

# ALTRINCHAM & DISTRICT RAMBLING CLUB

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

## AUGUST CIRCULAR 2017

1. All walks meet at Altrincham Station car park at rear of station. When submitting a walk indicate the transport mileage from Altrincham Station to the start of the walk (one way only). The cost will be calculated automatically.
2. The decision to cancel or change a walk is taken at Altrincham.
3. Dogs (on a lead at all times) will only be taken on a walk 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. It is a condition of our insurance that the names of all walk participants be recorded. The list should then be passed to the relevant 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 document 'Guidelines for Members taking part in Walks'

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### \*\*\* SOCIAL COACH TRIP TO BIRMINGHAM ON SUNDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> JULY \*\*\*

Some seats still available. Come along and enjoy a day in England's 2nd city - lots to see and do. Non-members welcome. Contact Joan Jeffrey (962 5651), 16 South Meade, Timperley, WA15 6QL with a cheque for £12 payable to ALTRINCHAM RAMBLING CLUB, remembering to say where you will join the coach. If possible give Joan your e-mail details so she can give you details of places to visit.

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### 2018 CLUB HOLIDAY TO TENBY – 12<sup>th</sup> TO 16<sup>th</sup> APRIL

Reminder for those wanting to go, the form(s) should be returned to John Drinkwater by 12<sup>th</sup> August 2017.

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### WEDNESDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> AUGUST

<b>Area</b>	<b>LAMALOAD RESERVOIR</b>	<b>Leave 9.15</b>	<b>8 Miles</b>	<b>Category 3/2</b>	<b>Transport £4.00</b>
<b>Leader(s)</b>	Ron Goodman, 945 0198, & Frank Dockry, 07599557690				
<b>Park Cars</b>	Lamaload car park GR S J976 753. From Macclesfield, take the A537, Buxton road. After approximately 3.5 miles, turn left on a minor road signposted Saltersford & Goyt Valley. Car park is on the left 1.2 miles from the A537 where Leaders will meet.				
<b>Details</b>	From the car park to Chapel House, then up to Chest Hollow and Shining Tor and back to Lamaload Reservoir.				

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### SUNDAY 6<sup>th</sup> AUGUST

<b>Area</b>	<b>COACH TRIP TO MALHAM</b>	Leaving The Downs at 8am with the usual pick-up points.			
"A" walk	9.5 Miles Cat 3/2	Leaders	Ian & Josie Stenhouse		
	A classic Malham circuit, taking in Janet's Foss, Gordale Scar (but not climbing it!), Malham Tarn and Malham Cove, hopefully seeing the Peregrine falcons. The walk includes a significant distance over a limestone pavement and two longish descents down steps.				
"B" walk	8 Miles Cat 3	Leader	Frank Dockry		
	Across the limestone pavement, past the Roman camp, over Weets Top. More details on the coach.				
"C" walk	6 Miles Cat 3	Leader	Beryl Hunwick		
	Details on the coach.				

Seats still available - book with Beryl Hunwick (928 3644), 43 Broomfield Lane, Hale, Altrincham, WA15 9AS with a cheque for £12 payable to ALTRINCHAM RAMBLING CLUB remembering to state where you will join the coach. Non-walkers are welcome - the coach will drop people in Skipton if you wish to go there rather than Malham.

<b>Area</b>	<b>WEST OF RIPPONDEN</b>	<b>Leave 8.30</b>	<b>10.5 Miles</b>	<b>Category 3/2</b>	<b>Transport £6.00</b>
<b>Leader(s)</b>	Nigel Gartside, 969 2407 (Mob 07553540282)				
<b>Park Cars</b>	Layby opposite Blackstone Edge Reservoir, GR SD975180. M62 J21, left on A640 then B6225 to Hollingworth Lake and round to T junction at railway arches. Turn right at A58 Halifax and layby is 400 yards on right after White House pub.				
<b>Details</b>	Over Rishworth Moor to bag the Dog Hill trig point [1,425 ft ] then following the Blackwood Edge road down to Pike Law and onto Ryburn Reservoir. West to Baitings Reservoir to return to cars via Cat Moss and Warm Withens Hill. Walk will be difficult underfoot subsequent to heavy rain and diabolical in event of the usual thick fog.....				

