



Liverpool Catholic Ramblers Association Newsletter

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Changes to the committee

With the sad passing of David Newns there have been some changes to the make-up of the committee. Chris Dobbin has taken the vacant role of Club President with George Riley becoming the new Chairperson.

Sadly Peter Dumbrill has resigned from the committee for personal reasons the committee want to take the opportunity to thank peter for his valuable contributions over the last few years. Peter has kindly agreed to still be available to contact when booking walks. The committee would like to welcome Bridie O'Connor and Jacqui McNally on to the committee and look forward to working with them in the future.



Christmas pub crawl

The epic night out began at 4pm in the Ship and Mitre pub and ended at 1.30am in the nightclub Eric's

A great night was had by all with old and new members coming together to enjoy the festive period and an evening without boots and hats!!!

Watch out for future dates for upcoming social events over the coming year.



New Walk Leaders needed

"Attention the club requires more leaders". The club will support new leaders in their training. Dates are available throughout the year ahead.

See link below for the peak district navigation courses.

<https://peakdistrict.cinolla.com/ranger/courses/category/navigation-training>

Anyone interested in the map reading please get in touch with Tracy Higham via the Facebook page as a date will be organised shortly, so we need potential numbers to organise this and a car share can be organised.

Weekend away 18th – 20th May 2018

The Resolution Hotel sits proudly above Whitby's charming town centre with spectacular views of the world famous Abbey, the Harbour and Pannett Park. It's a perfect central location with comfortable accommodation, lounge bar and traditional restaurant. Standard twin/doubles are available at £99.95 per room per night room with breakfast included.

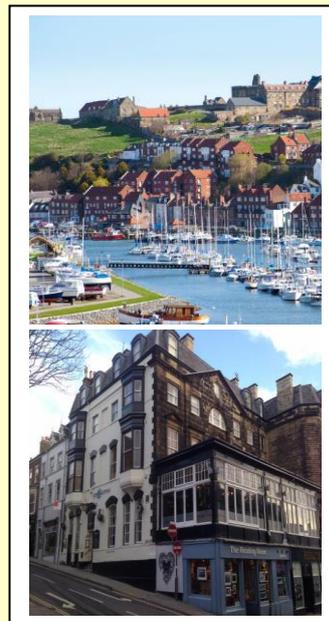
Better rooms are available at a premium. There are no singles.

If members want to attend, its full payment up front, monies can be paid directly into the LCRA account (Mail Will Harris for bank details). There is a mini-bus priced at £30 per head providing we can get 16 on it. As well as the hotel being paid £10 per head deposits are requested for the mini-bus, this is a first come first served offer. We also have a cut-off of the Sunday 25th March, so you have to decide quickly.

Hotel link - <https://resolution-whitby.com/>

If you are interested in attending the weekend away please contact Will, contact details are below in the contacts page.

It has to be noted that the hotel really only has double rooms, there are no twins or singles available. If you can find twin or single accommodation elsewhere you could you could still go on the mini-bus. This though also has to be booked by 25th March.



An open letter to the members of the club from Chris Dobbin Re. Membership Referendum

I am pleased to confirm that the recent referendum on changing the Constitution to give Non-Catholic unrestricted rights of Membership save in the matter of spiritual matters, was approved with a majority of 90% of those voting.

Whilst in the process of arranging the referendum, I was disturbed to learn that some members were putting a different interpretation on the terms under which the Club has operated since the Constitution was amended in 1991, when Non Catholics were admitted to Membership on certain terms. We are and always have been Liverpool Catholic Ramblers Association, open to Non-Catholics, and no change in the rules and Constitution has taken place since 1991, until the recent Referendum altered the position on the 16th October 2017. The comments made were in great danger of sabotaging my efforts to do what I considered was the best for the Club. I have served the club on the Committee for almost 60 years and worked alongside Non Catholic Members for many of those years. I can honestly say that they are among the most enthusiastic Members in the Club and have always respected the fact that we are the Catholic Rambler's.

I have considered that the changes in the Constitution recently approved were in the best interests of the Club and its future, I have appreciated the pleasure which the Club has given me over the years, and I would only want to do the best for the Club and not for my benefit but for the benefit of those who are to come after me.

The LCRA is open to Non-Catholic Members and conducts walks on numerous Sundays throughout the year. They vary in length and physical demands and are in 3 grades: - A, B and C.

All walks are led by experienced ramblers.

A walks can be 10 to 15 miles and are for the more experienced ramblers.

B are shorter.

C are shorter still and can be 7 to 8 miles.

Consideration is given in advance to the difficulty of the course, the terrain, whether stiles, steep hills, or busy roads are to be crossed, and the numbers who may be expected to take part.

Cancellations must be made prior to the ramble otherwise members will be liable to pay the full charge for an empty coach seat
Coach departs at 9.00am prompt unless otherwise stated

Membership

The subscription are £6 per year (single) and £8 per year (couples).

Subscription is renewed each September. The first 2 walks are complimentary but prospective members must submit completed membership forms on the 3rd booking

Walks Schedule – 2018

25/02/18	Clapham, Yorks, via M58
18/03/18	Windermere, lakes, Via m58
08/04/18	Longnor Peaks, Via M62
22/04/18	Anglesey, Wales, viaTunnel
13/05/18	Glenriding, Lakes, via M58
03/06/18	Hebden Bridge, Yorks, Via M58
24/06/18	Grasmere, Lakes, via M58
08/07/18	Bethseda, Wales, Via tunnel
22/07/18	Keswick, Lakes, via M58
05/08/18	Hathersage, Peaks, Via M62
19/08/18	Shap/Askam, lakes, Via M58

Future walks to be announced in due course

General Information

The committee requests if anyone has any issues or would like to discuss anything about the club or any of the walls that you undertake, please could you contact either Will of Sally by email using the following email address: lcrafeedback@gmail.com.
The club welcomes members feedback at all times!!

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Upcoming events

- Weekend away see information on page 2
- Future social events watch out in future newsletters and in the Clubs Facebook page & Website