



## PATELEY BRIDGE – 7<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2021

Today we have one main coach and a feeder coach. The rendezvous point and comfort stop is SKIPTON. There is one drop of point in Pateley Bridge and the coach will return from the same point in Pateley Bridge. On the return journey the rendezvous will be Skipton.

**BOOK TODAY for THE FESTIVE TRIP to KNARESBOROUGH.** Book **BEFORE THE COMFORT STOP at Skipton! The cost is £16 per ticket.** To speed up administration on the coaches the couriers will **RETURN CHEQUES** that are not completed correctly on the back and front or put in envelopes, **CASH ENVELOPES** not fully filled in or if there is missing or incorrect information on the **BOOKING SHEETS**. Details of **'how-to book'** are included on the **INSTRUCTION SHEETS IN THE WALLETS**. **No bookings accepted at or after we arrive in SKIPTON.** Please keep the booking wallet moving around the coaches so everyone has time to book! In the event of a Courier not being available for a trip then we will be unable to take bookings on the coach. **Support Couriers urgently needed for Knaresborough and 2022!**

### Walks Information for Pateley Bridge

#### **B walk Leader: Michael Bates 10.5 miles Strenuous**

This lovely circular walk includes as the highlight the fascinating, spectacular Brimham Rocks. Before opting for this walk, please carefully consider the following. This is quite a tough walk (almost an A) involving significant climbs and given the earlier sunset, there is a need to maintain a reasonable pace. From the start there is a long climb with two steep sections. The route then follows in part the Nidderdale Way enjoying beautiful and expansive views down into the valley below. Eventually the track reaches the Brimham Rocks area crossing the heather moorland enjoying views of the interesting rock formations. If good progress has been made lunch will be taken here. After leaving the area the hard work is done as the route takes us down into the Nidderdale Valley eventually reaching the river Nidd. Paths follow the river bank all the way back to the start. Not many stiles, but one difficult wall stile. On the whole good paths and tracks.

#### **C walk Leader: Tony Culverhouse 8 miles Moderate**

We head west out of Pateley Bridge across fields and enjoy impressive views to the north. We meet the Nidderdale Way and then take a gentle climb across fields before descending the Monk's Steps to Fishpond Wood. We enter Skrikes Wood Nature Reserve where we ascend a rocky path to re-join the Nidderdale Way and a moorland path to Yorke's Folly. The Nidderdale Way now alternates between moorland and woodland before we leave the Way to descend to Guisecliffe Wood. We then pass some picturesque cottages before arriving at Glasshouses Bridge and then follow the River Nidd back to Pateley Bridge. Good panoramic views, some uphill sections, a little bit of tarmac enroute but mostly paths and tracks.

#### **D walk Leader: Jane Cordingley 6 miles Moderate**

The Panorama Walk - This walk, though steep at first, through the town, provides access to the best viewpoints over Guisecliff Woods, Nought Moor and Yorke's Folly amongst others. The famous Panorama Walk, which is one of the oldest recreational footpaths in the region, was part of a medieval packhorse route linking Nidderdale with Fountains Abbey and Ripon. From the Panorama Walk we can explore the ruins of St Mary's Church high above the town. Then, following the lunch stop at White Houses, we descend through fields and long tracks to join the River Nidd for a leisurely stroll back to Pateley Bridge alongside the dismantled railway. And only 1 stile!

**On the walks --** You must not walk in front of the leader. There may be safety instructions during the walk which you need to be aware of. The Leaders pioneer and risk assess each route, but their experience may mean they need to respond to changes on the day and you must be able to hear their instructions.

***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 Pateley Bridge. The coach will leave at **5:00 pm prompt**. Please arrive 10 minutes early. The rendezvous with the feeder coach is Skipton.