

**ALTRINCHAM & DISTRICT RAMBLING CLUB**  
(<http://www.altrincham-ramblers.org.uk>)

**NOVEMBER CIRCULAR 2012**

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
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'

**SUNDAY 4TH NOVEMBER - JUMBLES, TURTON & ENTWISTLE AND WAYOH RESERVOIRS**

Leave 0845 10 miles Cat.3/2 Transport £4.60  
Leader: Ruth Worsley : 777 6013  
Park Cars: The Jumbles car park on the east side of Jumbles Reservoir at grid reference SD736140.

This walk will visit the three large reservoirs to the north of Bolton, the Cheetham Close Stone Circle and the village of Turton Bottoms. Travelling clockwise and utilising some sections of the Witton Weavers Way the route will also call at Horrobin Fold, Three Lowes, Fox Hill Plantation, and New House Farm.

**- LITTLEBOROUGH**

Leave 9.15 7.5 miles Cat.3 (because of rough section of path). Transport £6.00  
Leader: Frank Dockry 973 6617  
Park cars: Car park GR.SD 973 181. A layby on A58. Follow M60 clockwise. Join M62 at jct.18. Leave M62 at jct.21, follow signs to Littleborough past Hollingworth Lake. At Littleborough follow Halifax Rd A58 until you pass the White House Pub at the top of the hill, the layby is on righthand side of the road just after the pub. It's a big layby and there is another public CP beside the pub

This is a flat walk but muddy and exposed. There is a rough section where the path has washed away. Walk around the Blackstone Edge and White Holme and Warland reservoirs. We are on a plateau with good views to the north and west.

**WEDNESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER - BOLTON**

Leave 9.00 10 miles Cat.3/2 Transport £4.60  
Leader Brenda Bailey 0161 900 9177 mobile 075496302  
Park Cars: Jumbles Car Park £1.30 for the day. grid ref SD736140. postcode BL2 4JP  
M60/M61/A666 turn right onto A676 Ramsbottom then A56 to Burnley. Turn left into Jumbles Country Park where leader will meet

This walk takes in three large reservoirs, moorland and also some of the village of Turton Bottoms

**- BUGSWORTH - ECCLES PIKE**

Leave 9.30 6(ish) miles Cat.3 Transport £4  
Leader: Heather Wykes 01625 618782  
Park Cars: Navigation Inn, Bugsworth. GRSK023821. Take A6 thro to Disley then Furness Vale. Watch for B6062 indicating Chinley & Buxworth. Turn sharp left and continue for approx one mile. At the crossroads with the primary school ahead of you, turn right for the Bugsworth Basin into Brookside and continue to The Navigation Inn where we park.

Canal paths-tarmac-Fields and farm tracks to the foot of Eccles Pike, Whitehough Head and back to cars.

**SUNDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER - RISHWORTH**

Leave 0845 11 miles Cat.3/2 Transport £6.40  
Leader Ian Stenhouse 926 8446 (07713030118 on day)  
Park Cars: Booth Wood Reservoir Car Park GR SE031165  
Leave M62 at J22. Left on A672 for about 3 miles. Car park on right just after reservoir dam.

A walk by fields, tracks and byways - some neglected - around Rishworth and Ryburn Reservoir and across the moors to Green Withens Reservoir.

- **EAST OF THE FOREST**

Leave 9.00 6 ½ miles Cat.3 Transport £4.40

Leader Keith Leslie 976 3230

Park Cars: Standing Stones Car Park Macclesfield Forest. Grid ref 978 715

Heading south on the Silk Rd (A523) in Macclesfield turn left at traffic lights by Arighi Bianci for A537 (Cat & Fiddle Rd). At 4.3 miles from the lights turn right at cross-roads for Wildboarclough. Follow lane for about half-mile to turn right just before Stanley Arms. After 0.6 mile turn right down lane (second turn on the right) signed Forest Chapel. Turn right at first junction and the car park is immediately on the left. Return to Cars: 2.30.

Starting from this high-level car park at 10am, and without losing height, we take the new concessionary 'scenic path' to Shutlingsloe. A short ascent takes us to the top where we will pause a moment at 11. Usually on this day a flagpole with a large Union Flag is atop Shutlingsloe, but this cannot be certain this time. We take the longer but easier route down to Wildboarclough and return to our cars on a mixture of quiet lanes, tracks and field paths passing through Broughsplace and Bottom-of-the-Oven.

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**WEDNESDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER - DISLEY / MARPLE**

Leave 9.00 10 miles Cat.3 Transport: TBA

Leader Jane Michael 07917 434598

Park Cars: The walk will start at 10.15 am from the Jacksons Brickworks Car Park at Middlewood (Higher Poynton) Grid Ref SJ 947 844. This is a free car park but there are no public toilets.

