

Grassington - 4 February 2024

A/B Walk Details

Leader: Tony Culverhouse Distance: 10 miles or 9 miles

moderate

We alight the coach in Grassington and head north out of the village along a quiet country lane, steadily climbing to the farmstead of Yarnsbury. The route then heads east along a track passing old disused lead mine workings, before diverting south alongside Hebden Beck down to the village of Hebden. Our journey now takes us into the pretty village of Burnsall, before following the Dales Way alongside the River Wharfe in a northerly direction. We now visit the 'hidden' village of Thorpe (subject to time) and across Strickshaw Hill to arrive at Linton Fall with its steep climb up Sedber Lane back to the car park in Grassington.

The route can be shortened to 9 miles by omitting Thorpe from the route. Steep climb at the start out of Grassington and then gentle field and riverside walking.

C/D Walk Details

Leader: Michael Bates

Distance: 7 miles moderate with 2 shorter options of 6

miles or 4 miles (both easy) available.

The walk takes us through the village tojoin High Lane, gently climbing initially along tracks, from where there are lovely views. We then cross fields to Hebden where the route takes us down Back Lane to the river. At this point those wishing to do the shortest walk of 4 miles will turn right following the riverbank back to Grassington.

Those remaining will cross the suspension bridge following the riverbank to Burnsall. This is an ideal spot for lunch. Anyone opting for the 6-mile version after lunch will need to retrace their steps back along the riverbank all the way to Grassington. The rest of us will proceed through a series of fields eventually climbing to the hamlet of Thorpe where we then follow a country lane downhill. Eventually we join field paths which take us towards the river and Linton Falls prior to the short climb to the coach park and the village.

To help you decide which is the best option for you, the 4-mile walk has 8 stiles (mainly wall stiles) to the point where walkers return to Grassington. The 6-mile version has the same number. The full 7-mile walk has a further 15 stiles (nearly all wall stiles) so if you like stiles this is the walk for you! On the whole the walk is on decent paths and tracks some of which are likely to be muddy.

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 at the Grassington National Park Centre, Hebden Road, BD23 5LB – W3W ///awoke.revived.rectangular - 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 **Ilkley on 3rd March 2024**. Tickets are £19 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 Monday 5th February 2024. 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. If Jane is unavailable, please ring Lynn and leave a message (07895760045) and she will get back to you.

2024 Coach Rambles

Our coach trips in 2024 will take us to the following destinations:

Date	Destination	Price
4/2/24	Grassington	£19
3/3/24	llkley	£19
7/4/24	Kendal	£20
12/5/24	Bakewell	£21
2/6/24	Hawes	£20
7/7/24	Keswick	£23
4/8/24	Frodsham	£20
1/9/24	Appleby	£23
6/10/24	Holmfirth	£20
3/11/24	Saltaire	£19
8/12/24	Knaresborough (Christmas Market)	£20

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.

Thank You!

I must say a big thank you for your understanding with our having to cancel the Ambleside coach in December! Luckily for us, the snow appeared the day before our trip and not on the day, as we would have probably been stranded like so many people were...

This is a message that I included on the information sheet for the Ambleside trip, so I'm repeating it here for you to see:

As we end the coach rambles for 2023, I would like to thank everyone who has been on a coach trip and supported me during my first year as Coach Secretary!

A special thanks must go to all the walk leaders, Jane Cordingley, Elaine Bates and Carol Wrigglesworth for all your help with organising and ensuring each trip goes smoothly!

Lynn