

# **Ripon - 5 November 2023**

### A/B Walk Details

**Leader**: Tony Culverhouse **Distance**: 9.5 miles moderate

We head west out of Ripon following the River Skell, then south along Park Wall to the medieval manor of Markenfield Hall. We continue south to Strait Lane, then north over Brickley Hills to Norcar Grange. We briefly head south-west along Whitcliffe Lane, then divert north to Ninevah. Fountain Lane leads us into the Fountains Abbey estate. We continue north-east through Studley Park to Studley Roger – a delightful small village – and on to Ripon.

A pleasant level walk – just a gentle climb over Brickley Hills.

### C/D Walk Details

Leader: Michael Bates

Distance: 7.5 miles moderate with a shorter 5-mile

walk option available.

This is a lovely walk on the level, partly along the Ripon canal, to the pretty village of Bishop Monkton which has a stream running through the middle. On the way to the village the canal towpath passes a marina, a nature reserve, and Ripon Racecourse. Where the route leaves the canal towpath, those who do not wish to do the full walk should retrace their steps from here, perhaps pausing to take a closer look at the nature reserve. Those remaining will proceed through fields and along tracks to Bishop Monkton which is an ideal spot for lunch. The return to Ripon is through field paths, passing a poultry farm where it is likely there will be lots of free-range chickens on our pathway! The route is then along Pottery Lance to Littlethorpe. From here we rejoin the canal towpath back to the start.

Easy walking along good paths, tracks and country lanes. Three well-maintained stiles.

## **Self-guided walkers:**

Please let Lynn or Elaine know your general route and take a contact number card in case of emergency.

### **Return Journey:**

The coach will be parked on Ripon Coach Park, Moss Arcade, Ripon, HG4 1AG – W3W ///sharpened.jacuzzi.vaulting - and will leave at <u>5pm prompt</u>. Please be back at the coach at least 10 minutes before this time.

## **Our Next Trip**:

Bookings open today for the next coach trip to **Ambleside on 3**<sup>rd</sup> **December 2023**. Tickets are £20 per person for this trip. You can pay by cheque or cash on the coach, or by card through Ticket Tailor (booking fee applies):

https://www.tickettailor.com/events/northeastlancscoachrambles

Telephone bookings (cheque/cash payments) will be available from <u>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November</u> <u>2023</u>. Jane Cordingley is our volunteer for telephone bookings. Her number is 01254 773913 and she will take bookings from 8am-9am and 6pm-8pm, Monday to Friday only.

Ticket sales will close at midnight on Sunday 26th November 2023, so please book early!

### **2024 Coach Rambles**

Please pick up a flyer with information about our coach trips next year! They will be sent around the coach on our way home.

Our first trip of 2024 will be to **Grassington** on 4<sup>th</sup> February.



# Burnley and Pendle Ramblers Social Event

# Christmas Party

Friday 1st December 2023
St Cuthbert's Community Hall
Sharp Street
Burnley
Starts at 7:30pm



Tickets (£10 each) from Margaret Clark 01282 616838

## Could you lead a walk for us?

We are desperately in need of walk leaders for our coach trips! Leaders must be a member of Ramblers and must have previous walk-leading experience.

Walk leaders receive a free coach seat on the trip that they are leading for and £20 towards expenses for completing the recce of the route. Support is available with planning a route and travelling to the destination for the recce.

If you are interested, or if you have any questions, please email Lynn at nelcoachrambles@gmail.com with details of your experience.

## **Walking Groups in our Area**

Here are the websites of various walking groups in the North-East Lancashire area:

### Ramblers Association Groups:

Burnley & Pendle Ramblers: https://www.burnleypendleramblers.co.uk/

Clitheroe Ramblers: <a href="https://www.clitheroeramblers.co.uk/">https://www.clitheroeramblers.co.uk/</a>
Hyndburn Ramblers: <a href="https://www.ramblers.org.uk/hyndburn">https://www.ramblers.org.uk/hyndburn</a>
Rossendale Ramblers: <a href="https://rossendale-ramblers.co.uk/">https://rossendale-ramblers.co.uk/</a>

#### RA Affiliated Groups\*:

Blackburn Rambling Association: <a href="http://www.blackburnramblers.co.uk/">http://www.blackburnramblers.co.uk/</a> Spring Vale Rambling Class: <a href="http://www.springvaleramblers.co.uk/">http://www.springvaleramblers.co.uk/</a>

### Other Groups\*:

East Lancashire LDWA: <a href="https://ldwa.org.uk/eastlancashire">https://ldwa.org.uk/eastlancashire</a>
Lancashire Rail Ramblers: <a href="https://railramblers.wordpress.com/">https://railramblers.wordpress.com/</a>

\*Please note that separate membership fees may apply for Affiliated and Other groups.

Please let me know if you are aware of any other walking groups to add to this list.

If your Ramblers/walking group would like to advertise an event on this publication (free of charge), please email Lynn at nelcoachrambles@gmail.com with details.