The nearest toilets are at the Visitor Centre at SJ 945 834 where there is a pay car park. This is 2km south of the start point car park: it is NOT the start car park. Return to Cars: 3.30pm

This walk is approximately 10 miles (16km) in length with a total of 800 ft (240m) ascent over the day. It has been designed with the shorter, possibly wet/foggy days of November in mind. We will be walking into Lyme Park via Parkgate. We will then walk to Disley to join the Peak Forest Canal. We walk north to Marple and turn onto the Macclesfield Canal which we use for our return to Middlewood. We should get good views if the weather is good and there is lots to see during the walk.

- **LYMM**

Leave 10.00 8 miles Cat.4 Transport £1.00

Leader: Mike Jones and Janet Blinkhorn 941 1634 (mobile 08740 671087 on day only)

Park Cars: Off A56 at Agden. Turn R After Ye Olde Number 3 into Warrington Lane and immediately R to park in the No Through Road. GR 717685

To Oughtrington via field paths then to Lymm and via Dam to Primrose Hill and Deansgreen Hall returning via Agden Hall

- **CARRBROOK**

Leave 9.30 5 miles Cat.3/4 Transport £4.60

Leaders: David & Liz White 980 8605

Park Cars: Castle Clough car park at the end of Buckton Vale Road, off the B6175 to Mossley.

Take the M60 East to Junction 24, then take M67 (signed Sheffield). Continue to the end and straight on to A57. Left on A6018 towards Stalybridge. After descending, take the B6175 (to Mossley). At mini roundabout turn right into Buckton Vale Road and continue to end. CP on LHS GR SJ 987 010

Carr Rise to Castle Farm. Along Moor Edge Road skirting the site of Buckton Castle, Roman Road towards Noonsun Hill to pass Stalybridge Estate gamekeeper's cottage. We then descend through Roaches Wood to reach the restored Huddersfield Narrow Canal (lunch) which is followed to the River Tame. At Scout Tunnel we climb gently and return with views across the golf course of Buckton Moor and Harridge Pike. Lovely walk with good paths and open views.

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**SUNDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER - NORTH OF DISLEY AND NEW MILLS, TRACKS OF YESTERYEAR**

Leave 0845 10.5 miles Cat.3/2 Transport TBA

Leader Brian Billington 07880588392

Park Cars: Travel A6 Stockport east to Disley. Turn right immed before the Traffic lights into the Disley railway station approach and park. GR.SJ973 846. Return to Cars: 4pm approx

Walk N.W and across Disley Golf Club to Strines, north to The Banks, east to Broadhurst Edge, north to Cheetham Hill, Chatterton Lane farm, east to Ringstones farm, then south to Golden Springs and Whitle. West to Brook Bottom, Hague Bar, Waterside, Hagbank and back to Disley

- **BOSLEY CLOUD**

Leave 0915 7.5 miles Cat.3 Transport £4.40  
Leader Beryl Hunwick & Frank Dockry 928 3644. mob.on day 07950094203  
Park Cars: Timbersbrook picnic site SJ895627. Follow A34 to Congleton, turn left to A54 Rood Hill (Buxton Road), cross river and a couple of roundabouts, at fork in road, take righthand fork Middle Lane, shortly after crossing railway turn right into Crouch Lane, car park on left after approx 2/3 rds mile

The walk starts with a gentle climb up Bosley Cloud offering good views of Cheshire Plain, downhill to join the Staffordshire Way, across farmland and along disused railway track to Rushton Spencer, short steep climb to St Lawrence Church, then across fields and some lane walking back to the start. A few stiles, none too difficult and generally good paths.

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**WEDNESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER - HAYFIELD**

Leave 0900 8.5 miles Cat.3/2 Transport £5.00  
Leaders Veronica Dunkley and Graham Peake 926-4629 ( mobile on day 07780914773 or 0777402653)  
Park Cars: Sett Valley Trail Car Park, GR 036 869

By Phoside and Peep-O-Day, then up onto Cracken Edge, along the edge before going steeply down to Naze. From there we go down to the bottom of the valley, climb up the opposite side to cross the main Hayfield Road and back to Hayfield along field paths.

- **RUDYARD LAKE**

Leave 0930 6 miles Cat.4 Transport £5.20  
Leader Brian Warburton 928 7087  
Park cars Old Station CP. Next to The Knot Inn P.H. on Station Rd, Rushton Spencer (GR 936 623). Station Road is on the right off A523 (Macclesfield to Leek Rd) as you pass the Landrover garage in Rushton Spencer, on the left of A523.

