

# Ryedale Ramblers

## Spring 2010 Newsletter

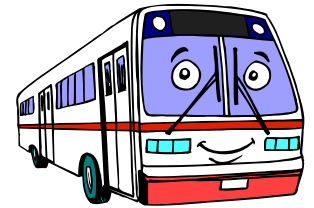


### 2010 – 2011 Walks programme

Planning for next year's walks programme is now starting. Included with this newsletter is a form – please fill this out and return it to any committee member, if you want to lead. If you've never led a walk before, then please do think about making this your debut year. If you want any help or advice with planning it, then please just ask any committee member. If you already lead, then please consider offering just one more walk – it will make more difference than you think. No walk offered last year was refused. Any walk offered, of any length and any start time will be considered for the next programme. Don't be shy!

### Coach ramble – Sunday 4 July

Also included with this newsletter is a booking form for this year's coach ramble, when you are invited to discover parts of the Nidderdale Way. And you won't miss any World Cup matches! Full details are on the booking form. Please note there is a deadline of Friday 18 June for bookings – if there are insufficient bookings to make it viable by this date, the coach ramble will be cancelled.



### Navigation training

By the time you receive this, four people will have completed our first navigation course which was on 19 March. A further four will complete the second one on 19 June. Another course is being planned, and more will be arranged as required. If you are interested in attending a course, then please get in touch with Sam by phoning 01751 477325 or emailing [ra.ryedale@btinternet.com](mailto:ra.ryedale@btinternet.com).

### Tea garden welcomes walkers

Did you know that walkers are welcome to eat their packed lunch in Farwath tea gardens, whilst sitting and watching the trains go by? Just phone Nicola on 01751 477244 to check opening times, and you'll be made welcome, as long as you buy a cup of tea or coffee. She sells homemade cakes too!

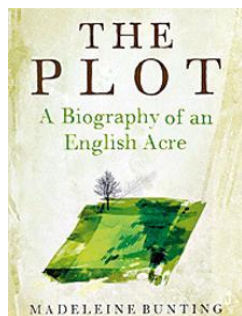


### Social events

With recent committee changes, the organisation of social events has been taken over by Christine Harrison and Pat Donnor. To help them organise the social events **you** want, please contact either Christine or Pat if you have any comments or ideas. What kind of socials do you want? Do think there's a need for them? Socials are planned for your enjoyment, so please do give us some feedback.

## Is your crystal ball working?

Sadly the committee's one is a little cloudy. But we offer a service to those of you who use email. Thank you all those who have already subscribed to our emailing list. This certainly helped in getting information out about cancelled walks during the winter. If anyone else is interested in subscribing, then please send an email to [ra.ryedale@btinternet.com](mailto:ra.ryedale@btinternet.com). You can easily unsubscribe by sending another email. We will only send you what we think is important or worthwhile (such as holiday offers and changes to walks) and we will not reveal your email address to any third party.

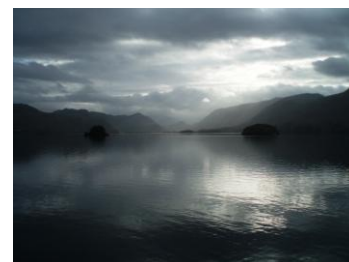


### "The Plot" by Madeleine Bunting

Ramblers who have read "The Plot" by Madeleine Bunting will be aware of the history of the area around Oldstead, and those who have walked by Scotch Corner may have been intrigued by the war memorial chapel built by the late John Bunting in 1957. The chapel, which stands on an acre plot, is currently maintained by John Bunting's son Bernard. Bernard has arranged an open day on Saturday 29 May when visitors will be shown around the chapel. A number of stone carvings created by his father will be on display. Sadly the chapel has suffered from vandalism and has had to be locked whilst unattended but any ramblers in the area are welcome to enter the plot to look around.

### An evening with Alfred Wainwright, presented by John Burland

Journey back in time with John Burland of the Wainwright Society, to meet Alfred Wainwright, famous Lakeland Guidebook writer and creator of the Coast to Coast walk. Discover Alfred's upbringing in Blackburn, his life changing experience in 1930 when he visited the Lake District for the first time, and his 13 year "labour of love" – seven guidebooks covering 214 fells. On Friday 7 May 2010 at 7.30 pm (doors open at 7.00 pm), at the Memorial Hall, Pickering, tickets £5 available from Trailblazer Outdoors, Market Place from 5 April 2010. For further information contact Phil on 01751 476380.



### Help wanted

We still have vacancies on the committee. If you're interested in joining, then please do get in touch with the secretary. If you're not sure, then you're welcome to come along to a few meetings, with no commitment, to find out more. It's not arduous, it won't take up much of your time, but every bit of help you give makes it easier to run your group. The more people on the committee, the less we have to do!

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