



LETTER FROM OUR CHAIRMAN

Dear *York Rambler members*

As we reported in the last newsletter which we sent out quite recently, we are making progress with the footpath surveys thanks to Simon Lyle's efforts in developing links with NYCC.

We have also moved forward with the creation of Walks Programme Editors, as you will see in the newsletter. Geoff Richardson informs me that Tom Halstead is making very good progress with creating the York Group Website, which has been in the making for some time.

Once again, we have a very full programme of walks in all our groups, and now a new one - the Public Transport Trails group, led by Roger Brooks. Many thanks to all of you who organise their group's walks, and who volunteer to lead them. More than 200 a year!



Ian Reavill **Ian Reavill** - Chairman

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

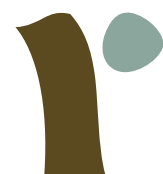
Wednesday 20th November 2019 1.30pm at Welburn Village Hall

After last year's successful and well-attended AGM, we are repeating the formula. Both Wednesday walking groups will be undertaking a walk in the morning, finishing at the village hall to eat their lunch. All members are welcome to join us. Tea/coffee and cake will be served at the end of the meeting. The A.G.M. will start at approximately 1.30pm and non-walking members are cordially invited to attend. The hall will be open for us from 12.30, so please make use of the excellent facilities.

We will endeavour to keep the AGM as short as possible, but if there are any matters you would like to be discussed, please send them to our secretary

Richard Bramall at richbram@virginmedia.com. It would be helpful if members wishing to attend could email Richard so that we can advise the catering staff as to what numbers to expect.

Following the progress made by Simon Lyle and Ian Gibbs with the footpath surveys and their dealings with NYCC, there is a possibility that members of the NYCC footpath team may give a short address on how they see the development of our involvement in surveying and maintaining footpaths as a joint venture.



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PUBLIC TRANSPORT FRIDAY AMBLES

Joint Organiser of York Public Transport Walks Group

Written by Avis Strudwick

For the Winter Programme the Public Transport Walks Group have decided to offer a shorter, easier walk on one Friday every month. These have been organised in response to people who, when shown our programme, say they do not think they can walk the distances shown, who do not have a car and are therefore unable to join the Wednesday Amblers.

If you know of anyone who is new to walking with a group, or who would be interested in this type of walk, please invite them to come along and join us.

Full details of all the walks are in our programme on the website, in the Area Booklet and in our own Public Transport Walks leaflet. If more information is required please phone/text me on 0754 066 1336.



The first two walks are;

Friday October 11th, 7 miles, Knaresborough circular led by Doreen

Friday November 8th, 7.5 miles, Tockwith to Tadcaster led by Avis

PUBLIC TRANSPORT TRAILS GROUP

Written by Roger Brooks

From this September, I will be acting as walk secretary/coordinator for this new group. Since last year I have led trails, including the Kirklees Way and the Cleveland Way. Because of the occasional use of hired minibuses requiring advance notification of walker numbers, it has been decided that direct contact to the new group would simplify the advance booking procedure. My email for this is c.r.brook@icloud.com.

I have many years' experience leading walks and trails for various groups, and

was an HF Holidays leader and field advisor. Some future trails planned are the Tabular Hills Walk, the southern section of the Pennine Way - Edale to Tan Hill, the Trans Pennine Trail, and possibly the eastern half of the Coast to Coast path.

The walks are intended to be on the 2nd Saturday of each month. The Public Transport Group will be offering an alternative walk, possibly shorter, most likely on the Friday of that weekend. Please email me if you would like details of the planned walks in advance.

COACH RAMBLE

29th September 2019

By now many of you will have booked your place on the coach ramble, with three walks centred on Saltburn, Staithes and Runswick Bay, but for those of you that haven't, the details are on the

website, and at the time of going to press, there were some seats available. You can contact our secretary Richard Bramall on 01904 789857 or by email richbram@virginmedia.com if you have a query.



FOOTPATHS

Written by Simon Lyle

Unfortunately as a result of ill-health Lynn Croskin has had to give up the work as York Footpath co-ordinator and I have volunteered to carry it on in conjunction with Ryedale. I'm sure we all would like to thank Lynn for all the work she has done and hope she recovers soon.

Being the 'new boy' to the job I need to ensure the database is up to date so I am writing to you to introduce myself and give you my contact details. My address is 25 Mickle Hill, Pickering, North Yorkshire YO18 7NB. My telephone number is 01751 477793 (mornings and evenings only please) and my email address is sibetol@btinternet.com.

For those of you who do not know me I walk with the Wednesday East Group (if it

is not raining too hard) and live in Pickering. I would appreciate it if all members who are monitoring footpaths could let me know if they are still monitoring the paths and if so which parishes they cover. If you have any comments about footpaths please let me know.



At the AGM in November we will be introducing new monitoring ideas in cooperation with NYCC, which will make our efforts more focused as well as looking at ideas to cover parishes that at present do not have a monitor.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Following the sudden loss of our newsletter editor Vivien Irish, we have managed to send out two editions of our newsletter, thanks to our publicity secretary Vivienne Taylor.

However, we are looking for a volunteer to take over the newsletter on a regular basis. This entails collecting material from members twice a year, and giving it

to a printer who can organise the layout. No past publishing experience is needed, but plenty of help and encouragement will be given to the new editor to use a format of their own choosing.

If you are interested in taking this position on please contact the chairman Ian Reavill at poppletonrev@yahoo.co.uk.



WALKS PROGRAMME 'EDITORS'

We have been very fortunate to have filled all the positions of Walks Programme Editors for the York Group;

Marilyn Skelton - Tuesday Walkers – marilynskelton6@gmail.com - T. 01347 824520

Judith Tosh – Amblers - judithtosh42@hotmail.com - T. 01904 289658

Mike Norman - Wednesday Walkers - Miken100@hotmail.com - M. 07582 547429

Avis Strudwick - York Public Transport Walks – yptwalks@gmail.com - M. 07540 661336

Roger Brook - York Public Transport Trails – c.r.brook@icloud.com

The Programme Editors will now be encouraging all walk leaders to give a brief description of each walk to be included in the walk details. This can be done at any time, but ideal after a Walk Recce, then an outline plan and expected conditions can give potential walkers a better understanding of what to expect on the walk.

Walk leaders should send the description of their walks to their Group Walks Editor

who will enter this into the walk details. This description will then be updated by the Programme Editors and entered into the walk details on the National Website, which will automatically be included in the details on the Area and York Websites.

So why not checkout the Rambler's new mobile app now and start looking for your next walk, you'll be surprised at the detail.

**Contributions to York Ramblers Newsletter should be sent to:
The Secretary, Richard Bramall, richbram@virginmedia.com**

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