

# ALTRINCHAM & DISTRICT RAMBLING CLUB

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

## NOVEMBER CIRCULAR 2008 & AGENDA FOR THE AGM ON 28<sup>th</sup> October 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 2<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER - TO HADES AND BACK

Leave 0845 10.5 miles Cat.3/2 Transport £4.05 Leader: Ian Stenhouse 926 8446  
(07713030118 on day)

Park Cars : Car park at Watergrove Reservoir. GR SD911176  
From A58 east of Rochdale take turning to left to Wardle. Continue straight through village along cobbled road to car park below reservoir wall.

A high level walk above Watergrove Reservoir. After viewing the Watergrove Wall, via Turn Slack Clough, Allenden Hill, the Allescholes and Long Causeway to Hades. Then back to the cars via Middle Hill and Brown Wardle Hill.

### - BURSCOUGH BRIDGE

Leave 9.00 6 ½ miles Cat.4 Transport £5.40 Leader: Joane Wilkinson 747 8852  
Park cars: Free car park just on the right before Burscough Bridge. GR. 443 122.  
Follow M6 north to Jct.27. Go left to Parbold, Newburgh A5209, past Wrightington Hospital and Taylors farm on left. After Newburgh turn right at 3<sup>rd</sup> mini roundabout then down Junction Lane. Go over Burscough Junction station bridge to traffic lights. Turn right (signposted Preston, Martin Mere) onto A59 into Burscough Bridge village. Car park on right just before Burscough Bridge – Mill Lane.

Walking along the Leeds Liverpool canal past five locks, then onto lanes and fields past farms and market gardens to finish back onto the canal, past Latham Marina and back into Burscough.

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### WEDNESDAY 5<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER - NORTHWICH WOODLANDS

Leave 10.00 5 miles Cat.4/3 Transport £2.10 Leader: Eric Stuffsins 980 2955.  
Park cars: Marbury Country Park car park. GR.652 764. £2 P&D (share).

A clockwise tour of the Woodlands, no stiles – some slight gradients. (Birdwatchers – Binoculars)  
SE from car park; cross canal : east and south of Neumann's Flash : Witton Brook, Carey Park : River Side and Haydn's Pool. Return to cars: 3.00 pm.

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### SATURDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER - AUTUMN HOEDOWN

7.30 pm prompt at The Larkhill Centre, Thorley Lane, Timperley. Caller: Jean Seymour.  
Hosted by Doreen and Ivan Aldridge.

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### SUNDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER - SMITHILLS, RIVINGTON

Leave 8.45 10 miles Cat.3/2 Transport TBA. Leader: Brian Billington 485 4119.  
Park cars : A666 to Bolton. Turn right at end, almost immediately bear left A6099 (Halliwell Rd) to xroads with A58. Straight across into Smithills Dean Road and park 3/4 way up at side of road.GR.SD693123 (where leader will meet)

The march of the 10000 in 1896.

Higher Tongs, Smithills Moor, Rivington Moor, Wilders Moor, Burnt Edge, Barrow Bridge. (Usual scenario, muddy in places), beautiful views, weather permitting

**- JODRELL BANK**

Leave 10.15 7 miles Cat.4 Transport £2.40 Leaders: David White (assisted by Liz) 980 8605  
Park cars: : Jodrell Bank Visitor Centre CP (by permission).

From Knutsford take A537 to Chelford. Then A535 & follow Jodrell Bank signs. Park on rough area behind green kiosk.(Barriers should be open from 10.30 a.m.) GR 796 712

A relatively flat but none the less enjoyable varied walk in the best of Cheshire countryside. Taking in Parkgate, Peover Hall and the Peover Eye.

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**WEDNESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER - MACCLESFIELD FOREST**

Leave 9.15 9 miles Cat.3/2 Transport TBA. Leaders: Jack Garstang 980 6349 & Pat Thorley 928 6099. Park cars: Leave Macclesfield on A523. Turn left to Langley and continue to PH Leather's Smithy. Turn right & park in the laybys on the left by Ridgegate Reservoir. GR.953 716

Climb up through forest to Forest Chapel, cross Buxton Old Road to Higher Ballgreave farm, Wickinford farm and by Steeply Brow to Snipe House, then field paths to Hordern farm. Walker Barn, Ashtree Top and forest paths to Smithy. Return to cars :4.30pm .

