

AGM – 14th October 2025

Report from Walks Co-Ordinator

The 2025 walk programme is coming to an end and seems to have gone well despite the false start, where a heavy snow resulted in the first two walks of the year being cancelled.

I would like to thank our 29 Walk Leaders who have contributed an enormous amount of time and effort to give us such a wide and varied series of walks.

If all goes to plan, then there will have been 128 Walks in 2025 and at the time of writing this report (26th September) the walks have had 135 different attendees.

Once again thank you to Sue G for organising the Christmas Lunch and in the New Year a meal for which she also led the walk. In 2025 this was slightly delayed due to the snow mentioned earlier. Sue is arranging both again this year. The New Year Sunday Walk and lunch will be on the 11th of January – pop it in your diary.

I would like to thank Arnold for his continuing work in delivering the highly successful Thursday evening and Saturday morning shorter pub walks. Once again these have been well attended. Thank you, Arnold.

We had our Annual Challenge Walk in June. This was the Yorkshire 3 Peaks organised by John & Judy followed by an enjoyable pub meal plus rehydration. Well done to all completers - it is a toughie! Thank you, John & Judy, for this.

In the summer, we had several Friday walks led by Diana (linear) and Judy (a linear plus a couple of more challenging walks). These provided an additional variety to the programme. Whilst I don't think I should have a favourite walk I loved the High Cup Nick walk.

We did a holiday again. Huge thanks to Judy and Jean for organising our stay at HF Church Stretton in Shropshire. Thanks also to everyone who contributed to leading walks. We had a fabulous time, great weather with some super walking followed by food, drink, quizzes and music in the evening. I'm sure we're all looking forward to the 2026 holiday at HF Thorns Hall, Sedbergh, Cumbria in May 2026. The holiday is fully booked with a waiting list.

Work has commenced on the walks schedule for 2026. The success of the 2026 programme is down to the efforts of our walk leaders. If you would like to lead a walk, then please feel free to speak to me. Similarly, if you have any views, comments on how we may improve the programme then please let me know.

Thank you.

Graeme (Walks Co-ordinator)