Activity

The newsletter for the Walking and Cycling Section of the Camping and Caravanning Club





John Morris had an enforced detour along the Wolfscote Dale River Dove on his cycle ride from Biggin, Peakland AGM April 2019. It was a rewarding detour!



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TrevMASters' Voice, November 2020

For all of us this season has surely been the briefest on record. Only one of our three Areas managed to hold a meet before the first period of lockdown and, when the season was at last permitted to resume, at least some of the planned meets were cancelled.

I can only express the hope that even though the season was extremely short it at least proved to be sweet! No doubt members who enjoyed memorable experiences will be sending your contributions to Toni to contribute to this edition of Activity. As always, I look forward to reading all your articles.

Staying on the positive side I have two achievements to flag up.

Firstly, our membership numbers continue to rise. Les Morton, our Membership Secretary will no doubt be providing details. All I would want to add is that it really must be our change of name that has attracted such an increase. If you are reading this as one of our new members, I extend a warm welcome to you and express the sincere hope that next year we will not only have a more complete season of meets but that we will be able to resume at least something like the normal programme of walks and cycle rides and social gathering. However, I'm only too aware that as I write this we are just entering the second period of lockdown.....

The second positive is that yet another member of our Section has gained the Club's most prestigious award, the Certificate of Honour! John Allen has a long history of service both to the Northern Area, where he has held a variety of responsibilities, and to the whole Section. If we are able to hold next year's AGM the presentation will be made to him then. Well done, John, and thank you for all you have done over the years and for all you are still continuing to do.

And, to conclude, thanks to all of you who have contributed to servicing our three Area Committees and our Section Council, and stewarded such meets as have taken place in these most challenging of times.

Warm regards to you all,

Trev Masters, Section Chair.

So let me get this straight, there's no cure for a virus that can be killed by sanitizer and hand soap?

WALKING & CYCLING SECTION FESTIVAL OF WALKING & CYCLING & AGM 2021

THE 2021 SECTION FOWC & AGM WILL BE A 7 NIGHT THS HELD AT LODGE BARN SETTLE NORTH YORKSHIRE FROM THURSDAY 29TH APRIL TO THURSDAY 6TH MAY 2021.

THE FOWC EVENT WILL RUN FROM THE FRIDAY TO THE MONDAY (COVID ETC PERMITTING)

THIS WILL BE A BOOKED MEET LIMITED TO 80 UNITS.

BOOKINGS BY EMAIL TO ANDREW WOOD STATING NAME, ARRIVAL DATE, NUMBER OF NIGHTS, AND MEMBERSHIP NUMBER TO: FIREDRIVE@BLUEYONDER.CO.UK

Never in my whole life would I imagine my hands would consume more alcohol than my mouth!!

The spread of Covid-19 is based on two factors: 1. How dense the population is and 2. How dense the population is.

Cyclists, be aware that someone out there has your best interests at heart—this sign proves it!!





No Nativity this year because the 3 Wise Men face a travel ban. The shepherds have been furloughed. The Inn keeper has shut under tier 3 regulations and had a slump in bookings. Santa won't be working as he would break the rule of 6 with Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Donner and Blitzen. As for Rudolph, with that red nose, he should be isolating and taking a test.

The number of individual members has increased from 1256 to 2621 in the last twelve months. It went over 1500 in March, above 2000 in July then 2500 in September. The name change has obviously been a major factor along with new members to the club now seeing



Walking & Cycling Section in the magazine and being attracted to our group.

When this virus thing is over with, I still want some of you to stay away from me.



An attraction worth a visit is the Sky Garden at 20 Fenchurch Street. Entry is free, but you need to book your ticket and time slot online https://skygarden.london website gives full information A lift will whisk you up to the thirty-fifth floor in seconds, and there is a cafe and restaurant. The views are spectacular and you can see the Shard opposite. It can get very busy and I guess you would need to book the restaurant, if you were feeling flush. It is a very short walk from Bank or Monument underground stations.

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Rectory farm



One of the meets for Wessex this year was at Rectory Farm in Gloucestershire. It was our first time there, and it turned out to be a winner. The site is level to gently sloping, easy access, has a shower, toilet and dishwash, a dozen hookup points, and the farmer is a most obliging gentleman who sells various provisions. There is a small garage supermarket 10 minutes' walk down the road and a pub 10 minutes across the fields. There is a multitude of footpaths easily accessible, and a bus to Gloucester or Tewkesbury three times a day. Covid-19 restrictions were observed (no big tea-time groups!) and the facilities were regularly cleaned by the lady of the farm. The weather was kind to us,

and a good weekend was had by all.