**- OFFERTON – STOCKPORT**

Leave 10.30 5.5 miles Cat.3/4 Transport £1.20. Leaders: Barry Rice 962 2377 and Giulio Poletti 962 7648. Park cars: Woodbank car park – Turn left off the A626 Marple Road at the first major traffic lights into Turncroft Lane and then turn right into Woodbank car park.

A walk through the park into woodlands and then we follow the river Goyt and then back into Vernon Park and return via Offerton Cricket Club.

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**SUNDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER - SHUTLINGSLOE AND CAT & FIDDLE**

Leave 8.30 11 miles Cat.2/3 Transport £3.30 Leader: Chris Sadler 980 5007 or 0774 0777184  
Park cars: In roadside parking area beside Ridgegate Reservoir 500m past Leather's Smithy pub which is about 2 km west of Langley. GR.958 713.

Through Macclesfield Forest, past Trentabank Reservoir, over Shutlingsloe, then Cumberland Brook, Cat & Fiddle, Bottom-of-the-Oven, and back through the forest to the cars

**- MACCLESFIELD FOREST**

Leave 9.30 7 miles Cat.3/2 Transport £2.85 Leader: Keith Leslie 976 3230.  
Park cars: Car park down Hole House Lane Langley GR.945 718 (by Teggs Nose Reservoir). Heading south on the Silk Road (A523) in Macclesfield turn left at traffic lights to Langley/Wincle/Sutton. Follow signs to Langley. Just after passing the Methodist Church at Langley turn left down Hole House Lane turning left just before the reservoir to the car park.

A late autumn walk in and around the forest, mostly on good and high tracks offering excellent views. Nessit Hill, Forest Chapel, Chapel House farm and Clough House. Return to cars:3.00 pm

**- TARPORLEY**

Leave 9.40 5¼ miles Cat.4/3 Transport £3.75 Leaders: Janet Blinkhorn & Mike Jones 941 1634. Park cars: Public CP behind British Legion Club, Tarporley. A49 then take Tarporley turn, car park is through town and signed on the left. GR.554 624.

Tarporley – Portal Golf course – Eaton – Oakland – Heath Green – Tarporley.

A pleasant walk to the village of Eaton, with good views. A few stiles but nothing difficult.

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**WEDNESDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER - DANE VALLEY**

Leave 9.30 6¼ miles Cat.4/3 Transport £2.70 Leaders: Brian & Shirley Warburton 928 7087  
Park cars: Take Holmes Chapel to Congleton road (A54). Turn right at signs to Brereton Heath Country Park (approx 2 ¾ miles out of Holmes Chapel). Continue to 1<sup>st</sup> crossroads after Park. Turn left here and park on verge of Brereton Heath Lane (GR.795 649).

From Brereton Heath Country Park, we cross the river Dane to Swettenham, Midge Brook and Swettenham Meadow, retracing our tracks via Ash Tree farm and the Dane Valley back to cars.

**- CHORLTON EES / SALE WATER PARK**

Meet 10.45 Alt Stn CP 4 miles Cat 4 Car Transport 75p Leader Alan Thorpe 976 3225.

Concessionary Pass Users 11.00 tram to Stretford station

Car users :- Travel to Stretford Old Cock roundabout, then 1<sup>st</sup> right at Drum Inn Crossford Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> road. Right Hancock Street, then down Hawthorn Lane under railway to parking area (await others).

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Walk from Metro through cemetery to Hawthorn Lane. Then on metalled road to Chorlton Green then past Bowling Green Inn to Ivy Green. Follow Chorlton Brook to River Mersey. River path to Jacksons Boat Footbridge circumventing Sale Water Park Reservoir. Path along railway to cars. Repeat of walk down last Autumn.

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**SUNDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER - LAMALOAD & KETTLESHULME**

Leave 8.30 11 miles Cat. 3/2 Transport £3.00 Leader: Alan Gerrard 980 7508.

