Saturday, January 31st Parbold

D Walk 9 miles moderate

Alight & return Parbold

Hunters Hill, Harrock Hill, Gaugers Fm, Anderton Mill, Hill House Fold, Boars Den, Fairy Glen, Leeds-L'pool Canal, Parbold Your Leader: Graham McLeod

E Walk 7 miles moderately easy

Alight Apperley Bridge & return Parbold

Boars Den, Hill House Fold, Harrock Hill, Bispham Green, Parbold

Your Leader: David Pryer

OS Map: OS Explorer OL21 Southport & Chorley

Travel Arrangements: 0952 Wigan Wallgate to Parbold. Connections from Mcr Vic 0909, Bolton 0932, C'roe 0822, B'burn 0848 (change at Bolton), Accr 08:23 (change at B'burn & Bolton), Preston 0918 (change stations at Wigan).

Return trains from Parbold to Wigan & Bolton at 22min & 49 min past each hour

Ticket Details: Book a Day return to Parbold

Saturday, February 14th Ulverston & Dalton in Furness

B Walk 12 miles moderately strenuous

Alight Ulverston & return Dalton in Furness

Stony Crag, Kirkby Slate Road, Long Moor, Peppers Wood, Dalton Moor, Rakes Lane, Rakes Cottages, Dalton in Furness

Station Your Leader: John Haworth

E Walk 7.5 miles moderately easy Alight Ulverston & return Dalton in Furness

Swarthmoor Hall, The Nook Fm, Far Mount Barrow Fm Sunbrick, Homestead, Little Urswick, Bolton Heads, Highfield Fm, Dalton. Your Leader: Chris Dibbs

OS Map: OS Explorer OL6 English Lakes SW

Travel Arrangements: 0945 Preston to Windermere, change at Lancaster for Ulverston. Connections to Preston from Burnley Cen 0805, Burnley Mcr Rd 0903, Mcr Pic 0850, Bolton 0908, Chorley 0920 (Lanc), Wigan 0926 (Lanc)

Return from Dalton at 1403, 1458 & 1600 (change at Lanc) and from Ulverston at 1411, 1506 & 1609 (change at Lanc)

Ticket Details: Book a Day Return to either Ulverston or Dalton or consider an Explorer 55 Ticket for use on Northern Trains only

LANCASHIRE RAIL RAMBLERS

We are a diverse and friendly group of people that use public transport and we will reach our 50th anniversary in 2025. For more information, visit us on Facebook (Lancashire Rail Ramblers) or contact us on **railramblers.wordpress.com**. We look forward to seeing you on one of our walks.

Walks start and finish at the rail stations named. Some of our supporters are regulars, some are occasional and all who turn up are made to feel welcome. No membership or fees are involved.

Our walks leaders are all members of the Ramblers Association. Walks vary in length and difficulty to suit all needs and are graded as below:

B (Moderately Strenuous) & C (Moderate)	These walks require a good level of fitness. Walks may be through rough moorland with steep or strenuous climbs. Boots essential. B walks may be against the clock.
D (Moderately Easy) & E (Easy)	Reasonable levels of fitness required as walks may cover uneven ground, streams, inclines and stiles.
F & G Strolling	Suitable for all

PACE The grade of the walk is a guide only. The pace depends on numbers and fitness of the group and weather conditions. Should you have any doubts about your capabilities then choose a lower graded walk.

CLOTHING & REFRESHMENT Suitable footwear and waterproofs are advisable on all walks. Jeans are inappropriate. On most walks stops are made for lunch or tea, so remember to bring your own food and enough to drink.

PLEASE NOTE Walk leaders may refuse permission to join a walk if the leader judges the person is not fit or adequately clothed. Leaders may vary the walk if the conditions are judged to be unsuitable. Walkers' safety is their own responsibility.

No liability or claim can be accepted by Rail Ramblers Committee or leaders for any loss damage, accident or personal injury howsoever caused.

For latest train times from other stations see National Rail website: www.nationalrail.co.uk.



GUIDED WALKS PROGRAMME

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Saturday, February 28th Wilmslow

C Walk 10 miles moderate

Alight & return Wilmslow

Quarry Bank Mill, Giant's Castle, Lady Lane, Davenport Lane, Graveyard Lane, Barlow House Fm, Lindow Common, Wilmslow. Your Leader: Hilary Bell

E Walk 7.5 miles moderately easy

Alight Wilmslow & return Styal

Lindow Common, Newgate, Saltersley Hall Fm, Burleyhurst Lane, Oak Fm, North Cheshire Way, Quarry Bank Mill, Styal Sta. Your Leader: Janice Ward

OS Map: OS Explorer 268 Wilmslow, Macclesfield & Congleton

Travel Arrangements: 1006 Mcr Pic to Wilmslow. Connections from Lanc 0828 & 0848, Preston 0851, Chorley 0905, Bolton 0921, C'roe 0822, B'burn 08:48 (change at Salford Cres.), Wigan Wallgate (change at Salford Cres.).

Return from Wilmslow at 13 & 36 past each hour. Return trains from Styal at 45 min past each hour.

Ticket Details: Book a Day Return to Wilmslow or consider an Explorer 55 for use on Northern Trains only.