### WEDNESDAY 9<sup>th</sup> AUGUST

**Area** THE ROACHES **Leave 9.00** **8.5 Miles** **Category 3/2** **Transport £6.00**  
**Leader(s)** Jill and John Jagger, 980 6364 (Mob 07850580966)  
**Park Cars** Gradbach car park on lane leading to Gradbach Mill and Scout Camp GR SK999662; Postcode SK17 0SU (Gradbach Mill). From Macclesfield follow A523 towards Leek, at traffic lights turn left onto A54, continue to Allgreave. Turn acute right before Rose and Crown pub signposted Quamford 2 miles. After 1.5 miles turn acute right signposted Gradbach Mill and Scout Camp.  
**Details** Dane Valley Walk ascending to Lud's Church, then continuing through Gradbach Wood. Climb in open country to the Roaches trig point. Level ridge walk to Rockhall, with commanding views. Returning via Well Farm, Hazel Barrow, Cloughhead and back to Gradbach.

**Area** GAWSWORTH **Leave 9.30** **6 Miles** **Category 4** **Transport £4.00**  
**Leader(s)** Heather Wykes, 01625 618782  
**Park Cars** On the road near the Harrington Arms Inn, past Gawsworth Hall and Church GR. SJ 886692, where leader will meet.  
**Details** An easy walk, Gawsworth via Mount Farm, Brereton Farm and Cowbrook Farm, along the Macclesfield Canal to North Rode, then back to Gawsworth. Several stiles

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### SUNDAY 13<sup>th</sup> AUGUST

**Area** ABOVE HATHERSAGE **Leave 8.30** **11.5 Miles** **Category 2/3eq** **Transport £7.80**  
**Leader(s)** Phil Worsley, 777 6013 (Mob 07971514369)  
**Park Cars** Hollin Bank P&D car park at GR SK237837. Please share the cost with your driver. Go past Heatherdene and then turn left on to New Road, go over Bole Hill and past Dennis Knoll. Car park is on the left.  
**Details** This clockwise circuit on the higher ground above Hathersage will visit Stanedge Pole, White Stones, Brown Edge Farm, Ox Stones, Houndkirk Road, Burbage Rocks, the Iron Age hill fort of Carl Wark, Higger Tor, Fiddler's Elbow (ice-cream) and a section of Stanage Edge. Good scenery throughout the day, weather permitting.

**Area** IRBY (THE WIRRAL) **Leave 9.30** **5½ Miles** **Category 4** **Transport £7.80**  
**Leader(s)** Brian Warburton, 928 7087  
**Park Cars** Free car park at Roslin Rd., Irby Village (near to Village shops), GR 257846. Take M56 to M53. Leave M53 at J3 and follow A552 (Woodchurch Rd.) up to traffic lights and then turn left onto A551 (Arrow Park Rd.). At next island take 3<sup>rd</sup> exit (Thingwall Road East) which becomes Thingwall Road in to Irby Village. Car park is on right at junction with Roslin Road.  
**Details** We leave Irby via pleasant field paths, Harrock Wood and in to Arrow Country Park, with a short stop to visit the Scout Memorial in the grounds of Arrow Park Hospital. We return to the cars via Thurstaston Common and Royden Park.

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### WEDNESDAY 16<sup>th</sup> AUGUST

**Area** RIBCHESTER **Leave 9.15** **9 Miles** **Category 3** **Transport £8.00**  
**Leader(s)** Beverly Harrison, 928 1093, & Pauline Glover, 928 0644 (Mob 07742613309)  
**Park Cars** Ribchester car park, GR SD649352, Postcode PR3 32H. M6 to J31. follow A59 east. At Oakes turn left on B6245 to Ribchester. Follow signs to car park, £2.40 all day.  
**Details** The walk follows the river bank, across fields to Hurst Green, then to Greengore, Hudder Lee Wood, Dudder Wood and Stydd. There are some undulations but no steep climbs.

**Area** WHITE EDGE, CURBAR EDGE, FROGGAT EDGE **Leave 9.30** **6½ Miles** **Category 3**  
**Transport £7.80**  
**Leader(s)** Anne Brooker, 973 2179  
**Park Cars** National Trust Car Park, P&D, on A625 just before Grouse Inn (on left). GR SK256777. A6 to Chapel-in-le-Frith, then follow A623 to Stoney Middleton. At Calver crossroads (traffic lights) turn left on to A625, then 1<sup>st</sup> right, marked Froggatt. Follow this winding road for a couple of miles. Car park is on left (concealed entrance) just before Grouse Inn. (P&D, free to NT members)  
**Details** After a gentle climb at the start, this is an easy walk along the gritstone edges of NE Derbyshire, with stunning panoramic views all day, and the heather should be in bloom. From the Grouse Inn, a tiny bit of road walking, then a gradual, gentle climb onto White Edge. We walk right along the edge, with a short steepish descent down to the car park at Curbar Edge, then back along Curbar Edge and Froggatt Edge, mostly gradual downhill with superb views. We cross the main road and there is a short down and up to the car park. 2 or 3 stiles, nothing difficult. Note: the walk will be at a SLOW PACE with plenty of stops! (Café at Culver crossroads for tea and cakes afterwards.)