Park Cars Pym Chair Car Park GR SJ 995767. At Kettleshulme on the B5470. Macclesfield - Whaley Bridge Road, proceed for approx 1.5 miles along Side Edge Lane passing under WingatherRocks. The car park is just before the T junction on the right

Proceed above Todd Brook to Thursbitch and then by Redmoor to Lamaload Reservoir. Climb to Waggonshaw Brow and on to Charles Head Farm. Across the valley to Kettleshulme and return via Taxal Moor and Edge. A small amount of road walking and good views weather permitting

- **ENTWISTLE**

Leave 9.30 7.25 miles Cat.3 Transport £3.30 Leader : Roger Bestwick 657 5189.

(07968661519 on day)

Park Cars : Batridge Barn Car Park, Entwistle & Turton Reservoir, (pay & Display)

GR. SD721172. Take M60 and A666 to Bolton. Continue north on A666 for a further 5 miles then turn right onto B6391 signposted Turton Towers & Chapeltown. After 1.5 miles turn left at signpost down to the car park.

We cross the flanks of Turton Heights to Chapeltown then follow the shores of Wayoh Reservoir to Entwistle. We then take the Witton Weavers Way to Cadshaw. After a gentle descent we amble round the shores of Turton & Entwistle Reservoir to the car park by about 3 pm

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**WEDNESDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER - BROADBOTTOM**

Leave 10.30 5 miles Cat.3 Transport £2.70 Leader: David White 980 8605

Park cars: The Pack Horse Inn, Mottram in Longdendale. take M60 East and leave at Junct. 24 (M67 to Sheffield etc.) continue to the end of motorway then straight on (A57). In about ½ mile, at traffic lights, turn right into Market St. In 100yds turn right into Market Place which becomes Ashworth Lane. Pub immediately on right. GR 992 954

A short but challenging little walk with great views if the weather is kind to us. From Mottram Church we descend to Lymfield Visitors Centre. (Lunch). Then from Broadbottom along the river Etherow, through Hurst Wood & along Hurstclough Brook. Plenty of points of interest on route.

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**SUNDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER - RUSHTON SPENCER**

Leave 8.45 10 miles Cat.3/2 Transport £3.75. Leader: Mike Gregory 01625 614211.

Park cars: Staffordshire Way CP. behind Knott Inn, Rushton Spencer. GR.935 625 (where Leader will meet)

A mix of wooded valleys of river and streams, with high level walking and very attractive views. Rushton Spencer – Hollinhal – Danebridge, Wincle Grange, Nettlebeds, Nabbs Hill, Wincle Minn, Barleighford Bridge, Rushton Spencer

- **ENTWISTLE RESERVOIRS,  
BRADSHAW BROOK / JUMBLES**

Meet. 9.10. Alt. Stn CP. 6 miles Cat.3/4 Transport £3.15. Leader: Alan Thorpe 976 3225.

Concessionary pass users: 9.20 Bury tram to Victoria Station. Book single Bromley Cross station to Entwistle station (request stop) £1.80 (1/3 rd off for railcard users) 10.00 am Clitheroe train.

Car users: M61, A666, A56 to Bradshaw Chapel, then B6472 at traffic lights. Left Turton Road signposted Chapeltown along to Railway bridge. Then 1<sup>st</sup> left immediately Chapeltown Road B6391. Park station CP. Await on platform before 10.30 for Clitherow train. Book on train excess fare to Entwistle.

Walk around Wayoh Entwistle Reservoirs to Edgeworth Village (short climb). Descend via gentle gradients to Bradshaw Brook. Follow brook via Turton Bottoms to Jumbles Reservoir. Climb thence from valley to Grange Reservoir. Suitable train back from Bromley Cross Station (Chance of halt at Jumbles café for cup of tea etc.)

## LEADERS WANTED

### SUNDAYS

'A' walks : 11<sup>th</sup> January onwards

'C' walks : All Sundays

Contact Mike Gregory 01625 614211 ('A' walks), Derrick Hamer on 969 3821 ('B' walks).  
Joe Jones 973 2019 ('C' walks).

### WEDNESDAYS

'A', 'B' walks December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup>. 'C' walks : 3<sup>rd</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> December.

