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North East Lancashire Area

A Ramblers North East Lancashire Area Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 10th May 2022. The first meeting since Covid-19 lockdowns. The Coach Secretary will be producing a written report for the meeting. The Agenda also includes the role of Countryside Officer, Communications, and Future Plans together with Projects for the Area. If you are not a Ramblers member now is an exciting time to consider joining. You can find out more about the benefits of Ramblers membership and also [JOIN HERE](#). *Coach Rambles are run by the North East Lancs Area of the Ramblers.*

The trip to Helmsley sold out by the 12th March so we ordered a larger coach to accommodate extra people. Please book early to avoid disappointment. The maximum coach size is 59 people and at the moment we cannot afford 2 x 49-seater coaches so, in future, we may have to allow Ramblers members to book one week in advance of non-members. *This is nothing new and is the way bookings have traditionally been taken when we have more people than seats available. Members are receiving this email one week prior to non members!*

COACH RAMBLES Issue 11



Please forward this newsletter to a friend or fellow Rambler



ASHBOURNE White Peak

8th MAY - ASHBOURNE - Ramblers will appreciate the fact that the town sits at the start of the traffic-free **Tissington Trail** - a green gateway to Dovedale and the Pennine Bridleway, linking up further north with the popular **High Peak Trail**.

The walk leaders are: A/B - Tony Culverhouse 11/12 miles; B/C TBC 8/9.5 miles; D - Michael Bates 6+ miles with part of the Tissington Trail included.

ASHBOURNE - With its winding cobbled streets, welcoming Market Place and handsome Tudor and Georgian heritage, picturesque *Ashbourne is known as 'The Gateway to Dovedale'*. While there's no doubt that it's the perfect base if you want to explore the spectacular limestone landscapes of the southern

White Peak, it also pays to take a leisurely walking tour around town to immerse yourself in its fascinating history and architecture.

With more than 200 listed buildings - including historic alms-houses, fine coaching inns and genteel town houses - it's a visual feast for the discerning visitor. Don't miss the splendid façade of the Grade I listed Old Grammar School, the 'longest inn sign in the world' at The Greenman public house on St John Street; or the beautiful St Oswald's Parish Church with its striking 212 feet high spire, described by classic author George Eliot as the 'finest single spire in England'.

Another highlight is the 17th century mansion, once home to the 'King of Ashbourne', Dr. John Taylor, where Lichfield-born Dr. Samuel Johnson, author of the first-ever English dictionary, was a frequent visitor in the 1700s. Ashbourne also has some fascinating foodie links. The original recipe for Ashbourne Gingerbread was acquired from French prisoners of war - in particular the personal chef of a captured French general - who were kept in the town during the Napoleonic wars (1799-1815). The timber-framed Gingerbread Shop - now a Birds Bakery - can still be seen in St John Street and the Original Ashbourne Gingerbread can be purchased locally.

Shopping is pure pleasure thanks to its plethora of small, family-run businesses and weekly open-air market. Browse for fine antiques, quality food and drink, designer fashion and much more, then relax over morning coffee, lunch or afternoon tea in a selection of cafés, inns and tea rooms.

Walk Details for Helmsley will be added to the [website](#) when they are received and a WALK DETAILS e-newsletter will be circulated before the booking deadline.

BOOKINGS taken from 0900, Sunday, 3rd April 2022 for the Ashbourne trip. Please book as soon as possible and by 9pm on Friday, 29th April as it is a Bank Holiday weekend.. You can pay by sending a cheque made out to RA Coach Account to arrive with Christine by Friday, 29h April. 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 ASHBOURNE - 8TH MAY 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 ASHBOURNE before 9am on*

