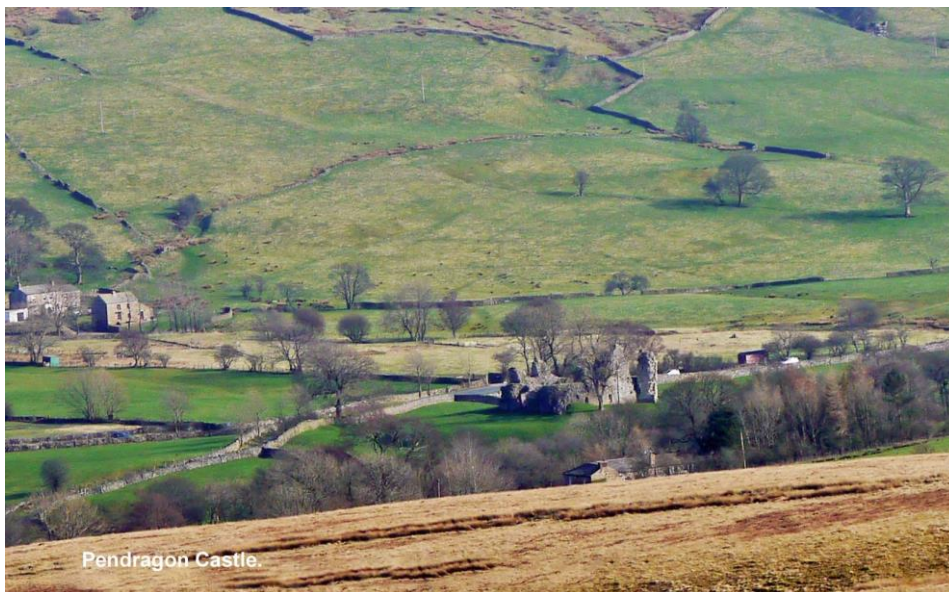


## Tales from DalesRail

### What I like about DalesRail Barbara Mulholland

*DalesRail may not be operating in 2020 but that doesn't stop us sharing our many interesting experiences about our journeys. We hope you will share your interesting stories, favourite walks, fascinating anecdotes and pictures about DalesRail. Please send them to [Richard.watts.crl@gmail.com](mailto:Richard.watts.crl@gmail.com) or Simon Clarke at [simon.clarke.crl@gmail.com](mailto:simon.clarke.crl@gmail.com)*

I'm sure prospective rail ramblers thinking of joining us next season, 2021, would be interested to hear that there is far more to enjoy than they might imagine. Firstly, there are the rail journeys themselves. As soon as you board the train at any of the many stations between Blackpool North or your local chosen station, of which there are numerous, until it's arrival at Carlisle, you can enjoy the varied scenery along the route.



Great views from the train  
Mallerstang and Pendragon Castle – John Barnes

Many of us have made long lasting friendships with likeminded walking companions with whom we catch up with on the trains each week. It's a very sociable atmosphere onboard and, as you can imagine, we are never short of things to chat about! However, if people chose to sit quietly and watch the wonderful countryside DalesRail passes through, they are able to do that too.

Whilst travelling, if you haven't already made up your mind, you can choose to disembark at the station of your choice and explore by yourself or peruse the choice of walks of various lengths and join a guided walk led by experienced volunteers

Personally, I have been fascinated and learned a lot about the variety of the geology and geography of Lancashire, Yorkshire and Cumbria that the train passes through, and then getting a closer look when actually on one of the guided walks. I should also mention that I have also learnt a lot about the history and botany of these areas too.



There's a lot to see and learn when you join DalesRail  
Stank Lane towards Appleby – Richard Watts

I feel that being out in our beautiful countryside benefits mind and body.

Join us next season!

Looking forward to meeting old friends again, and hopefully some new ones too!

**Barbara Mulholland**