

**ALTRINCHAM & DISTRICT RAMBLING CLUB**  
(http://www.altrinchamramblers.org.uk)

**JULY CIRCULAR 2013**

1. All rambles meet at the far end of Altrincham Station car park at rear of station . When submitting a walk indicate the mileage from Altrincham Station to the start of the walk (one way only). The cost will be calculated automatically.
2. Decision to cancel or change a ramble is taken at Altrincham.
3. Dogs (on a lead at all times) only taken with prior permission of the leader.
4. Addresses of organisers are in the Membership Card. Cheques to be made out to ALTRINCHAM RAMBLING CLUB or as advised
5. Number of walkers and names of guests should be notified to the walks organiser.
6. The Club will not be responsible for any personal injury or loss or damage to personal property
7. It is the responsibility of any Club Member who introduces a guest to a walk to ensure that their guest has read the 'Guidelines for Members taking part in Walks'

**WEDNESDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> JULY - WATERGROVE LITTLEBOROUGH**

Leave 0915 9.5 miles Cat.3/2 Transport £6.40

Leader Nigel Gartside 969 2407 mob.no. 07896 913175

Park cars Watergrove Reservoir, Wardle. SD911 176.

M62 J21. Turn off A58 Littleborough to Rochdale at lights opposite Kilpatrick's Undertakers. Up Birch Road, through Wardle and up Cobble road to Car Park Free parking, toilets. 15 mins into walk. Return to cars 3.30.

Watergrove to Ramsden Clough via Rough Hill using Pennine bridleway then on to Ramsden Wood and over Shore Moor back to cars. Two short steepish ascents and several stiles. some stoney tracks, muddy in parts after rain.

**- WALTON AND HIGH CLIFFE**

Leave 0945 6 miles Cat.4/3 Transport £3.60

Leaders Dave and Liz White 980 8605 Mob No: 07716961974

Park Cars: Walton Hall & Gardens car park (P&D) Walton Lea Rd., Higher Walton, Warrington WA4 6SN.

Either M56 to Junction 10 then towards Stockton Heath or through Lymm on A56. GR 600852

Bridgewater canal then slight climb to Hill Cliffe. Past Bellfield Farm and on to Hatton. Through Rows Wood towards Moore and then returning along the canal towpath.

**THURSDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> & 18<sup>TH</sup> JULY - MANCHESTER UNDERGROUND TOUR**

A few spaces on July 18<sup>th</sup> tour available. Book with Heather 01625 618782.

Meet 11.00 am outside Great Northern Complex, Peter Street. £6 pay on day. Strong shoes and torch required.

**SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JULY - SOCIAL TRIP TO CARLISLE**

The coach will leave at 8.30 am The Downs, Altrincham, with the usual pick-up places.

Carlisle is a small city with a cathedral, castle and many places of interest. There is also a 2-mile walk by the side of the river for those who wish. Places on the coach still available. Book with Edna Adderley, (980 7753)

**SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JULY - WHITE PEAK - EYAM**

Leave 0830 13.5 miles Cat.3/2 Transport £7.00

Leader Judith Wainwright 928 8453 Mob No: 07970742311

Park Cars: Eyam is situated off the A623 Park opposite the museum in the free car park behind the P&D one. SK216767.

On a good day this is a wonderful walk with the best views in the White Peak. Stoney Middleton, Froggatt Edge, Padley Chapel, Leadmill Bridge. Offerton Hall, Smelting Hill, Abney Clough, Eyam Moor. There are four climbs three after lunch. This is one of Joy Darlington's premier walks!

**WEDNESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> JULY - CASTLETON AND BROUGH**

Leave 0900 8 ½ miles Cat.3/2 Transport £6.40

Leaders Colin and Hazel Baldwin 980 5409 Mob No: 0773 327 0371:

Park Cars: Main car park in Castleton GR 149829 (P&D £5). Alternatively free on road parking (midweek only) between Winnatts Pass road and village centre. Walk will start from opposite main car park entrance outside Three Roofs Restaurant.

