



**North East
Lancashire**

COACH RAMBLES Issue 16

3rd SEPTEMBER 2022



Please forward this newsletter to a friend or fellow rambler

'LEADERS WANTED'

CONISTON - 2nd OCTOBER - **C Leader** required 8 miles

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.

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

Please let us have your DRAFT route before you pioneer so we can avoid too much overlap between the various walks.

You must be a Ramblers member to Lead or BackMark RAMBLERS WALKS

The
OTLEY
VICTORIAN
FAYRE

Ramblers Members will be able to book seats for Otley from 0900 on Sunday 2nd October (Coniston Trip).

Non-Members will be able to book from 0900 on Sunday, 23rd October (before the Buxton trip on 6th November).

We are sorry but as this is our **Festive Trip** we are unable to take bookings from people that have not attended a Coach Ramble during

2022. If we have seats available you will be able to book from 6.00pm on Tuesday, 8th November.

This is to ensure that Ramblers members and our regular Coach Ramblers take priority and have first choice.



CONISTON, CUMBRIA

Coniston is a village in the Furness region of Cumbria. The most notable feature of Coniston Village is The Old Man of Coniston, rising dramatically behind the houses when seen from the village centre. Coniston is a good centre for walkers. Until the copper mines, dating from Jacobean times, were revitalised about 1859, Coniston was a scattered rural community. It was mainly settled around Coniston Hall, a 16th Century farmhouse with a display of mighty chimneys, built by the Fleming family, and now owned by the National Trust (though not open to the public).

There are two public launch services on Coniston Water, the Coniston Launch, and the National Trust's Steam Yacht Gondola. Both of these call at Brantwood. Coniston Launch <https://conistonlaunch.co.uk/times/> [Download leaflet](#). Steam Yacht Gondola [details](#).

Arthur Ransome based his childrens' book 'Swallows and Amazons' on locations around Coniston Water. Donald Campbell broke the water speed record on Coniston Water in 1955 and was killed attempting to regain it again in 1967. There is a memorial to him on the village green, just opposite the car park, and information about him in the Ruskin Museum. [Brantwood](#) is a historic house, estate and vibrant centre for the arts which was once the home of Ruskin.

The Black Bull Inn, a 400-year-old coaching inn at the foot of Coniston Old Man, is home to the Coniston Brewing Company, makers of 'Bluebird Bitter', CAMRA Supreme Champion Beer of Britain 1998. You can also visit the Crown or the Sun Inn.

RAMBLERS GUIDED WALKS - SEE BELOW. FULL WALK DETAILS WILL BE ON THE WEBSITE AS SOON AS THEY BECOME AVAILABLE <https://www.coach-ramblesorg.uk/>



DAY VISITORS - *Coniston Hall on the Lake* - From Coniston village take the short walk to the lake front. From here head south along the shores to Coniston Hall on the lake. The views are lovely over the lake and it is a straightforward walk that anyone can achieve. An easy 3 mile route along The Cumbrian Way using the bridleway and paths through the wood. [Map, details and gpx](#)



Coniston to Torver Jetty Walk - A walk (3.5km 2.2 miles each way) along the shoreline of Coniston Water, with the option of returning on the Coniston Launches from Torver jetty. [Details and map](#). *Monk Coniston Walk* - This short route takes you between the lakeshore at Monk Coniston and Coniston village. (3.5km 2.2 miles each way). A linear section of the route (1.74km) is suitable for all. This walk offers good views down the length of Coniston Water. You can picnic and enjoy a beautiful outlook of the lake and high fells of Coniston Old Man. [Details, map and video](#). Catch the Gondola from either [Coniston Boating Centre](#) or Monk Coniston car park to make this into a circular route. Details on www.nationaltrust.org.uk/gondola.



WALKERS - for those wanting a *self-guided walk* you can walk the surrounding countryside. **Self-Guided Hikers** - Just one suggestion but there are others! *Coniston to Tarn Hows*. Grade: Moderate. Distance: 6.2 Miles. A walk from Coniston village up to the scenic Tarn Hows which offers beautiful views. The walk gently climbs out of the village, passing the lakeshore and through historic woodland before arriving at Tarn Hows where a scenic circular route awaits. You can find walk details [HERE](#). You can buy the pdf and gpx for £1 each on line.



Details for these walks will be updated SOON - [SEE THE WEBSITE...](#)

RAMBLERS GUIDED WALKS - The walker leaders are:-

D Walk - 6 miles - Jane Cordingley

C Walk - 8 miles – Michael Counter

B Walk - 10 miles - Strenuous - Tony Culverhouse

As we are in our Autumn programme and the departure time will be 1730 we will not be offering an A walk this month.

Note: Walk details are subject to change on the day due to the local weather conditions and other safety factors. These are at the discretion of the Walk Leader.

Please book early for CONISTON 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. Everyone is welcome but RAMBLERS MEMBERS WILL BE ABLE TO BOOK FIRST THEN NON-MEMBERS. Unfortunately we may need to operate a Waiting List. We confirm the coach size on the Monday morning following the Sunday deadline and this is too short notice for the larger executive coach.

We have now included Child Tickets on TicketTailor. Children from Year 3 (aged 7 and above Key Stage 2) to Year 11 (aged 16 and under) will be classed as a child. 16 year olds that have left Year 11 will be classed as adults. Our walks, long days and coach journeys are not suitable for younger children.

IMPORTANT - CANCELLATIONS, NO SHOWS and PICK UPS

We are 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.

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

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 [JOIN HERE](#). **Concessionary membership** There are special rates so please make sure you have seen them [HERE](#). The Ramblers board of trustees have decided to hold fees at 2019/2020 rates for an additional year to the end of Sept 2022 so it makes sense to join this month! **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 CONiSTON - 2nd OCTOBER 2022

We are now allowing Ramblers Members to book in advance of non-members which is the traditional way bookings were taken in previous years.

