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| Hello Everyone and Welcome to this week’s Tuesday News.Following yesterday's announcement of the road-map that will gradually lift the current restrictions, the NEC has issued the following statement:*On 22.02.21 the NEC COVID-19 sub-committee met to discuss the statement made by the Prime Minister to the House of Commons in relation to the road-map out of the current lockdown in England. It was noted that organised sport might be able to commence from 29.03.21 although the exact detail of what exactly will be allowed has not been published.Between now and the 29.03.21 the NEC will seek to engage the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) and establish what will be allowed under the auspices of our National Governing Body sport status. Once it has been clarified what can be allowed, the NEC will update the membership and advise of any necessary paperwork that has to be completed.Thank you for your understanding.David MorganLDWA Chair*We will of course keep you updated as soon as there is progress to report.**Happy Days**Brian Graves has been in touch:*I noticed you have been putting some "memory lane" events in your "News" so thought you might like some photos of the trip organised by John Nickerson in 2008 to the Lake District. We are ascending  Blencathra via Souther Fell.*[Blencathra](https://ldwa.org.uk/BedsBucksAndNorthants/W/7773/bbn-lake-district-weekend-2008.html%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank)It’s great to see some lovely photos of friends enjoying the Lake District sunshine  More photos next week of the group on Catbells.And while we are wandering in the Lakes - Nicky Wood of Lakeland Group is running February’s LDWA virtual challenge, showcasing the area and revealing interesting facts every day. Last Wednesday it was all about Lakeland Breweries. So many! Who knew? Lots of you will have sampled some of these goodies. Here’s a reminder.  [Lake District Breweries](https://ldwa.org.uk/BedsBucksAndNorthants/N/7769/lake-district-micro-breweries.html)I’m running on empty with news now folk – it may have to be Herdwick sheep next week!A reminder of the LDWA Virtual challenges and a heads up that Julie Cribb and the NW Grampian group will be hosting the virtual event for March – more lovely photos of a beautiful area to look forward to plus lots of interesting local information.**BBN Committee Meeting: Thursday 25th February**Anybody have anything they would like to bring to the attention of the committee? Let me know asap.**BBN Anytime Challenges**With restrictions around organising challenge events likely to be in place for some time to come, the NEC has developed guidelines for groups to offer challenge events as Anytime Challenges. These are for LDWA members only, who can enter via SiEntries, download the route description and then walk the event on a date of their choosing within a given period. This is all, of course, subject to whatever Covid restrictions in place.Work is continuing behind the scenes to offer the Chiltern Kanter and the Pick & Mix as Anytime Challenges as soon as this is possible. Both these Anytime Challenges will count towards BBN’s new Triple Challenge (Hannington Hike, Chiltern Kanter, Pick & Mix - walked in any order).Mike Hyland has been out locally checking the Chiltern Anytime Kanter route – seeing this beautiful sunrise from Ivinghoe Beacon made the early start in sub-zero temperatures (and his frozen drink) worthwhile.   [Ivinghoe Beacon Sunrise](https://ldwa.org.uk/BedsBucksAndNorthants/N/7774/sunrise-at-ivinghoe-beacon.html)**BBN Newsletter**A reminder that your contributions for the Spring Newsletter are welcome. The deadline is Friday 12th March.  Plenty of time for you to get in touch.  Any hints and tips? What have you been doing since we could all walk together? BBN’s Virtual Y 100 Sir Fynwy entrants, how is your planning and training going? And until we can all walk together again and have a lunchtime chat over a pint …..Don’t worry, be hoppy!What did the bottle write on the postcard? Wish you were beer!What is the definition of a balanced diet? A beer in each hand.You can’t find happiness at the bottom of a beer. Obviously, who is happy when their beer runs out? Gill Bunkerbbn@ldwa.org.uk ***To keep up-to date with the latest news about walking in the pandemic and how this has affected the LDWA, please see***[***https://ldwa.org.uk/library/coronavirus2020.php***](https://ldwa.org.uk/library/coronavirus2020.php)   |

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