



# Grapevine Newsletter 10

## Welcome.

To the Vermuyden LDWA 10th newsletter.

Along with AGM news, our social walks commence thinking of any newer members.

Our latest LDP Wednesdays foray

And what two weekends over 500 folk enjoyed in Wombwell, Barnsley.

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## Upcoming Group Social Walks

- **Sun 29th Jan 2023 - Hobbling around Hatfield**

18ml. 08:30 To park Hatfield Moor c.p. Hatfield Woodhouse Doncaster. DN7 6DS (nearest, up lane directly opposite)

*Leader – Bill Palmer*

- **Wed 1st Feb 2023 - The Danum Trail - Pt 1 - Danum to Conisboro.**

21.5ml. 08:30 We are to use Public transport for this route. We will muster in front of the Dome Sports Centre. Gliwice Way DN47PD.

*Leader – A Hookway*

- **Sun 26th Feb 2023 - A Nightjar we go hunting (a figure of 8 walk)**

18.5ml. 08:30 To park Thorne North train station. Fieldside Rd Thorne, Doncaster DN8 4HZ.

*Leader – A Hookway*

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- **Wed 1st Mar 2023 - The Danum Trail - Part 2 - Conisboro to Askern**

22ml. 08:30 We again use Public Transport. To start Conisborough Train Station DN12 3DE. We can use bus number 408 to get us back to Doncaster in half an hour.

*Leader – A Hookway*

- **Sun 26th Mar 2023 - The Wander to Wroot (a figure of 8 walk)**

20ml. 08:30 To park Hatfield Moor c.p. Hatfield Woodhouse Doncaster,, DN7 6DS (nearest, up lane directly opposite

*Leader – John Woolley*

- **Wed 5th Apr 2023 - The Danum Trail - Part 3 - Askern to Hatfield.**

16ml. 09:00 Note the change of start time.. To muster Station Street Askern, on street parking if desired DN6 0JA.

*Leader – A Hookway*

- **Sun 23rd Apr 2023 - Bamford, Edges, Hope and Anglers.  
(a figure of 8 walk)**

20ml. 08.30 To Park at The Anglers Rest, Taggs Knoll, Bamford S33 0DY.

*Leader Peter Poppy*

- **Wed 3rd May 2023 - The Danum Trail - Part 4 - Hatfield to Danum**

15.5ml. 09:00 Another 9am start. To muster High St, Hatfield, There is a c.p if desired DN7 6RS.

*Leader – A Hookway*

- **Sun 21st May 2023 - A return to the Cop a PPP**

20ml. 08:30 To park 15 Eastgate, Honley, Holmfirth HD9 6PA,

*Leader Roy Turner*

The routes above that are a figure of 8 would be good to come and give us a try....

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## AGM News

Nine folk met at 09:00am Kings Chamber Thorne for the 2023 AGM along with a little breakfast. Once all got a drink (tea was the preferred option at this time of a morning) after a few informal discussions.

(Ed. It was nice for all to welcome Dave Ashford back to the group, Dave Newbould showed up as well as Chris and Maggie Haley)

Aaron kicked off the proceedings once the informal discussions died down.

### Election of Officers:

Aaron informed members Sally Buck has finally stood down as interim Chairman. After all it was a 12 month tender but this is the first AGM back post Covid19 . We thank Sally for her involvement with the group.

The following was agreed:

Chairman: Vacant

Secretary: Vacant

Treasurer: Peter Poppy

Minute Sec: Vacant

Walk Coordinator: Aaron Hookway

### Secretary's Report:

As Aaron is standing as interim Secretary he thanked all the Walk Leaders for their work during last year. We managed a full monthly program with a reasonable turn out on each walk planned.

### Walk Secretary's Report:

It was decided at this time that the group may not be in a position to host a summer challenge event. We need a few more volunteers to put their heads above the parapet and we will see how the Spring pans out

A good Programme had been put together for 2023 with a few figure of Eight Routes for people to come and try us....

Treasurers Report: Pete gave an account of the accounts he told us the club funds are in a healthy position.

After AOB we closed the formal proceedings and enjoyed a lovely breakfast, toast or sandwich.

