

ALTRINCHAM & DISTRICT RAMBLING CLUB

(<http://www.altrincham-ramblers.org.uk>)

AUGUST CIRCULAR 2008

1. **All rambles meet at the far end of Altrincham Station car park at rear of station .**
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.
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

*** SUNDAY 27TH JULY - WHITE PEAK

Leave 8.30 13.5 miles Cat.3/2 Transport £5. Leader: Judith Wainwright 928 8453.

Park cars: At NT car park in Ilam (SK 131507). Parking free for NT members otherwise P&D

Back of Bunster Hill, Air Cottage, Dovedale Woods, down to Ilam Rocks, up The Nabs, Tissington, Lin Dale, Coldwall Bridge, Blore, towards Upper Musden then down to FB over Manifold & back to Ilam. Most of the climb in the morning.

SUNDAY 3RD AUGUST - EYAM - A SOUTHERN CIRCULAR

Leave 8.30 13 miles Cat.3/2 Transport £5. Leader: Judith Rees 0161 980 5034 ((07923130630 on day)

Park Cars Eyam car park opposite the museum (£4.50 P&D charge or free roadside parking)

A walk through villages, dales and limestone moorland. The route includes Stoney Middleton, Coombs Dale, Great and Little Longstone, Longstone Moor, Wardlow, Cressbrook Dale & Foolow

- CHIPPING

Leave 9.15 Transport £5. Anyone requiring a lift may go with a 'B' or 'C' driver.

'B' walk - 8 miles Cat.4/3 Leader: Derrick Hamer 969 3821.

'C' walk - 5½ miles Cat.4/3 Leaders: Enid, Chris and Muriel. Tel. Christina Leonard 969 6184.

Route: Onto M6 north, exit jct.31A. On the following roads B6242, B6243 & B6244 follow signs for Longridge. Pass through Grimsargh on the B6243. At Longridge leave the B6243 and join B6244 which later crosses the B5269. Continue for approx. ½ -mile watching carefully now for the CHIPPING signs to the left, then to the right into Chipping Lane. The road name changes to Longridge Road and continues for approx. 3½ to 4 miles into Chipping. Proceed with care, oncoming vehicles could be coming the opposite way through a particularly narrow stretch between houses when entering the village.

At the 'T' junction in Chipping turn left and continue for a short distance, with the church on your right, then a butchers shop; which is set back from the road, on your left the signposted CP entrance and toilets on your right behind some buildings. The good news is the car park and toilets are free. GR.SD 62150 43300 Those wishing to have a drink etc before the start of the walks, should bring flasks etc

Details for both 'B' and 'C' walks.

Both the 'B' and 'C' walks provide some very fine views of the hills on a clear day. Nothing too difficult, but there are a few stiles, otherwise both walks are very pleasant and varied. There is a café in the village which stays open until 5 pm.

WEDNESDAY 6TH AUGUST - THE TORRS, NEW MILLS, FURNESS VALE

Leave 9.30 7½ miles Cat.4/3 Transport £2.80 Leaders: Joan Howarth 962 0302 and

Dorothy Stelfox 973 0370. Park cars: Turn left from A6 beyond Disley. Down Lower Grenshall Lane which is just beyond Total Garage. GR.986 846 (where leaders will meet).

Mainly flat walk, short climb to Seven Springs, on to Disley and down to Torrs Riverside Park Then on to New Mills & Millennium Way. Field paths and back to starting point via Peak Forest Canal towpath.

- GOOSTREY

Leave 9.45 5½ miles Cat.4 Transport £2.40. Leaders: Connie and Joe Jones 973 2019

Park cars: Crown Inn in Goostrey.village Park by fence under trees – permission granted. Follow A50 and look for Drovers Arms on Right – after 1 mile turn left to Goostrey (sign obscured by trees). Down to T- junction and turn left into village to Crown Inn. (GR. 780 700 approx !.)

This is a pleasant flat walk (with only three stiles) through the village to the Bongs where it can be muddy, then tracks, fields and quiet lanes.

SUNDAY 10TH AUGUST - COACH TRIP TO INGLETON

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

'A' walk - 9 miles Cat.3/2 Leader: Alan Edwards

A linear walk from Chapel le Dale to Souterscales and on to Ingleborough (2180 ft). The walk continues over open fells to Skirwith Cave and down to Beezleys before we join the Waterfalls Walk into Ingleton. This is a splendid and exhilarating walk, well worth the effort.