BOOKINGS taken from 0900, Sunday, 4th SEPTEMBER 2022 for RAMBLERS MEMBERS.

Non-Members can book from 0900 Monday 12th September.

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, 23rd September. 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, 25th September 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

Destinations

The coach ramble takes place on the 1st OR 2nd Sunday of the month. CHECK DATES: We visit Cheshire, Derbyshire, the Lake District, North Wales, the North Yorkshire Moors or the Yorkshire Dales.

Just a few...

rules...rules...rules

You can cancel up to 9pm on the Sunday 7 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 cancel a second time.

If you cancel after the deadline or do not show up on the day you will lose your money. This is due to the fact that we have committed to a specific size of coach.

On the day you need to be on time at your pickup point. On the outward journey the coaches will only wait a few minutes for late arrivals. For the return journey please arrive at the coaches 10mins early.

You must not walk in front of the walk leader. There may be safety restrictions during the walk which you need to be aware of. Leaders advise and risk assess each route but their experience may mean that they need to respond to changes on the day.

If you want to do a self-guided walk then you must tell the Coach or Coach Secretary. You will be given a coach number outside your destination. It is important for safety reasons that independent walkers have details of your names, a brief route or map and a contact mobile number with the Coach Secretary or Coach Caretaker as we need this information in case of an incident.

Where to get on

Regularly you have the choice of destinations due to numbers, we have a leader coach and one main coach. The leader coach will meet at Wharfedale Terminals or Caravan Services depending on the final destination. There will be a comfort stop on route to the destination. Below is a brief overview of the pickup points.

About Us

The coach trips are run by the South East Lancashire Area of the Ramblers and are open to members and non-members. We encourage everyone to join the Ramblers after three coach rambles.

www.coach-rambles.org.uk

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walking and rambling
talking and exploring
rambling and ambling
occasionally scrambling
always fun and somewhere new

A TRIP EVERY MONTH
Pickup points across East Lancashire
3 or 4 GUIDED WALKS

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www.facebook.com/coachrambler

newsletter and walk details
please sign up on the website

Walks

We have guided walks for all abilities.

- A grade: 12-14 mile with significant gradient. These walks are currently offered April to October if a leader is available. See website.
- B grade: about 10 miles with some gradient
- C grade: about 8 miles. Similar to the B with less climbing.
- D grade: 6 or 7 miles with the odd hill.

We also welcome:

- people who wish to base themselves in the destination and do town trails and short local walks independently.
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Walk Leaders

We are currently inviting people to join us as Walk Leaders. You will need:

- A grade: Lots of hiking experience and excellent map reading, navigation and compass skills
- B grade: Similar to A grade but completed map, compass and navigation skills
- C grade: Hiking and walk leader experience, able to plan and organize walks with maps, compass and gear
- D grade: A good place to start if you are just starting to lead walks and have a little experience

Backmarkers: We have backmarkers on all walks and if you are thinking about walk leading why not offer to support our leaders and help to organize walks with them.

Contact the Coach Secretary for more information on walk leading. Email: coachsecretary@ramblers.org.uk

How to Book

- Visit the website and select from our list of available walks.
- Read the current UK Covid-19 Guidance.
- The current Ticket Price is £20 for adults (prices subject to change)
- Please contact Mrs Christine Torrey 01254 236666 to make a booking or to find out more.
- Make your cheque payable to RA Coach Account.
- Send your cheque to Christine by post to arrive by the Friday seven days prior to the walk.
- Your seat is not guaranteed until we receive payment.
- You can pay by cheque or cash on the coach for the next trip. Notes only. Have the exact amount to insert into the machine provided.
- Online booking via TicketTailor

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/coachrambles>

Visit www.coach-rambles.org.uk for more information.

Facebook: www.facebook.com/coachrambler
Twitter: @coachrambles
Email: www.ramblers.org.uk/gps-walking/map-56dc1c90north-east-lancashire@coach-rambles.org.uk

The UK government guidance for taking lockdown means groups in England can now walk together outside. Ramblers group walks and volunteer activities can also resume, following Government guidance.

2022 DESTINATIONS

MAJOR: NOT ALWAYS FIRST SUNDAY THIS YEAR

MARCH	LLANGOLLEN & PONTCYLLITE
APRIL	
MAY	HEMSLEY
JUNE	ASHBOURNE
JULY	CONWY
AUGUST	RICHMOND
SEPTEMBER	CHATSWORTH HOUSE
OCTOBER	SEDBURGH
NOVEMBER	CONISTON
DECEMBER	BUXTON
JANUARY	OTLEY FESTIVE WALKS AND FAYRE
FEBRUARY	NO TRIP, Return in FEBRUARY 2023



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 4th September 2022 for CONISTON 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 manages 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

FUTURE TRIPS

Then the 1st Sunday of the month - 6th November to Buxton and on the 4th December we will be returning to Otley for the Otley Victorian Fayre. Ramblers Members and regular Coach Rambles will get advance booking for the Festive trip.

Subscribe to our monthly E-Newsletter and monthly Walk Details [HERE](#)

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 not be able to offer the variety of walks or provide the booking service you are used to.

To Volunteer Email: coachramblenel@gmail.com

We will be planning our 2023 Coach Rambles Programme in August/early September. We will not be visiting any destinations we have been to in 2020, 2021 or 2022. We hope to have the list of destinations available by the 2nd October trip to Coniston.

This will be our EIGHTH 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 SINCE FEBRUARY 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 guided walks 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](#)

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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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