

COACH RAMBLES Issue 14

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Please forward this newsletter to a friend or fellow rambler.

FIRST SOME ORGANISATION MATTERS

Volunteers needed please

We need FOUR people to help out with checking people on to the coach or the feeder bus from Colne, Padiham, Clitheroe and Darwen and to hand out the Walk Details. This varies when we are going North, East, South and West so you would not have to do it on every trip - just from one of the start points.

We have two Couriers but they are not always available. Elaine is the Burnley Courier from Padiham and Lynn is the Blackburn Courier from Darwen. We need people who can take over when they are not available please. The Couriers do all the bookings and paperwork and tasks on the coach. They are also there to help with any queries during the day.

Christine takes all the telephone bookings and it would be nice to know if anyone else would be interested if Christine is not available or on holiday. Otherwise we will not be able to take your bookings. That would mean TicketTailor ONLY.

The Coach Secretary deals with all the organisation, administration and financial matters before and after trips but the role does not include acting as a Courier on the coaches. Looking after the Leaders, Walk Registers and the driver is the main on-the-day task.

We have First Aid kits and these need checking and sorting a couple of times a year and when they are opened and the contents used. This is another activity a volunteer could help with.

See further on for details of the Walk Leaders that are still required for the 2022 programme.



CHATSWORTH, DERBYSHIRE

7th AUGUST - CHATSWORTH - Chatsworth, home of the Devonshire family, is set in the heart of the Peak District in Derbyshire, on the banks of the river Derwent. Home of the Cavendish family since the 1550s, it has evolved through the centuries to reflect the tastes, passions and interests of succeeding generations.

RAMBLERS - we have visited Chatsworth on several occasions and there are some lovely walks in the area.

The walker leaders are B Walk - 10 miles Tony Culverhouse, C Walk - 8 miles Lynn Bourke and D Walk - 6 miles Michael Bates. We are looking for a volunteer leader for the A walk of 12 miles!

WALK DETAILS WILL BE ON THE WEBSITE AS SOON AS THEY BECOME

AVAILABLE https://www.coach-rambles.org.uk/

WALKERS - for those wanting a self-guided walk - You can walk the surrounding countryside. Wander the park, from Stand Wood to the river. The 1,000-acre park on the banks of the River Derwent was chiefly designed by Lancelot 'Capability' Brown in the 1760s and is enclosed by a dry stone wall that is 15 kilometres long and a deer fence. People are free to walk the PARK follow the link. Footpaths across the moor, east of Stand Wood, are open all year without charge. All footpaths in Stand Wood are permissive footpaths. Parts of Stand Wood that lie along the steep hill behind Chatsworth have probably been wooded since at least medieval times. More information on STAND WOOD.

Day Visitors - Please visit chatsworth.org for up-to-date information on your visit. You can walk the surrounding countryside. Explore Chatsworth's 105 acres of stunning garden, miles of footpaths, extravagant water features, outdoor art exhibitions, surprises at every turn, rose, cottage, sensory and kitchen gardens, and magnificent views of the park. There are entry fees to the house and gardens.

Radical Horizons: The Art of Burning Man - Discover 12 monumental sculptures in the FREE to access park land - 2022 only. More information HERE.

Edensor Village is nearby - Specially commissioned by the 6th Duke of Devonshire, the custom-built village of Edensor (pronounced 'Enza') in Chatsworth Park features a delightful hotch-potch of traditional house designs, from mock Tudor to Swiss cottage.

Information HERE.

Farm Shop - Chatsworth Estate Farm shop in the village of Pilsley is approximately is 1.5 miles from Chatsworth House sometimes there is a free transport up to the Farm Shop. More Information HERE

Please book early for CHATSWORTH to avoid disappointment.

We will be booking a 51-seater coach. We will not be able to reserve the larger coach AT SHORT NOTICE DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS so unfortunately we will need to operate a Waiting List. We confirm the coach size on the Monday morning after the deadline and this is too short notice for the larger executive coach.

IMPORTANT - CANCELLATIONS, NO SHOWS and PICK UPS

We ae getting a lot of CANCELLATIONS in the last few days before the trip and this means people on the Waiting List will have made other arrangements when we contact them so we have empty seats on the day. CANCEL AS EARLY AS YOU CAN PLEASE.

We are also getting a lot of 'NO SHOWS' - people who do not turn up on the day and do not let us know. PLEASE be at your pickup point ten minutes before your pickup time. The coach drivers have been waiting five minutes for people to show up and we only need a few of these and the coach can be delayed by 15-20 minutes at the meetup point. We will be leaving each pickup point at the allotted time and no longer waiting five minutes unless you contact us.

Please phone Christine up to 9pm on the Saturday before the trip and let her know if you will not be turning up. NO PHONE CALLS but you can msg 07599 106670 after 7:30am and before your pickup time on the morning of the trip.

