

## Buckden Walkers – Walks Diary 2014

Herewith the diary of walks for the coming season. Volunteers are sought to lead walks - if you see a date that fits your timetable, please let David & Sue know on 760877 or email [info@dalegarth.co.uk](mailto:info@dalegarth.co.uk) . Equally, ideas on themes, routes, etc. will be much appreciated.

### 2013 Buckden Walkers

	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Monday</b> Approx. 4/5 mls.	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday</b> Evening Strolls Approx. 2/2.5 mls.	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday</b> Average 6/7 miles
March	n/a	n/a	24 <sup>th</sup>
April	1 <sup>st</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	21 <sup>st</sup>
May	6 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	19 <sup>th</sup>
June	3 <sup>rd</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	23 <sup>rd</sup>
July	1 <sup>st</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	21 <sup>st</sup>
August	5 <sup>th</sup>	14 <sup>th</sup>	18 <sup>th</sup>
Sept.	2 <sup>nd</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	15 <sup>th</sup>
October	7 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	20 <sup>th</sup>
New Year's Day, 2014		Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> January	Sue/Dave

\* NB Date changes

### **Volunteers wanted to fill gaps – please contact Dave L. on (01756) 760877**

The 'Sunday Challenge' in the past has seen the conquest of The Three Peaks, the Dales Way, the Inn Way and the Six Dales Trail. Now we are looking for a fresh challenge; three ideas have been put forward – so far!

1. **“888” – Eight miles in eight dales over eight months**, as explained in a recent email from John Milnes :

- Airedale; taking in Saltaire, 5-rise locks, moor tops and returning thro' Shipley Glen
- Bishopdale; (to be devised - a figure of 8 perhaps!?)

- Dentdale; Great Coum
- Malhamdale; Gordale Scar Malham Tarn and the Cove
- Ribblesdale: Whernside from Ribblehead
- Smardale; from Ravenstonedale (probably neither of these proper dales, but a stunning walk with views of Ribblesdale - like railway viaduct)
- Swaledale; Gunnerside Gill
- Wensleydale; Pen Hill and Templars' Chapel taking in West Witton and Swinithwaite (with delicious cakes @ new farm cafe)

There are other 8 milers in these and other (Litton Cover Wharfe etc etc ) dales and others could give input with their own suggestions before deciding on a final programme, and of course they can be done in any order.

2. **“A Sixty-Mile Walk Around Wensleydale”** – from a booklet of the same name, lent by Jayne. A tour in eight parts, averaging 7.5 miles. (*Actually, 5; 8.5; 5.5; 8.5; 8; 6.5; 8 & 10 – but maybe some re-jigging possible.*)

3. **Eight circular walks taken from the Inn Way** book by Mike Reid, based upon Black Sheep pubs. These vary from 5.5 miles upwards, which could lend themselves to better use on the Monday programme.

*To put an eight mile walk into the context of refreshments, two miles to the coffee break, three miles (or once around the Buckden Triangle) to lunch and one more Triangle lap to the end – and the search for a pub on the way home!*