

The Virtual DalesRail - guided walks from the Bentham Line 1963

The first Lancashire DalesRail ran in 1976 as a charter service and coupled up with an equivalent service from Leeds. In 1978 Clitheroe station was reopened for DalesRail for a mere £2,000. As is well known to all DalesRailers the service has always been strongly linked to encouraging people to get out into the countryside from Lancashire and to take part in a guided walk. Yet the idea of using rail for guided walks is not new.

Take a look at the handbill sent in by Craig Ward dating from September 1963. This shows an ambitious programme of guided walks starting from Giggleswick, Clapham and Ingleton stations. Yes that's right Ingleton just before it closed in 1964. Just like today's DalesRail it must have been a long day out especially for those coming from Manchester and for rail enthusiasts it travelled over the now closed Colne to Skipton line.

ORGANISED RAMBLES


FROM

GIGGLESWICK CLAPHAM and INGLETON

(FOR ROUTES SEE OVER)

RAMBLES AVAILABLE FOR INDIVIDUALS AS
WELL AS ORGANISED PARTIES

LEADERS PROVIDED



Special Excursion

DARWEN	BLACKBURN	ACCRINGTON	ROSE GROVE
BURNLEY	BRIERFIELD	NELSON	COLNE
SKIPTON	GIGGLESWICK	CLAPHAM	INGLETON

SUNDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 1963

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE

FROM	DEPART	RETURN FARES—SECOND CLASS														ARRIVE BACK
		Darwen	Blackburn	Accrington	Rose Grove	Burnley Barracks	Burnley Central	Brierfield	Nelson	Colne	Skipton	Giggleswick	Clapham	Ingleton		
MANCHESTER Victoria	9 25	3/9	4/9	4/9	5/3	5/6	5/6	5/9	6/6	6/9	9/6	11/3	12/3	13/-	9 23	
PENDLETON Broad Street..	9 30	3/6	4/9	4/9	5/-	5/3	5/3	5/6	6/6	6/9	9/6	11/-	12/-	13/-	9 17	
BOLTON Trinity Street	9 48	*2/9	*3/10	4/-	4/6	4/9	4/9	5/3	5/6	6/-	9/-	9/9	10/3	11/-	9 0	
ARRIVAL TIMES		am 10 11	am 10 39	am 10 50	am 10 59	am 11 3	am 11 6	am 11 11	am 11 15	am 11 20	am 11 37	pm 12 20	pm 12 29	pm 12 38		
RETURN TIMES		pm 8 40	pm 8 30	pm 8 19	pm 8 9	pm 8 6	pm 8 4	pm 7 59	pm 7 55	pm 7 50	pm 7 30	pm 6 58	pm 6 50	pm 6 40		

*—Available by Any Train.

NOTE: RAMBLERS ARE REQUESTED NOT TO USE UNRESERVED COACHES UNTIL THE COACHES FOR RAMBLERS ARE FULLY OCCUPIED

PLEASE SEE OVER FOR DETAILS OF RAMBLES

Children under three years of age free, three years and under fourteen, half-fare.

British Railways

LONDON MIDLAND REGION

TICKETS CAN BE OBTAINED IN ADVANCE AT
STATIONS AND OFFICIAL RAILWAY AGENTS

CONDUCTED RAMBLES

FROM

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Any person travelling on the Special Excursion may take part in the Organised Rambles but those not accustomed to long walks are asked to refrain from joining the STRENUOUS Party. The Rambles are led by Official Guides of the Ramblers' Association (Manchester Area) by the following routes:

A PARTY—Strenuous (16 miles) Book and alight Ingleton

via: Crina Bottom, Ingleborough Hill, Chapel-le-Dale, Whernside, West Fell to Ingleton.

B1 PARTY—Moderate Strenuous (14 miles) Book to Ingleton alight at Clapham

via: Ingleborough Woods, Trowgill, Gaping Gill, Ingleborough Hill, Chapel-le-Dale, Scales Moor to Ingleton.

B2 PARTY—Moderate (12 miles) Book and alight Giggleswick

via: Settle, Sugar Loaf Hill, Victoria Cave, Catrigg Force, Stainforth, returning along Riverside to Settle and Giggleswick.

B3 PARTY—Moderate (12 miles) Book to Ingleton alight at Giggleswick

via: Feizor Austwick, Clapham, Newby to Ingleton.

B4 PARTY—Moderate (12 miles) Book and alight Ingleton

via: Thornton Hall, Mason Gill, Leck Hall, Lalthbutts, Burton in Lonsdale, Coppa Hill, returning to Ingleton via Riverpaths.

C PARTY—Easy (7 miles) Book and alight Ingleton

via: Circular walkaround the beautiful and famous water falls of Ingleton.

BOOK IN ADVANCE

The organisers reserve the right to adjust the numbers in the parties to suit the capacity of the catering facilities, etc.

Routes will be altered at the discretion of the leaders to suit the prevailing conditions.

Passengers intending to join one of the parties should carry some food; it is also advisable to have suitable strong footwear and to carry a light waterproof.

Guides and their assistants will give every help and information possible to passengers but no responsibility is undertaken for accidents or loss.

Passengers taking dogs on the rambles are requested to keep them under control.

"REMEMBER THE COUNTRY CODE"

KEEP TO THE PATHS ACROSS FARM LANDS
AVOID DAMAGING FENCES, HEDGES AND WALLS

THE RAMBLERS' ASSOCIATION

MANCHESTER AREA

RAMBLERS' EXCURSIONS FROM MANCHESTER 1964

4th OCTOBER—CONGLETON

18th OCTOBER—PENISTONE

15th NOVEMBER—GRASSINGTON

6th DECEMBER—LLANDUDNO

Special Cheap Fares

Organised Rambles

Everybody Welcome

Enquiries relating to Rambles should be addressed to: Ramblers' Association (Manchester Area)
Hon. Excursions Organiser.

Mr. J. HARPER, 61 Warwick Road South, Firswood, Manchester 16.

Please enclose a stamped addressed envelope when making enquiries.

PLEASE SEE OVER

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See below a link to a superb animation created by Katie from CRL called Tales From DalesRail

[Tales From DalesRail](#) – a virtual DalesRail project