Sunday,

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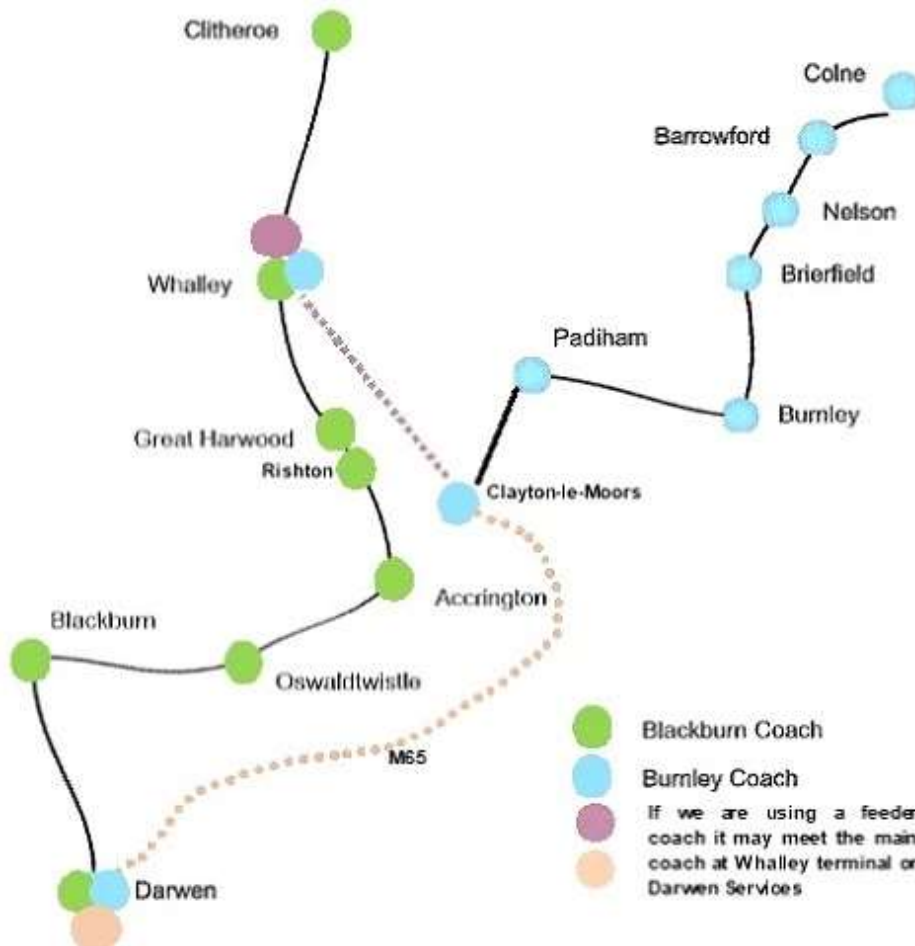
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Pick up our latest leaflet for future 2022 trips from the couriers or the coach secretary on the coach or email coachramblenel@gmail.com

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 POINTS AND TIMES HERE



There are pickup points across East Lancashire.

We are sorry but, at the moment, we cannot include extra pickup points due to the length of the journey to our ramble destinations.



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 3rd April 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 make changes to your booking after the booking deadline as the information will already have been sent to the coach hire company.*

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

[NE Lancs Coach Rambles Website](#)



WALKS PROGRAMME 2022

The NEXT TWO trips ARE on the SECOND SUNDAY of the month - 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 [HERE](#)

FULL PROGRAMME BELOW click on the image.

ALSO available at [LEAFLET](#)

Year	NOT SUPPORTED / SUNDAY TRIP YEAR
2022	FLAMMOCHELY & WORTLEYTON
2021	PRESTONLEY
2020	CHILTON
2019	BARBARSTONE
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The NE Lancs Coach Rambles are run by area volunteers

WE NEED MORE WALK LEADERS

Can you help out?

1. We need walk leaders for 'A' walks May to September.
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 o three walks on every trip!*

When our current volunteers are unavailable we will be unable to offer the variety of walks or 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 IF A COURIER IS NOT AVAILABLE.

Email: coachramblenel@gmail.com

This will be our FOURTH 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 HERE.](#)

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](http://www.facebook.com/coachrambler) - www.facebook.com/coachrambler

[Twitter](https://twitter.com/ramblecoach) - [@ramblecoach](https://twitter.com/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. We may have to introduce a system where Members can book one-week prior to non-members or, 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.

The Ramblers means The Ramblers' Association, a charity registered under number 1093577 in England and Wales and in Scotland under number SC039799, a company limited by guarantee registered under number 4458492 in England and Wales with its registered offices at 1 Clink Street, 3rd Floor, London SE1 9DG

