

## Rail-Ramblers

### THE RAIL EXCURSIONS FOR COUNTRY LOVERS

Ever visited an historic town and wished you could have had a short guided tour arranged especially for you ?

Ever visited a famous castle or abbey and wished you could know more about it ?

Ever wished to climb that peak but were not certain if you could find your way up to the summit and back down again in safety ?

Ever wished you could read a map and follow the footpaths and byways of Britain ?

Do you like the good companionship of kindred spirits ?

If so these are the Rail Excursions for you.

British Rail and the Ramblers' Association have got together to produce this programme of Excursions for Country Lovers - The RAIL RAMBLERS.

The Rail Ramblers take you into the heart of the countryside and make it easy for you.

We give you a choice of free guided walks and visits - each led by a guide from the Ramblers' Association - the people who know the countryside.

No need to join any guided walk or visit though, you can explore the area on your own - a large number of people do just this.

We usually give you a fact sheet on the area to be visited and a sketch map of the town which is our destination - so you can plan your own day and make the most of your visit.

If you are coming walking, just come dressed for the countryside - wear strong shoes or boots and bring a raincoat, plastic mac or other waterproof.

A drink and a packed meal are desirable - we try to visit a cafe or pub at lunchtime and at the end of the day but, this is not always possible.

Interested ?

All you have to do is.

Go to your nearest railway station - about three weeks before the date of your chosen Rail Rambler.

Ask for the special handbill - which gives train times and a full description of each Rail Rambler.

Book your tickets.

Join the Rail Rambler Train.

The Ramblers' Association guides will be on the train to advise you of the details and help you plan your day.

If you would like to know more about the Rail Ramblers please write, enclosing a S.A.E., to the Hon Organiser, Howard Hammersley, 524 Blackpool Road, Ashton on Ribble, PRESTON. PR2 1W.

## Ramblers Association

The Ramblers' Association is a national voluntary organisation whose aims are to encourage rambling and mountaineering, to foster greater love and care of the countryside and to work for the preservation of natural beauty, the protection of footpaths and provision of access to the open countryside.

If you have enjoyed rambling with us why not join us ? Write for a detailed programme of our activities in your area to our local secretaries -