Is it too early to put up the Christmas tree yet? I have run out of things to do.

While walking in Gloucestershire we came across proof that some landowners are walker friendly. Admittedly, one or two of the routes were difficult to impossible to find on the ground, but others were well signed with something we had never seen before. The pictures say it all.





Walking and Cycling Section Officers 2019/20

(Further contact details may be found on the website)

Chairperson W&CS Executive Membe	r (2020)	Trevor Masters (07400703731)
Vice Chairperson W&CS Executive Me	ember (2020)	Barry Cowlard (07770 287434)
President		Andrew Wood (07852040724)
Vice Presidents		Carole Booth (07788197649) Christine Stevenson Terry Bishop Diane Goodyear (07761949896) Anne and Howard Crosland
Secretary W&CSExecutive Member (26	019)	Christine Mason (07751312330)
Treasurer W&CS Executive Member		Tim Clarke (07867498825)
PRO/Website Co-ordinator Elected Me	ember (2019)	John Gerner (077348852656)
Membership Secretary Elected Membership	er (2017)	Les Morton (07967900225)
Minutes Secretary		Sandra Wain (07858-529891)
Newsletter Editor Elected Member (20	19)	Toni Busuttil-Reynaud (07762326340)
Webmaster		Adrian Rose
Other elected Members to Section Co. Also W&CS Executive Member	uncil (2019) (2019) (2019)	Yvonne Plevey (07413293198) John Allen (07505906849) Barry Cowlard (07770 287434)
Advisory Officer to National Council		Les Morton
Deputy Advisory Officer (2018)		Barry Cowlard
Representatives to Section Council	Northern Area	Vacancy
	Peakland Area	Jean Morton
	Wessex Area	Deb Masters (07765 040211)
Area Secretaries	Northern Area	Jean Richards (07964902612)
	Peakland Area	Sandra Wain (07858-529891)
	Wessex Area	John Gerner (07734-852656)
Section Forum Reps		Trevor Masters, Debs Masters and Barry Cowlard
National Council Rep. to W&CS		Steve Harris (07567183893)

Meets for 2021 IMPORTANT

W&CS has been advised that the Camping & Caravanning Club would like Meets back up and running as soon as possible, when legally permitted and when safe to do so for all concerned. The Club is confident that if the easing of lockdown goes to plan, then the Areas should be able to welcome members back to Meets from August.

Please be aware that;

- We have not yet been given permission to restart our meets;
- Venues and stewards are subject to change; and;
- Meets may be cancelled due to changes to Government Covid-19 guidance, Camping & Caravanning Club instructions, site owners no longer being able to host meets, or onsite ground conditions.

Please check the latest information on the area Events pages of the W&CS website

https://walkingandcycling.org.uk,

the latest edition of Out & About Magazine, or by contacting the stewards 2 days before travelling.

If you believe all this will end and we will get back to normal just because we reopen everything, raise your hand. Now slap yourself with it.



Wessex 2021 Meets



Date	Site	Stewards
4 th to 9 th March	Winchcombe CCC Site, Brooklands Farm, Tewkesbury, GL20 8NX. 150/007324	John & Polly 07734 852656
18 th to 23 March	Blackmore CCC Site, Hanley Swan, Malvern, Worcestershire, WR8 0EE. 150/812440	Rod & Chris 07979 304620
1st to 6 th April (Easter)	Harrys Field, Abbotswell Rd, Frogham, Fordingbridge, Hants, SP6 2JA. 195/173130	Jon & Anne 07961 198814
15 th to 20 th April	Tangley Village Hall, Sambourn Lane, Andover, Hants. SP11 0JE AGM, Saturday 7pm 185/352511	Robin & Hilary 07948 246425
29 th April to 6 th May (May Day)	National AGM & Festival of Walking & Cycling, Lodge Barn, Settle, BD24 9LT. 98/818647	Andrew & Catriona 07852 040724
13 th to 18 th May	Little Brangwells, Redmarley, Gloucestershire, GL19 3JQ. 150/764300	STEWARDS REQUIRED
27 th May to 1st June (Spring B/H)	Brass Knocker Basin Campsite, Brass Knocker Hill, Limpley Stoke, Somerset, BA2 7JD. 172/781620	Sandra 07944 837386
10 th to 15 th June	Pont Kemys Farm, Chainbridge, Abergervenny, Gwent, NP7 9DS. Invite to Peakland 161/347058	Richard & Sheila 07808 517647
24 th to 29 th June	Beverley Farm, Five Ash Road, Medstead, Alton, Hants, GU34 5EJ. 185/663358	Trev & Deb 07765 040211

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BOOKING ESSENTIAL – Booking procedures to be confirmed.