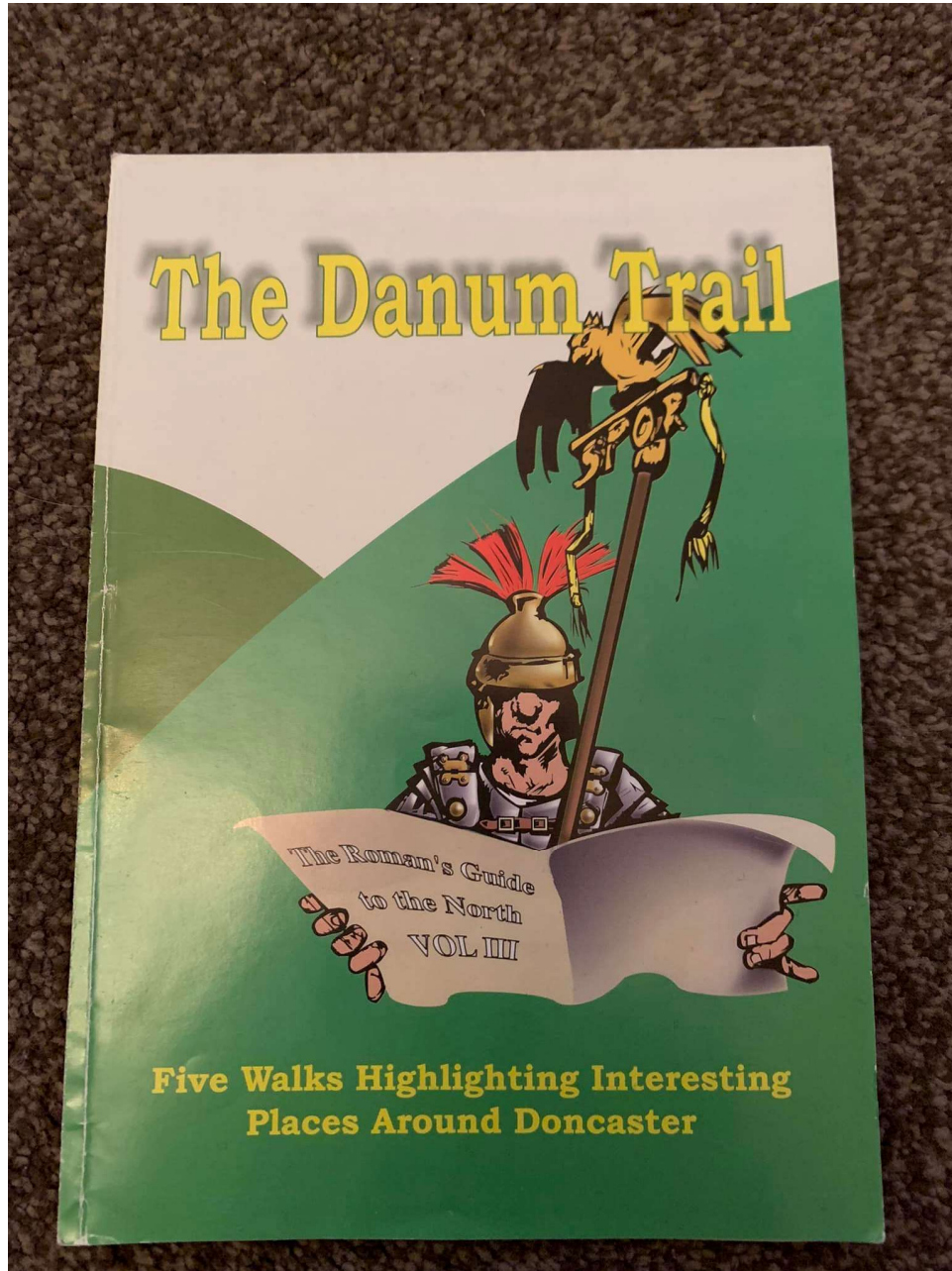
Aaron

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## LDP Wednesday Walks

This year's LDP Wednesday walk is to be The 70ml Danum Trail

After a social walk last year that saw us stumble upon a waymark from the 1970s the walk sec bought a book...



Using this book I have managed to transpose onto a modern map, the route is still doable so has been split into 4 sections.

