

Crewe and Nantwich Rambling Club

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Newsletter March 2024



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elcome to the March newsletter. With the 2024 AGM under our belt and British Summer Time looming we're looking forward to longer and hopefully dryer days. Meanwhile, in addition to our committee meeting roundup, we've updated our calendars, included committee member contact details and a few hints on navigating our website.

Finally, if required please find a copy of the membership renewal form on the back page. Please email me with suggestions and improvements; see you on the next walk.

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Committee Meeting News 14th March

Whilst the AGM (13th February) was poorly attended; however, attendance was quorate, and the agenda business completed as planned. *A copy of the minutes can be found at https://tinyurl.com/CNRC-AGMMins2023.*

Lengthy discussions concerning fragmentation during the recent Willaston "B" concluded that walk leaders need to review the rules of walk leadership.

The current 2024-5 membership stands at 69 (including 12 life members). Numbers are increasing during membership renewal period that ends on 31st March.

A welcome upturn in Sunday Walk attendance during 2024 has generated a profit of £ 265.

In future John Moreton will attempt to secure a larger 57 seater coach for Sunday rambles¹. Ruth Beach has agreed to replace Bryan Clydesdale as the Nantwich standby taxi driver that could be called upon if coach occupancy becomes problematic.

Regarding the long distant walk, coach parking at the Malham Information Centre may be challenging in view of cars parking in the limited number of coach bays that cannot be reserved. Further investigation is planned in April. Meanwhile, members will be asked to fully fund coach travel 4 weeks prior to the walk. Costs will be based on 48 members attending.

Unfortunately, the Elan Valley Lodge weekend does not have sufficient interest in April/May; therefore, membership will be recanvassed for a weekend in September 2024. Close proximity to the Club Holiday was cited by numerous members as a reason for deferring.

Kath Conroy proposed that the club holds a "Walk Leader/Potential Leader Workshop" to encourage new leaders to come forward. Agreement was reached to first canvass potential interest during forthcoming walks. Prospective walk leaders should make themselves known to John Moreton.

Prospective venues for the 2024 Meal Walk include Longnor or Tittesworth.

To avoid potential confusion, caused by recent adhoc changes, specific reference to Sunday Walk coach departure times will be removed from both the bi-weekly walk information emails and the club website. Homeward bound coach boarding times will remain part of the post embarkation welcome announcements.

The recent reminisce at the Coach & Horses was attended by 13 members; the next meeting is provisionally planned for July. Dates for the next Reminisce in July will be announced in May.

Both Narrow boat trips are fully booked with a waiting list of one member. Please phone Marilyn to join the waiting list

In response to membership requests committee contact details makes a welcome return to the Newsletter. (*Blame the Ed!*)

The club will be attending August Nantwich Spectacular, albeit with fewer committee members in attendance.

¹ Since the meeting John Moreton informed that the club will continue ordering a 51 seater coach and rely on car sharing to cater for exceeding coach capacity.

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Thanks to Lynn's persistence the local Chronicle printed an article about the club's Sunday Walk to Whaley Bridge.

Emergency Contact cards are now being issued to members. Please complete and stow inside the cellophane bag within your rucksack. Attaching the accompanying badge to the outside of your rucksack confirms that you are prepared that the club can look for the card in an emergency. An external view of the card follows:



Co-Opted Committee Member for Club Holidays

After 8 years of organising very popular and successful club holidays that include 3 Austrian and 2 domestic holidays, John Chambers will sadly be standing down at the next AGM.

If you would like to become involved in organising the 2025 club holiday, then please speak to any committee member.

Seasonal Message from Chair Bryan Clydesdale.

The unseasonal wet start to 2024 has contributed to an abnormal number of falls by experienced club walkers; therefore, we club strongly recommend that members attend walks with walking poles. They are available in many grades and can be purchased economically from Cotswold Outdoor (Bridgemere Garden Centre) using club discount, or Mountain Warehouse (Grand Junction Retail Park).

