

Nottingham HF Rambling Club Newsletter Oct-Nov 2020



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The club is planning walks from September to the end of November. Numbers are very limited due to social distancing and government regulations. If you wish to know the details of the walks you have to join the club and pay the annual subscription. We are not advertising them on any of our websites.

To all prospective NEW MEMBERS: The club year goes from January to January normally, but because of the present situation we are offering membership from September 2020 to the end of December 2021 for the annual membership fee of only £12 single or £20 couple ie 16 months for the price of 12 months membership. A bargain we think!

To find out more please contact the secretary by e-mail: secretary@nottinghamhframblingclub.org.uk

Holidays

For further information and to book a place on any of these holidays please contact Margaret C. Contact details at the beginning of this newsletter.

NEW: DARTMOOR COACH HOLIDAY Autumn 2021

Margaret has provisionally booked accommodation at The New Continental Hotel, Plymouth. Dates: From: Thursday 30th September – Tuesday 5th October 2021. The approximate cost will be £486pp including coach fare.

NEW: LLANDRINDOD WELLS COACH HOLIDAY June 2021

Margaret has booked accommodation at the Metropole Hotel, Llandrindod Wells. Dates: From Friday 18th June - 23rd June 2021. The approximate cost will be £460pp including coach fare. The plan is to include a short walk on the outward travel day and a stop at Shrewsbury on the return travel day. The four walking days will feature:- 1. Plynlimon ascent, - 2. Elan Valley with a visit to Drygarn Fawr for the long party if the weather is good, - 3. A couple of days walking bits of Offas's Dyke including the Hergest Ridge.

TENBY COACH HOLIDAY Sunday 19th to 24th June 2022

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 £383 pp including the coach fare.

THE SPANISH HOLIDAY PLANNED FOR OCTOBER IS CANCELLED

Club News

Two Vacancies on the Club Committee and the Club Wednesday Rambles Secretary's Job

If anyone would be willing to take on the responsibility of the Wednesday Rambles Secretaries job, particularly a regular leader or attender of the club Wednesday rambles, we would be very grateful. I am sure anyone taking on the job will get support from other leaders and members of the club.

WE ALSO NEED TWO NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS. All you have to do is turn up at the committee meetings once every two months and express your views at the meeting. Make your voice heard!!!

Please contact Jane R in the first instance. Contact details at the beginning of this newsletter.

Plans for the Celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the Club 2022-2023

At the last couple of committee meetings held during the lockdown period the committee has been discussing ideas to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the club which is due in 2022-2023. **If you have any ideas of your own, please let the committee know.** The plans so far:

- The club sponsor a signpost in the Peak District with the Peak & Northern Footpaths Society celebrating our 100th Anniversary and once it is setup organise the Christmas Club Ramble 2022 route to go past and unveil it.
- Design a cloth badge celebrating the club anniversary.
- The club plan 100 mile route through our normal walking areas. This would be covered by 10 coach rambles, so long party does 100 miles, medium 75 miles and short 55 miles. This would take place in the spring, summer and autumn of 2022.
- Then on or around 26th February 2023 (the exact date of the club's foundation was 26th February 1923) have a celebration lunch (somewhere posh!) presenting the 'completers' of all ten stages of the walks with their prizes, ie. Some walking hats with the club centenary badge sewn on to them.
- Other members of the club will be able to purchase the centenary badge to sew on hats, jackets or rucksacks as they wish.
- Long Distance Walk/Holiday May-June 2023. Possibly the West Highland Way.
- Alex M suggested that she could design a club calendar for 2022 with photos and memories kept in the archive. We could sell copies to club members to make extras funds.

Thanks from Ron & Sylvia C

It came as a complete surprise to learn we had been awarded Life Membership of the club. To be considered worthy of such an award is indeed an honour and much appreciated. I joined the club in 1995 on my retirement. Sylvia too became a member when she retired.

When I turned up for my first ramble I was warmly greeted by dear Winnie Piggins. From then on the mid-week rambles became a fixture on our calendar. Being members has given us the rambles to enjoy of course, but so much more. The lasting friendships and companionship of so many over the years. Nottingham HF Rambling Club we wish you well. I am delighted to see that mid-week rambles have resumed and I applaud the committee for doing this. I also note that the ramble, on the 26th August is 8 miles. This will attract younger people some of whom will become the leaders of the future. Finally, our thanks to you for your invaluable work for all of us members.

