

SATURDAY 19th November 2011 - Carnforth & Silverdale

C WALK - CARNFORTH TO SILVERDALE. 10 miles easy

Alight Carnforth return Silverdale.

Carnforth - Millhead - Warton Crag - Deepdale Pond - Yealand Storrs - Gait Barrows - Elmslack - Silverdale Shore - Silverdale Station.

Leader: Mike Codd.

E WALK - SILVERDALE CIRCULAR. 7 miles easy

Alight and return Silverdale.

Silverdale - Leighton Moss - Yealand Storrs - Hawes Water - Waterslack - Eaves Wood - The Cove - Silverdale Village - Silverdale Green - Golf Course - Silverdale Station.

Leader: Geoff. Sherrocks.

Map: Ordnance Survey Explorer OL7 - The English Lakes South Eastern Area.

TRAVEL DETAILS:

We will catch the 0842 from Preston calling at Lancaster 0903. Connections to Preston depart Blackpool North 0744, Bolton 0759, Chorley 0811, Bamber Bridge 0749, Clitheroe 0706 (change at Blackburn), Blackburn 0735, Colne 0650, Accrington 0719.

Return from Silverdale at 1501, 1603, 1704.



SATURDAY 3rd December 2011

Past Landscapes No.76 - York.

Behind the fine buildings lining the streets of York are to be found the alleyways, ginnels, snicketts and shuts of a living medieval city. These were recognised, described and illustrated in a most readable form as late as 1983 when Mark and Anne Jones produced the "Snickleways of York."

The great interest provoked in York amongst many people was an important factor in the survival of these fascinating rights of way and renewing interest in the life of the city's craftsmen, servants, and the poor which made up such a large proportion of the population.

Join our version of a tour originally devised by Mark Jones and see not only the decorated fronts of the major buildings, but also the sides and the backs from the ancient rights of way used for over fifteen hundred years.

Meet outside York railway station 10 minutes after the arrival of our train. We shall have a break for lunch (or picnic lunch) and tea in York.

This is an easy stroll of 3 hours in two parts and about 3 miles in length.

Leader: Howard Hammersley.

Map: Ordnance Survey Explorer 290 - York, Selby and Tadcaster or the available street plans of York city centre.

TRAVEL DETAILS:

We will travel on the 0829 from Blackpool North which calls at Preston 0854, Blackburn 0910, Accrington 0918 and Burnley Manchester Road 0927. Connections to Preston from Chorley 0811, to Blackburn from Clitheroe 0826, to Blackburn from Bolton 0820, to Blackburn from Bamber Bridge 0830.

Return from York at 1509 or 1609.

SATURDAY 17th December 2011 - Pendle.

B WALK - AROUND PENDLE HILL 11 miles strenuous

Alight and return Clitheroe.

Clitheroe - bus to Chatburn (fare extra) - Ascent of Worsaw Hill - Worsaw End - Hookcliffe - Lane Head - Pendle Big End - Pendle House - Buttock - Cat Holes - Ogden Clough - Mearley Moor - Mearley Hall - High Moor - Clitheroe.

Leader: Hilary Bell.

E WALK - CLIMB A PEAK SLOWLY 7 miles moderate

Alight and return Clitheroe.

Clitheroe - bus to Barley (fare extra) - Lower Ogden Reservoir - Upper Ogden Reservoir - Ogden Clough - Pendle Big End (summit) - Pendle Side - Windy Harbour - Lower Black Moss Reservoir - Barley - bus to Clitheroe (fare extra).

Leader: Craig Ward.

Map: Ordnance Survey Explorer OL41 - Forest of Bowland & Ribblesdale.

TRAVEL DETAILS:

We will catch the train to Clitheroe which departs Bolton at 0820 and Blackburn 0852. Connections to Blackburn depart Blackpool North 0744 (change at Preston), Preston 0822, Bamber Bridge 0830, Colne 0750, Accrington 0819. From Chorley use the 0758 to Preston which calls at Leyland 0808 or catch a bus to Bamber Bridge.

Return from Clitheroe at 1525, 1639 or 1708.

SATURDAY 7th January 2012 - Hebden Bridge.

C WALK - GREAT MANSHEAD. 11 miles moderate

Hebden Bridge - Crow Nest Wood - Kilnshaw Lane - Stoodley Pike - Withens Clough Reservoir - Cragg Vale - Green Bank - Great Manshead Hill - Baitings Reservoir - Ryburn Reservoir - Bus to Hebden Bridge (fare extra).

