



Swaledale [2nd February]

- For once members have a choice of three walks set in the heart of upper Swaledale.

Members can either:

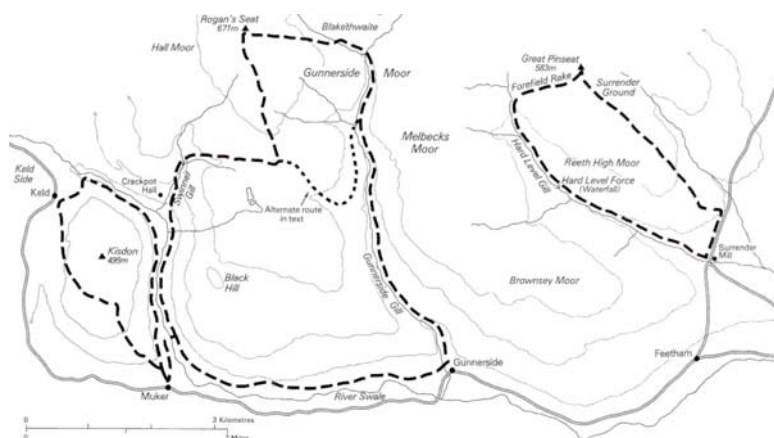
1) be dropped off at Surrender Bridge for a simple and safe 6 mile walk up Hard Level Gill past some interesting mining remains to the very remote summit of Great Pinseat and a return across Surrender Ground,

OR from Muker, members can choose to undertake either:

2) a curious 6 mile circular walk around Kisdon (1637ft) and the Swale Gorge which offers varied early moorland views contrasting with the later gorge scenes.

3) a magnificently varied and very interesting 13 mile expedition though Gunnerside Gill and Rogan's Seat. This offers wonderful scenery throughout (even in the wasteland that is Rogan's Seat - one of the worst mountains in the world) and therefore one which no self-respecting member can neglect!

If you wish to join Steve Walker, Kishor Raichura, Bill Buckton Bob Dixon, Rob Rice, Hedley Oliver, Karyn Parlett, Alan Jones, Anne Marie Forster, Christine Moran & Ian Thomson & John Dougherty please contact Graeme. **FIVE SEATS REMAIN.** Ailie Langston & Linda Boakes will be meeting up at Muker at 9:30am.



Westerdale [1st March]

- This lengthy route explores the source of the River Esk, uses a section of the long since abandoned railway serving mines in Rosedale and offers superb views into four dales. The walk does not involve any steep climbs and despite its length is relatively easy. The famous Lion Inn (the fourth highest pub in England) stands atop the windswept moorland of Blakey Ridge, a narrow ridge of heather-clad moor that divides the deep valleys of Farndale to the west and Rosedale to the east. In the 19th century, this whole area was a hive of industrial activity with numerous ironstone mines, coal mines and even a steam railway! The Rosedale Ironstone Railway was built in 1861 to transport ironstone from Rosedale to Teeside, a feat of engineering that followed the contours of the hills perfectly for 11 miles from Rosedale, around the head of Farndale to Incline Top, above Ingleby Greenhow, from where loaded goods wagons were lowered down a 1-in-5 incline to join the main line at Battersby Junction. The cinder track-bed of this old railway provides a wonderful route for walkers high above Farndale. A track turns off down into the wild upper reaches of Westerdale, as the infant Esk Valley is known. The village of Westerdale lies hidden away in the valley, a peaceful oasis set among some of the most remote and wild moorland of the North Yorkshire Moors National Park.

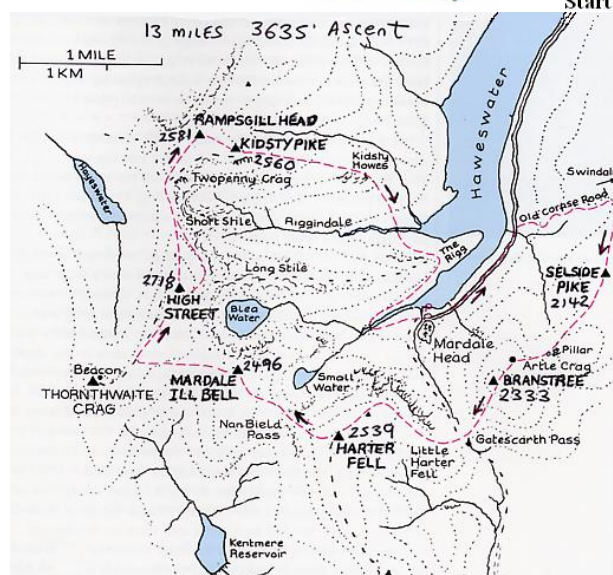
'Privileged bookings', for those who are prepared, if necessary, to use their private vehicles as Club transport in order to allow more than 17 members to participate will open at 9am on Monday 4th February. Otherwise, general bookings from members will open at 9am on Monday 18th February. As only one minibus will be used for this event, please book early in order to avoid disappointment.



