

Answer to the poser - did you get it?

Of the total land mass area of the UK, houses occupy ~1%, their gardens ~1% and factories, commercial properties, other buildings and travel infrastructure ~10%. So there is just under 90% left to build on! Next time you are stuck in a traffic jam in the middle of a big city, think about the wilds of the Brecon Beacons, Dartmoor, the Peak District, the North Yorkshire Moors, Snowdonia and Scotland, the Outer Isles and all the other open spaces on our Isles!



General Information

Evening Walks - A very successful programme well supported by members and non-members.

Club Holiday - Hackness Grange, nr Scarborough 23rd-27th September 2007 - organised by Peter Dawson.

A pleasant break was had by all. Travel to and from the venue was OK. Hotel food was very good, but admin and attention to rooms could be criticised. The walking, thanks to the leaders, was first class, the Cleveland Way being a delight! Thanks to all who supported the holiday.

Because we have had a number of recent instances of insufficient coach capacity, members are reminded of the following procedure in event of a full coach at an intermediate or final pick-up. This will be of particular interest to our newer members.

(1) Non-members must go to the last pick-up point and do not have priority over members, even if they arrive there first.

(2) At the pickup point where there is a potential to overfill the coach, those members who arrived first have priority.

(3) Those people, including non-members, who are unable to get on the coach can travel to the walk destination by car, for which the driver will be recompensed for the mileage covered. Walk leaders must then advise those going by car where to park and meet the coach. All members so travelling must still pay the normal coach fare to the treasurer.

(4) In the event of the Chairman or Vice-Chairman not being present on the coach, the Walk Leaders for the day are responsible for resolving any issues arising from this situation.

Other information

Keith Hallows has recovered from his spinal operation and enjoyed himself, with Tom - the coach driver, pouring over steam engines at Grosmont (Heartbeat country!) on the Scarborough break.

Funeral of Maureen (Mo) Skelton - 10 members of the club attended Mo's funeral at a packed Chester Crematorium. The send-off at the subsequent wake was a jolly affair and included several rounds of country dancing which I'm sure was enjoyed by Mo from on-high!

Walks Activities

Change of destination for 11th November 2007.

Please be aware that the walks on this date will take place at **Bollington** and not Kettleshulme as indicated on the programme.

Mince Pie walk 9th December 2007.

We shall be holding a draw at the gathering at the end of this walk. Members intending to come on this walk should bring with them a small item of value up to £1.00 for the draw.

2008 Winter/Spring Walks Programme

This walk board is now circulating on the coach and an up-to-date copy is on the web site. One walk area on Jan 20th has no leaders and a number of the others still require 1 or 2 leaders. The Ramble organisers need your support to complete the programme very quickly to allow coach quotes to be obtained during November.

'C' Walks - A full 'C' walk programme in the next quarter:

11th Nov - Bollington - Jan & Phil Boulton

25th Nov - Tittesworth - Keith Nowell

9th Dec - Tideswell - Dave & Lorna Langford

Please note that 'C' Walks are often added to the programme at short notice and are usually announced on the coach on a previous walk, updates can also be found on the Web Site.

Club Spring 2008 Holiday - Criccieth, North Wales. -

Organised by Grace Harding. 21st - 25th April 2008 (Monday - Friday) at The Lion Hotel, Criccieth, North Wales.

This holiday is now fully booked and a waiting list is in operation, contact Grace Harding for further information.

Club Autumn 2008 Holiday - Trossachs, Scotland

23rd - 27th September 2008 (Tuesday - Saturday)

5 days/4 nights at Loch Achray Hotel - organised by Joan Yarwood. A booking form for this break is attached and must be returned with a deposit of £30 per person to Joan Yarwood by 30 November 2007. Please include the relevant travel insurance and next of kin information requested on the form.

A limited number of single rooms are available on a first come first served basis.

Travel will be provided by the Lochs and Glens Company. Web site; www.LochsAndGlens.com

Future Club Weekends/Breaks - The Committee is also looking at the possibility of a European break for Spring 2009.

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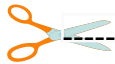
On 1 September 2007 I took part in a charity swim in Lake Windermere to raise money for breast cancer research for Cancer Research UK. There were 2 swimming distances 1.5 km and 3 km. I went for the 1.5 km distance because, not having swum in a lake before, I thought I'd better not be too ambitious! The weather was fine and calm on the day which certainly helped and, after I'd got over the initial shock, I really enjoyed the swim. There were approximately 300 swimmers taking part in the event at Windermere. With your support, I managed to raise nearly £500 which is fantastic. The amount raised between the combined events of the Lake Windermere swim and a similar swim in the Serpentine was £70,000. Once again, thank you to all Club members for your support. I shall have to look for another challenge now!

Sue Jukes



Congratulations from all members and supporters!

The **Crewe Five (Paul Tudor, Tony Goodwin, Brian Glover, Andy Mills & Bryan Roe)** were even wetter than Sue when they set off on the **OFFA'S DYKE** walk at Prestatyn on 19th August 2007. Fortune favoured the brave as the next 11 days were absolutely glorious with breathtaking scenery and the usual high quality liquid sustenance on the way! Approx 186 miles and 21,000 ft of climb were completed in 12 days, one of the most satisfying treks we have completed. The last 4 days were quite gruelling with 17, 19, 17 & 19 mile treks and there was still another 2 miles to do at the end of the last day to get to the 'digs' at Sedbury!



CLUB BREAK - THE TROSSACHS - 23RD - 27TH SEPTEMBER 2008

Please reserve places @ £30 Deposit per person. Room requirements - Double/Twin/Single

Names..... Tel No.....

Address.....

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I/We enclose a total of £.....

Please return by 30th November 2007 to:
Mrs Joan Yarwood, 40 Scaife Road, Nantwich CW5 5TS
Please make cheques payable to: 'Crewe & Nantwich Rambling Club'

IMPORTANT - Please supply the following information:

Your Travel Insurance Company:.....Policy Number.....

Contact Name/Next of Kin..... Contact Tel no