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## SUNDAY 20<sup>th</sup> AUGUST

**Area** FROGGATT AND CURBAR EDGES **Leave 8.30** **11.5 Miles** **Category 3/2** **Transport £7.40**  
**Leader(s)** Ruth Worsley, 777 6013 (Mob 07971514369)  
**Park Cars** The Surprise View P&D car park, 2 miles south-east of Hathersage on the A6187 at GR SK251800. £4.50 for all day when last checked. Cost to be shared with your driver. Please note that payment at the car park machine is by Credit or Debit Card only.  
**Details** This clockwise circuit to the south-east of Hathersage will call at Longshaw Lodge, White Edge Moor, White Edge, Eaglestone Flat, Curbar Edge, Froggatt Edge, Nether Padley, and Yancliff Wood.

**Area** PRESIDENT'S WALK & MEAL, WHITELEY GREEN, BOLLINGTON **Leave 13.00** **5 Miles**  
**Category 4** **Transport £3.00**  
**Leader(s)** John Drinkwater, 928 1156 (Mob 07762178935)  
**Park Cars** Windmill Pub, Holehouse Lane, Whiteley Green, Bollington, Postcode SK10 5SJ, GR SJ925789. From Wilmslow, Station Road (passing Railway St) to T junction, left A5102, right at roundabout to pass Unicorn Pub, take next right B5358, signposted Macclesfield, after just over 1mile left into Mill Lane SP Poynton & Addlington Hall, straight on at traffic lights, Brookledge Lane, signposted Pott Shrigley, after 1mile right into Sugar Lane, 0.8mile right Holehouse Lane, pub 0.5mile on left.  
**Details** A flat walk along Middlewood Way to Addlington Basin and Lyme View Marina, returning via the Cheshire Ring Canal.  
There is the option of a meal following the walk, booked for 4.30pm. Sunday Roast plus tea or coffee, £15, is available. If you wish to book, please contact Judy Bailey on 928 1156 or email [judith.bailey5@gmail.com](mailto:judith.bailey5@gmail.com) by 6th August, stating whether you would like beef, pork, chicken or vegetarian option

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## WEDNESDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> AUGUST

**Area** CONGLETON EDGE & MOW COP **Leave 9.15** **8 Miles** **Category 3/2** **Transport £4.40**  
**Leader(s)** Colin and Hazel Baldwin, 980 5409 (Mob 07733270371)  
**Park Cars** Biddulph Grange Visitor Centre CP. GR 893594. (Post code ST8 7TZ). Take A527 south from Congleton towards Biddulph for 3 miles. Turn left at the Biddulph Grange Garden brown sign, but do not enter the NT property. Carry on up the hill for 200yards or so and turn right into Biddulph Grange Visitor Centre Car Park.  
**Details** A gentle ascent to Nick i' th' Hill and then along Congleton Edge to Pot Bank and Mow Cop. Descend to the Biddulph Valley Way for the return to the cars. Pleasant views in good weather.

**Area** LYME PARK **Leave 9.30** **5.5 Miles** **Category 3** **Transport £3.20**  
**Leader(s)** Beryl Hunwick,  
**Park Cars** Main car park, Lyme Park, GR SJ963822. P&D, free to NT members, so remember your membership cards. Enter Lyme Park by main entrance, off A6 just before Disley.  
**Details** We will leave the park and take a gentle climb to join the Gritstone Trail through Knightslow Wood, across moorland and on to the Bow Stones. After which we follow the lane to Cock Knoll Farm and then across fields to Bollinhurst Bridge, passing the Millennium Wood, Bollinhurst Reservoir and Cockhead Farm, re-entering the park at North Lodge, where we follow the drive for a short distance before taking the footpath up to the Cage and back down to the car park. There are several stiles. The climbs will be taken slowly so we can admire the views.

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## SUNDAY 27<sup>th</sup> AUGUST

**Area** LUMBUTTS, HEBDEN BRIDGE, HEPTONSTALL **Leave 8.30** **12 Miles** **Category 3/2**  
**Transport £7.00**  
**Leader(s)** Suzanne Caulfield, 928 4838  
**Park Cars** Lobb Mill Picnic Area, GR SD955246. From Todmorden Town Centre follow A646 Hebden Bridge Road for about 1.4 miles. Car Park on left at end of railway arches. If full, additional parking on the road 200 yards further on the right.  
**Details** Lumbutts, Stoodley Pike, Rake Head, Hebden Bridge, (descent into Hebden Bridge steep in places), Heptonstall, Calderdale Way, Jumble Hole. Return to cars along the Rochdale Canal.