Leader: Chris. Thornley.

D WALK - . 8 miles easy

Alight and return Hebden Bridge.

Hebden Bridge - Rochdale Canal to Mytholmroyd - Daisy Bank - Broad Head - Erringden Moor - Dicks Lane - Stoodley Pike - London Road - Pennine Way - Horsehold - Hebble End - Hebden Bridge.

Leader: TBA.

Maps: Ordnance Survey OL21 - South Pennines

TRAVEL DETAILS

The train departs Blackpool North 0829, Preston 0854, Blackburn 0910, Accrington 0918, Burnley Manchester Road 0927. Connections to Preston from Chorley 0811; to Blackburn from Bolton 0820; to Blackburn from Bamber Bridge 0830. Those travelling from Manchester should catch the 0922 from Victoria. The walks will start once both trains have arrived at Hebden Bridge.

Return from Hebden Bridge at 38 minutes past each hour to Blackpool or at 08, 28 and 56 past the hour to Victoria.

FUTURE DESTINATIONS - 2012

21 st January	GRANGE OVER SANDS
4 th February	SCORTON
18 th February	WHALEY BRIDGE
3 rd March	HAWORTH & WORTH VALLEY
17 th March	GOOSTREY
31 st March	EDALE
14 th April	WINDERMERE

NOTE RE. TRAIN TIMES:

The train times shown in this leaflet are based on the timetables current at the time of going to press. Please check our website for any changes consequent upon the timetable changes due in mid December 2011.



GUIDED WALKS PROGRAMME September 2011 to January 2012



LANCASHIRE RAIL RAMBLERS - WHO ARE WE?

We are a diverse and friendly group of people who enjoy walking in the beautiful countryside of north west England. As our title suggests, we are particularly keen to use public transport to reach our destinations and we have been promoting this idea for over thirty years.

We are not a walking club as such, we don't have a membership fee and we are open to all. Our supporters obtain one of the walks programmes or find details of our activities on the internet, catch the relevant train and join us at the station where our walks start. One of our leaders will be there to meet the party. Some of our supporters are regulars, some are occasional and all who turn up are made to feel welcome.

Our activities and walks are co-ordinated by a group of walks leaders who are all members of the Ramblers Association. Our walks vary in length and difficulty to suit all needs and graded as below:

- A & B walks :-** **Strenuous** - walks may be rough, steep, lengthy or against the clock.
- C walks :-** **Moderate** - no scrambling - suitable for experienced energetic walkers.
- D walks :-** **Moderately easy** - a generally easy walk that may include steep climbs.
- E walks :-** **Easy** - a slower pace than for moderately easy walks with short rest periods.
- F, G, & H walks :-** **Easy stroll** - suitable for those not accustomed to walking in the countryside.

Should you have any doubts about your capabilities then avoid strenuous grade walks. For all walks you should have strong footwear, warm clothing and rainwear. On most walks stops are made for lunch or tea, so remember to bring your own food and drink with you.

If you enjoy walking in interesting places and want to discover more of our region without using your car the Rail Ramblers are the ideal way to do so. For further information visit www.railramblers.com or send a sae to Craig Ward, 19 Hollowhead Avenue, Wilpshire, Blackburn BB1 9LD Tel. 01254 240526.

We look forward to seeing you on one of our walks.

DALESRAIL 2011 - 2012

If you would like to use public transport to get to the Yorkshire Dales, Eden Valley and the North Pennines and have a scenic ride, then why not use the DalesRail service which runs from Blackpool to Carlisle via Preston, Blackburn, the Ribble Valley and Settle to Carlisle Railway.

A full programme of guided walks is organised from the train. DalesRail runs on Sundays during the summer months starting from Easter. A brochure will be available in late March 2011. Pick up a brochure from manned stations, Clitheroe Interchange or tourist offices or visit www.dalesrail.com.

* GMPTE Wayfarer tickets must be purchased in advance from manned stations within the Manchester area, Bromley Cross, Chorley or Clitheroe Interchange. The tickets cost £10.00 for adults or £5.00 for over 60s and others are available for children and groups. The tickets are of the scratch card type and must be validated before travel with the date of travel.

Tickets can also be ordered by post from: Wayfarer Ticket Sales, GMPTE, Wythenshaw, Manchester M22 5RG. If ordering by post please send a cheque payable to GMPTE.

TICKET INFORMATION

Parbold: Book day return to Parbold.

Lunesdale: Book a day return to Lancaster.

