

August 2019 Newsletter

Holiday season is here and I hope everyone jetting off for sunnier climes has a wonderful time whether you're hiking up mountains or glued to a sun lounger. This is your time to do with what you will, you've earned it, so enjoy it.

My better half and I will be heading off to Canada to enjoy the stunning scenery of Vancouver Island and Lake Louise which means there will be a few weeks during the month where others will have to lead a walk if we are to maintain a full timetable. One of the pleasing things for me over the last few months, is how several members of the group have supported my efforts in delivering the walks.

As the group continues to grow, it is essential that this continues. I've said before I always envisioned others leading walks with me acting as a coordinator. I will still lead them of course, but we have in our number many people with great knowledge of different parts of our area/region as well as qualified mountain leaders and members of walking organisations such as the LDWA and the Ramblers. We should always be looking to build our portfolio of walks.

So people willing to fill in the gaps please let me know.

Mid Week Walks (all mid week walks start at 6.30pm)

Wednesday 7th August - Third time lucky! Meet at Memorial Park opposite Greenland Primary School

I am away for walks on the 14th/21st/28th if anyone would like to lead one please get in touch.

Walks Time Table

Sunday 4^{th} August 9.30am - Allensford Loop - meet at the Car Park next to the bridge for a 4 mile loop.

Sunday 11th August 9.30am - Smiddy Shaw and Waskerley Loop - met opposite the old Moorcock pub DH8 9DS

Saturday 31st August 8.00am Tesco - Lakes Trip destination TBC

I am away for walks on Sunday the 18th & 25th August. Anyone willing to lead a walk please get in touch. **Ben Nevis** I was thinking about doing Ben Nevis in September and put out a post which many people kindly responded to. It was clear the preference was to do it over a weekend and not a single day which I was proposing. I'll look at a few dates for next year and get back to people. If we get over 20 people for it, the bus is very reasonably priced. In the meantime, we'll stick to the lakes.