Date	Site	Stewards
8 th to 13th July	Duncton Hall & Recreation Ground, West Sussex, GU28 0JY. 197/956182	Jenny &Tricia 01702 216265
15 th to 19 th July	Carrog Station Campsite, Corwen, Denbighshire, LL21 9BD. Invite from Peakland 125/117435	Hazel & Andy 07785 746857
22nd to 27 th July	Berry Hill RFU. Lakers Road, Berry Hill, Coleford, Gloucestershire. GL16 7QT. 162/578126	Terry 07821 529005
12 th to 17 th August	Whitemark Farm, 82 Hill Road, Watlington, Oxfordshire. OX49 5AF. 175/696938	Mick & Lindie 07811 883552
26 th to 31 st (August B/H)	Brailes Village Hall. Castle Hill Lane, Upper Brailles, Nr Banbury, Oxfordshire. OX15 5AS. 151/308395	Rae & Bernard 07773 953434
9th to 14th September	Roundhills Camping in the Forest, Beaulieu Road, Brockenhurst, Hants, SO42 7QL. 195/321019	Toni & Annette 07762 326340
23 rd to 28 th September	Nuholme Farm, Worcester Road, Chipping Norton, Oxfordshire. OX 7 5YD. 164/296271	STEWARDS REQUIRED
7 th to 12 th October	Verwood CCC Site, Horton, Wimborne, Dorset, BH21 8NQ. 195/069098	Roger & Judith 07880 544278
21st to 26th October	Moreton CCC Site, Dorset, DT2 8BB. 194/782892	Pat M. 07746 468375



Peakland 2021 Meets



DATE	VENUE	STEWARDS
Wed 17 th - March 4 nights	Alton Club Site, Cotton. Oakmoor, Staffs ST10 3DW 119/066458 Pre AGM Meet	Les & Jean 07967-900225
Thu 1st- April5 nights	Stanley Villa, Drury Lane. Biggin SK17 0DL 119/152595 Peakland AGM Meet & Easter	Peter 07949- 449162
Wed14 th April 5 nights	Eastnor Castle, Ledbury, Herefordshire HR8 1RL 149 &150/733369	Elaine & Robin 07399570796
Thu 29 th April 7 night THS	Lodge Barn. Lodge Road, Langcliffe, Settle BD24 9LT 098/818647 Section AGM Meet	Andrew 07881-788900
Thu 13 th May 3 nights	Foufinside Farm, Parwich, Derbys DE6 1QF 119/183549 INVITE TO NORTHERN	Angela & Simon 07841-104473
Thu 27th ^h May 5 nights	Highfield Farm, Ashford in the Water DE45 1QN 119/194701 Spring Bank Holiday	Cindy 07402- 918205
Thu 10 th June 5 nights	Pont Kemys Farm, Chainbridge, Abergervenny, Gwent NP7 9DS 161/347058 INVITE FROM WESSEX	Wessex
Thu 17 th June 3 nights	York Cycle Rally, Knavesmire Road, York YO23 1EX. Block Booking to be organised early 2021 if running. Check W & C S website	Les & Jean 07967-900225

Contacts: Les (Chair) 07967 900225 & (from 03.04.2021) Mark & Amanda (Sites)07772-364835