Haweswater [29th March]

- At the head of Haweswater, the road comes to an abrupt end. In this remote corner of Lakeland, nature's wares are laid out in perfect harmony. Those who love wander in these wild and craggy places cannot fail to find here a variety of scenery to suit their taste. The classic sculpturing of Blea Water corrie contrasts sharply with the lonely, pathless fells to the east of Haweswater. The mountain pass of Nan Bield, linking Mardale and Kentmere, is the most captivating in Lakeland. This sentinel stands guard over Blea Water's smaller, but no less delightful neighbour, Small Water. As well as the suggested walk, this area offers endless opportunities for the lower level walker, however one 8½ mile suggestion is to ascend Harter Fell via Nan Bield Pass and return to Mardale Head via Branstree and Selside Pike. This would involve only 2539ft of ascent.

'Privileged bookings', for those who are prepared, if necessary, to use their private vehicles as Club transport in order to allow more than 17 members to participate will open at 9am on Monday 3rd March. Otherwise, general bookings from members will open at 9am on Monday 17th March. As only one minibus will be used for this event, please book early in order to avoid disappointment.





LochCarron Week Trip [3rd to 10th May] - Park Cottage, Park House & Roisin Dhu have been booked for week commencing 3rd May 2008 to accommodate a total of 16 participants @ £85 per person. They are situated in one of the most picturesque areas of the Western Highlands and together they provide the perfect base to and explore an area of outstanding natural beauty.

The Scottish Highlands (A' Ghàidhealtachd in Gaelic) include the rugged and mountainous regions of Scotland north and west of the Highland Boundary Fault. The Highlands are popularly described as one of the most scenic regions of Europe. This is walking country with some of the finest walks in the West Highlands For the Munro baggers (the hills over 3000 ft) twelve tops lie within the Glen Carron and Achnashellach area.

Park House is a warm welcoming traditional stone built house carefully restored retaining it's original character. The accommodation on two floors is spacious. There is a large living room (30' x 16') with a dining area, piano, television, dvd player and gas flame fire. The kitchen is fitted with light oak cabinets and fully equipped with fridge freezer, dishwasher, washing machine and microwave oven. The oven and hob are electric. Upstairs there are three bedrooms, two double and one twin bedded room all with pine combed ceilings. There are two bathrooms, one upstairs with a shower and one downstairs with a bath. The house is centrally heated. Park Cottage is next door sharing the same situation. Downstairs there is a large comfortable living room with dining area and television. The kitchen is fitted with oak cabinets and beech wood surfaces with eye level cooker, gas hob, refrigerator and automatic washing machine. The bathroom has a walk in shower, bath, washbasin and toilet. There is a large bedroom with wood lined ceiling and twin beds. Upstairs there's a very spacious double bedroom completely wood lined in the traditional style. The house is centrally heated. Details of Park House and Park Cottage are on www.lochcarron-highland-cottages.com. The nearby Roisin Dhu is a Scandinavian pine lodge. The view from the lounge, the patio area and each of the bedrooms is lovely, overlooking the sea Loch and Attadale. To the rear is a wood and it is situated on a cul-de-sac, which affords it both privacy, and a quiet location. There is off road parking beside the cottage and the garden in front is fenced all round. With the convenience of having shops, garage and hotel all within 5 minutes walk. There is one twin bedroom and two double bedrooms. The kitchen has an electric cooker, refrigerator, automatic washing machine and dishwasher. There is a microwave oven and a good selection of crockery, pots and pans and cutlery. In addition the house has all the usual equipment i.e. tumble dryer, ironing board, toaster etc. The lounge has two, two-seater sofas and two lounge chairs, a colour television, DVD and video players, stereo with CD player. Details of the lodge are on <http://www.lochcarroncottages.co.uk/roisin.asp>. If you wish to join Mike Morrison, Ellen Morrison, John Tetlow, Rose Envy, Karyn Parlett, Alan Jones, Ailie Langston, Margaret Andison, Kishor Raichura, Tony Austin, Lynn Ford, Louise Billcliffe, Christine Moran, Steve Walker & Jean Walker please contact Graeme.



Patterdale [21st – 24th February] – If you want to savor the winter wonderland that is Lakeland, the Club have secured accommodation on the Patterdale Hall Estate. Mike & Ellen Morrison, Tony Austin, Alan Bradbury, Rose Envy & John Tetlow have already booked a 4 night stay (Wed 20th, Thur 21st, Fri 22nd & Sat 23rd) in Parkside 1 for £50. However if you wish to join Louise Billcliffe, Mandy Dawson, Karyn Parlett, Ian Storey & John Dougherty for a 3 night stay (Thur 21st, Fri 22nd & Sat 23rd) in Lodge 1 for £40 per person please contact Graeme - **ONE BED REMAINS**.

Bookings are only accepted via answer-phone (0191 4108730) **OR** Email (civicwalker@talktalk.net). As long as notification of a cancellation is received by 08:00 on the morning of the walk, you will only have to pay £5 (this fee will be waived if the Club subsequently manage to fill **ALL** seats in **ALL** Club transport). In the absence of due notification of cancellation, regretfully you will remain liable for the full **£10** fare. Please don't forget that if you insist upon traveling in your own car, you still must **MAKE A BOOKING** and pay £1 per participant.

MOBILE PHONES will be carried at all Club events: Check = 07899072521, Blue = 07899870136, Red = 07733107877 & White = 07833987222.

26 April	Keswick (Skiddaw)
17 May	Great Langdale (Bowfell)
14 June	Ennerdale (Pillar)