

Nottingham HF Rambling Club Newsletter Feb-Mar 2020



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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 the Nuthall pub on the A610 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 (pick-up time 8.40am) but this **must** be requested in advance when booking. In the event of bad weather, please contact the organiser before leaving home.

Sunday 9th February

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Coach Ramble

'L' party: Leader – Warren J 10.5 miles. Ogston Reservoir, Ravenhill, Wessington, South Wingfield, Cossington, Wessington, South Wingfield

'M' party: Leader – Teresa M 7.5 miles. am-Middleton Top, Hopton, Carsington, Brassington; pm-South Wingfield, Wessington, South Wingfield

'S' party: Leaders – Gillian W & Gillian W 5.5 miles. am-Hopton, Carsington, Brassington; pm-South Wingfield, Wessington, South Wingfield

Reserve your seat by emailing bookings@nottinghamhframblingclub.org.uk remembering to supply ramble date and pick-up location and full name. Alternatively Tel. Gillian and David W on 0115 9568375. Picnic lunch for long party, coach lunch at Wessington for medium and short parties.

**Cancelled Due to
Bad Weather**

Wednesday 12th February

Ockbrook

Car Ramble

Leader: Peter S 5 miles. Cars meet 10.30am at Car Park, Royal Oak, 55 Green Lane, Ockbrook, Derby, DE72 3SE. GR 422 354.

Directions: Heading west to Derby on the A52 (Brian Clough Way). 5 miles after Bardill's Island take slip road signposted Borrowwash, Ockbrook etc. At T junction turn left into Victoria Avenue - cross over A52 - continue pass The Queens Head to T junction. Turn left- signpost Ilkeston - pass Cross Key - to Royal Oak on the left. Easy walking, steady gradients. Hopefully see the snowdrops. Pub Lunch Royal Oak, Ockbrook

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

Sunday 23rd February

Wirksworth - Ashbourne

Coach Ramble

'L' party: Leader – Warren J 10 miles. Knockerdown, Hognaston, Kniveton, Tissington, Fenny Bentley, Callow Top, Ashbourne.

'M' party: Leader – Teresa M 7.5 miles. am-Middleton Top, Hopton, Carsington, Brassington; pm-Woodeaves Mill, Fenny Bentley, Ashes Farm, Callow Top, Ashbourne.

'S' party: Leaders – Pat & Isabel 5.5 miles. am-Hopton, Carsington, Brassington; pm-Bentley Brook Inn, Ashes Farm, Callow Top, Ashbourne.

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Coach lunch for short and medium parties at Brassington, picnic lunch for long party. (After lunch coach drives up to Longcliffe and turns left on to B5056; short and medium parties dropped off at locations along B5056)

Report on the AGM held in November 2019

The raffle organised by Josie A made £136 which helped to pay for the expenses of the AGM. Many thanks to Josie A for all her efforts in making the AGM a success. Gillian W will take over the organisation of the AGM next year. Unfortunately we only had around 20 members attending the meeting, a bit disappointing. The food and company however was splendid and thanks to Teresa M for leading a small group on the walk round Wollaton Park in the morning. It was decided to have the AGM at the same place (Wollaton Park Community Centre, Ida Page Room) next year.

The next AGM is to be held on Saturday 21st November 2020.

Our heartfelt thanks go to **Warren J** for his support of Fred S and Teresa M, the Coach Rambles Secretaries in helping them organise the club rambles and also helping to turn round the financial fortunes of the club in the last year by modernising the club's profile on the internet. He was presented with a certificate for life membership of the club and a photo.

Also thanks to **Linda B** for her year as Wednesday Rambles Secretary. She is standing down from this commitment but will continue to support **David K** (as Caretaker Wednesday Rambles Secretary who will be reporting to the committee via the General Secretary) along with **Eddie G**.

Many thanks to **David K, Josie A** and **Linda B** for their contributions to the committee meetings who are now retiring due to other commitments.

Margaret C will continue as Social Secretary reporting to the committee via the General Secretary.

New members on the committee are **Ellen D, Barbara S and Gillian W**.

David W (President), Anca V (Treasurer), Jane R (General Secretary), Teresa M (Coach Rambles Secretary), Caroline H and Alex M remain as members of the committee for another year. **Warren J** will occasionally attend committee meetings as an observer.

Thanks were also given by the President (**David W**) to all the leaders of the walks who go out of their way to make the club what it is.

