

Nottingham HF Rambling Club Newsletter Dec '17 – Jan '18



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Walks and Social Outings Programme

Car Rambles. Circular walks which **start** at the time indicated. Please arrive 5-10 minutes before.

Coach Rambles. Unless otherwise stated, the coach picks up at County Hall, West Bridgford at 9.05 a.m., Mount Street at 9.15 a.m., then Nuthall at 9.25 a.m. Please specify pick-up point when booking. Fare £10.00. Pre-booking is essential. There is an option for a pick-up in Keyworth/Tollerton but this **must** be requested in advance when booking. In the event of bad weather, please contact the organiser before leaving home.

Sunday 3rd December

Youlgrave – Alport

Coach Ramble

'L' party: Leader – Warren J

11 miles. Via Gellia, Winster, Anthony Hill, Youlgrave, Over Haddon, Bakewell.

'M' party: Leaders –
Fred S/Jane C

7.5 miles. Winster, Robin Hood's Stride, Youlgrave, Alport, Haddon Fields, Bakewell.

'S' party: Leader – TBA

5 miles. am - B5056, Robin Hood's Stride, Youlgrave; pm - Haddon Hall, Haddon Fields, Bakewell.

Bookings to Barbara G
Tel: 01773 781118

Picnic lunch for long party, coach lunch for medium and short parties.

Sunday 17th December

Chatsworth

Coach Ramble

'L' party: Leader – Warren J

11 miles. White Edge, Birchen Edge, Gibbet Moor, Hob Hurst's House, Beeley Bridge.

'M' party: Leaders –
Fred S/Jane C

7.5 miles. Grouse Inn, Froggart Edge, Baslow Edge, Baslow, Chatsworth Park.

'S' party: Leader – Jean W

5 miles. A625 New Bridge, Derwent Valley HW, Baslow, Chatsworth Park.

Bookings to Barbara G
Tel: 01773 781118

Picnic lunch for long party, coach lunch for medium and short parties.

Thursday 21st December

THIRD THURSDAY CLUB LUNCH - Britannia Hotel, St James's Street
Please see details on Page 3 of this newsletter.

Ramble Requirements

All members taking part in rambles must be suitably dressed for the type of terrain and weather conditions expected. Stout boots with good ankle support are essential and waterproofs must be worn or carried. Members must carry a small personal first aid kit and a torch and whistle. Members must be confident of having the physical capability to complete the level of walk selected. Any necessary medication should be carried and the leader informed of any special medical conditions which could be a problem. Any member bringing a guest on a ramble is responsible for ensuring they meet these requirements.

Sunday 31st December

'L' party: Leader – David R

'M' party: Leader – Jane C

'S' party: Leader – TBA

Bookings to Barbara G

Tel: 01773 781118

Wednesday 10th January

Leader: Eddie G

Tel: 0115 928 1661

Mob: 07860 205500

Sunday 14th January

'L' party: Leader – Warren J

'M' party: Leader –

Fred S/Jane C

'S' party: Leader – TBA

Bookings to Barbara G

Tel: 01773 781118

Thursday 18th January**Wednesday 24th January**

Leaders: Eddie G

Tel: 0115 928 1661

Mob: 07860 205500

Sunday 28th January

'L' party: Leader – Warren J

'M' party: Leader –

Fred S/Jane C

'S' party: Leader – TBA

Bookings to Barbara G

Tel: 01773 781118

Ashover/Matlock

10 miles. Ashover, Uppertown, Sydnope, TwoDales, Matlock

7.5 miles. Ashover, Cuckoostone, Lumsdale, Riber, Matlock

5.5 miles. Kelstedge, Cuckoostone, Lumsdale, Matlock.

Coach lunch for short and medium parties. Picnic lunch for long party.

Nottingham Park, Jubilee Campus, Wollaton**City Walk**

5 miles. Meet at the Robin Hood Statue, Castle Place for the 5 mile walk to start at 10.30. Comfort stop at the University coffee shop on route. Trainers or summer boots should suffice unless snow. Route is through Nottingham Park, Jubilee Campus, Woodyard Railway Bridge and Harrison's Plantation. Then we board the Trent/Barton TWO service back to town for an optional buffet lunch at May Sum Restaurant.

Non-walkers are invited to join us for lunch. Please advise the leader in advance.