Contact Brian Warburton 928 7087

## FUTURE EVENT

### WEDNESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER - CHRISTMAS WALK AND LUNCH

4 miles, Cat.4 (the usual). Town and country walk – Mickerbrook / Ladybrook Valley. Lunch at Bruntwood Park. Book lunch (as soon as possible to get accepted) with Betty Hollinshead 432 1761 or Joan Smyllie 998 6596.

## FORTHCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS

SATURDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2008. Christmas Party to be held at All Saints Church Hall, Hale Barns. from 7pm prompt to 11pm.

An evening of Fun & Games. Buffet Supper served at 8.30pm. Father Christmas in attendance (don't forget your present for his sack, unisex, value £2 approx and suitably wrapped )

Tickets Price £7.50p available from Doreen Aldridge :- 0161 973 4370, Connie Jones : 0161 973 2019, Barry Rice :- tel 0161 962 2377.

WEDNESDAY 31st DECEMBER 2008 New Years Eve Party to be held at All Saints Church Hall, Hale Barns at 7.30pm for Hotpot Supper served at 8pm. Come along and join in the fun and let the New Year in with friends. Please bring a sherry glass for the New Year Toast.

Tickets price £8.50p available from Doreen Aldridge 0161 973 4370, Connie Jones – 0161 973 2019, Barry Rice - 0161 962 2377.

MONDAY 26th JANUARY 2009 at 7.30pm Talk & Slide Show by Mr. John Hill-Wilson, at Timperley Village Club, Stockport Road, Timperley.

This promises to be of interest to us all. The title is "Wainwrights Coast to Coast Walk". This covers 190 miles from the Cumbria to the Yorkshire Coast across the Lake District, Yorkshire Dales, & North Yorkshire Moors. Entrance £2.

MONDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> MARCH 2009 at 7.30pm. Talk with Slides by Dr. Angela Hilton at Timperley Village Club, Stockport Road, Timperley. Angela is one of our very active walkers and we look forward to her talk entitled "Our National Parks". Entrance £2.

## NEWS OF MEMBERS

Mike Kenyon would like to thank all who sent Get Well cards and good wishes during his recent illness. We wish Mike a continued good recovery.

Best wishes to Noel Titterington who is shortly to undergo a replacement knee operation.

Long standing members might remember Margaret Hewitt who walked with us some years ago and will be sorry to hear that she has died recently.

## NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November - 7.30 pm at Timperley Community Centre, Park Road, Timperley.

Anne Macaulay  
Programme Secretary  
0161 941 2976

Edna Adderley  
Programme Distribution  
0161 980 7753

**A G E N D A**

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Chairman  
Treasurer  
Auditor(s)  
General Secretary  
Membership Secretary  
Sunday Rambles Organiser  
Wednesday Rambles Organiser  
Sunday Coach Trip Organiser  
Wednesday Coach Trip Organiser(s)  
Social Organiser(s)  
Weekend Organiser  
Programme Secretary  
Peak & Northern Footpath Society Representative  
Webmaster  
Goodwill Secretary

6. Donations
7. Subscriptions

8. **Election of Officers & Committee**

President\*  
Vice President(s)\*  
Chairman\*  
General Secretary\*  
Treasurer\*  
Membership Secretary\*  
Sunday Rambles Organiser\*  
Assist with Sunday 'A' walks  
Wednesday Rambles Organiser\*  
Sunday Coach Trip Organiser\*  
Wednesday Coach Trip Organiser(s)\*  
Weekend Organiser\*  
Social Organiser(s)\*  
Programme Secretary\*  
Webmaster  
Goodwill Secretary\*  
Committee Members\*

P&NFS Representative\*  
Auditors  
Archivist  
Map Custodian  
Circular Distributor

\* denotes member of Management Committee

**Present Holder**

Eric Stuffins  
Alan Thorpe/Joan Holmes  
Ian Stenhouse  
Libby Malin  
Roger Parker  
Judy Bailey  
Derrick Hamer  
Mike Gregory  
Brian Warburton  
Margaret Ledger  
Sylvia Fantom/Pam Floyd  
Dean Edwards  
Ivan & Doreen Aldridge  
Anne Macaulay  
Alan Gerrard  
Erica Clarke  
Joe Jones  
Ron Armsden  
Robert Fysh  
Barry Rice/Max Barnes  
Heather Wykes  
Ron Armsden  
Edna Adderley

9. Club's Health & Safety Policy
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12. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Date and Place of next AGM

## ALTRINCHAM & DISTRICT RAMBLING CLUB

Annual General Meeting Tuesday 23 October 2007 at All Saints Church Hall, Hale Barns

Apologies for absence: 14 Present: 73

Minutes of Last Meeting 20 October 2006 were circulated and agreed to be a true record.