Colne Valley: Use a Wayfarer to Greenfield.

Carnforth & Silverdale: Book a day return to Silverdale.

York: Book a day return to York.

Pendle: Book a day return to Clitheroe.

Hebden Bridge: Book a day return to Hebden Bridge.



SATURDAY 17th September 2011 - Parbold.

C WALK - AROUND PARBOLD 12 miles moderate

Alight and return Parbold.

Parbold - Harrock Hill - High Moor - Fairy Glen - Dean Wood - Ashurst Beacon - Parbold.

Leader: Tessa Rowe.

D WALK - AROUND PARBOLD 6 miles easy

Alight and return Parbold.

Parbold - Stony Lane - Parbold Hill - Wood Lane - Priors Wood Hall - River Douglas - Leeds and Liverpool Canal.

Leader: Stuart Leese.

Map: Ordnance Survey Explorer 285 - Southport & Chorley.

TRAVEL DETAILS:

The train to Parbold departs Bolton 0945 and Wigan Wallgate 1003. This is the 0922 from Piccadilly. Trains to Wigan North Western depart Blackpool North 0838, Preston 0904, Leyland 0909, Euxton Balshaw Lane 0914. Those travelling from Poulton le Fylde would need to catch the 0828 and change on to the Wigan train at Preston or change at Bolton. Connections to Bolton leave Chorley 0902 and 0921, Clitheroe 0826, Blackburn 0903, Colne 0750 (change at Blackburn), Bamber Bridge 0830 (change at Blackburn).

Return from Parbold at 36 past the hour to Wigan Wallgate, Bolton and Piccadilly or at 11 past the hour to Wigan Wallgate, Salford Crescent and Victoria.

SATURDAY 15th October 2011 - Lunesdale.

C WALK - KIRKBY LONSDALE. 11 miles moderate.

Alight and return Lancaster.

Lancaster - bus to Kirkby Lonsdale (fare extra) - Cowan Bridge - Leck Beck Head - Hoggs Hill - Fell Road - High Casterton - Devils Bridge - Kirkby Lonsdale - bus to Lancaster (fare extra).

Leader: Mike Codd.

D WALK - LUNE VALLEY RAMBLE. 8.5 miles easy

Alight and return Lancaster.

Lancaster - bus to Hornby (fare extra) - Loyn Bridge - The Snab - Aughton Barns - Over Lune Barn - Lawson Wood - The Hermitage - Halton - bus to Lancaster (fare extra).

Leader: Stuart Leese.

Map: Ordnance Survey Explorer OL41 - Forest of Bowland & Ribblesdale.

TRAVEL DETAILS:

The train to Lancaster departs Preston 0842. Connections to Preston depart Blackpool North 0744, Bolton 0759, Chorley 0811, Bamber Bridge 0749, Clitheroe 0706 (change at Blackburn), Blackburn 0735, Colne 0650, Accrington 0719.

Plenty of return trains from Lancaster.

SATURDAY 5th November 2011 - Colne Valley.

C WALK - MOSS MOOR EDGE 11.5 miles moderately strenuous

Alight Greenfield return Slaithwaite.

Greenfield - bus to The Carriage House (fare Extra) - Thieves Clough Bridge - Pennine Way - Haigh Gutter - Linsgreave Head - Moss Moor Edge - Lodge Greave - Mosses - Deanhead Reservoir - Cupwith Reservoir - Colne Valley Circular Walk - Blake Clough - Wham - Merry Dale - Slaithwaite.

Leader: John Barnes.

E WALK - THE OTHER SUMMER WINE COUNTRY 8 miles moderately easy

Alight Greenfield return Slaithwaite.

Greenfield - bus to The Carriage House (fare extra) - Standedge Trail - Great Nab End - Intake Head Farm - Marsden Tunnel End Canal Centre - Kirklees Way - Huck Hill Track - Colne Valley Circular Walk - Wortley Knowl - Wham - Merry Dale - Slaithwaite.

Leader: Craig Ward.

Map: Ordnance Survey Explorer OL21 - South Pennines.

TRAVEL DETAILS:

The train to Greenfield departs Manchester Victoria 0927. Connections from Blackpool North 0744 (change at Salford Crescent), Chorley 0822 (change at Salford Crescent), Clitheroe 0739, Blackburn 0803, Colne 0650 (change at Blackburn or come by bus), Bamber Bridge 0730 (change at Blackburn).

Return from Slaithwaite at 37 past each hour.