We want to keep the outward journey to the meetup point to the minimum time possible. We are also removing some of the pickup points that have not been used since BEFORE August 2021 and where our regular travellers have a nearby alternative. This is for the benefit of everyone. Please email coachramblenel@gmail.com if this causes you problems and we can discuss.

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.

'LEADERS WANTED'

CHATSWORTH - 7th AUGUST - A Leader, 12 miles REQURED

SEDBERGH - 4th SEPTEMBER, - A Leader, 12 miles, This is the last A walk of the 2022 programme.

BUXTON - 6th NOVEMBER - C and D Leaders required 8 and 6 miles.

OTLEY - 4th DECEMBER - Festive Trip - **B and D Leaders** required 10 and 6 miles.can be shorter as this is the Festive Trip. Advance booking for those that have travelled with us in 2022!

Travel expenses £20 and a FREE seat are available so Leaders can pioneer their walks.

You must be a Ramblers member to Lead or Back Mark.

If Ramblers NE Lancs local groups would like to make a 'special event' group booking on a Coach Ramble please contact Barbara, the Coach Secretary, to discuss terms! Discount not available if you book online.

Email: coachramblenel@gmail.com

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 <u>JOIN HERE.</u>

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



DISCOUNTS - Cotswold Outdoors - Ramblers members will know that **by using the code on their membership card** they can get discount at Cotswold Outdoors. Branches in Preston, Skipton and Manchester.

Trespass Outdoors - are now offering a 15% discount, in store only, at The Mall, Blackburn and Bury, Skipton and Preston branches on production of your Ramblers membership card at the till.

Blacks 10% discount - Skipton

Millets 15% discount - Bury and Skipton

Rohan 10% discount - Preston, Hebden Bridge and Long

Preston

Go Outdoors - we understand that there may be discounts here too but you need to ask and show your membership card.

Local stores offering discounts include Ken Varey in Clitheroe and Whalley Warm and Dry.

Discounts at other stores may be available. Please let us know.

CHECK FOR MORE DISCOUNTS AND INCENTIVES HERE

Book for the NEXT Trip to CHATSWORTH - 7th AUGUST 2022

BOOKINGS taken from 0900, Sunday, 10th JULY 2022 for the CHATSWORTH trip.

IMPORTANT - We cannot accept cheques without a telephone booking first. Send your cheque for £20 made payable to RA Coach Account to arrive with Christine by post on Friday, 29th July. If your cheque will not arrive in time please book online via TicketTailor.

Christine 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 book as soon as possible and by 9pm on Sunday, 31st July on TicketTailor.

You must book and pay in advance to reserve a seat. Bookings are provisional and seats cannot be guaranteed until payment is received. We operate a waiting list if tickets sell out early. You may lose your place to someone on the

waiting list if your cheque does not arrive on time (see below).

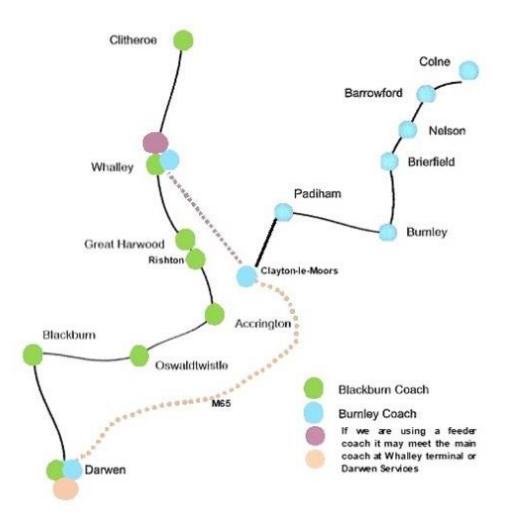
TicketTailor (see below) is a quick and easy way to book!

Email: coachramblenel@gmail.com

Pick up our latest leaflet for future 2022 trips from the courers 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 12th June 2022* for RICHMOND 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 AND THEN REBOOK YOUR PLACE.

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

NE Lancs Coach Rambles Website





WALKS PROGRAMME 2022

The NEXT trip is 7th AUGUST to CHATSWORTH.

Then the 1st Sunday of the month - 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. Ramblers and regular coach ramblers will get advance booking for the Festive trip.

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 is run by area volunteers

When our current volunteers are unavailable we will be unable to offer the variety of walks or provide the service you are used to.

To Volunteer Email: coachramblenel@gmail.com

We will be planning our 2023 Coach Rambles Programme very soon. We will not be visiting any destinations we have been to in 2021 or 2022.

This will be our SEVENTH 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 Walking Holidays – the experts in guided walking adventure across the globe – is the Ramblers Walking Holiday Partner of choice.

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. 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.

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