

## **November 2019 Newsletter**

October was a great month for the group with us reaching 1000 members (the 1000<sup>th</sup> member was Kara Gibbs) We have found walk leaders for all our walking festival walks and the CHG quiz was a great success and raised £440 for the group. Congratulations to the Twiglets who walked away with the trophy.

Preparations for next year's Consett Walking Festival and Steel Town 20 are ongoing and the Heritage One Hundred Walks are continuing to be developed. I'm looking forward to divulging more information about both over the next few months.

November includes a full programme of walks including a final trip of 2019 to the Lake District. Waldridge Fell makes its CHG debut and a few familiar walks return weather permitting. Hopefully most of the Sunday morning rain has fallen in October.

## <u>Lakes trip - Saturday November 9<sup>th</sup> Buttermere Loop</u>

We will hopefully squeeze in this last trip to the Lakes to do a loop out of Buttermere to take in Red Pike, High Crag and High Stile. We will leave at 8.30am from Consett Tesco as usual. It's quite a good pull out of Buttermere but not too difficult. Almost 9 miles. We park by the Fish Inn at Buttermere. CA13 9XA.

## **Richard Ellis**

Richard, who is part of our group, is a former marine and experienced Mountain Leader. I met with him to discuss some bespoke trips in the new year for the group including a trip up Ben Nevis. You can find him on Facebook at Alpha Mountain Adventures.

## Walks Timetable

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November Allensford Loop - A gentle loop of around 3.5 miles. Dog friendly. 9.30am from old end car park by the A68

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> Lakes - Buttermere Loop - Leave Consett at 8.30am. Begins and ends from carp park by Fish Inn.

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November - Smiddy Shaw Loop - around 4 miles looping round Smiddy Shaw reservoir and Waskerley. Dog friendly. 9.30am Park opposite the old Moorcock pub.

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November - Waldridge Fell - A new walk around the fell, likely to be wet underfoot. About 3.5 miles. 9.30am in main car park.

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November - Derwent Reservoir. Meet at Pow Hill bottom car park for a 7.5 mile walk around the dam tower to Millshield and back. Flat and dog friendly. 9.30am