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### **Wed 1st Feb 2023 – 08.30am**

#### **The Danum Trail - Part 1 - Danum to Conisboro.**

The route leaves Donny to enter Rosso, Arriving at Tickhill Castle and the 3 Tuns at Stainton. Passing through Braithwell & Micklebring and crossing the M18 motorway for the first time. We enter Conisborough and the Castle to arrive at the Train Station, We get the train back to Doncaster where we will part to find our ways home

### **Wed 1st Mar 2023 – 08.30am**

#### **The Danum Trail - Part 2 - Conisboro to Askern**

The route leaves Conisboro by the Ferryboat wharf footbridge, turning R along the Sheffield & Don navigation. Crossing at Mexborough Low Lock to follow North along the River Dearne. Leaving the river towards Barnburgh. Crossing the Great North road at Barnsdale Bar to enter Askern via Campsal & Norton. We get the bus back to Doncaster where we will part to find our ways home

### **Wed 5th Apr 2023 – 09.00am**

#### **The Danum Trail - Part 3 - Askern to Hatfield.**

The route now leaves Askern and enters the floodplains of the Humberhead Peatlands. Crossing the East Coast main line at Askern Stile number 2 we pass close to the hamlet of Moss arriving at Sykehouse. Crossing the New Junction canal at the lock we loop around the green lanes to Fishlake. Stainforth and enter Hatfield. Bus number 87a can take us back to Doncaster or directly home

### **Wed 3rd May 2023**

#### **The Danum Trail - Part 4 - Hatfield to Danum**

We leave Hatfield via Carr Side Lane cross the M18 and find Gatewood Lane. Negotiating the A614 to find the path along the River Torne to enter Auckley. Through Brockholes Farm we cross the M18 for the last time into Cantley. The route goes through Sandall Beat wood around the Racecourse roundabout back towards the Dome



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## Challenge Events

We have certification for a number of open challenge events.  
Along with cloth badges at a cost of £3.00 each

We can supply the route descriptions for each of the following:

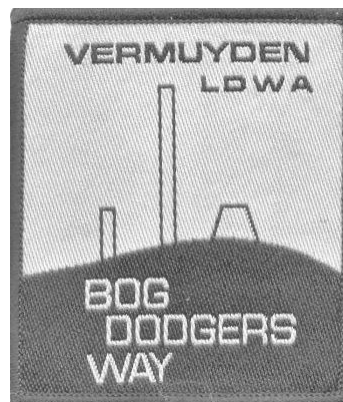
- The Vermuyden Way



20mls around the  
Humberhead Levels

- The Bog Dodgers Way

20mls over some of the  
wettest bogs to be  
found



## The Doncastrian Way



33mls around the 'old'  
1970s civic boundary of  
Doncaster

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# The Trans-Pennine 100

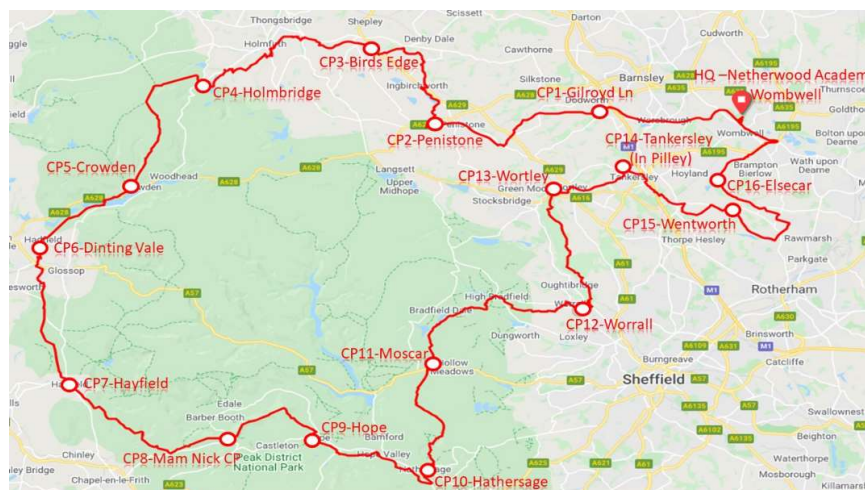
**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2022**

(marshals event 30<sup>th</sup> April – 2<sup>nd</sup> May)



## THE ROUTE

- HQ Wombwell. Barnsley
- 1. Gilroyd Lane (Dodworth)
- 2. Penistone
- 3. Birdsedge
- 4. Holmbridge
- 5. Crowden
- 6. Dinting Vale
- 7. Hayfield
- 8. Mam Nick Car Park
- 9. Hope
- 10. Hathersage
- 11. Moscar
- 12. Worrall
- 13. Wortley
- 14. Tankersley (in Pilley)
- 15. Wentworth
- 16. Elsecar



**OMG!!!**

What a pair of weekends

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Maybe a picture or two can tell a thousand words...