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## WEDNESDAY 30<sup>th</sup> AUGUST

**Area** DERBYSHIRE BRIDGE **Leave 9.00** **10 Miles** **Category 3/2** **Transport £5.00**  
**Leader(s)** Phil Worsley, 777 6013 (Mob 07971514369)

<b>Park Cars</b>	Derbyshire Bridge car park. Just off the A537 at GR SK018715. Please share any cost with your driver.				
<b>Details</b>	This circuit in the countryside to the south of Derbyshire Bridge will initially travel to Dane Head, Axe Edge End, Oxenstitch and Flash. Turning now to head west and then north we will complete the walk via Wicken Walls, Three Shire Heads, and The Cat & Fiddle.				
<b>Area</b>	<b>CHRISTLETON</b>	<b>Leave 9.40</b>	<b>7.5 Miles</b>	<b>Category 4</b>	<b>Transport £5.80</b>
<b>Leader(s)</b>	Mike Jones & Janet Blinkhorn, 941 1634				
<b>Park Cars</b>	Lay-by on Lansdown Rd, opposite Stamford Arms PH, Stamford Bridge off A51, GR SJ471673. Either A556, A51, B5132 or M56 to J14, then A5117, A56, B5132.				
<b>Details</b>	To Great Barrow, then field paths to Guilden Sutton, Littleton and Christleton. Nothing difficult and few stiles.				

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### LEADERS WANTED

**Sundays:** September 3rd, "B" & "C", 10th, "C". All offers of walk - please contact Phil Worsley, Tel 777 6013. Would all Sunday Leaders please forward names of all Members and Guests on Club walks direct to Phil.

**Wednesdays:** Several dates in September and beyond. Contact Alan Key, 941 4359 for 'A' walks or David White, 980 8605, for 'B' and 'C' walks.

### FUTURE EVENTS

#### TUESDAY 8TH AUGUST

Hidden Didsbury. Please meet at Didsbury tram station at 2-30pm prompt. Pay £7.50 on day. This event is full.

#### WEDNESDAY 6 SEPTEMBER - COACH TRIP TO GRASSINGTON

Leaders:- Steve and Pauline Glover, Mike Jones and Janet Blinkhorn, David and Liz White  
Book with Beverly Harrison (928 1093), 55 Hale Rd, Hale, Altrincham, WA15 9HP, with a cheque for £12 payable to ALTRINCHAM RAMBLING CLUB remembering to state where you will join the coach.

#### SUNDAY 17 SEPTEMBER - COACH TRIP TO CONWY

Leaders:- John Brownhill, Keith Leslie, Margaret Fowden  
Book with Beverly Harrison (928 1093), 55 Hale Rd, Hale, Altrincham, WA15 9HP with a cheque for £12 payable to ALTRINCHAM RAMBLING CLUB remembering to state where you will join the coach.

\* Will leaders please let Ian Stenhouse have details of your walks by August 11th.

#### SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

Dedication of signpost to Margaret Ledger at Marple Golf Course. This will be preceded by two walks (short & intermediate) and followed by a tea at the Clubhouse. Full details in September circular.

#### WEDNESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER

Tour of Roberts Bakery at Northwich, at 1pm. Free, but donation for their charity will be collected on day. Afternoon tea and goodie bag included (Heather thinks). Book with Heather, 01625 618782.

#### WEDNESDAY 15<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER

Lancastrian Theatre Organ Recital at Eccles, 1 pm. Details later.

### NEWS OF MEMBERS

We would like to welcome John Barrat and John Chappelle as new members.

Sadly, Eileen Bate has died suddenly of a massive brain haemorrhage. We send our condolences and sympathy to her family and friends. Her funeral will take place at **11am on Tuesday 18th July at St Margaret's Church, Dunham Road, Altrincham** – and afterwards at the Stables Restaurant, Dunham Massey at 1.45pm. **Note** that if you wish to attend the Stables Restaurant event then please email [dianepbarnes@gmail.com](mailto:dianepbarnes@gmail.com) to give an indication of numbers. **Also note** that non-NT members are not required to pay Car Park charges for this event.

Also, sadly, we have to report the recent death of Margaret Robinson. Margaret was an Honorary Member of the Club and widow of Alf Robinson, a former Chairman. We send our condolences and sympathy to her family.

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