

Buckden Walkers – Sunday Walk – March 25th 2012

Dear Walkers

Firstly, a sincere apology that this information re the forthcoming Sunday walk has not reached you sooner.

The Sunday Programme this year is based largely on the 'Six Dales Trail', created and opened in 2010 and running (!) 38 miles from Otley to Middleham. You can discover more about the Trail by clicking onto www.sixdalestrail.org.uk.

There will be six stages, ranging in distance from 5.3 miles to 7.3 miles.

The first stage takes place this coming Sunday, 25th March. (*Naturally we hope to see as many of you as possible but even if you cannot make this initial walk do have a look at the 2012 programme, set out at the foot of this email.*)

Since we have to travel to Otley, please meet outside The Buck Inn for departure **by 10am.**

The *official* route is 6.3 miles but I confess it will be nearer to 7 since we have to add a little at the end to access our cars.

The route runs from the old Town Clock in the centre of Otley, out through the town crossing the River Wharfe, thence across country via Clifton to Timble Gill Beck, along Washburndale.

The going could be described as 'easy, with short moderate sections' and we found a couple of short sections of muddy lane, passable with care.

Dogs are welcome although there are sheep en route and we encountered one sign of caution: 'Cattle with calves' though we saw none and the sign looked rather old.

Bring a picnic.

We have yet to be offered help with transport via the National Trust and so must assume that we shall have to 'car share'. Sketch maps will be provided per car on Sunday morning.

Friends are most welcome to join us, so do pass the word. We look forward to seeing you; fingers crossed for decent weather.

David and Sue

[Click here](#) for the overall programme of walk dates – leaders still needed