Our T-P100 mascot Frank sat in the Colin Wormold trophy



The main hall in full swing, morning noon and evening (for 50 hours +)



Food, Food glorious food !!!!



A sea of Bags in the Registration Hall; baggage return hall and....





A very tongue in cheek sign to the sleeping hall but for them that know, the first resting place after the 'hundred' is like the sleep of the dead.

We were a very happy bunch during the weekend of the main event not so much for these two on the marshals...

Poor Abi packed in at Hathersage, yours truly got round in 43ish hours





During the weekend I gave out some Special completion badges and certificates.

I did about seven 10 completions got an award

A couple of 20 with three 30 then a very very special one for Len as it was his 40th!!!!





And nots let forget about our sweep team.....

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## @VermuydenLDWA

We at Vermuyden LDWA have embraced the Social Network and have a presence on line to rival most LDWA groups.

Our Facebook page relays recent walk reports and other group related events.

[www.facebook.com/groups/706018186227802/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/706018186227802/)

Our Pinterest account collects The Elsecar Skelter certs (historical to present). Any churches we pass en route during group walks (thanks to Linda W) our knowledge of churches has grown extensively, any Waymarks and Fungi we pass also en-route.



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Our Twitter and Pinterest feeds can be found @VermuydenLDWA

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## About social walks

This piece of writing answers some questions you may have if you are either a newbie long distance walker or haven't been on a Vermuyden Group social walk before, our walks Programme is arranged on a monthly basis (with a few ad hoc walks) and we aim to make our walks Programme varied with both local and more distant start venues. Our policy is to make them social rather than competitive events and we do take account of the slower walker. We usually arrange a pub stop at lunchtime as part of this policy. All are welcome to join us!

### What is a Social Walk?

A social walk is a Group walk solely for the enjoyment of the members as a social event, and led by one of the Group. A social walk is the opportunity to meet the Group members, so come along and try one.

### What happens on a Social Walk?

The walks are usually on a Sunday and usually start at 8:30am. Note that we really mean it when we say "start at 8:30am". If you turn up late, we will have gone. Unless you let the walk sec know and we will of course hang on for you.

Typically we walk until approx. 5pm stopping for elevenses in the morning and sometimes a short stop late afternoon. (We stop for a longer break at lunchtime). Often we stop at a pub (no more 2hr stops mind you! A nice ¾ hr. stop for ladies convenience and drink something other than water nowadays!) We don't issue walk descriptions, ask the leader whose contact details will be on the website for details. The distance will be around 18 to 20 miles, a bit shorter in the middle of winter, but the walk description online will tell you how long it is.

### I've never walked twenty miles before. How will I cope?

Most reasonably fit people can walk twenty miles. You may suffer the next day and find it a bit tough the first time, but after a few goes it will become easy. If you have any doubts, try walking 12 miles in four hours and see how you do.

### What about the weather?

The walk will happen whatever the weather (we are not made of sugar). The leader will adjust the route to the prevailing conditions if too severe.

### Is there a charge?

No. You are automatically a priority member of the Vermuyden Group if you are an LDWA member living in S York's, and all social walks are free to all and everyone.

### Will I be left behind?

No. The leaders will know how many are on the walk, and will wait for the slowest walkers to catch up every time there is the possibility of going wrong.

### Do I need to phone beforehand?

No, but phone the leader/walk sec if you have any questions.

### Do I need a map?

No, but it doesn't hurt to bring one along if you have one.

**(Many thanks to the Dorset group for the idea of these notes).**

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## **And Finally**

Again I have cobbled this newsletter together as yet another stab at giving the group a bit of a leg up.

I am thinking of putting it together as I input the Strider details 3 times a year.

If anyone wishes anything adding just send me details.

## **Aaron**

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