Obituary: Margaret L

Margaret had been a member of the club for over 70 years. Margaret's daughter wrote that Margaret died peacefully in bed of ureteric cancer at 4.15pm on Tuesday 28th July 2020, aged 95. Both her daughters were with her. They said that they were grateful that their Mum had a long, healthy and active life, and remained pain-free and tranquil to the end. A service for the family was held on Wednesday 12th August 2020 at Rochdale Crematorium. There will be a celebration of Margaret's life, probably held in Nottingham once the Covid situation is safely over. Club members will be informed. Margaret's daughter Jenny wrote that as children, she and her sister Christine attended many rambles, dances and Christmas Parties with the club.

From Doreen M: Margaret came to Nottingham after training as a teacher in the early 1950's. She was a keen tennis player and joined the Woodthorpe Tennis Club where she met her future husband Rupert Lindley. They were both keen members of the Nottingham Holiday Fellowship Rambling Club (as it was then). When the rambling club was left a legacy by Eve Chamberlain, the wife of a long serving treasurer, she and Grace Southern (an early secretary of the club) went to places like Denby to purchase equipment for the club holiday home in Yorkshire (also purchased from this legacy). Margaret and Rupert used to 'open' and 'close' this home at the beginning and end of every season. Rupert, Margaret's husband had been treasurer for very many years.

PAST RAMBLES

Wednesday 12th August: Radcliffe Cliff Walk to River Trent

Many thanks to Leaders: Pat K & Marion C for organising our first walk after the Lockdown.

It took place along a cliff path, onto the flood bank to the river Trent. Returning by the same route. There was a picnic lunch afterwards in Radcliffe Memorial Park. Apparently a very hot, humid day. Only four walkers turned up – a bit disappointing. But it is early days yet.

Wednesday 26th August: Keyworth Wolds

Please see the photos on the link below:

<https://www.meetup.com/en-AU/Nottingham-HF-Rambling-Club/photos/31035564/>

Warren and Teresa led us on a seven mile walk from Keyworth, through Widmerpool, the remains of a Medieval Village, Wysall, and then back to Keyworth. There were I think eight? intrepid walkers including the leaders. The weather smiled on us and the walk itself had splendid views over the wolds. The remains of the medieval village (where we had our picnic lunch) consisted of a few grassy humps in a remote field somewhere near electricity pylons. We wondered whether our early ancestors settled there to take advantage of the electricity supply. There seemed to be no other advantage in this remote spot. We ended up at a pub in Keyworth which was empty except for a couple of old men drinking beer and a long haired youth who pretended to be the barman but hadn't a clue as to how to handle the technology. We spent half an hour waiting for him to work out how to use the card reader. The, 'Eat Out to Help Out' policy didn't seem to have worked here. However the pub had a large back garden with lots of tables and benches so we could all practice self-distancing. Jane R



Wednesday 9th September: Calverton and surrounding area

Please see the photos on the link below:

<https://www.meetup.com/en-AU/Nottingham-HF-Rambling-Club/photos/31057372/>

Only six people attended including the leader Julie T. Beautiful views over Calverton and through shady woods. Had an excellent pub lunch together at the end of the walk at the 'Admiral Rodney'. We ate outside in the sunshine. Good food, drinks and conversation. Went home mid afternoon. Wish more people could have joined us!! Jane R



Saturday 12th September: Cromford Circular Car/Bus/Train Ramble

Please see the photos on the link below:

<https://www.meetup.com/en-AU/Nottingham-HF-Rambling-Club/photos/31073137/>

Great walk thanks to Warren and Teresa and of course the weather. Two parties: medium walk 7 people and long walk 5 people.

Good to be out and chatting to old friends! Jane R



A Bit of Humour from Eddie G.

They're back! Church Bulletins: Thank God for church ladies with typewriters -- Misspellings, bad sentence construction or choice of words all make for fun reading. These sentences actually appeared in church bulletins or were announced in church services:

- * The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.
 - * The sermon this morning: 'Jesus Walks on the Water.' The sermon tonight: 'Searching for Jesus.'
 - * Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.
 - * The peace-making meeting scheduled for today has been cancelled due to a conflict.
 - * Don't let worry kill you off - let the Church help.
 - * Miss Charlene Mason sang 'I will not pass this way again,' giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.
 - * For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.
 - * The Rector will preach his farewell message after which the choir will sing: 'Break Forth Into Joy.'
 - * Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.
 - * At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be 'What Is Hell?' Come early and listen to our choir practice.
- To be continued...

A Bit of Humour from Margaret C.

Peter Cook - Experiences Down The Mine – click on link below.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ofUZNynYXzM>

Committee Meeting

The next committee meeting is **to be held on Thursday October 22nd**. If any member wishes to raise a topic for discussion, please let any committee member know.

Dec-Jan 2020 Newsletter

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



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