Club Events Diary		
Date	Event	
13 Feb 24	Club AGM – The Brittles.	
14-20 Apr 24	Club Holiday - Eastbourne & South Downs National Park	
24 April 24	Harecastle Tunnel Narrow Boat Trip: Meeting at the Heritage Narrow Boat Yard, in Schole Green ST7 3JZ by 12.00 in time to be bussed into Etruria prior to a canal cruise back.	
7 May 24		
9 May 24	Committee Meeting. Please submit meeting agenda items to Esther Williams at cnrc.information@gmail.com.	
30 May 24	Bowls (Peter Winby)	
17 Aug 24	Nantwich Societies Spectacular	
19 Sep 24	Skittles (Peter Winby)	

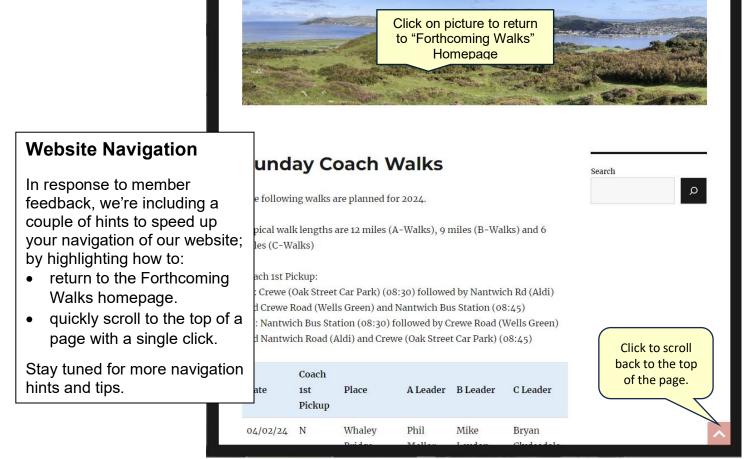
Date	Location	A Leader	B Leader	C Leader	
31/03/24	Tideswell	Julie Shaw	Bryan Clydesdale	Marilyn Norbury & Kath Conroy	
14/04/24	Frodsham (Car Walk)	Michael Taylor			
28/04/24	Ashbourne	Phil Mellor	Mike Laydon	Leader Required	
12/05/24	Welshpool	Phil Mellor	Leader Required	Carol Brown	
26/05/24	Hathersage	Marlene Flannery	Esther Williams	Maurice Drake	
09/06/24	Additional walk destinations and leaders are most welcome.				
	Please contact John Moreton.				
23/06/24	Long Distant Walk:	Loador required	Michael Toylor	Marilyn Norbury	
	Malham and Skipton	Leader required	Michael Taylor	& Kath Conroy	



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Thursday Morning Walks – Approx. 4 miles (See https://creweandnantwichramblingclub.org.uk/wp/walks/thursday-walks/ for latest updates) Contact Peter Johnson for further information				
Date	Destination	Leader		
4 April 24	Calveley Mill Cafe CW6 9JW	Graham Grocott		
2 May 24	Wrenbury	Bill Pearson		
27 June 24	TBC	Howard Gibson		

2024 Club Committee Contact Information						
Chair	Bryan Clydesdale	CNRCChair@gmail.com				
Vice Chair	Marilyn Norbury					
Treasurer	Judith Ruff					
Ramble Organiser 1	John Moreton					
Ramble Organiser 2	Peter Johnson					
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Secretary	Esther Williams	CNRC.Information@gmail.com				
Socials Event	Marilyn Norbury					
Publicity	Lynn Richards					
Club Holiday 2024	John Chambers					
Skittles and Bowls	Peter Winby					
Safety	Kath Conroy					
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CREWE & NANTWICH RAMBLING CLUB MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM 2024/25



			Revised 9ivial 24			
Name						
Address						
Phone Number	Home	Mobile				
E mail address		DoB if under 18				
Signature		Date				
Membership Fee is £15.00 (Age 18+), £7.50 (Age 16-18). Payment by (tick appropriate option): □ cheque for £ (payable to Crewe and Nantwich Rambling Club) □ cash □ BACs (Bank Transfer) Sort code: 20 24 09 / Account No: 43880524 (include your name as a reference)						
Please return this form with payment to Judith Ruff						
When paying by Bank Transfer please complete this form and tick Paid by BACs (Bank Transfer) .						