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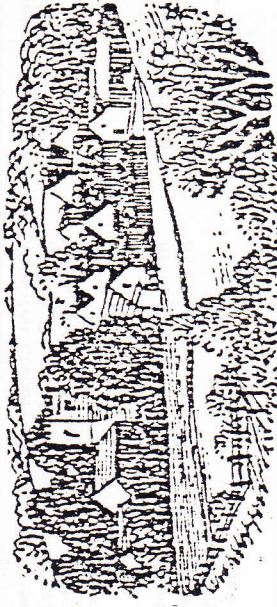
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| Monday 28th May      | Ravenglass<br>St Bees<br>Whitehaven                                        | Nelson, Burnley(C), Rose Grove*<br>Accrington, Rishton * Blackburn<br>Bamber Bridge, Preston.                                            | Eckdale, Black Combe, Whitfell, R&E Riv,<br>St Bees Head, RSPB Reserve and cliff walk<br>or Ennardale from Whitehaven.                                                                                                                          | £4.50 £2.25                                                                            | O.S. 1:25,000<br>Outdoor Leisure Sheet<br>The English Lakes M6                                    |
| Saturday 9th June    | Knighton Llandrindod Wells<br>Bulth Road, Llandovery<br>Llanelli & Swansea | Nelson, Burnley(C), Rose Grove*<br>Accrington, Rishton * Blackburn<br>Bamber Bridge, Preston, Leyland<br>Wigan(MU), Warrington(BQ)       | A rare opportunity :- Swansea over the<br>Central Wales Line, Knighton historic<br>town on Offas Dyke, Llandrindod Wells<br>- Spa Town. Walks in Mtd Wales.                                                                                     | To Llandrindod Wells<br>£5.30 £2.65<br>Llandovery-Swansea<br>£8.50 £4.25<br>May on bye | O.S. 1:50,000 Sheets<br>No 167 Elan Valley &<br>Bulth Wells.<br>No 168 Presteigne &<br>May on bye |
| Saturday 23rd June   | Bishop Auckland<br>Stanhope in Weardale                                    | Blackpool(N), Layton, Poulton-le-Fylde<br>Kirkham, Preston, Bamber Bridge,<br>Blackburn, Rishton* Accrington,<br>Rose Grove.             | A probably never to be repeated visit<br>to Stanhope in Weardale or originally<br>closed to passengers many years ago.<br>Walks in Weardale or spend the day in<br>Bishop Auckland.                                                             | £5.30 £2.65                                                                            | O.S. 1:50,000<br>No 92 Barnard Castle &<br>Richmond.                                              |
| Sunday 15th July     | Wrexham, Ruabon<br>Chirk Gobowen<br>Shrewsbury                             | Nelson, Burnley(C), Rose Grove*<br>Accrington, Rishton* Blackburn,<br>Preston, Leyland, Wigan(MU),                                       | Tenth Anniversary Rail Rambler<br>Offas Dyke, Glyn Ceirion, Chirk Castle<br>Vale of Llangollen, Historic Shrewsbury                                                                                                                             | £4.50 £2.25                                                                            | O.S. 1:50,000<br>No 117 Chester<br>No 126 Shrewsbury                                              |
| Sunday 29 July       | Widmermere                                                                 | Nelson, Burnley(C), Rose Grove*<br>Accrington, Rishton* Blackburn<br>Preston                                                             | Tenth Anniversary Rail Rambler<br>Kentmere, Levens Park, unknown Widmermere<br>High Street Ridge, Ambleside for sailings<br>on Lake Windermere, Lakeside &<br>Haverthwaite Railway from Lakeside.                                               | Nelson Blackburn<br>£4.50 £2.25<br>Preston<br>£3.70 £1.85                              | O.S. 1:25,000<br>Outdoor Leisure Sheet<br>The English Lakes S E                                   |
| Saturday 11th August | Edale, Hope Valley<br>Nottingham                                           | Nelson, Burnley(C), Rose Grove*<br>Accrington, Rishton* Blackburn,<br>Bamber Bridge, Preston, Leyland<br>Chorley, Adlington, Bolton(1S). | Tenth Anniversary Rail Rambler<br>The Dark Peak, Kinder Scout, the<br>Gritstone Edges, Woodlands Valley,<br>Ladysbow, Castleton, the<br>Limestone Dales, Blue John Caverna,<br>Derwent Dale to Chatsworth.<br>Town tour of historic Nottingham. | Edale-Chesterfield<br>£4.50 £2.25<br>Nottingham<br>£5.30 £2.65                         | O.S. 1:25,000<br>Outdoor Leisure Sheets<br>The Dark Peak<br>The White Peak                        |
| Monday 27th August   | Hexham, Corbridge<br>and Hadrian's Wall                                    | Blackpool, Layton, Poulton-le-Fylde,<br>Kirkham, Preston, Bamber Bridge<br>Blackburn, Clitheroe                                          | Over the Saddle & Carlisle to visit<br>Hadrian's Wall and Hexham & Corbridge<br>or the Pennine Way along the<br>Northern Pennines.                                                                                                              | £6.00 £3.00                                                                            | O.S. 1:50,000<br>No 87 Hexham &<br>Haltwhistle.                                                   |
| Saturday 15th Sept.  | Blaenau Ffestiniog<br>Llanrwst, Betws-y-Cond                               | Nelson, Burnley(C), Rose Grove*<br>Accrington, Rishton* Blackburn,<br>Bamber Bridge, Preston, Leyland,<br>Wigan(MU), Warrington(BQ).     | Walks in Snowdonia, the Moelwyn,<br>the Marnod, Nignt, Swallow Falls<br>from Betws-y-Cond Ffestiniog Riv to<br>Porthmadog Slate Caverna.                                                                                                        | £5.30 £2.65                                                                            | O.S. 1:25,000<br>Outdoor Leisure Sheets<br>Snowdon, Conwy Valley,<br>Harlech and Gala.            |
| Saturday 29th Sept.  | Whitby<br>and the North York Moors                                         | Blackpool(N), Layton, Poulton-le-Fylde,<br>Kirkham, Preston, Bamber Bridge,<br>Rishton* Accrington, Rose Grove.                          | Walks in Esk Valley, Lyke Wake Walk,<br>Rosedale, Darby Dale, Grosmont,<br>Goathland, North York Moors Railway<br>to Pickering, Whitby.                                                                                                         | £7.30 £3.65                                                                            | O.S. 1:25,000<br>Outdoor Leisure Sheets<br>North York Moors E &<br>W Sheets.                      |

**NOTES** • Calls on Return Journey Only.  
Children (5 years and under 16 years). Half Fare - If accompanied by an adult.  
Bicycles Free : subject to space being available on the trains.  
Passengers from Chorley may obtain Rail Rambler tickets for most trains at  
Chorley. Where a suitable scheduled service exists, they may use their tickets  
for travel between Chorley and Leyland or Preston to join the Rail Rambler train.  
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A Special Handbill giving full details of guided walks and visits as well as a brief  
description of the area to be visited, along with full details of travel arrangements  
is available for each Rail Rambler Excursion. Ask at your local manned station or  
BR appointed travel agents. The facilities shown in this Rail Rambler brochure are  
subject to alteration or cancellation. Prices shown are those in force at the time  
of printing and are liable to alteration. Current prices will be shown on the  
special handbill and can be obtained from British Rail manned stations, British  
Rail Travel Centres and BR Appointed Agents.