

North East Lancashire Area AGM

Thank you to all the Ramblers members who attended the AGM.

The following were elected to the Area Executive Committee of the Area Council. Michael Counter (BwD member) was re-elected as Chairman. Michael is a Coach Ramble walk leader.

The new Secretary is Phil Baugh (Clitheroe Group member). The new Treasurer is Harry Almond (Rossendale Group member)

Other Officers elected to the Area Council are: Vice Chairman John James Allen
Membership Secretary Margaret Fletcher
Coach Rambles Secretary Barbara Sharples
The positions of Minutes Secretary and Countryside/Footpaths Officer remain vacant.

The guest speaker was Mark Chung (Burnley & Pendle Group) who is on the Board of Trustees for Ramblers.

Coach Rambles are run by the North East Lancs Area of the Ramblers.

The trip to Llangollen on 6th March sold out by the Tuesday prior to the booking deadline so we ordered a larger coach to accommodate extra people. However, we had a lot of cancellations after the cancellation deadline and could have managed with the smaller coach! Please book early to avoid disappointment as we may not be in a position to book a larger coach for future trips due to increasing costs.

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Please forward this newsletter to a friend or fellow rambler



Helmsley & Rievaulx Abbey

HELMSLEY - If you were asked to imagine the perfect English market town, then it'd probably look a lot like Helmsley! There's the bustling market square, the dramatic castle ruins, the charming tea rooms, the inviting inns; all surrounded by mile-after-mile of the beautiful North York Moors. Indeed, the Cleveland Way and Ebor Way both begin from here.

There are fascinating attractions including the National Centre for Birds of Prey, Helmsley Arts Centre, the Walled Gardens and the town's very own Brewery. On a tour of the town you will discover Helmsley Market Cross, Baron Feversham Monument and All Saints Church where there are some quirky things to see.

There is a 1 mile, one hour trail around the town. You can download the leaflet here – TRAIL (https://www.visithelmsley.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/Visit-Ryedale-Helmsley-Discovery-Trail.pdf)

RIEVAULX ABBEY

You can also visit Rievaulx Abbey ((pronounced REE-voh), the terrace and its two 18th-century temples. It is a 3-mile walk from Helmsley (6 miles there and back). You could stay on the coach and then follow in the footsteps of medieval monks along the picturesque rural walk on level ground, established roads and lanes back to Helmsley.

There is no coach parking at Rievaulx, however there is a drop-off/pickup point. So, after the Ramblers have been dropped off the coach will take Day Visitors to Rievaulx and return at a specified time to pick-up and take them back to Helmsley.

There may be a self-guided 3-mile walk back to Helmsley for those that can manage the short walk.

The walk leaders are Frank Mason, Michael Counter and Tony Culverhouse. The walk details will be on the website soon.

Walk Details for Helmsley will be added to the <u>website</u> when they are received and a WALK DETAILS e-newsletter will be circulated before the booking deadline.

BOOKINGS taken from 0900, Sunday, 6th March 2022 for the Helmsley & Rievaulx trip. Please book as soon as possible and by 9pm on Sunday, 27th March. You can pay by sending a cheque made out to RA Coach Account to arrive with Christine by Friday, 25th March. If your cheque will not arrive in time please book online via TicketTailor.

You must book and pay in advance to reserve a seat. Bookings are provisional and seats cannot be guaranteed until payment is received. See below! We may need to operate a waiting list if tickets sell out early.

Day visitors and people wishing to do a self-guided walk are welcome on coach ramble trips.

It is important for safety reasons that independent self-guided walkers leave details of your names, brief route description or map and a contact mobile number with the Coach Secretary or Coach Courier as we need this information in case of an incident. You will be given a NE Lancs Coach Ramble mobile number for use on the day.

Book for the NEXT Trip to Helmsley - 3rd April 2022

The coach will be full so please do not turn up if you have not booked and paid for a seat in advance. Check with Christine please. Please do not contact Moving People as we are a private hire and they cannot take your booking or payment.

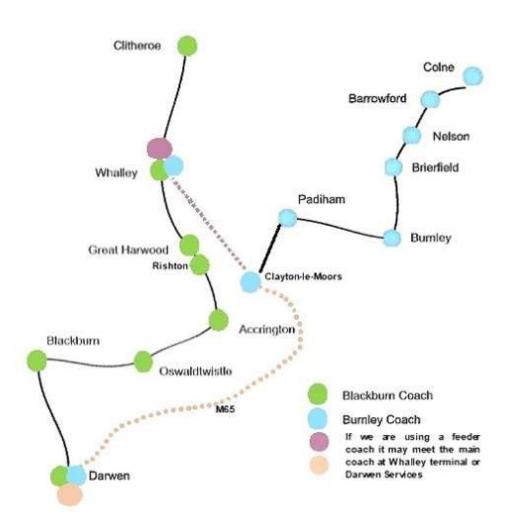
Telephone Christine Tormey on 01254 236068. Please telephone between 9am and 9pm Sunday to Saturday inclusive. Send your cheque for £20 made payable to RA Coach Account to Christine who will give you the address details and pickup time when you make your telephone booking. Wrongly completed cheques and those without name/s, destination and pickup points on the reverse will be returned.