'B' walk - 7 ½ miles Cat.3 Leader: Margaret Ledger

Skirting from Chapel Le Dale we cross to Bruntscar before climbing up and on to Hard Riggs from Ellerbeck. From here there are superb views, over typical Dales country, to Whernside. We drop down to the Waterfalls Walk and continue into Ingleton.

'C' walk - 5 miles Cat.4 Leaders: Joe and Connie Jones

The walk starts in Ingleton and follows the River Doe through the delightful Waterfalls Walk to Pecca Falls, possibly returning the same way. A classic walk of the Yorkshire Dales.

At the time of writing the coach is full but 'phone Margaret nearer the time in case of cancellations.

SUNDAY 10TH AUGUST - RIVELIN VALLEY

Leave 8.30 13 miles Cat.3/2 Transport £5. Leader: Julia Corbett 976 2935 (07970 146 615 on day).

Park Cars : SK 291 873 Follow A57 through Glossop towards Sheffield. Approx 6 miles after Ladybower Reservoir traffic lights, you will pass water treatment works on RT, fork LT on A6101 signed M1 north.

After 200yds at crossroads turn RT and RT again into unnamed car park, with a footpath sign.

Come and join Julia exploring Bradfield Parish footpaths through fields and moorland, starting in the pretty Rivelin valley we visit Nethergate, Dungworth, Royds Clough & Wyming Brook Drive before returning to cars.

WEDNESDAY 13TH AUGUST - COACH TRIP TO ILKLEY

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

'B' walk - 8 miles Cat.3 Leader: Pam Baxandall

From Cow and Calf CP to Hanging Stones, Rocky Valley, White Wells, along Millennium Way to Moorside Lane, continue via Low Lathe, Gate Croft, Netherwood Farm, cross the A65 and pick up the Dales Way back to Ilkley.

'C' walk - 6 miles Cat.4/3 Leader: Edna Adderley

Following the River Wharfe to Addingham, passing through Low Mill village. Slight climb to Nesfield village and again to Middleton Lodge. Then down to the river bank again and Ilkley. Nothing too difficult

Book with Pam Floyd (962 5311) with cheque for £8.50 to 16 Stokesay Road, Sale, M33 6GL

A few seats available – friends welcome. Coffee/tea stop at The Stonetrough PH - Drinks only.

SUNDAY 17TH AUGUST - SOUTH OF DERBYSHIRE BRIDGE

Leave 8.45 13 miles Cat.2/3 Transport £3.75 Leader: Phil Worsley 777 6013.

Park cars: Derbyshire Bridge car park, just off the A537 at GR.018 716.

Visiting the area to the south of Derbyshire Bridge this circuit calls at Axe Edge End, Flash, Adder's Green, Manor Farm, Three Shires Head, and the Cat & Fiddle.

LATHKILL DALE

Leave 9.15 8 ½ miles Cat.3 Transport £5 Leader: Jean Armsden 962 2434 and Audrey Corrie

Park cars: Over Haddon village. GR.203 665. Pay & Display car park (cost to be shared) turn right on entering village. Not Craft Centre car park

From Over Haddon village down into Lathkill Dale, to Cales Dale, on to Calling Low farm and Bradford Dale to Alport. Return via Lathkill Dale. One steep flight of steps out of Cales Dale – not difficult.

CHESTER

Leave 9.30 7¼ miles Cat.4 Transport £4.50 Leaders: Brian & Shirley Warburton 928 7087.

Park cars: Christleton Village (GR.443 659). Take 2nd Christleton sign off A51 at Vicars Cross, just after village pond (on left) turn left. Car park approx. 150 yards further on.

Leaving picturesque village of Christleton, we follow field paths and road through Huntington. A short ferry crossing (£1.00 pp) takes us to Marches Way and we walk into Chester along the river bank, for lunch (ice-creams, toilets etc). After walking the City Walls, we return to cars via the "Shroppie Union Canal" for a probable pub stop.

WEDNESDAY 20TH AUGUST - CHEW

Leave 9.15 10 miles Cat.3/2 Transport £4.20 Leaders: Veronica Dunkley 928 4629 and Jim Mallin 01925 755899

Park cars: Crowden MR739 993 off A628. (if anybody requires a lift, please ring Jim Mallin).

