

BARNARD CASTLE RAMBLERS

NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2016



Saturday 9th July 2016 Summer BBQ

Linda Bird has kindly invited Barnard Castle group members to a BBQ at Latheholme, Cotherstone at 5.00 pm on Saturday 9th July. Numbers will be limited to 26, strictly members only, and **must be pre-booked by contacting Richard tel. 01833 660780, mobile 07932 180575 or email bcramblers@gmail.com by Sunday 3rd July.** So don't delay, first come....etc. Cost £8.

Joan and Ian will be assisting Linda with the preparation, so no other help will be needed. There will be a short walk open to everyone, starting from Cotherstone Church at 1.30 pm. Non-walkers who have booked for the BBQ should arrive at about 4.30 for 5.00 o'clock.

From Joan:

**Saturday 22nd October 2016 50th Anniversary Celebratory Meal
to mark the final stage of walking the Teesdale Way.**

The final link in our walking of the Teesdale Way, Bowlees to Middleton in Teesdale, will be walked on Saturday 22nd October. An 8 mile circular walk has been organised from Middleton in Teesdale, led by Maggie.

After the walk there will be a buffet meal at approximately 4.00 pm at the Farmhouse Kitchen, Low Way Farm, Holwick (approx. 3 miles from Middleton in Teesdale). The walk and/or just the meal, are open to everyone connected with the group.

Non-walkers should arrive about 3.30 for 4.00 o'clock.

The cost of the buffet meal is £16.50. **Names for the meal with £6.50 deposit must be booked with Joan (01833 637825) by Sunday 16th October.**

Menu

Roast Silverside of Beef, home roasted Ham, Side oven-baked Salmon,
Selection of Quiches including a vegetarian option,
Hot new potatoes, chunky coleslaw, tossed salad, couscous&roasted vegetables, Waldorf salad, a selection of pickles and sauces, and crusty bread.

Sherry and Almond Trifle, Baileys Cheesecake, Fruit Crumble and Custard.

Tea and Coffee

This is a buffet meal so you will serve yourself to as much as you can eat!

This meal will be our final celebration of the year (we have therefore decided not to have a Christmas Lunch this year), so let us end our 50th Anniversary year on a high note.

From Joan:

Publicity display at Bowlees visitor centre

As part of our 50th Anniversary celebrations we have put a display upstairs at Bowlees, which will be in place until the end of August. It consists of posters from the RA along with photos relevant to Teesdale or the RA, especially our group. There are maps and a selection

of the scrapbooks, and one or two “freebies” such as pens or badges for the kids. We have also “borrowed” garments from 54 Degrees North in Barnard Castle. To keep the display looking fresh we plan to change the items from 54 Degrees North every two weeks from Tuesday June 7th. Therefore I will co-ordinate a rota of volunteers to do so on June 21st, July 5th, July 19th, August 2nd, August 16th (or the Monday or Wednesday of that week if more convenient to you). Please let me know (tel. 01833 637825) if you can do one of these dates.

The person changing the display should phone Bowlees first (901833 622145) to check that the upstairs room is available that day, collect the goods and list from 54 Degrees North and take them up to Bowlees; after changing the display, check off the previous list and return the goods to 54 Degrees North.

We would also like to change the photographs from time to time. Anyone is welcome to do so: A5 photos are best; you will need Velcro corners to attach them.

Do go up to Bowlees to see the display; they do good refreshments there too.

50th Anniversary Walks Book

The book of 17 walks in Teesdale with maps and illustrations, written and produced by Ian, Joan and Richard, has been selling very successfully, with several reprints already ordered. It is on sale at £2.50 at the Teesdale Mercury shop, the Witham, Curlews and 54 Degrees North in Barnard Castle, at Bowlees visitors centre, and at The Conduit, the Tourist Information and the newsagents in Middleton.

Members can buy directly from Joan at £1.50.

Hurry to get your copy before they sell out!

From Judith:

Slide Shows

Wednesday 3rd August at 7.30 at the Methodist Church hall, Barnard Castle

Jenny and Gordon - The Great Outdoors Challenge – a strenuous walk across wild Scotland.

Wednesday 5th October (as above)

Judith – Rambling around Central America – Panama, Costa Rica and the Caribbean.

Next year's slide shows

After organising group slide shows for ten years, following on from the excellent tradition set by Joan and Ian, I think it's time for someone else to take over. I'm hoping that another member or members will step forward for 2017. I'm willing to show them the ropes.

Group holidays

12 members have booked for the holiday. The popular choice is the HF house at Church Stretton in Shropshire, which will enable us to walk on the Shropshire hills.

Saturday 26th November 2016 50th AGM

The 50th Annual General Meeting of the Barnard Castle Ramblers will be held at 2.00 pm on Saturday 26th November. Details of the venue and the morning walk will be in the Walks Programme for November.