### Matters Arising

None

### PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Eric Stuffins commented on the wide range and frequency of walks offered and went on to stress that in order for the Club to continue to be successful it is imperative that we get volunteers.

## REPORTS

### CHAIRMAN - *Dean Edwards*

Dean thanked everyone for coming with the reminder that this was his last AGM as chairman. The year started well with first-class weather for the club weekend. He said one of his best memories was the dedication of the Stan Davies memorial signpost at Delamere; Stan would have approved of its style and location in an area he loved. He thanked all members of the committee for their hard work, also those who have led walks and organised social functions. This year we say goodbye to two long serving members - Ron Howarth (weekend organiser for many years) and Roy Clarke (membership secretary for many years). Thanks also to Walter Corrie (auditor) who stands down this year. Dean concluded by saying how much he had enjoyed his time as chairman over the last 21 years.

### TREASURER - *Roger Parker*

Statement and Balance Sheet attached. Roger reported that Club finances were very healthy although we have a deficit of £167; since subs have been raised we have a small surplus on the General Account, the deficit being the result of the Club subsidy of £344 to the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner.

**Points of interest** - (1) Subscription income about 70% higher. He thanked members who sent donations in addition to the subs, members paying by Bankers Order, members paying 5-10 year membership and also thanked those members who paid early. Donations to remain as before. Roger reminded members that subs were now due and should be paid not later than 12 December in order to ensure continuity of delivery of the circular.

### AUDITORS' REPORT - *Barry Rice*

As Walter Corrie was unable to carry out the audit this year Barry Rice agreed to step in. He thanked Walter for his past work and reported that the books were kept in very good order and thanked Max Barns for his assistance.

### GENERAL SECRETARY - *Libby Malin*

Nothing to report.

### MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY - *Roy Clarke*

Roy reported 74 enquires - 20 applied all accepted, 7 resignations, 3 deaths, 6 changes of address. His record showed that 18 guests joined our walks. Membership is now 402.

### SUNDAY RAMBLES ORGANISER - *Derrick Hamer*

Derrick reported 51 - A, 42 - B, 73 - C walks averaging 10,17, & 18 walkers attending. Grand total 1306 compared with the 2006 figure of 1138, an increase of 168. Dedication of Memorial Signpost for our late President Stan Davies. Derrick thanks the people who had lead walks throughout the year and hoped that more people would come forward to help out.

### WEDNESDAY RAMBLES ORGANISER - *Brian Warburton*

Brian reported that despite mixed weather members continue to support the Wednesday walks. He stressed however that in order to maintain this support we must have more leaders. The figures below illustrate the changing requirements of present membership

Last year	26 - A 607 attended	1999	48 - A	979 attended
Last year	21 - B 512 attended	1999	47 - B	1,358 attended
Last year	29 - C 953 attended	1999	8 - C	120 attended

These figures illustrate the changing composition of the Club and with it the necessity to get more C walk leaders. Brian concluded by thanking ALL leaders and assistants who have helped.

### SUNDAY COACH TRIP ORGANISER - *Margaret Ledger*

Margaret reported trips to Ambleside, Grassington, Pateley Bridge, Loggerheads, Sedburgh, Clapham, Clun and a social trip to Oxford all very successful, she thanked leaders who enable us to enjoy such good days out.

### WEDNESDAY COACH TRIP ORGANISER(S) - *Pam Floyd/Sylvia Fantom*

Trips well supported with visits to Bowness, Bolton Abbey, Grange-over-Sands and our final trip to Llandudno ending the day at The Ship at Rhos on Sea where we all enjoyed a carvery meal. Thank you to all leaders.

