

GRASMERE – 1st AUGUST 2021

Today we have one main coach and a feeder coach. The rendezvous point is Whalley Terminus – coach transfer only please! The comfort stop will be at Burton-in-Kendal services on the M6. On the return journey the rendezvous will be Darwen Services.

BOOK TODAY for Llandudno during the outward journey please. In future, if you are paying on coaches, please can you have the correct amount of £15 in paper money (NO COINS) and use the envelope provided or pay by cheque made payable to RA Coach Account. Today, and future trips, PLEASE BOOK EARLY and PAY IN ADVANCE to reserve your seat/s and to avoid feeder coaches or disappointment. **Please do not put your name on the booking sheets and reserve a seat for Llandudno unless you are paying today.** We need to reserve the next coaches two weeks prior to the date of the coach ramble! Telephone booking details are on the reverse side of this leaflet. In the not-too-distant future we hope to offer an online ticket booking facility – hopefully for Arnside/Silverdale!

Walks Information

B walk Leader: Tony Culverhouse 8 miles Strenuous

Off at Grasmere - This is a walk of two halves – a steep strenuous climb on to the fells (good views of the Grasmere Valley) followed by a low-level section. We take paths and lanes north from Grasmere to then start the climb up to Butter Crag and Alcorn Tarn (984ft). We then descend steeply past Grey Crag down to the Coffin Road. We continue south crossing the A59 to circle Rydal Water to the village of Rydal and Rydal Mount. We then follow the Coffin Route west back to Grasmere.

C walk Leader: Michael Bates 7.5 miles Moderate

First Off - We leave the coach at Ambleside and having crossed Rothay Park start to climb Loughrigg. This involves a longish climb but eventually we have a lovely view of Lake Windermere. We then continue to Loughrigg Tarn which might be an ideal place to stop for lunch. Further on we reach Loughrigg Terrace which affords amazing views over Grasmere. We follow the hillside eventually descending towards the shores of Rydal Water and then doubling back along lower tracks towards Grasmere. We follow the shore of the lake in the direction of the village the final stretch being along a country road.

D walk Leader: Frank Mason 6-7 miles Moderate

From the coach park at Grasmere, we walk through the village and along Langdale Road down to the lake shore which we follow to the weir. We follow the River Rothay through the woods to reach Rydal Water and eventually a road. We take the path through Dora's Field and St Mary's Church. Time permitting, we can explore Rydal Mount (waterfalls, gardens etc.) which was William Wordsworth's best loved family home and dates back to the 16th Century. Then we have the short climb up to the "coffin road", the route used to take the dead of Rydal to the church in Grasmere for burial, with lovely views all the way back into Grasmere passing Dove Cottage and on to the village.

Independent/self-guided walkers and day visitors (not walking) will be dropped off in Grasmere.

If you want to do a self-guided walk, then you must tell the Courier or Coach Secretary. You will be given a coach ramble contact number. It is important for safety reasons that independent walkers leave details of your names, a brief route or map and a contact mobile number with the Coach Secretary or Coach Courier as we need this information in case of an incident.

Drop-off, Pick-up Times and the Return Journey

All the guided walks finish in Grasmere. The coach will leave the Stock Lane, LA22 9SJ car park at 6:00 pm prompt. Please arrive 10 minutes early. The rendezvous with the feeder coach is Darwen Services so Darwen drop off first. The Burnley coach will take the M65 and drop off at Nelson first.

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