

North East Lancashire Ramblers - Coach Ramblers

Broughton in Furness Sunday 6 August 2017

Our two coaches will rendezvous at Burton services for a quick comfort stop and then travel on together. There is no coach park in Broughton so the coaches will park on the south side of the village. Will independent walkers leave details of your names and routes with your courier on the coach and a mobile phone number if available.

A Walk – No volunteer so no walk.

B Walk **Michael Counter** **Moderate** **9 miles**

We alight the coach at Gawthwaite on the A5092 and then follow the Cumbria Way passing Kiln Bank, Tottle Bank and on towards Cockenskel. It is here that we now take to the bridleway over Woodland Fell to Green Moor and on to Row Ridding. A track through the woodland takes us to Latter Rigg Moss and Middlescough to reach Wall End. Field paths now take us into Broughton in Furness

This walk does not involve much hill climbing and offers extensive views of the Fells around Coniston and lower lakes.

C Walk **Paul Brown** **Moderate** **8 miles**

We start at Broughton in Furness and follow the route of the former Foxfield to Coniston railway for about a mile, then continue along tracks and country lanes towards High Rosthwaite and Woodland Parish Room. We then join a bridleway and climb through Green Moor Wood to Green Moor, then continue southwards to Spunham before reaching a country road. We climb past Woodland Hall to reach Thornthwaite Latter Rigg, hopefully good views from here of the River Duddon estuary. We then descend to cross Kirkby Pool (footbridge), then walk to Boothwaite Nook and Eccle Rigg, before returning to Broughton along the Cumbria Coastal Way. Some ups and downs on this walk, muddy in stretches. Some very high dense bracken on the route, Paul will try to find a way to avoid this on the day. Best advice is to cover up as much as possible when walking through bracken.

D Walk **Carol Higgins** **Moderate** **5.5 miles**

Our undulating walk starts from the Market Square and heads north eastward across fields and through deciduous woodlands, crossing the footbridges over Galloper and Kirkby Pools before reaching the slopes of Thornthwaite Latter Rigg. Edging round this we follow a path that winds a bit, climbs a bit and goes over a little rough bit of Latter Rigg before descending westward through a large birch wood towards the valley and Kirkby Pool again. Crossing the valley we enter now ancient woodland and follow a track to a road and then follow another winding track up to join the old railway track which we follow to the lakes and grounds of Broughton Tower. A walk through these gives us the final vista from the West Park before we head into Broughton. There are two ladder stiles and a stile on this walk and it's advisable to wear boots as it can be soft and slightly muddy in places even though it's mainly on good paths and tracks

Pickup Time for the Return Journey 6.00pm Blackburn coach to drop off at Clitheroe first, Burnley coach to drop off at Clayton le Moors first. Please do not ask for extra stops on the way home as this can be dangerous and make everyone later home.

Book today for our next two coach rambles – **Ilkley on 3rd September and Hathersage on 1st October**

Or after today telephone Margaret Boothman for the **Burnley** coach on 01282 692901. (NOT after 9.00pm) or for the **Blackburn** coach telephone Kathleen Parker on 01254 396894 (between 6.00pm and 9.00pm) **S.A.E. needed to send a ticket.**

Leaders needed: we need volunteers for the A walks for Ilkley on 3rd September, Hathersage on 1st October and Grassington on 5th November. Come on "A" walkers – where are all the leaders?

All welcome to a **social day** out on **Sunday 17th September**. Visit to Haddon Hall and Bakewell. Cost £22. Tickets today from Margaret Clark - find her today on the Burnley coach, or telephone later on 01282 616838.

2018 planning. If you are willing to help organise the coach rambles next year please do come along to our planning meeting on **Tuesday 26th September** at Cambridge Street Methodist Church, Accrington, starting at 7.00pm. We need suggestions for destinations, offers to lead, print tickets and posters, general publicity, couriers, etc etc. The more people to each do a little the better. Please let Sue Baxendale know any destinations you would like us to consider – before the meeting if possible.