Walk Sue Baxendale

4 miles Fairly Easy

This walk is a shorter version of the C walk and we will probably travel as one group depending on numbers: We start at the coach park, walk through Grassington village, then continue steadily uphill in a north easterly direction for about a mile along Moor Lane. We then follow field paths, before joining a track which takes us eastwards, then south alongside Hebden Beck. We cross the beck (3 large stepping stones at a narrow point), continue to Hole Bottom, and then follow a pleasant lane into Hebden village. Here we will board our coach to return to Grassington.

Pick-Up Times and The Return Journey

Today we have just one pick-up point:

05:00 PM

Grassington

Cattle Market Street

Walks: A (hopefully), B, C and D

The Burnley feeder coach will meet the Blackburn coach at Gisburn. Any additional stops on the return journey 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

Arnside (01 February), Hayfield (08 March) and Grasmere / Langdales (12 April). Ticket cost is the usual £13:00 / £6:50. After today, or to book beyond April, then contact Robert by email at bookings@coach-rambles.org.uk, telephone on 07795 250502 / 01282 798145 or online at www.coach-rambles.org.uk/book.