

ALTRINCHAM & DISTRICT RAMBLING CLUB

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OCTOBER 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'

AGM

The AGM will be held at All Saints Church Hall, Hale Barns, on Thursday 9th November, starting at 7.30pm. The present officials are all willing to continue. Any other nominations for any of the position (duly proposed and seconded) must be given to the General Secretary at least 7 days before the meeting.

There are also two non-committee positions to be filled. One is for a member of the Coach Trip Sub-Committee – contact Beryl Hunwick (928 3644) for further details if interested. The second is for an assistant to the Sunday Walks Organiser to obtain the shorter walks - contact Phil Worsley (777 6013) for further details if interested.

Notice of any proposed alteration or addition to the Constitution & Rules must be given to the General Secretary not less than 21 days prior to the meeting. The minutes of last year's AGM are in the Other General Documents area of Documentation section of the Member's area of the website.

DEDICATION OF SIGNPOST TO MARGARET ROBINSON - SUNDAY 15th OCTOBER

The dedication of a signpost to Margaret Robinson, who was an Honorary Member, will take place during Heather Wykes' walk on Sunday 15th Oct. at approximately 3pm. For any non-walkers wishing to attend the dedication, the signpost is at GR SJ841762, which is a few yards north of Nether Alderley Church. This is the signpost already dedicated to her husband Alf.

SUNDAY 1st OCTOBER

Area	EYAM	Leave 8.30	11.5 Miles	Category 3/2	Transport £7.00
Leader(s)	Mike Gregory, 01625 614211				
Park Cars	Free car park opposite Eyam Museum, Hawkhill Rd, GR. SK216767 (where leader will meet).				
Details	A mainly moorland walk along some old tracks and ways with excellent wide-ranging views. Eyam – Foolow – Abney Moor – Offerton Hall – Highlow Hall – Stoke Ford – Sir William Hill – Eyam.				

WEDNESDAY 4th OCTOBER

Area	BEESTON/BURWARDSLEY	Leave 9.15	7.5 Miles	Category 3	Transport £5.60
Leader(s)	Judy Bailey, 928 1156, & Susie Sutton-Pratt, 928 3853 (Mobs 07401519951 & 07890641370)				
Park Cars	Beeston Castle Car Park, Pay & Display £3, GR 540590, Postcode CW6 9TX. From A49 follow brown signpost for Beeston Castle, car park opposite Castle gates.				
Details	Beeston Castle, Sandstone Trail to Cheshire Workshops, onto Bulkeley Hill, field paths to Sarra Lane, Outgate Lane and the Eddisbury Way. Further field paths to rejoin the Sandstone Trail back to car park.				

SUNDAY 8th OCTOBER

Area **ANGLEZARKE MOOR CIRCULAR** **Leave 8.30** **10 Miles** **Category 3/2** **Transport £5.00**
Leader(s) Judith Rees, 980 5034
Park Cars Car Park off Sheep House Lane, Rivington at GR SD639148
Details An initial uphill walk via Spitlers Edge and Redmonds Edge to the summit of Great Hill, followed by a descent to White Coppice, then undulating paths and field paths back to the car park.

Area **ENTWISTLE** **Leave 9.30** **7.5 Miles** **Category 3** **Transport £4.80**
Leader(s) Phil and Pam Grundy, 973 8854 (Mob 07952564884)
Park Cars Bartridge Barn lower car park at Entwistle Reservoir, GR SD721172 (nearest post code BL7 0NF). Take the M61 and A666 to Bolton and then the A676 followed by the B6391 through Chapeltown continuing onto Green Arms Road, pass over a railway bridge and then turn right down Bartridge Lane to the car park.
Details A walk starting with a circuit of Turton and Entwistle Reservoir, then a small climb up to and along Witton Weavers Way to Turton Tower, through Chapeltown and then round Wayho Reservoir and through Entwistle back to the car park.

WEDNESDAY 11th OCTOBER

Area **WINDGATHER ROCKS** **Leave 9.15** **8 Miles** **Category 3/2** **Transport £4.80**
Leader(s) Jack Garstang, 980 6349, & Gill Winn
Park Cars Pym Chair CP, GR 996 767. A523 to Macclesfield. left at roundabout at end Silk Road on to B5470 through Rainow turn right at Smiths Lane, not easy to see. Straight on turning left at grassy triangle, down to Jenkin Chapel. Turn right up to Pym Chair.
Details Gently up to Shining Tor, down into the valley and along to Thursbitch, undulating to Dunge Valley Gardens, Tunstead Knoll Farm and up to Taxal Edge. Back past Windgather Rocks. Stiles but should not be muddy.