Please do not telephone Christine to book Helmsley before 9am on Sunday, 6th March 2022

Pick up our latest leaflet for future 2022 trips from the couriers or the coach secretary on the coach or email coachramblenel @gmail.com

Updates and last minute changes to individual trips will be notified to you via email. Unfortunately we do not have the capacity to make individual telephone calls.

YOU CAN CHECK YOUR PICKUP TIMES HERE



There are pickup points across East Lancashire.



Simply click on the TicketTailor image to discover our **online ticket sales** and then select your event. You can book online *from* 9am *on the 6th March 2022* for Helmsley on either the Blackburn or the Burnley coach -

other events to be added monthly. See 2022 Programme below.

CANCELLATIONS

You can cancel by phoning Christine up to 9pm on the Sunday seven days prior to the trip. For those individuals, although there is no refund, you can carry your booking forward to one of the next two available trips but you must specify which trip when cancelling and cannot have a carry forward if you cancel a second time.

PLEASE DO NOT CANCEL VIA WALK LEADERS, COURIERS or the COACH SECRETARY AS WE MAY HAVE PEOPLE ON THE WAITING LIST WHO WILL TAKE LAST MINUTE PLACES. Christine has the waiting list! If you cancel after the deadline or do not turn up on the day you will lose your money. This is due to the fact that we will have committed to a specific size of coach.

You cannot cancel via TicketTailor. You must cancel via Christine please.

NE Lancs Coach Rambles Website



WALKS PROGRAMME 2022

The NEXT THREE trips ARE on the SECOND SUNDAY of the

month - 8th May to Ashbourne the Gateway to Dovedale, Derbyshire, 12th June to Conwy, 10th July to Richmond. For the rest of the year, we will be back to the 1st Sunday of the month, - 7th August to Chatsworth, 4th September to Sedbergh, 2nd October to Coniston, 6th November to Buxton and on the 4th December we will be returning to Otley for the Otley Victorian Fayre.

Subscribe to our monthly E-Newsletter and monthly Walk Details <u>HERE</u> FULL PROGRAMME BELOW click on the image.

ALSO available at LEAFLET





The NE Lancs Coach Rambles are run by area volunteers WE have some NEW VOLUNTEERS

Lynn Bourke will now check people on to the Blackburn coach when Darwen is the first pickup and Carol Wrigglesworth or Trish Grant on to the Burnley coach when Colne is the first pickup.

Lynn, Carol and Trish have volunteered to act as Assistant Couriers who can take bookings on the coach when our regular couriers Denise and Elaine are not on a trip.

WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS

Can you help out?

- We need walk leaders for 'A' walks May to September and 'E' walks so we can provide more town trails and local low level walks of less than 5 miles.
- 2. For the D, C and B walks we are now relying on the same six leaders for every trip. Without new leaders we will be unable to offer a wide range of three walks on every trip!

When our current volunteers are unavailable we will be unable to offer the variety of walks, provide the service you are used to and it may mean that we have to suspend advance booking on the coach on some of the trips.

Email: coachramblenel@gmail.com

This will be our third coach ramble for 2022. The coach trips are run by the North East Lancs Area of the Ramblers and are open to members and non-members. However, we encourage everyone to join the Ramblers after three coach rambles so if you have travelled with us three times during 2021 & 2022 please join. Leaflets are available on the coach.

You can find out more about the benefits of Ramblers membership and also JOIN

You will not be covered by Ramblers insurance once you have attended

three trips and you will not be eligible to volunteer with Coach Rambles if you are not a Ramblers member.

Ramblers Website - LINK

Facebook - www.facebook.com/coachrambler

Twitter - @ramblecoach

When you book with NE Lancs Coach Rambles you are accepting our terms and conditions which include the Rules which can be found on the website.

Insurance - Walkers undertaking taster walks are only covered by our insurance for their first three walks. In order for insurance to continue you must become a Ramblers member.



Ramblers - The coach rambles are run by members of the Ramblers North East Lancs Area. If you are not a member of the Ramblers, please join. Part of your membership fee will go to support local Ramblers groups in East Lancs. You are allowed three 'taster' walks as a non-member and after this you will be encouraged to join. When we have a waiting list preference may be given to Ramblers members. The Ramblers board of trustees have decided to hold fees at 2019/2020 rates for an additional year to the end of Sept 2022.

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