Cromford**Coach Ramble**

10 miles. Crich, The Tors, Shining Cliff, Alderwasley, Wigwell Park, Bolehill, Cromford.

7.5 miles. Crich, Crich Carr, Cromford Canal, Lea Hurst, Holloway, Lea, Dethick, Riber, Bilberry Knoll, Cromford.

5.5 miles. Crich, Wakebridge, Holloway, Lea Hurst, Bow Woods, Castletop Farm, Cromford.

Picnic lunch for long party, coach lunch for medium and short parties.

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Beeston, Bramcote, Stapleford**City Walk**

4.5 miles: Meet at 10.30 a.m. Tram Stop Beeston Centre, by catching the 10.02 Toton Lane Tram from the Old Market Square or 10.06 from Nottingham Station for a ramble through Beeston Fields Golf Club, old Bramcote, Common Farm and Stapleford finishing at Bardills Garden Centre for a Carvery lunch before returning to town, by tram, from the Toton Lane terminus. Trainers or summer boots should suffice unless snow. Trams are every 7 minutes with journey time 22 minutes - please telephone if arriving a little late.

Non-walkers are invited to join us for lunch. Please advise the leader in advance.

Wirksworth**Coach Ramble**

10.5 miles. Belper Lane End, Alport Height, B5023, Kirk Ireton, Hopton, High Peak Trail, Middle Peak Quarry, Star Disc, Wirksworth.

7.5 miles. Netherpark Farm, Midshires Way, Watergate Farm, Intake Lane, Steeple Grange, Middleton Top, Middle Peak Quarry, Star Disc, Wirksworth.

5 miles. Wigwell Park, Whatfield Farm, Intake Lane, Steeple Grange, Bolehill Wirksworth.

Picnic lunch for long party, coach lunch for medium and short parties.

Social Outings and Holidays

SPRING HOLIDAY IN YORKSHIRE

We will be making a return visit next year to the St George Hotel, Harrogate, where we will stay for 3 nights half board. We will travel by coach on Friday the 6th April returning on Monday the 9th April. The cost will be approximately £250 pp. A deposit of £50 will secure a place on this holiday.

For more information please contact Margaret C either by

Phone: 0115 9200756 or email: outings@nottinghamframblingclub.org.uk

THIRD THURSDAY CLUB LUNCH..

The December Christmas Special lunch [£7.95] will take place on **Thursday 21st December**. Please be sure to book, as this one was so popular last year that they ran out of grub! The next date is **Thursday January 18th**. Nosebags on at noon. Members who have not dined with us before are particularly welcome. It is a chance to socialise with club members in the bar over a coffee. (Or in the case of the organiser, a 'medicinal' lager to calm his nerves.)

Contact George Z. Tel: 0115 9233401, txt: 07944 705 670 Email: 233401@gmail.com.

PAST RAMBLES

Mid-Week Ramblings

Wednesday 23rd August SHIPLEY

A three pronged assault on Shipley Country Park by bus, by car and one member actually walked there. Instructions for the bus travellers were to catch the TWO from Vic Centre, it will be bright YELLOW - needless to say it transmogrified into bright RED, no matter, all arrived in downtown Cotmanhay for a delightful ramble along the canal and through an "ancient" woodland to enjoy two picnics in the Country Park. One partaken in a Children's Play Area with state of the art equipment but without the children presumably busy on their smart phones. Some departed back to town on the now YELLOW bus while others retired to the Bridge Inn to put the Club and World to rights. Eddie G

Wednesday 13th September BRINSLEY - ALDERCAR

There were fifteen walkers and one diner on the walk which so I am told was enjoyed by all. The weather behaved itself right until we got back for the meal and then the cloud came over from Bills mothers and rained good timing good walk and a good meal. David K. See photos below:



Wednesday 27th September GEDLING COUNTRY PARK

Don't bother me now, I'm busy leading this ramble. Just pick it up with a plastic bag.

There was a big turnout (25) which would require a lot of supervision, and my back marker hadn't turned up. This was a bit of an inconvenience, but I decided to just make the best of it and do the whole job myself. I got them going all right, but then I had to rush round to the back to make sure no-one got left behind, then back to the front again. I had to keep doing this all day. The back marker eventually joined us later. She was a bit excitable, but did the job all right and took a bit of the pressure off me. Even so, you have to watch these ramblers like a hawk, or they will wander off. Gedling Country Park itself is very pleasant walking country, and I managed

to make several new acquaintances. At one point I spotted a patch of grass which looked and smelt so delightfully fresh that I just had to have a pee on it. This rounded off a very pleasant morning and my thanks go to David K, the human who thought he was the leader.