SUNDAY 15th OCTOBER

Area **WYCOLLER COUNTRY PARK** **Leave 8.30** **11.5 Miles** **Category 3/2** **Transport £8.00**
Leader(s) Nigel Gartside, 969 2407 (Mob 07553540282)
Park Cars Wycoller Country Park car park, P&D £1, GR SD926395. Toilets 500 yards into walk in Wycoller. M60, M66, A56, M65 East to end then follow Skipton signs to third roundabout where you take the right filter lane signed B6250 Trawden. After a mile or more turn left into Rock Lane [opposite the brown sign to Wycoller C.P. on right] and follow signs.
Details Following the Pendle Way, Bronte Way & P.B.W. to Boulsworth Dyke, then a 750 foot ascent up to the trig point at Lad Law, then corresponding descent, steepish and boggy in places, back to Bronte Way. From here to Thursden, then Coldwell Reservoirs, over Deerstones Moor back to cars. Please note the ascent may not be attempted if cloud level is below 2,000 feet.

Area **NETHER ALDERLEY** **Leave 9.45** **6 Miles** **Category 4/3** **Transport £2.20**
Leader(s) Heather Wykes 01625 618782
Park Cars Wizard car park (NT), Alderley Edge on Macclesfield road, where leader will meet. GR SJ860773. Remember NT Membership cards!
Details Fields and paths to Birtles Hall, Monks Heath, Nether Alderley Church and school, few stiles. This walk will include the dedication of the signpost to Margaret Robinson by Nether Alderley Church at about 3pm.

WEDNESDAY 18th OCTOBER

Area **LYME PARK** **Leave 9.15** **10 Miles** **Category 3/2** **Transport £3.00**
Leader(s) John Beardmore, 904 7448 (Mob 07391607460 or 07985983252)
Park Cars Nelson Pit Visitors Car Park, GR SJ945834. From Poynton roundabout onto Park Lane, take left fork onto Middlewood Road, turn right to Anson Lane at sign "Anson Engine Museum", follow over crossroads at Boars Head, car park on left. Toilets.
Details Over Macclesfield Canal to Green Farm, follow lane past West Gate, climb to Dale Top, Bowstones then over stile at Bowstone Gate and follow track on right over Bollinhurst Bridge, past reservoir to Park Gate, Ryles Wood and return to canal. Generally good stiles and gates, muddy in fields.

Area RIVER WEAVER & ANDERTON BOAT LIFT **Leave 9.30 8 Miles Category 3**
Transport £3.60
Leader(s) Mary Gerrard and Jill Lee, 980 7508
Park Cars Take the M56 towards Chester and exit at Junction 10. At the roundabout take the second exit (A49) towards Acton Bridge. Park cars on the side road on the left just before the bridge over the River Weaver at GR 601761, adjacent to The Leigh Arms. (Postcode CW8 4QU).
Details East along the River Weaver to Barnton and join the Trent and Mersey Canal for a short walk to the Anderton Boat Lift. We retrace our steps, continuing back along the canal to the start.

SUNDAY 22nd OCTOBER

Area ERRWOOD & COMBS **Leave 8.45 9.5 Miles Category 3/2 Transport £4.40**
Leader(s) Susan and Peter Darby, 9803908 (Mob 07967335481)
Park Cars Errwood Reservoir Car Park (near the Dam). From Kettlethulme take the side road South, past Windgather Rocks to the T junction and turn left down Embridge Causeway, and The Street. Car park is at the bottom of the Hill on right. GR SK013757. Postcode for the Reservoir is SK17 6GJ (approximate)
Details The walk travels north and east from Errwood, including Fernilee, Taxal, Combs, White Hall, Burnsall Cob. An undulating walk along quiet country lanes, tracks and fields with a couple of short, steepish climbs.

Area KNUTSFORD & TATTON PARK **Leave 10.30 4.5 Miles Category 4 Transport £1.20**
Leader(s) Mavis Weetman, 478 6648.
Park Cars Car Park in centre of Knutsford, behind King St., adjacent to Malt St. GR 753787. A50, at Knutsford, follow signs to Station, left at lights, left into King St. Car park is on right next to children's play area.
Details A very pleasant circular walk around Tatton Park, returning via Beech Avenue to the start and tea rooms and pubs in Knutsford. Walk can be muddy at the start but no stiles.

