

Coventry CHA Rambling Club Newsletter June 2024

Report on Annual Lunch

This year's annual lunch took place at Barston Lakes Golf Club on Sunday 21st April.

The meal unfortunately coincided with Coventry City's FA Cup match against Manchester United which probably kept the numbers down. However, for those who attended, there was fine weather and a very nice walk prior to the meal lead by Dieshy. The meal was of good quality, as was the timely and friendly service. All in all, it was a very enjoyable day. Many thanks to Dieshy for organising the event.

Ludlow Sunday walk

Sunday 23rd June was our first Sunday walk for some time. It has been arranged by Theresa.

The coach to Ludlow left at 8:30am from outside the Salvation Army building as usual. Special arrangements have been made for those driving into Coventry to park their cars in Wickes car park which is just the other side of the ring road. Registration number was collected by Debbie and passed on to the Wickes staff so that we did not incur a parking fine, (which would be £100!).

A £1 donation was collected from car owners and donated to a charity supported by Wickes. 37 people attended

Richard and Theresa led a $5\frac{1}{2}$ mile walk from the coach park and it will finish in the town centre. There were different messages given to the driver and traffic diversions that resulted in not spending time at the food centre.

The coach unfortunately broke down at the Allesley turn off onto A45 on return journey a replacement coach was sent reasonably quickly so that the day was a success.

Reminder about the Shrewsbury Annual Day Out

The Annual Outing on Saturday 13th July will be going to Shrewsbury.

The coach will leave from the Salvation Army at 9am. If you haven't already done so, you can book your place by paying £20 to the club. Note: We are NOT able to use Wicks car park as it is a Saturday.

For Shrewsbury trip you can pay using the following methods: -

- 1. Give £20 cash to the treasurer, or one of the walk organisers (Theresa, Malcolm or Sue)
- 2. Send a cheque to the treasurer for £20 made out to 'Coventry CHA Rambling Club'
- 3. Send £20 by on-line Bank Transfer to Coventry CHA Rambling Club account

Further Sunday walks

Following a proposal by Mike, Theresa has organised 6 Sunday coach trips.

The dates are :-Sun 21st July, Sun 18th August, Sun 15th Sept, Sun 22nd Sept. Sun 6th Oct, Sun 20th Oct.



The coaches will leave from The Salvation Army at 9am and return there at approximately 6pm. There will be one main walk of around 5-6 miles and the coach will park up in a location where non walkers can explore and enjoy refreshments etc. and where there is scope for any C walkers to do their own short walk.

Walkers will pay £10 per person on the coach for these trips. Theresa or Debbie will collect the monies on the coach.

We would ask people to commit to going a week beforehand by phone. Please ring Debbie on 07 388 171 485. (Please note that you will be expected to pay if you have put your name on the list but do not attended). However, we will still allow anyone to turn up on the day on the off chance there are still seats available. Wickes will allow free parking on their site as previously mentioned.

Hook Norton Brewery trip

There is still room on board if anyone wishes to go on this trip by vintage coach to Hook Norton Brewery on Thursday 27th June. The coach will leave from outside Coventry Motor Museum at 10am opposite the old fire station. The cost for the trip and a tour of the brewery is £30 per head, but if you do not wish to go on the actual brewery tour, you can just pay £10 for the coach. There is a cafe, a museum and grounds to visit at the site. Please contact Terry if you are interested.



Coffee mornings



We have just had our first coffee morning in Angela's Garden. I'm afraid we were in our coats this year to keep us warm, but apart from one light shower we were able to sit out in the garden. (Hard to imagine that last year we were baking in 22°C of heat in the same garden!!) We admired the lush green foliage and beautiful flowers whist enjoying the delights of homemade cakes, of which there were many! Angela raised £500 for the charity 'Tools for Self-Reliance' from the proceeds, raffle and auction of cakes.

Many thanks to all who attended and those who helped in any way to make it such a success. Thanks also go to our resident musicians.

Our second coffee morning was the hottest day of the year so far! $24^{\circ}C$.

This was hosted by Pauline with the proceeds going 'Mary's Meals'. We enjoyed the delicious cakes and once more were serenaded by our wonderful musicians. There was a vast raffle with numerous prizes. The total raised to date was £760. What's more, there are still two more to look forward to:-

Sandra will open her garden on July 16th and Dieshy has also kindly agreed to receive us on August 13th.

Barn Dance

Terry has arranged a barn dance for Saturday 6th July at Beechwood Tennis club. This event will be shared with members of the tennis club so we have an allocation of 35 tickets. This means first come first served. The cost will be £10 a ticket which includes nibbles. The caller will be our own Julian. Once again please contact Terry for tickets.

January Holiday 2025

For next year's January holiday, we will be going to The Hotel de Paris, in Cromer, Norfolk. The hotel is a 3 star and is just a 2-minute walk from the nearest sandy beach and pier.

The dates for your diary are 19th-24th January 2025.

More details later from Angela.

Important walk information

Due to the recent current economic situation, many pubs are closing or having a change of ownership. Sometimes this means that we are no longer able to use the pub as venue and an alternative must be found. This can happen after the walks have been published in the rambles program. So please check with the walk organiser or look on the CHA website.

The website will be updated as soon as we are notified of any venue changes.

Not receiving club information?

If you are not receiving club information by your nominated method (email or post), or are aware of someone not receiving their information, please contact Angela directly so that it can be sorted out.

A little tip... always look in your' Junk Mail' before you say your email hasn't come! Postal comes out every 3 months, March, June, Sept, Dec on payment of £3.50 until Oct '24.