However, despite my best efforts, discipline broke down towards the end, as my Mum and Gran both escaped and played on the kiddies' aerial slide. I shall have to keep them on leads in future.

It's a dog's life sometimes. **Monty.**

Wednesday 11th October CALVERTON.

After being set a challenge by Eddie - to find the location of a pub in an old black and white photo - 'Admiral Rodney selling Home Brewery's Fine Ales', It seemed an opportunity not to miss - so proceeded with challenge No 2 and led a Wednesday walk followed by lunch so Eddie could sample the latest fine ales at the Admiral Rodney in question. With the threat of rain forecast around mid-day, Peter led 11 walkers passed old and modern houses onto 'Blackberry Lane' or 'Windy Ridge' giving fine views of Calverton and beyond on one side and as far as Belvoir Castle and Waltham mast on the other. To keep our golfing members happy we passed through Ramsdale Golf course. On this occasion there wasn't a golfer to be seen and it would have been peaceful except for the greenkeepers on their sit-upon mowers. Fortunately the rain held off till the afternoon and we were made most welcome at the Admiral Rodney Calverton. Peter



Wednesday 25th October "WATCHWOOD IN AUTUMN"

The weather forecast was for a dry warm day with long spells of sunshine. And it didn't disappoint. Fifteen members arrived promptly at the pub to make their choice for lunch. Then, with some sensible car sharing, we headed for the starting point. This was an unexplored area for all members of our party. (Which pleased the leaders no end!) We duly arrived at the memorial to three Polish airmen, who died when their aircraft crashed nearby during WWII. Here we had our bananas. Nearing the end of the walk we passed through the Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust reserve "Fox Covert". Pat K could not resist the temptation to have a ride on a swing suspended from a branch of a beech tree. (There are photographic records!). Arriving back at The Old Bridge Inn, there was some confusion over numbers but the carbon copy came into its own and we moved to a longer room. We were joined at lunch by Doreen Miles, long time club member, walk leader and past president.



Sunday Coach Ramblings

Sunday 24th September KINDER SCOUT AND BLACKDEN BROOK

On the day 38 members came out on the coach ramble and enjoyed magnificent views of Kinderscout, Bleaklow, and the Edale Valley. Warren J fresh from his treks in the high Atlas Mountains, the Pyrenees Haute Route and the Dolomites, led the long party up Blackden Brook over Kinderscout to Ringing Roger and then down to Edale for the train to Hope.

The Medium Party walked the Roman Road over Alport Bridge to Edale Cross with superb views of Derwent Edge, Crook Hill, Bamford Edge and Win Hill and then over Jagers Clough, passing Rowland Cote YHA and down to Edale to catch the train – just. We had great views of Edale, Loose Hill, Back Tor, Man Tor and Rusuup Edge.

The Short Party walked over the Roman Road to Edale Cross then on to Hope and the coach.

PS. Jane C is becoming an expert with the clubs GPS.

Sunday 8th October ASHBOURNE

Many thanks to Tony W who led very well the Medium Party for the first time, walking from the Carsington Reservoir over Kniveton and then on to Ashbourne.

Another great day, thanks again to Tony.

Sunday 22nd October MORRIDGE – HARTINGTON

On the day 27 members set off in very dull weather from the Mermaid on Morrige over the boggy moor down to Brund then on to the Sheen and the coach at Hartington, muddy boots one minute, wet ones the next, but we all enjoyed the walk despite the conditions.

The Short Party however led by Teresa M crossed over the moor and found a pub with a roaring open fire in front of which they had a drink and ate their sandwiches. I ate mine whilst walking in the windy weather. The cheese tasted good though.

A dull day, no rain, fully enjoyed by all, the weather of course improved when the ramble was over.

Committee Meeting

The next committee meeting is on **Thursday 14th December**. If any member wishes to raise a topic for discussion, please let any committee member know.

Feb-Mar 2018 Newsletter

The next newsletter will be published in mid-January. Items for inclusion should be submitted to the editor **NO LATER THAN 27th December**.



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