Saturday, March 14th Stalybridge & Greenfield

C Walk 10.5 miles moderately strenuous

Alight Greenfield & return Stalybridge

Intake Lane, Oldham Way, Chew Reservoir, Ormes Moor, Higher Bank, Hall Fm, Moorside Fm, Sidebottom Fold, Stalybridge Sta. Your Leader: Nik Grounds

D Walk 8 miles moderate

Alight Stalybridge & return Greenfield

Stamford Park, Boating Lake, Hopkins Fm, Knott Hill Reservoir, Broad Carr, Holly Bank, Oldham Way, Huddersfield Canal,

Your Leader: Steve Coleman

OS Map: OS OL1 Peak District Dark Peak Area

Travel Arrangements: D Walk: 0951 Mcr Vic to Stalybridge. C Walk: 1032 Mcr Vic to Greenfield. Connections from Lanc 0828 (change at Bolton), Preston 0820 (change at Salford Cres.), Bolton 0918, Wigan Wallgate 0849, C'roe 0822, B'burn 0848, Accr 0828, Burnley Mcr Rd 0839 **Please note:** Those joining the C Walk may be able to catch a later connection to Mcr Vic from their local station to those shown above.

Ticket Details: Book a Day Return to Greenfield

Saturday, March 28th Ilkley Moor Baht'at

C walk 10.5miles moderate 'Ilkley Moor Traverse'

Alight Shipley & return Ilkley.

Leeds L'pool Canal, Shipley Glen, Acrehow Hill, Birch Close Fm, Horncliffe Well, Welcome Way, Millenium Way, Ebor Way, Cow and Calf Rocks, Ilkley. Your Leader: Hilary Bell

D Walk 8 miles moderately easy 'Mills & Moor's

Alight Shipley & return Ilkley

Leeds-L'Pool Canal, Shipley Glen, Dales Way Link, Toils Fm, Eldwick Crag, Bingley Moor, Twelve Apostles, Ilkley Crags, White Wells, Your Leader: Chris Thornley

OS Map: OS Explorer 297 Harrogate & Ilkley Moor

Travel Arrangements: 0844 from Preston to York (B'burn 0904, Accr 0913, Burnley Mcr Rd 0923). Connections from Wigan NW 0823 (change at Preston), C'roe 0822 (change at B'burn), Bolton 0826 (change at Mcr Vic) or 0804 (change at B'burn), Bamber Bridge 0833 (change at B'burn) Mcr Vic 0921 (change at Bradford). On arrival at Bradford we will walk to Bradford Forster Square Sta to catch the train to Shipley.

Ticket Details: Book a day Return to Ilkley but check if split ticketing is an option.

Saturday, April 11th Furness Vale & Whaley Bridge

C Walk 10.5 miles moderately strenuous

Alight Whaley Bridge & return New Mills Newtown

Peak Forest Canal, Buxworth, New Allotments, Moorland House, Pennine Bridleway below Lantern Pike, Long Lee Fm, Sett Valley Trail, New Mills Newtown Sta. Your Leader: Nik Grounds

E Walk 7 miles moderately easy

Alight Whaley Bridge & return Disley

Slatersbank Wood, Hawkhurst Head, The Dipping Stone, Cock Knoll, Handleybarn, Bow Stones, Knight Low, Cage Hill, Parkgate. Your Leader: Mike Smith

OS Map: OS Explorer OL1 Peak District Dark Peak Area

Travel Arrangements: 0951 Mcr Picadilly to Buxton. Connections from Lanc 0828, Preston 0820 & 0849, Chorley 0834, Bolton 0858, Wigan Wallgate 0837, Croe 0721, B'burn 0747 (change at Bolton) & 0818 (change at Bolton)

Ticket Details: Day Return to Whaley Bridge or from Chorley & B'burn* consider buying a GM Wayfarer Ticket. *Valid from Darwen so book a Day Return to Darwen.

Saturday, April 25th Unknown Windermere

C Walk 11 miles moderate

Alight & return Windermere

Pinethwaite, Spigot House, Bow Mabble Breast, Crag Lane, Rulbuts Hill, Lindeth, Brantfell Fm, Your Leader: Roger Fairclough

D Walk 8 miles moderately easy

Alight & return Windermere

School Knott, Crag House, Gilpin Fm, Mitchellend Fm, Helm Fm, High Lickbarrow, Heathwaite, You Leader: Craig Ward

OS Map: OS Explorer OL7 English Lakes SE

Travel Arrangements: 0945 Preston to Windermere. (Mcr Pic 0850, Bolton 0908, Chorley 0920, Lanc 1003), Burnley Cen 0805*, Burnley Mcr Rd 0903*, Accr 0823*& 0912*, B'burn 0837* & 0922*, Wigan NW 0910* (*change at Preston).

Ticket Details: Book a Day Return to Windermere

Saturday May 9th Looking Back at Liverpool

Alight & return Liverpool Lime St

F Walk 4 to 5 miles easy stroll

For Church Alley, The Union Court, The Albany and the Old Hall, For the Bridewell, The Cornmarket, The Queen's Arcade and Ma Boyle's. We look for St Peter's, St George's, the Sanctuary Stone and the lost Liverpool parrot! Your Leader: Stuart Leese

Travel Arrangements: 0928 Preston to L'pool Lime St (Wigan NW 0948). Connections to Preston from Lanc 0858, Burnley Cen 0805, Accr 0823, B'burn 0837, Chorley 0841

Ticket Details: Book a Day Return to L'pool Lime St

Saturday, May 16th Wirral & Hilbre Islands

C Walk 12.5 miles moderate The Hills of Wirral

Alight Bidston & return West Kirby

Bidston Hill, Upton Meadow, Arrowe Country Park, Irby Hill, Thurstaston Hill, Caldy Hill, Marine Lake. Your Leader: Ken Hall

E Walk 7 miles easy Across the Sands to Hilbre

Alight & return West Kirby

West Kirby, Wirral Way, Caldy Hill, Marine Lake, Hilbre Islands, West Kirby. Your Leader: Peter Walker

OS Map: OL Explorer 266 Wirral & Chester

Travel Arrangements: As May 9th, then 1038 from Lime St to Bidston & West Kirby from the low level platform.

Ticket Details: Book a Day return to West Kirby.