

A HIKE IN THE PEAKS – LADYBOWER RESERVOIR

Sunday, 27 October 2019

Join Lincs Quest for a hike in the beautiful Upper Derwent Valley of the Peak District at Ladybower Reservoir. Ladybower was completed in 1945 to supply an ever-increasing demand for water in the cities of Sheffield, Nottingham, Derby and Leicester. This resulted in the flooding of the villages of Derwent and Ashopton and, when water levels are low, as they were in 2018, you can glimpse the village remains. The Derwent Dam, which separates the Derwent and Ladybower reservoirs, was used for training during WWII by the 617 'Dambusters' squadron.

Start time for walk: 10.30 am (please note there is no mobile phone signal at Ladybower – we will allow 10 minutes waiting time, but then will have to depart)

NB: The clocks go back this weekend, so you have an extra hour in which to travel to the Peak District!

Meeting point: Outside the Fairholmes Visitor Centre, Derwent, Bamford S33 0AQ in the Fairholmes Car Park. Cost £4.75 for all day. Public Conveniences are located at the car park, and there is a refreshment kiosk.

Walk Details: The walk climbs up from Fairholmes, through woodland, to an open ridge, with glorious views and returning via the path by the reservoir. It is 5.5 miles, with an ascent/descent of 180m (590 ft). In case of wet weather, we will enjoy a more leisurely, undulating 6 mile walk around the reservoir.

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