We follow the Pennine Way to Laddow Rocks, across open moorland to Chew Reservoir, then across The Wilderness and down Ogden Clough. We then return to Crowden along Longdendale, or possibly over Lad's Leap depending on conditions. The route from Chew could be very boggy.

- WHITE EDGE, LONGSHAW ESTATE, GROUSE INN FROGGATT AND CURBAR EDGES

Leave 9.00 8½ miles Cat.3. Transport £5. Leader: Anne Brooker 973 2179.

Park cars: Curbar Edge CP. P&D £3 GR. 26 75 (White Peak W) A6 to Chapel-en-le-Frith, A623 to Stoney Middleton. At Calver crossroads, turn left onto A625, then 1st right (Froggatt). Drive over the river, then 1st right (to Curbar). Follow road through Curbar village to T-junction with give way sign. Turn left, follow winding road uphill to car park on left. (May be possible to park at roadside).

After a short climb at the start, this is an easy and invigorating walk along gritstone edges of NE Derbyshire, with views across the Derwent Valley towards Eyam Moor and north towards Carl Wark and Higger Tor. From car park – a short uphill walk on to White Edge (20 mins), then approx 2-mile walk along the edge, with superb views in all directions. We descend gradually to the Longshaw Estate, passing behind Longshaw House and Visitor Centre. We follow the estate drive for about 1¼ miles, before coming out on to the road, passing the Grouse Inn (optional drinks stop!). We then follow field paths, returning along Froggatt and Curbar Edges, with the unusual rock formations and stunning views – nothing difficult ! NB: For those not wanting to do the whole walk, it is possible to take a short cut from White Edge to the Grouse Inn (omitting Longshaw Estate), with a wait of approx 1½ hours, for the rest of the party. (approx. 6½ miles)

- WALTON

Leave 10.15 5 miles Cat.4. Transport £2.70. Leaders: Barry Rice 962 2377 and Giulio Poletti 962 7648. Park cars: Walton Hall Car Park, P&D £1.50 to be shared. M56 Jct.11 to A56 Daresbury to Walton Arms pub, Old Chester Road and immediately right go down Walton Lea Road to the car park.

Along Bridgewater canal to Moore village, Daresbury, Appleton Reservoir and back to Walton Hall gardens via the golf course

SUNDAY 24TH AUGUST - RESERVOIRS OF SADDLEWORTH

Leave 0845 13 miles Cat.3 Transport £3.45 Leader: Ian Stenhouse 926 8446 (07713030118 on day)

Park Cars Car Park at Ogden Reservoir GR: SD 953123

Leave M62 at J21, right onto A640 (Shaw). At Newhey turn left with A640. After about 1 mile (on sharp left-hand bend) turn left at sign for 'Bulls Head'. Straight ahead to carpark on left at Ogden Reservoir.

This walk is a modified version of that in January (with hopefully better weather!). From the carpark via Tunshill Lane to the head of the Ogden Valley, then via Readycon Dean Reservoir to Standedge. Drop down to the Castleshaw Reservoirs and then keeping south of Denshaw to Boothstead Edge and back to the cars via Rodden Reservoir and Higher and Lower Ogden. This walk uses parts of the Rochdale, Oldham and Pennine Ways, the Station-to-Station Walk, the Standedge Trail and the Crompton Circuit, visiting 12 reservoirs, the site of a Roman Fort and an early 18th century hamlet with (hopefully) some splendid views.

- ENTWISTLE

Leave 9.15 8 miles Cat.3 Transport £3.45 Leaders : Keith Leslie 976 3230 and Dee Hadfield 904 9797. Park cars: Batridge Barn Car Park Grid Ref 721 172. M60 to M61 to A666 (s.p. Bolton). Follow A666 (now s.p. Blackburn) through Bolton, Duns-car and Egerton to reach B6391 ('Green Arms Rd' s.p. Turton) on right. Car Park is 1 ½ miles down B6391 on left

A walk to the west of Entwistle through attractive and varied countryside. The route ascends the hills gradually and consists of a mixture of good paths and grass, woodland and field tracks with stretches of rough country. The final 2 miles are mostly flat or downhill. Return to cars: 3.30 pm

WEDNESDAY 27TH AUGUST - ROMAN LAKES MARPLE

Leave 10.15 5¼ miles Cat.4/3 Transport £2.40 Leader: Keith Leslie 976 3230.

