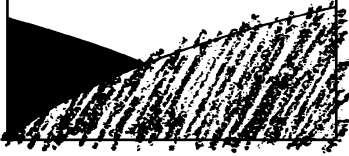


East Yorkshire & Derwent Ramblers

The Ramblers



AREA NEWS

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www.eastyorkshireramblers.org.uk

The above URL is the address of the **Area's new website**, currently at the "under-construction and testing" stage. It will be officially "launched" at the February 11th 2006 Area AGM, but in the meanwhile we are asking local members to have a look at it and see how easy they find it to use, how useful it is to them and what additional items they would like to see there. A number of pages already link to the main RA website (www.ramblers.org.uk) as a way of providing additional information.

We hope this will be an improvement on how we provide information about what's happening in the Area as the website will be there all the time, and can be updated on a daily basis if necessary, rather than just coming out 3 times a year. In addition, we can use it to showcase many of our local activities that we are unable to feature properly in 'AN'. It can also use colour photos to illustrate them. Each local RA Group will have their own section on the website and will be asked to provide details of walks and other events on a regular basis. This could be especially useful for Groups which do not yet have a website of their own yet. Although there will be links to those that have. We also intend to have all the walks taking place in the Area listed on the website.

However, we still need to have local members views and input. So please send any information, articles and pictures you would like including on the website or any comments you may have about the website to the Area Website manager, Dany Włodarczyk at 49 Pasture Terrace, Beverley HU17 8DR or better still by e-mail to danywlo@yahoo.co.uk

EAST YORKSHIRE & DERWENT AREA RA

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**SATURDAY FEBRUARY 11th
2006**

at the
**Village Hall, Strensall
nr York
(SE 635 609)
Starting at 2-00pm**

An AGENDA and AREA
ANNUAL REPORT
is enclosed with this mailing

GUEST SPEAKER
NADIA NATH-VARMA
RA's RoW Officer
for North & East Yorkshire

There will be a walk in the morning
starting from outside the venue
at 10-00am

**ALL MEMBERS ARE
WELCOME TO ATTEND
AND
ENCOURAGED TO
PARTICIPATE**

VIEW FROM THE CHAIR

This is being written at the end of October; an important time for walkers generally but especially in the East Riding. This week sees the opening of territory in Access Area 8. Thanks to our Area Access team, there are will be much more of the Yorkshire Wolds accessible than would otherwise have been the case. The landowners appealed all the parcels of access land and Martin Biggs and his team won access to almost three thousand acres of the Wolds that we had been denied.

The mapping process has been long in coming and I have had companions on our walks who have voiced the thought that the process was unnecessary. There are many parts of North and East Yorkshire that mean a long diversion or road walking to make a satisfying walk. There still are – but they are now less in number. The paths on the OS maps are those on the definitive map – and got there by a process in the early 1960s that left much to be desired. Whole parishes do have rights missing – look at the village of Langton in the Howardian Hills map. Observe that there are two bridleways but that public footpaths end at the Parish Boundary!

We are therefore very fortunate that so much Access land has been made available – but like Rights of Way, they will need watching. The OS maps with the East Riding on will all shortly be re-published (between now and April'06) with the access land marked – as is the case with the North York Moors maps already available.

They are worth buying, and older maps discarded because certainly in North Yorkshire and the Moors, there have been a large number of diversions to create better conditions for the walker and the landowner. Enjoy your walking in 2006. Chris Bush

USE YOUR PATHS CHALLENGE

The RA is challenging walkers (whether members or not) to get all the Rights of Way in England & Wales walked, at least once, in the 18 month period between the 2006 Spring Equinox (March 20th) and the Autumn Equinox on September 22nd in 2007.

The ambitious aim is to raise the profile, and stress the importance, of the footpath network; to raise awareness of local paths among all walkers and educate them as to how to get path problems resolved and, in doing so, to raise the profile of the RA amongst all walkers. It is also hoped that many people taking part in the challenge will discover new paths local to them, and will hopefully take greater 'ownership' of their path network as a result. By encouraging them to report any problems they encounter it is hoped that walkers will 'connect' with the people responsible for the state of the network, and hopefully see a large number of path problems resolved.

Walkers, either individually or in groups, will be asked to let the RA's Central Office know when they have walked all the paths and/or reported any problems encountered in a

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"A Happy & Prosperous 2006 to All our Members"

WORKING FOR WALKERS

... and don't forget YOU can help at local level too.

It was one of the sad features of many of our local RA Group AGMs that they were unable to fill all the positions on their respective Group Committees. Whilst this won't mean that these Groups will fold or similar, it WILL mean they won't be able to function as fully as we would all like in carrying out the RA's charitable aims in our local area.

If you or other local members have some spare time and enthusiasm would YOU be willing to help out either by offering to organise additional walks and special events or organise a programme of talks or slide shows or to do some footpath or access work? Please contact your Group Secretary (or the Area Chair/Secretary) if you are interested.

Contact numbers can be found at the back of the Area Programme, in 'Area News' or on the new Area Website: www.eastyorkshireramblers.org.uk

ADDITIONS & AMENDMENTS TO THE AREA WALKS PROGRAMME

NOTE: Jim Tulloch's walk on Sunday January 22nd starts from Cottingham Green (CP) TA 045 327 at 10.00am and is 10 miles long.

Vera Silberberg's Easter Monday walk (April 17th) at Hanging Grimston is starting at **10.15am** and is **10**miles long and not as shown.