### SOCIAL ORGANISER(S) - *Doreen/Ivan Aldridge*

Doreen reported that socials continue to be well attended with hoedowns being the most popular event. The varied events offered this year have been a Talk & Slide Show by Margaret Ledger "To The Uttermost Ends" (Antarctica), Wine Tasting, Bowling, Quiz Night with Hot Pot Supper. Thanks to all people for their help. Doreen asked for volunteers to run events, help with catering etc.

**WEEKEND ORGANISER - *Dean Edwards***

Dean reported the successful Club Weekend in March to Barmouth. He confirmed that the Weekend for 2008 to Dunoon was fully booked with a waiting list.

**PROGRAMME SECRETARY - *Anne Macaulay***

Nothing to report.

**PEAK & NORTHERN FOOTPATH SOCIETY - *Robert Fysh***

Robert reported that the most important event in the last 12 months was the dedication on 2 September of a signpost to our late President, Stan Davies. He was Coach Trip Organiser in 1971, Chairman in 1975, Vice President in 1977 and then President. (NOTE: PROW - *Public Right of Way*) Received long overdue PROW Improvement Plan for Trafford, which includes the results of their recent footpath survey, also received Ramblers Association Trafford Group survey of PROW in Trafford. Earlier in the year we re-dedicated a replacement signpost to four past committee members.

**WEBMASTER - *Alan Gerrard***

Alan reported the success of our website explaining that over the last 31 days it received 7,560 hits of which 670 were for the first time. Doreen now uploads Social Programmes and Anne Macaulay is now able to receive details of walks to be provided in the circular. Alan and Roger are working on introducing individual passwords for all paid-up members.

**GOODWILL SECRETARY - *Erica Clarke***

Erica reported having sent flowers to Gladys Davies at the time of the dedication of the memorial signpost to her late husband Stan; Erica has also sent the following cards - 27 Get Well, 50th Anniversary Card, 5 Thinking of You, 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday card to Gladys Davies together with a floral arrangement, 3 Thank You Cards to Bernard Blow, Joan Holmes and Robert Fysh - all retiring from their respective duties, 4 Sympathy Cards, 3 couples married this year.

**SUBS**

Roger proposed that subs for 2008/2009 remain unchanged. Seconded by Robert Fysh - carried unanimously.

**DONATIONS**

Keith Wykes proposed and Robert Fysh seconded that the amount of £50 to existing beneficiaries should be maintained with £100 to the Lake District & Mountain Accidents Association as donated the previous year.

**HEALTH & SAFETY POLICY - *Dean Edwards***

Dean explained that it is essential that the Club be seen to have a Health & Safety Policy. He has worked on the first stage and it is now up to the committee to see how it goes forward.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS & COMMITTEE**

**Vice President** - Joan Holmes - proposed by Dean Edwards, seconded by Anne Macaulay - carried.

**Chairman** - Ian Stenhouse - proposed by Joy & Don Darlington, seconded by Mary & Alan Gerrard - carried.

(Joe Jones was also proposed for this position and as the show of hands was very close it was decided to hold a ballot which Ian Stenhouse won) and was therefore elected to the post.

**Membership Secretary** - Judy Bailey - proposed by Roger Parker, seconded by Roy Clarke - carried.

**Committee Member** - Joe Jones - replaces Joan Holmes

**Auditor** - Barry Rice - proposed by Roger Parker, seconded by Dean Edwards - carried.

**RON HOWARTH**

It was agreed to offer Ron Howarth Honorary Membership of the Club in appreciation of all his work over the years.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**Guidelines for Leaders & Walkers**

Keith Wykes requested that the "Guidelines for Leaders & Walkers (May 1996, re-issued December 1998)\_ be re-issued with the next available circular.

**Closing Remarks by the President**

On behalf of the club members Eric thanked Roy Clarke and Dean Edwards, retiring officers, for 23 and 21 years service; as a token of appreciation they were both presented with a gift.

Dean Edwards wished his successor, Ian Stenhouse, every success in his Chairmanship as did Roger Parker.

The meeting closed at 10 p.m.

Date of Next Meeting: 28 October 2008  
Venue: All Saints Church, Hale Barns  
Time: 8 p.m.