Park cars:: Strines Rail Station Car Park (Grid Ref 978 864) just off the B6101 Marple to New Mills road. Take the A626 to Marple and keep straight on at Chui's Chipshop in Marple to join the B6106. After 2 ¼ miles from Chuis turn left for station. Take right fork before viaduct for car park.

A summer version of last March's walk lengthened to include the attractive Stanleyhall Wood. We follow the Goyt to Bottoms Bridge passing by woodlands and the Roman Lakes where we stop for a while (mugs of tea/coffee can be bought here for 90p or less). Then we follow the canal, with great views over the hills, to Stanleyhall Wood. The route has a short climb, which includes some steps, from Bottoms Bridge up to the canal, a short descent to the Wood and one (easy) stile.

SUNDAY 31ST AUGUST - THE KINDER TRESPASS TRAIL

Leave 8.45 14 miles Cat.3/2 Transport £2.70. Leader: Mike Gregory 01625 614211.

Park Cars Torrs Riverside CP, New Mills GR. 001 854 (where leader will meet). Turn left at traffic lights o A6015 into Union Road, at roundabout turn right and immediately right for Torr Top & Heritage Centre CP.

Follow in the footsteps of the 1932 Mass Trespass on Kinder Scout by walking the Trespass Trail, a 14 mile walk starting and finishing at New Mills. The route includes the Millenium Walkway, Hague Bar, Rowarth, Little Hayfield, Kinder Reservoir, Bowden Bridge, Hayfield and The Sett Valley Trail. Further details can be found at the website kindertrespass.com

WHIRLEY – LEES WOODS

Leave 9.30 6 ½ / 7 miles Cat.3/4 Transport £1.50 Leader: Alan Thorpe 976 3225

Park cars: National Trust CP Pay & Display, adjacent to The Wizard Inn (cost to be shared).

Via field paths to Daniel Hill skirting Hare Hill grounds. Woods to Fallibroome farm. 2/3 rds-mile road walk to Whirley, then via Chorley Hall and Lees Woods back via Findlow Hill and cars for 4.00 pm.

AROUND BLAKEMERE

Leave 10.00 6 miles Cat.4 Transport £2.70 Leaders: Norman & Angela Simcock 962 1627

Park cars: Blakemere Craft Centre GR.598 703. In lower car park opposite coach park.

Blakemere to Cuddington, Whitegate Way to Newchurch Common, Swallows Farm, Daleford Farm, and back to Blakemere.

LEADERS WANTED

SUNDAYS - 'A' walks - starting 5th October onwards, 'C' walks – starting 7th September onwards
Contact Mike Gregory 01625 614211 ('A' walks), Derrick Hamer on 969 3821 ('B' walks).
Joe Jones 973 2019 ('C' walks).

WEDNESDAYS - SEPTEMBER – 3RD, 'A' & 'B', 10th 'A', 'B' & 'C' (coach day), 17th 'A' & 'B', 24th 'A'.
Contact Brian Warburton 928 7087

FUTURE EVENTS

SUNDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER - COACH TRIP TO CAPEL CURIG

'A' walk 10 miles Cat.2/3 Leader: Ron Armsden

'B' walk 8 ½ miles Cat 3 Leaders: Dean & Elsie Edwards

'C' walk 5¾ miles Cat.3 Leader: Margaret Ledger

Book with Margaret Ledger with a cheque for £8.50 made payable to 'ALTRINCHAM RAMBLING CLUB'
No bookings will be taken before 21 July

WEDNESDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER - COACH TRIP TO AMBLESIDE

'B' walk - Dean & Elsie Edwards, 'C' walk Yvonne Houfe.

Book with Pam Floyd (962 5311) 16 Stokesay Road, Sale, M33 6GL, with cheques FOR £8.50 made payable to ALTRINCHAM RAMBLING CLUB. (Would leaders please send details of their walk to Anne Macaulay by 11th August – thanks.)

WEDNESDAY 30TH JULY - COACH TRIP TO MATLOCK BATH

A few seats still available – friends invited. Book with Sylvia Fantom (969 1180).

WEDNESDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER

NEW short walk – 3 miles, Cat.4 Lindow Moss and Rossmere Lake and lunch at Yates Garden Centre. Numbers limited so book early with leaders Betty Hollinshead 0161 432 1761 or Joan Smyllie 998 6596.

MONDAY 20TH OCTOBER -

At Timperley Village Club, Stockport Road, Timperley. Quiz and Hot pot Supper. Tickets £7.50 available from Connie Jones 0161 973 2019, Barry Rice 0161 962 2377, Doreen Aldridge 0161 973 4370.