Obituary – Ethel M

Sadly I have to report the death of Ethel M at 96. She was an active member of the club for approximately 40 years. When unable to walk with the club she met other members e.g. at the Britannia for lunch and other events. Ethel was always good company and helpful to other walkers, particularly Geoff Treadgold who had poor eyesight. We would occasionally see her escorting him onto his bus home. She is missed for her sense of humour and it was good to meet her family at the funeral who were interested in the club's activities. Barbara G

A Thank You to the Committee

Fred and I would like to thank you and the committee, particularly Anca V for the truly memorable occasion of Fred's 90th birthday celebration (Summer Walk with High Tea on Sunday 25th August 2019). Such a lovely picture of us both and to be made life members simply great. Being with friends and having a lovely tea was very special.

So many thanks. Best Wishes Barbara G and Fred S.

Annual Membership Subscriptions for 2020 are now due

It was mentioned at the committee that Black's (Millets) and Cotswold Outdoor give discounts to HF club members on production of their membership card.

Social Outings and Holidays

Saturday 21st March ANNUAL CLUB LUNCH - at 1pm – Fothergills

We will dine in the upstairs room of Fothergills, Castle Road, Nottingham (Opposite the Robin Hood Statue by the Castle). Menus will be available in February. **To book a place contact Margaret on 01159200756.**

TENBY COACH HOLIDAY 7th-12th June 2020 - 5 nights

A non-refundable deposit of £25 pp is due early September 2019. More details nearer the holiday. There is one twin room available + half of a shared twin. We will be staying half/board at the Clarence House Hotel on the south beach and walks will be along parts of the Pembrokeshire coastal path and one day inland on the Preseli Hills. The approximate cost will be £370 pp including the coach fare. For more information and to book a place please **Contact Margaret C. Tel: 0115 9200756**

SPANISH HOLIDAY WITH HF October 2020

Places are now being booked for this holiday. The chosen destination is Andalucía- walking in the Sierra Nevada approx £999 – levels 2 & 4. The price quoted is Per Person sharing a double room, half board and include flights and are based on 2019 prices. We would hope that we could get a discount of some sort if we go as HF group. There will be extra costs for single rooms and transport to the airport.

Please contact Margaret C. Tel: 0115 9200756 for further information.

Welcome to New Members

We have two new members join the club since the last newsletter: **Chris S (& Family)**. They are very welcome additions to the club.

PAST RAMBLES

Mid-Week Ramblings

Wednesday 27th November in Beeston - Bramcote Area

Click on the link below for photos:

<https://www.meetup.com/Nottingham-HF-Rambling-Club/photos/30560411/>

After days and days of rain 18 hardy souls braved just "rain in the air" for a rather urban, well to start with, ramble from the Nurseryman pub on the A52 with Dave K in the lead. Beeston Fields Drive - a posh name with even posher houses took us past the golf club house and into the cosier feel of Bramcote Village with the country feel being further enhanced as we crossed Cow Lane. Into the village park with what would be fine views on a fine day. Then into proper countryside where a few of the group peeled off for a shortcut to the old village church. Luckily the church (known as the sunken church) was open and trustees on hand to give us the lowdown on how it had received refurbishment help from the Heritage Lottery - it looked money well spent. The rest of the group joined up here and we all set off downhill for the waiting lunch at the Nurseryman. Thank you Dave.



Wednesday 11th December Stanton by Dale: Car ramble and Festive Lunch

Click on the link below for photos:

<https://www.meetup.com/Nottingham-HF-Rambling-Club/photos/30593971/>

Ten walkers started off at a brisk pace in good weather with the ground not too bad beneath our feet. Eddie led us across a golf course and out into the countryside. The walk was about four miles taking in good views of the local areas. There were a few stiles towards the end of the walk where the HF walkers showed off their acrobatic skills.

There was fourteen sitting down for our Christmas meal in an upstairs room just for us. The meal was great and the pub staff were very accommodating.

Thanks Eddie



JOIN THE CLUB

1. Just a line to say I'm living
That I'm not amongst the dead
Though I'm getting more forgetful
And mixed up in my head.

2. I've got used to my arthritis
To my dentures I'm resigned
I can cope with my bifocals
But my god I miss my mind

3. Sometimes I can't remember
When I'm standing by the stairs
If I'm going up for something
Or have just come down from there.

4. I'm before the fridge so often
My mind is full of doubt
Now did I put some food away
Or come to take it out

5. If it's not my turn to write dear
I hope you won't get sore
I think I may have written
And I don't want to be a bore

6. So remember I am trying
And wished that you lived near
But now it's time to mail this
And say goodbye my dear

7. I stand before the Mail Box
And boy my face is red
Instead of posting it to you
I've opened it instead.

(Contributed by Josie A. Written by a friend)

Committee Meeting

The next committee meeting is on **Thursday 13th February**. If any member wishes to raise a topic for discussion, please let any committee member know.

Apr-May 2020 Newsletter

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



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