Follow Peakshole Water and River Noe to Brough. Long 2 mile ascent from Hope Station to Wooler Knoll, ½ mile of this is quite steep along a lane, the rest more gentle. Return to Castleton on field paths and lanes via Losehill Hall. Panoramic views of Hope and Edale valleys from the flank of Win Hill.

- **PEOVER**

Leave 0945 6 miles Cat.4 Transport £2.80  
Leaders Jan Williams, Liz White, Janet Fowler 07913441664  
Park cars Whipping Stock PH car park on bend of A50 Toft Road, Approx.2 miles from Knutsford.

A flat walk through countryside visiting two unusual churches, approx.6 stiles and some road walking followed by home-made ice-cream at the Seven Sisters farm just down the road - for anyone interested – it's delicious!

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**SUNDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> JULY - PYM CHAIR**

Leave 0830 12 miles Cat. 2/3 Transport £4.80  
Leader: Phil Worsley 777 6013  
Park Cars: Free public car park at Pym Chair. 2 miles south of Kettleshulme at GR SJ 995768.

This undulating circuit above the reservoirs of the Goyt will, wherever possible, track the higher ground and will call at Cats Tor, Shining Tor, Goytsclough Quarry, Bunsal Cob, Wythen Lache, Fernilee, Overton Hall Farm and Windgather Rocks.

- **HOLLINGWORTHALL MOOR**

Leave 0915 9 miles Cat.3/2 Transport £3.80  
Leader Ian Stenhouse 926 8446 Mob. 07713030118  
Park cars Hobson Moor Rd. GR. SJ 989966. From end of M67 continue on A57. Turn left at traffic lights signed Ashton and Stalybridge (by statue of LS Lowry). At top of hill just after 30 mph sign turn sharp right into Hobson Moor Rd. Bear left, then left again and park on verge at RHS of road opposite quarry.

A walk round Hollingworthall Moor by way of Mottram Old Hall, Hardtimes Farm, Devil's Bridge, Arnfield, the Swineshaw Reservoirs, Higher Hydegreen and Shaw Moor. A varied walk with great views (weather permitting!)

- **RIBBLE VALLEY**

Leave 0900 8.5 miles Cat.3 Transport £8.00  
Leader: Elaine Hall 962 5422 Mob 07790063485  
Park Cars: Car park in Downham GR785 440 toilets.  
M60-M66-A59/A671 towards Clitheroe. At roundabout where A671 goes to Clitheroe keep on A59 for approx. 4 miles. Just after passing 2 bridges left S/P Chatburn and Downham. In Chatburn left S/P Downham, at pub in Downham take right fork passing church down to bridge over brook. CP on right entrance opposite cottages.

An undulating walk from Downham of 'Whistle Down the Wind' fame through the lovely village of Rimmington, then to Sawley with its Abbey ruins, worth a wander round if weather and time is in our favour. Lovely views of the Ribble Valley and Pendle Hill. Plenty of ups and downs. Shorts worn at own risk.

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**WEDNESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> JULY - TOCKHOLE WOODS AND DARWEN MOOR**

Leave 0900 10 miles Cat.3/2 Transport £4.80  
Leaders Chris and Margaret Sadler 980 5007 Mob No: 0774 0777184  
Park Cars: In car park about 2.5 miles north of Belmont (Bolton). Turn right off the A675 (signposted Tockholes). The car park is on the left about 400m after this turnoff. Explorer Map 287. SD665191.

We walk past Holinshead Hall and through the rather pretty Tockholes Woods. Then past the Earnshaw Reservoir and up onto the Darwen Moors and visit the Darwen Tower. Finally we walk across the Moor generally following the Witton Weavers Way. There is quite a stiff pull up onto the Moor to the Darwen Tower but we will take the lunch stop immediately after this climb at the Tower so time can be taken over the climb and we can rest at the top.

