

It is with great sadness that I have to inform everyone of the death of Roger Haythornthwaite. Roger was a great friend to N E Lancs Ramblers serving on the Area Committee, Burnley Group Committee and as known to many of us here – as a coach rambles leader for many years. In his own unique way he has shared with hundreds of people his love of walking in our beautiful countryside and we all owe him a great deal. His wry smile and dry sense of humour will be sorely missed.

Today the coaches will rendezvous at Settle for a comfort stop before continuing on towards Ingleton and the start of our walks. Carol and Graham Wrigglesworth take on their first walk for the coach rambles today so many thanks to them.

B Walk with an alternative at the end to make it an A Walk as well Leader Tony Culverhouse

Leaving the coaches at Clapham we follow, and then cross, Clapham Beck in an attractive woodland to then join the Pennine Bridleway. After about a mile we divert north onto the Dalesway climbing steadily and onto the summit of Ingleborough. We descend south westerly passing Quaking Pot to join Fell Lane down into Ingleton. This is the B walk of 9.5 miles. Those wanting the A walk - 1 mile before Ingleton – we will branch off along the bridleway to make a 2.5 mile loop crossing the River Doe via the stepping stones before coming into Ingleton.

C Walk Leaders Carol and Graham Wrigglesworth. Moderate with good views. 7-8 miles

We set off from the layby on the A65 at Dalesbridge and take Holme Lane into Austwick. Walking through the village to Town Head Lane to climb up through Town Head to the Penine Bridleway. (Thwaite Lane Track). Continuing on to descend into Clapham, pass through a couple of tunnels coming our near the church. Crossing an old narrow bridge we leave the village on the old road to Ingleton, turning left to Laithbutts Lane to the pleasant village of Newby. After Newby we take to the fields and stiles to Cold Cotes. We now make our way along Lowkber Lane back along the Old Road into Ingleton.

D Walk Leader Carol Higgins 7 miles Easy

Once we get to Ingleton all the D walkers will transfer to one coach and carry on to the start of this linear walk. It is an ideal all-weather walk being done entirely on farm lanes. We start at The Hill Inn at Chapel-le-Dale from where we head to Broadrake with the views across the moors to Whernside and the dramatic feature of Ribbleshead Viaduct. Heading west we walk along the Dales High Way before passing the shale holes to the hamlet of Chapel-Le-Dale passing the “home of the boggard”. Then along the Roman Road that is Oddies Lane for fine views with Ingleborough on one side and Twistleton Scar on the other before arriving back in Ingleton.

Pick up time for return journey. Returning Home: 5.00pm from the coach park on Main Street. Please do not ask the driver for extra stops on the way home as this can be dangerous and make the return journey longer for everyone.

Book today for our next two coach rambles – **Grange Over Sands on 4th March and Llandudno on 8th April.** After today telephone Kathleen Parker on 01254 396894 (6.00pm and 9.00pm) for the Blackburn coach, or Margaret Boothman on 01282 692901 (6.00pm to 9.00pm) for the Burnley coach.

Leaders needed We still need a B leader for Grange over Sands on 4th March and an A leader for Llandudno on 8th April. . Plus other dates throughout 2018. If you are willing to lead at any time just let me know, or want more information give me a ring. Tel No 01254 235049 . Thanks to all our leaders and helpers. Sue.

When we go to Llandudno on 8th April Michael Bates is leading a joint C and D walk. The walk will be a linear one out of Llandudno for the D walkers and they will return to Llandudno by local bus whilst the C walkers continue to complete a circular walk back to the town. So if you are likely to go on the D walk and you have a bus pass bring it with you for a half price ticket.

The Tour de Yorkshire will be going through Leyburn on the weekend of 5/6 May so our destination on Sunday 6th May has been changed to Bakewell. Hopefully we will return to Leyburn next year.