

HORNSEA DISTRICT WALKING CLUB

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After a fine Spring, the weather through June and July turned rather unseasonal with wind and rain. This resulted in two evening walks being postponed and a Sunday walk rearranged.

The Wednesday Evening Walks began on May 10th with the traditional 5 mile walk from Hornsea via Goxhill and Wassand, led by Stuart Kemp. On the following Wednesdays through May there were evening walks from Beverley via the Westwood, North Frodingham to Foston, and Carnaby to Boynton, led respectively by Neil Patrick, Sue Copeland, and Sylvia Caygill. Into June and there were walks from Burstwick, Beverley Beck, and Bilton led by Joyce Davidson, Stuart Kemp, and Carron York. Alas Steve Smith's walk from Stone Creek on Sunk Island was cancelled because of bad weather. And so into July, when fortunately any rain during the day had generally cleared by 7pm for the evening walks from Hutton Cranswick, Leven, Barmston, and Welton led



by Sylvia, Arnold, Sue, and Joyce respectively. Poor weather again brought about the postponement of the final evening walk around Hornsea on Aug 2nd. This was rearranged for the following week, led by Stuart Kemp.

Venues for Sunday Walks have ranged from Barrow-upon-Humber in North Lincolnshire to Wykeham Forest in North Yorkshire. In between there have been walks from Welton, Hedon, Speeton, Wayrham, and Sproatley.

It was planned that the walk from Welton 18th June would go via North Ferriby where walk leader, Carron, had arranged for a lunch stop at the café at the Riding for the Disabled Centre. Unfortunately a section of the path by the River Humber was impassable due to the high tide earlier that morning. This resulted in a detour up through North Ferriby to reach the café. After a enjoyable lunch, slightly later than planned, it was back up through the village for the walkers, to rejoin their route which followed the Yorkshire Wolds Way through Melton Woods back to Welton.



The walk on 9th July from Speeton, a small clifftop village between Bempton and Filey included a section new to the walkers, including leader Arnold. Since last walked in 2022, a stretch of the King Charles III England Coast Path had opened between Bridlington and Filey. The walkers set off from Speeton down the hillside coming to Coast Path with its new signs on the top of Speeton Cliff. The plan was to follow the new Coast Path north along the clifftop past Reighton Sands Holiday Park as far as Hunmanby Gap. There they joined a lot of holiday-makers heading down onto the Sands. With the tide now on its way out they walked back along the beach, taking a lunch break on some rocks below Reighton. Here some of the group decided to go for a paddle! After lunch they continued along Speeton Sands towards the towering Bempton Cliffs. They now faced a steep climb up Speeton Cliff on the Headland Way to reach their outward route back to Speeton village. It was only a short walk, but the climb from sands to Speeton was nearly 400ft!



The walk from Scalby along the clifftop path to Burniston on 23rd July was cancelled due to the bad weather. Instead, leader Sylvia arranged a shorter walk near to home starting from Hainsworth Park Golf Club at Brandesburton and ending with lunch back at the Golf Club, much appreciated by the eight participants.



Finally, due to walk leader Carron being unwell, the walk in the Peak District planned for the 6th Aug was cancelled. However a few members took advantage of the fine weather and completed an alternative 9 mile walk on the Yorkshire Wolds from South Cave via Mount Airy and Drewton Dale.

Sunday Walks coming up:

Sept 10th: Whitby to Grosmont linear walk, using train one way.

Sept 17th: Sheriff Hutton (10am) for a 9 mile walk via Terrington

Sept 24th: Goathland (10am) for the NYMR Autumn Steam Gala

Oct 1st: Tealby (10am) for a walk on the Lincolnshire Wolds

Oct 8th: Lockton (10am) for a 7 mile walk via The Bridestones

The Annual General Meeting of the Hornsea District Walking Club will be on 21st Nov 2023, 7.00pm at the New Inn, Leven

For more details, see the Club Walks Calendar at: www.dalestrails.co.uk