- **LADMANLOW - DOVE HEAD**

Leave 9.30 7 ½ miles Cat.3\*\* Transport £5.20  
Leader: Keith Leslie 976 3230  
Park Cars: Grin Low (toilets) Grid Ref SK049 719  
Take A537 Cat & Fiddle road from Macclesfield (this becomes the A54 just past the C & F pub). Turn right at junction with A53 (Leek Rd) at Ladmanlow and, following brown signs to Grin Low, turn left and left again into long drive leading to car park, forking right into parking area.

A mixture of woodland, field paths and tracks in the high limestone area South West of Buxton between Ladmanlow and Dove Head. The route takes in Buxton Country Park, Diamond Hill, Thirkelow, Brand Top, Fairthorne and Stanley Moor. \*\*The route is undulating with many easy ups and downs with one steep, but short, ascent.

**FRIDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> JULY - WALK AND MEAL**

Meet 4.00 pm at Lindow car park on Racecourse Road, Wilmslow opposite Boddington Arms. Transport £1.60. Elaine Hall will lead a 4-mile walk followed by a meal at Boddington Arms at 6.30 ish. Carvery - £5.95. Please book for catering and transport purposes with Heather 01625 618782.

**SUNDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> JULY - WORLDS END AND EGLWYSEG MOUNTAIN**

Leave 0830 12 miles Cat.2/3 Transport: £8.00  
Leader Nigel Gartside 969 2407 Mob No: 07896 913175  
Park Cars: In front of or in lane behind Ponderosa Cafe / motel on summit of A542 Horseshoe Pass north of Llangollen. Grid Ref SJ 192 480 Return to Cars: 4.00 p.m.

From Cafe to Fron Lwyd and Worlds End and over shoulder of Eglwyseg Mountain via Offa's Dyke path to Eglwyseg hamlet then via Glyn back to cars. One steepish descent and one quite steep climb out of Eglwyseg.

**- MILLERS DALE AND MORE**

Leave 0915 7 miles Cat.3 Transport £6  
Leaders Phil and Pam Grundy 973 8854 & 07952 564884  
Park cars Park at Tideswell Dale car park (charge to be shared) GR154 742. Take A6 towards Buxton, left onto A623 through Sparrow Pit, after about 5 miles turn right onto B6049, CP is about 1 mile south of Tideswell.

A walk through Tideswell Dale into Miller's Dale, along the Wye passed Litton Mill, up through Cressbrook Dale into Tansley Dale on to Litton and Tideswell and back to the car park.

**WEDNESDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> JULY - COACH TRIP TO KIRKBY LONSDALE**

The coach will leave The Downs, Altrincham at 8.00 am with the usual pick-up places.

'A' walk 10 miles Cat.3/2. Leaders: John Drinkwater and Judy Bailey.  
This linear walk starts from Fowlstone on the A65, following bridle and foot paths upto Lupton High towards Scout Hill, then down to the Lancaster Canal. From here we climb up Farleton Fell and Newbiggin Craggs where we should be rewarded with panoramic views. We join the Limestone Link which takes us to Hutton Roof and Kirkby Lonsdale. This is a scenic and varied walk

'B' walk 8 miles Cat.3. Leaders: Mike Jones and Janet Blinkhorn  
From Devils Bridge to High Casterton then north to Barbon Village, returning along the River Lune through Low Beckfoot and Casterton Hall.

'C' walk 5 ½ miles Cat.4/3. Leader: Alison Wilkes. - Details on the coach.

Few seats still available. Contact Janet on 0161 941 1634. Mobile on day only 07840 671087.

**WEDNESDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> JULY - STANDEGE TRAIL & MARSDEN**

Leave 0915 8 miles Cat.3/2 Transport £6  
Leader Jill Chandler 973 7188  
Park cars Brun Clough Reservoir car park. GR 095 017 on A62. M60 junction 22. Car park 2 ½ miles NE of Delph on right-hand side just after large yellow PENNINE BRIDLEWAY sign.