DUE TO COVID19 ALL BOOKED MEETS. CONTACT HAZEL ON 07785-746857

DATE	VENUE	STEWARDS
Thu 1st July 4 nights	Tagg Lane Dairy, Tagg Lane, Monyash DE45 1JP 119/035742	Sandra & Roger 07858-529891
Thu 8 th July 5 nights	Castlerigg Farm, Keswick CA12 4TE INVITE FROM NORTHERN	John & Jane
Tu 15 th July 4 nights	Carrog Station Camp Site, Corwen, Wales LL21 9BD 125/117435	Andy & Hazel 07785-746857
Th 26 th August 5 nights	Crich Lane Farm, Moorwood Moor Lane, Wessington DE55 6DU 119 or 269/369573 August Bank Holiday	Graham & Chris 07840-267102 or 07751-312330
Wed 15 th - Sept 4 nights	Rowter Farm, Castleton, Derbys S33 8WA 110/132821	Amanda & Mark 07773-941342
Th 30 th Sept 4 nights	Peak Rail Rowsley Station, Harrison Way, Northwood, Matlock DE4 3NA 119/262643	Anne & Philip 07512-922776
Th 14th-Oct 3 nights	Rushbury Village Hall, Wall under Haywood, Church Stretton SY6 7JD 137/509928 Max 20	Yvonne & Colin 07413-293198
Tu 26 th Oct 5 nights	Newsholme Manor, Slack Lane, Oakworth, Nr Keighley BD22 0RQ 104/028395 End of Season. Max 25	John 07890-455880



Northern 2021 Meets



W&CS NORTHERN AREA 2021 Meets List

This is the Northern Area programme for 2021 which hopefully will be able to go ahead as normal. About half the meets are invites from other area's and DA's. This enables us to have a more varied programme with the small number of stewards we have available. The invites to Arnside and Silpho are both THS's, so you are welcome to stay for a longer period if you want an extended break. Please remember to check the website and Out & About magazine and app for any changes to the programme.

Hope to see you all at some meets next year.

Margaret Allen

DATES	VENUE	STEWARDS
18/03-21/03/21 3 nights	Skipton Auction Mart Skipton Northern AGM 119/344748	Tony & Trish 07748746741
01/04-05/04/21 5 nights	Carr Bank House Arnside Easter 97/476788	NELDA THS
21/04-26/04/21 5 nights	Woodend Farm Austwick Invite from NELDA 98/780691	NELDA
29/04-06/05/21 7 nights	Lodge Barn Settle FOW&C and Section AGM 98/818647	Andrew & Catriona 07852040724
13/05-16/05/21 3 nights	Foufinside Farm Parwich Invite from Peakland 119/183549	Peakland

Just wait a second – so what you're telling me is that my chance of surviving all this is directly linked to the common sense of others? You're kidding, right?

DATES	VENUE	STEWARDS
27/05-06/06/21 10 nights	Kemplerigg Gosforth THS Western Lakes 89/088023	Steve & Lesley 07551199818
10/06-15/06/21 5 nights	High Straggleton Farm Whitby Invite to Peakland 94/875116	Chris & Colin 07968226598
01/07-06/07/21 5 nights	Gargrave Football Club Cagrave Invite from NELDA 103/936545	NELDA
08/07-13/07/21 5 nights	Castlerigg Farm Keswick Booked Meet 90/228224	John & Jane 07842 133160
05/08-10/08/21 5 nights	Pond Farm Silpho Invite from East York DA 101/965922	EYDA THS
26/08-31/08/21 5 nights	Kirkby Lonsdale Rugby Club Kirby Lonsdale Invite from NELDA 97/607793	NELDA
09/09-14/09/21 5 nights	Church View Hutton LeHole North York Moors 100/705900	Geoff & Carole 07765925357
07/10-12/10/21 5 nights	St Annes Cricket Club St Annes Invite from Leeds DA 102/320302	LDA Illuminations meet
28/10- 31/10/21 3 nights	Rolls Royce, Barnoldswick Last Meet Halloween 103/881471	John & Margaret 07505906849

People are scared of getting fined or arrested for congregating in crowds, as if catching a deadly disease and dying a horrible death wasn't enough of a deterrent.

Editor's bit

Hello All, A goodly set of lockdown happenings for this issue— My thanks to all those who sent them in. For those who wish to contribute to future editions, my email address is tonibr@btinternet.com-please feel free to send anything there.

Hi Everybody.
Please note that Peakland are now on facebook. Find us as 'Walking and Cycling Section Peakland Area'



Email Updates

Members can opt in to receive email updates on meets and other events by contacting;

For the Northern Area - jeanrichards@walkingandcycling.org.uk
For the Peakland Area - lesmorton@walkingandcycling.org.uk
For the Wessex Area - johngerner@walkingandcycling.org.uk

AND FINALLY....

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