

HARROGATE RAMBLING CLUB

President's Newsletter

Summer 2023

Lovely warm sunshine at last, seems to have been a long cold winter, walkers are now out in shorts, now wary of the luxuriant nettles. Not sure what the shorts count was on the coach trip, but whatever you were wearing I understand it was a meticulously organized, great day out, enjoying the views in the lovely Derbyshire countryside, many of you starting from or passing Labybower reservoir. Again, many thanks Stan for organizing it all, and to all the walk leaders who volunteered, made the effort to walk out all the routes and then led on the day.



Labybower reservoir

I can't see any Lancaster Bombers celebrating the eightieth anniversary of the Dambusters Raid. And just because I didn't go on the walk, I think it was a little unfair of some of you to spend your lunchtime carving an effigy of the absent president.





The George, Hathersage

I understand some of you had time for a few pre-prandials, before a good meal at the George, which led to a number sleeping well on the coach home.

As mentioned previously, the Yorkshire Agricultural Society have again asked the club if they would like a stand at the Great Yorkshire Show on 11th – 14th July. John Hopkins is kindly coordinating it all and has had a number of volunteers to staff the stand (It's a good offer, free entry to the show on the day you are staffing) but could do with some more help on Wednesday and Thursday mornings. Please let John know if you can be there.

I look forward to seeing everyone on August 2nd at the Devonshire Arms in Grassington. We are aiming to eat at 5.00pm and the menu is in this booklet. To book your place for the meal please send £25.00 per person via bank transfer (bank details in the leaflet sent out with the latest booklet). Alternatively send a cheque for £25.00 per person to our treasurer, Mr Dave Bonsels (address in the latest booklet). Please let Rod Carpenter, at who has kindly organized it, know what you would like to eat. Full details are in this booklet.

Since fewer people are meeting at Park Road, we perhaps aren't as good as we should be about car sharing, although I am aware of many who come in full cars. Please be aware of members near you, with whom you could share a car journey, or if a walk leader becomes aware of members registering for a walk who might pass each other en route to a walk, they might put the members in touch with each other.

Lastly, please make a note of our next AGM on Thursday 19th October 2023 at the Oatlands Club on Hookstone Road (same as last year) at 7.00pm, meet at 6.30 for a drink. The club intend to provide a free buffet at the AGM, which will hopefully make for an enjoyable evening, but you will have to pay your own bar bills.

Greg Richardson

(All photos courtesy of Dave and Shirley Hare)