Follow Standege Trail - Thieves Clough, Owl's farm, Tunnel End, steep climb in stages out of Marsden and return along the old turnpike tracks.

**SUNDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> JULY - NORTH OF LONGDENDALE**

Leave 0830 13.5 miles Cat.2/3 Transport £5.00  
Leader: Rose Monteath 286 2719  
Park Cars: The pay and display car park at Torside Visitor Centre where leader will meet. On the B6105 at grid reference SK 068983

This walk will explore the high ground to the north of Longdendale. The outward leg will call at Bottoms Reservoir and Arnfield before crossing Ormes Moor to reach Chew Reservoir. The return then travels east to Laddow Rocks before descending on the Pennine Way to reach Torside Reservoir where we will cross the dam to re-join the Trans Pennine Trail back to the cars. It will be cat 2/3 in equal measure

**- CLOWBRIDGE, SINGING RINGING TREE**

Leave 9.30 6 ½ miles Cat.4/3 Transport £6.40  
Leaders Dave Stonehewer 962 6450 & Muriel Lowther 01772 316781  
Park cars Clowbridge Reservoir. P&D £1.50. GR 823 280

M60, M66, A56 to Rawtenstall, then the A682 S/P Burnley. After approx.4 miles passing through Crawshawbooth, Goodshaw, At Beijing Restaurant on left, turn right into lane. Car Park on the right.

Reservoir, Crown Point, Singing Ringing Tree. Back to reservoir and cars.

**WEDNESDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> JULY - MARPLE/MELLOR/ETHEROW**

Leave 10.30 10 miles Cat.3/2 Transport: TBA

Leader Jane Michael 0161 427 8041 Mob No: 07917 434598

Park cars The leader will join the party in the Car Park. Please park in the public car park on Canal Street, Marple (GR SJ 961 886). The Navigation Inn is on the corner of Canal Street. Please turn down there and the car park is at the back of the pub on the right. Please do not park in the pub car park which is on Stockport Road. There is a charge of £1.50 for all day. Return to Cars: 4pm latest

From Marple we go via Roman Lakes towards Strines. Then via tracks to Mellor and Mellor Church. We go past Mellor Hall, Smithy Lane Farm to Ernocroft. From Ernocroft we return via Etherow Country Park, Compstall and Brabyns Park. The walk is on generally reasonable tracks (and some quiet roads) and there are a couple of steep though fairly short climbs. One part is nearly always muddy but for the rest, it depends on the weather. Stunning views should be available.

**- THREE HALLS OF CHESHIRE**

Leave 0915 8.5 miles Cat.3 Transport £2.20

Leaders Mary & Alan Gerrard 980 7508:

Park Cars: Large un-surfaced layby on the B5081 - Middlewich Road G/R SJ750750. From Knutsford take the A50 towards Holmes Chapel. After 1.5 miles from the traffic lights at the junction with the A537 turn right onto the B5081. The layby is 0.6 miles on the RHS.

A circular walk in the Cheshire countryside taking in Peover, Radbroke and Toft Halls. Several awkward stiles.

**LEADERS WANTED****SUNDAYS**

Contact Phil Worsley 777 6013 ('A' walks), Derrick Hamer on 969 3821 ('B' walks). 'C' walks - Anne Macaulay.

**WEDNESDAYS**

AUGUST - 7<sup>th</sup> 'B', 14<sup>th</sup> 'B', 21<sup>st</sup> 'A' & 'B', 28<sup>th</sup> 'A' Contact John Drinkwater 969 1557

**FUTURE EVENTS****SUNDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST - COACH TRIP TO BOLTON ABBEY**

'A' walk - 10 ½ miles Cat.2/3 Leader Steve Glover

'B' walk - 8 miles Cat.3 Leader Frank Dockry

'C' walk - 6 miles Cat.3/4 Leaders: Martin and Sandra Ostick

Book with Edna Adderley, 2 Wellgreen Close, Hale, Cheshire WA15 8PT. (980 7753). Cheques £10 made payable to ALTRINCHAM RAMBLING CLUB. Please state where you will be joining the coach.