A circuit of Rudyard Lake using the Staffordshire Moorlands walk and the Staffordshire Way.

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**SUNDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER - ABOVE BOLLINGTON**

Leave 0830 11 miles Cat.3/2 Transport £3.40  
Leader Alan Gerrard 0161 980 7508  
Park Cars: Middlewood Way CP, Adlington Road, Bollington, GR SJ 931781  
Kerridge, under White Nancy, Ginchlough, Common Barn, Green Booth, Charles Head. Return via Further Harrop Farm, Berristall Hall, and Savio House.

- **LYME PARK**

Leave 9.00 8 miles Cat.3 Transport £4  
Leader Elsie Edwards 0161 962 3301  
Park Cars: Main Car Park Lyme Park GR 963824 P&D £5. National Trust Members Free

From the car park we make our way to the East Gate, continuing on past the Bollinhurst Reservoir, and re-entering the park at the Lodge gate, walking down to the Macclesfield Canal. We follow the canal to the West Gate where we re-enter the Park and return to the cars for 4 pm.

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**WEDNESDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER - LITTLE MORETON HALL,  
MOW COP & KIDSGROVE**

Leave 0830 11 miles Cat.3 Transport £5  
Leader Alan Key 941 4359 or 0776 162 4521  
Park Cars: At Little Moreton Hall or the Lay-by opposite on the A34 South of Congleton. CW12 2ll or SJ831588

South Cheshire way to Mow Cop, Newcastle Way to Kidsgrove and return via the canal. No steep climbs, but muddy in places and some dubious stiles.

- **TOFT AND PEOVERS**

Leave 10.30 5 miles Cat.4 Transport £1.20  
Leaders Barry Rice 962 2377 & Giulio Poletti 962 7648  
Park cars Lay-by on A50 – one mile south of Knutsford 200 yards past Seven Sisters Lane. (where leaders will meet) (There is also a lay-by on the opposite side of the road). GR 762 755.

Pleasant easy walk through fields and along quiet country lanes. Few easy stiles. .

## **LEADERS WANTED**

### **SUNDAYS**

Contact Phil Worsley 777 6013 ('A' walks), Derrick Hamer on 969 3821 ('B' walks).  
'C' walks - Anne Macaulay 941 2976.

### **WEDNESDAYS**

Contact John Drinkwater 969 1557

## **FUTURE EVENTS**

### **WEDNESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER - WALK AND LUNCH**

4 mile town and country walk Mickerbrook/Ladybrook with lunch (£11) at the Vinery Bruntwood Park Cheadle, Book lunch and menu choice ( Beef/turkey/Lasagne--Xmas Pudding, Pavlova or Ice cream ) and send with cheque made payable to the Vinery by **Nov. 25th** to Leaders Betty Hollinshead 8 Alderdale Drive, Heaton Moor, Stockport SK4 4 AS or Joan Smyllie 14 Calder Avenue, Northenden, Manchester M22 4AX

### **WEDNESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER - PRE-CHRISTMAS LUNCH AT 'THE HANGING GATE' – CHAPEL EN LE FRITH**

By request on 12/12/12 short walk and pre Christmas lunch at The Hanging Gate. Cost will be £12.95 payable to Ken Preston 212 Glebelands Road Sale M33 6PB phone No. 0161 973 0616

Those not wanting to walk should be at the pub for 12 noon. We have been promised the big room and definitely a sing along. Walk details to follow at later date but will only be two to three miles.

## **SOCIAL NEWS**

Thank you to everyone who helped in any way towards the success of the Harvest Supper. The auction raised £86.00, £40.50 was donated to both the Salvation Army and Stockdale Centre and £5 to the Cats Protection Society.

**NEW YEARS EVE PARTY - 31st DECEMBER 8 pm to 12 midnight at Timperley Village Club, Stockport Road.**

Tickets now available at £8.50 from Elaine Hall 962 5422 and Derrick Hamer 969 3821.

## **WAINWRIGHT WALKING GUIDES**

A former Club Member, Les Johnson, has kindly donated to the Club a new boxed set of Wainwright Guides. There are 10 books, the full set of Pictorial Guides, the Pennine Way Companion, A Coast to Coast Walk, and The Outlying Fells of Lakeland. These books will be held by the Map Custodian, Roy Merritt, and are available for any Club member to borrow. We send our thanks to Les Johnson for his generosity.

## **NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING**

7.30 pm Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November at Timperley Community Centre, Park Road, Timperley.

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