HULL RA GROUP has also arranged some additional walks:-

Monday 13th February,	Fridaythorpe Pond	SE 874 591
Monday 13th March,	Millington Wood	SE 837 530
Monday 3rd April,	Market Weighton Church	SE 877 417
Monday 1st May	Fordon Church	TA 049 750

All of these Monday walks start at 1.00pm and is around 5 miles long

Area Chair, Chris Bush's e-mail is now: chris.bush@tiscali.co.uk

Area Sec, Malcolm Dixon's is: m.s.dixon@care4free.net

Howden & Goole RA Group has a new Secretary: Carol Edwards, "The Lawns", 72 High Street, Hook, Goole DN14 5NY email: ce.gv@dsl.pipex.com

Pocklington RA Group's Secretary is still Tony Ashbridge, 4 Burnaby Close, Molescroft, Beverley, HU17 7ET, 01482-861215

(temporary) email: tony.ashbridge@bakertilly.co.uk

COACH RAMBLES

HULL & HOLDERNESS GROUP's is on Sunday April 24th 2005, and will be going to Castleton in Derbyshire. For more details and to book a seat

(costing £8-50p) please contact Jim Tulloch on 01482 587128. Pick-up points in Beverley, Woodford Sports hall, Ferensway and Willerby & en route.

YORK GROUP COACH RAMBLES York Group will be having 2 coach rambles in 2006. The first on **Sunday May 21st** along parts of the Viking Way in Lincolnshire. The second on **Sunday September 24th 2005** will be along the Baslow Edges in Derbyshire. Both will have A and B walks as usual. One or both may also feature a meal on the way back.

For bookings and more details on both contact 01904-628134.

RYEDALE GROUP will be having a Coach ramble on **Sunday June 25th**. Details 01482-882499.

POCKLINGTON GROUP has a Coach Ramble to Lofthouse on **Sunday August 6th**. Details 01482-861215

John Williams will be leading members of the **RYEDALE GROUP** around an 'alternative' Cleveland Way Link in 3 stages in 2006.

Booking is essential and you will need to contact John on 01653-690452 for further details and a booking form if you are interested in joining them on this venture.

Dany Wlodarczyk and Paul Rhodes (of the GYBO Group) have very kindly volunteered to assist with, and ultimately take over, editing 'Area News', starting with the next, April 2006, issue. My thanks to them and all contributors. *Malcolm Dixon*

YORK GROUP AMBLE PROGRAMME JANUARY TO MAY 2006

DATE	PLACE	GRID REF	LEADER ,
JAN 18 th	STAMFORD BRIDGE (Picnic Site CP)	711 557	K. Walker
JAN 25 th	TOCKWITH (Kendal Lane)	474 523	C. Nicholls
FEB 1st	YORK KNAVESMIRE	597 497	A. Sanderson
FEB 8th	TADCASTER	488 435	A. Hands
FEB 15 th	NUNNINGTON	664 791	R. Brazier
FEB 22nd	WEST LUTTON CHURCH	931 693	J. Powell
MAR 1st	GREEN HAMMERTON (Stoned Horse Lane)	462 574	J. Winn
MAR 8 th	GALPHAY	254 724	J. Van DerBurg
MAR 15 th	EDDLETHORPE	779 668	A. Clark
MAR 22nd	MILLINGTON CHURCH	829 519	A. Laing
MAR 29 th	BARLOW (Nature Reserve CP)	638 282	D. Felton
APR 5th	BARTON HILL	710 648	D. Pamplin
APR 12 th	COXWOLD VH CP	536 773	R. Crakles
APR 19 th	THIRSK (Junc Cemetery Rd & Newsham Rd CP)	422 823	J. Whipp
APR 26 th	NORTH DALTON	934 524	K. Walker
MAY 3rd	LITTLE RIBSTON VH	388 533	G&A Walsh
MAY 10 th	WENTBRIDGE	488 173	A. Bloomfield
MAY 17 th	HOWDEN	749 283	W. Hedison
MAY 24 th	KETTLESING HEAD (A59 Lay-By)	221 562	J. Van Der Burg
MAY 31st	TERRINGTON VH CP	673 702	A. Hands

EVERYONE WELCOME ALL AMBLES COMMENCE AT 10.30AM
ALL ENQUIRIES TO ALAN CLARK YORK 411969

(UYP Challenge cont) particular grid square, based on a 1Km x 1Km national grid square. The results will be logged on the UYP website www.useyourpaths.info and in the RA's **walk** magazine.

The annual **Use Your Paths Week** between **June 24th and July 2nd** will also be used by RA Areas and Groups to plan further walks and events that will complete a number of grid squares.

The event is being coordinated by the RA's Footpath Campaigns Team and if you are interested in joining in the challenge, you should contact them on 020-7339-8524/8526, ask for circular 05/122 or go on the UYP website (as shown above).

The RAMBLERS ASSOCIATION exists to facilitate, for the benefit of everyone, the enjoyment and discovery on foot of Britain's countryside; and to promote respect for the life of the countryside.

The Association promotes rambling, protects rights of way, campaigns for access to open country and defends the beauty of the countryside. It is a democratic, voluntary organisation, registered as a charity - no 1093577.

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All such contributions should be sent to either Dany Wlodarczyk at 49 Pasture Terrace, Beverley, HU17 8DR,

Paul Rhodes, 23 Ash street, York YO26 4UR or to Malcolm Dixon, 8 Horseman Avenue, Copmanthorpe, York YO23 3UF
email to danywlo@yahoo.co.uk or paulrhodes16@yahoo.co.uk or m.s.dixon@care4free.net