There will be a short coffee stop at 'The Old Stone Trough' Foulridge. Please send details of your walk to Anne Macaulay by 11<sup>th</sup> July.

**THE CLUB WEEKEND 2014**

Next year's Week End will take us to The Glen Usk Hotel Llandrindrod Wells from 11 to 14 April 2014 at a cost of £165 pp. The price includes transport, BB, evening meal, 2 Packed Lunches, and use of coach in resort. This destination gives us excellent access to Central Wales and the Elan Valley. Application Forms and Insurance Indemnity Forms are attached.

**NEWS OF MEMBERS**

Our very best wishes and congratulations to Trixie Willcock who will be 100 on 11<sup>th</sup> July. Trixie was walking with us up to about 5 years ago but is now in Handsworth Residential Care Home in Bowdon.

We also send our good wishes to May McIndoe who is presently in Ferrol Lodge Care Home, Northernden Road, Sale. M33 2 DL, May had a slight stroke a few weeks ago.

Sally and Reg Ferrans would like to thank members for the cards and good wishes on their silver wedding recently. We also send Congratulations and best wishes from the Club.

We were sorry to hear of the death of Noel Titterington. Noel for a short time was Wednesday Coach Trip Organiser but unfortunately had to resign due to ill health. Noel's funeral took place on 31<sup>st</sup> May at Altrincham Crematorium and was attended by members of Altrincham Rambling Club and Trafford Walkers of which for many years he had been a very prominent member. Our condolences have been sent to Noel's family.

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**A.& D.R.C. 4 Day Week End**

**Glen Usk Hotel Llandrindrod Wells**

**11.12.13.14 April 2014**

**With**

**Alfa Travel**

**Cost £165 PP Transport, B B, Evening Meal and  
2 Packed Lunches**

Deposit: £50 per person – Cheques Only (Names on the Back)  
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Rooms Available:-

6 Single - 8 Double - 15 Twins - 52 Total

Those wishing to share a room must apply on One Form.

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NAME

1 Special Requests, ie: Vegetarian Diet etc .....

2 INSURANCE £ TBA Yes / No

If NO, the attached Indemnity Form MUST be completed and returned with this application, one per person. This includes those with their own holiday insurance.

Contact Telephone Number: .....

Please Return by the 16th August 2013

TO  
Mr G D Edwards  
7 Bowness Drive  
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Cheshire  
M33 6WH

Please note that A.& D.R.C. Members must not contact Alfa Travel or the Hotel with regard to this holiday except through the Club Organiser Dean Edwards.

## INSURANCE

The booking conditions of most tour operators require you to obtain adequate holiday insurance. Such insurance should ensure that you are fully covered against unexpected cancellation charges, medical expenses arising abroad, loss of luggage or money and personal liability claims.

It is strongly recommended that you accept either the insurance offered by your travel agent or the insurance arrangements described in the tour operator's brochure. However you are entirely free to make your own arrangements provided that the resultant policy affords cover comparable to that offered by the tour operator. If you elect to make your own arrangements please sign the indemnity statement shown below.

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Whereas I have declined to take out holiday insurance cover offered by the tour operator in connection with the arrangements referred to below and furthermore I have declined to take out comparable insurance cover offered by the travel agent through whom the arrangements have been made I hereby undertake on behalf of myself ~~and all members of my party~~ to arrange holiday insurance which provides comparable cover to that offered in the tour operator's brochure. Furthermore I agree on behalf of myself ~~and all members of my party~~ that should I fail to arrange such insurance, I shall indemnify the tour operator and travel agent for any costs that arise which would otherwise have been met had such insurance cover been taken out.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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