WEDNESDAY 25th OCTOBER

Area CASTLETON: MURDERS, TORTURE AND HAUNTED HOTELS **Leave 9.15 9 Miles Category 3/2 Transport £5.80**
Leader(s) Beverly Harrison, 928 1093
Park Cars Mam Nick car park (N.T.), From A6 take minor road passing the Chestnut Centre towards Castleton. Car park is just after the Edale turning, GR SK124833. Remember NT Membership cards.
Details Walk passes Windy Knoll (geology), along Limestone Way to Peveril Castle (torture). Down to Castleton (haunted hotel) alongside Peakhole Water (tales of murder). Up Loose Hill to Hollins Cross and Mam Farm (even more geology).

Area LITTLE BOLLINGTON/MILLINGTON **Leave 9.30 5½ Miles Category 4 Transport £1.00**
Leader(s) Brian Warburton, 928 7087
Park Cars GR 717865. Take A56 to Bowdon Roundabout and continue on A56 towards Lymm. Pass the Olde No.3 Pub and, just on bend at Agden Brow, take sharp fork right on to Warrington Lane. In less than 10 yards on the right there is a dead end to a farm. Park along here, close to grass verge.
Details From Little Bollington and via a short stretch of the Bridgewater Canal, we follow paths, fields and quiet lanes to Sean Hawkins Meadow, Agden Brook and Booth Bank Children's Activity farm, returning to the start by way of Agden Brow.

SUNDAY 29th OCTOBER

Area TODMORDEN & THE THREE VALLEYS **Leave 8.30 10.5 Miles Category 3/2 Transport £6.80**
Leader(s) Suzanne Caulfield, 928 4838
Park Cars Car Park 3, Todmorden Sports Centre. GR 256922. At the Todmorden Town centre roundabout, take A646, Burnley road. Travel 3/4 mile past the entrance to Centre Vale Park and on to the second Park Lodge. Shortly after turn left into Ewood Lane. Car park is the furthest one about 200 yards on the left.
Details A circular walk around the Todmorden moors crossing each of the three valleys in which the town stands. Three climbs during the walk (overall ascent c.2200 ft.). Todmorden Edge, Dobroyd, Salford, Lumbutts, Cross Stone, Devil's Rock, and Whirlaw. Good views, weather permitting.

Area LACH DENNIS **Leave 9.30** **5½ Miles** **Category 4** **Transport £3.00**
Leader(s) Brian Warburton, 928 7087
Park Cars Small layby on B5082 in Lach Dennis, GR 706720. Take A556, crossing M6 at J19, to Penny's Lane (B5082) on left which leads into Lach Dennis, becoming Holmes chapel Road in village centre (near Duke of Portland Public House).
Details Starting walk between layby and Duke of Portland, we take to the fields, cross Crow Brook and pass several farms before reaching the renovated ruins of Hulme Hall. We return to the cars via Snig Hall.

LEADERS WANTED

Sundays

November 5th, "C", 12th, "C", 26th, "C". All offers of walks - please contact Phil Worsley, Tel: 777 6013. Would all Sunday Walk Leaders please forward names of all Members and Guests on Club walks direct to Phil.

Wednesdays

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

NEWS OF MEMBERS

Elsie Edwards would like to say "Thank you" to all the Club members and friends who sent cards and good wishes on her recent 80th birthday.

Mary and Roy Clarke wish to thank everyone who sent congratulations, best wishes and cards on the occasion of their recent 65th Wedding Anniversary.

Vera Blease has had her knee operation and is now recuperating back at home.

Sadly, we have to announce the death of former member Dorothy Hopkin who passed away at the end of August. Our condolences and sympathy go to her friends and family.

FUTURE EVENTS

WEDNESDAY 11th OCTOBER

Tour of Roberts Bakery at Northwich. Now fully booked. **Please arrive no later than 1 pm.** Donation on day for hospice.

WEDNESDAY 15th NOVEMBER

Lancastrian Theatre Organ Society Behind the Scenes Tour, 1pm, Eccles. Cost £3-50 on day. Book with Heather 01625 618782. All you need to know about the mighty Wurlitzer.

SUNDAY 17th DECEMBER

Blaze Farm walk and Christmas lunch. £15 on day. Book with Heather, 01625 618782.

SUNDAY 31st DECEMBER

New Year's Eve Ceilidh at Timperley Village Club, 8pm. Tickets will be available next month, £8.

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