2008 AGM - Tuesday 28th October - All Saints Church Hall, Hale Barns.

2009 CLUB WEEKEND

The 2009 Club Week End will in fact be a five day break 30th March to 3rd April 2009 on the Isle of Wight, at a cost of £170 plus extra if required. Those wishing to go on this break should complete the application form attached and return it to Dean by the 30th August 2008.

NEWS OF MEMBERS

Joyce Blow wishes to express her sincere thanks from herself and family for the cards, tributes and generous donations received on the death of Bernard. £681 has been donated to Alzheimers Society and Dementia care in Bernard's memory.

We sadly report the death of Brian Hughes on 11th June, and send our sincere sympathy to Marlen and family.

Margaret Sadler would like to send her thanks to all of the Members who expressed their sympathy and concern following the incident when she fell and broke her arm on the Dovestones Walk on Sunday 25 May. Margaret is now back walking with the Ramblers. Margaret would like to send particular thanks to Julia Corbett, Alan Gerrard, and Ian Stenhouse who all gave special assistance on the day.

We send best wishes to Dave Attwell who is recovering from a foot-op again.

Our congratulations are sent to Joyce Hausaman and Mike Kenyon on their recent engagement. Joyve and Mike wish to thank all who sent cards and good wishes.

WEDNESDAY RAMBLES ORGANISER

Brian Warburton will be standing down from his post as Wednesday Rambles Organiser as from the AGM. We thank Brian for his hard work over the past eight years. If you volunteer for this position the Committee would be pleased to hear from you. Nominations (duly proposed and seconded and agreed by the nominee) may be sent to the General Secretary, Libby Malin, 2 Rose Avenue, Irlam, M44 6ZE or may be submitted at the AGM.

THREE PEAKS WALK

Just over quarter of a century after it was offered as a Club Sunday 'A' walk, 5 intrepid (or foolhardy!) members of the Club undertook the Yorkshire 3 Peaks Walk on 26th June. By a true team effort in atrocious conditions of rain, wind and cold, the walk of 25 miles was completed in just under 10½ hours, without seeing any of the summits climbed! The walkers were then grateful (and very relieved) to meet up with the support crew of Judith and Josie, who drove them home through almost monsoon conditions - many thanks. Further information and photos can be found in the Gallery section of the Club website.

TO WALKERS (Don't grumble at our leaders)

How lucky you are to sometimes be led up the wrong path by very caring leaders who devote many hours of their time, using their cars and petrol to make our walks so enjoyable, without them we would have no walks. There you go again, mud up to the top of your boots, climbing over too many stiles, how I envy you all. I feel very privileged to be a member of the Altrincham Rambling Club. I will keep taking the tablets in hope of joining you all soon. Love to all. Pam Mitchell.

TO PAM - We look forward to seeing you out again Pam.

CAR DRIVERS ATTENTION

Recently some members were left behind at the Altrincham. PLEASE whenever possible if you have spare seats come to the start to avoid a repetition of this disappointment in the future, not to mention taking passengers does help to defray costs.

TRANSPORT COSTS - From 1st September, the top rate will be increased from £5 to £6 – still 15p a mile at present.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

7.30 on Tuesday 23rd September at Timperley Community Centre, Park Road, Timperley.

Anne Macaulay
Programme Secretary
0161 941 2976

Edna Adderley
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A.& D.R.C. 5 Day Breakaway

Bayshore Hotel Sandown Isle of Wight
5 Days 4 Nights – 30th 31st March 1st 2nd 3rd April 2009
Return Home 3rd April 2009
With

Alfa Travel

Cost – £170.00pp

**Deposit: £50 per person – Cheques Only (Names on the Back)
Payable to Altrincham Rambling Club**

Rooms Available:-

4 Single - 9 Double - 13 Twins - 1 Triple - Total 49

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

NAME ROOM TYPE

NAME

- 1 Special Requests, ie: Vegetarian Diet etc**
- 2 To reserve a Sea View (If available) £ 15 pp Yes / No**
- 3 INSURANCE £12 pp 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 with 1 (Min Size C10 4 X 9 in) S.A.E. by the
31st August 2008**

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

Please note that A.& D.R.C. Members must not contact Alfa Travel or the Bayshore 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.

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: _____

Address: _____

Tour Operator: _____

Holiday Ref: _____

Date of Departure: _____

