

AUGUST

Archaeology Trail – Saturday, August 17th , 2pm – 5pm

Discover the archaeology of Ilkley Moor. This is a strenuous walk, with uphill walking.

Leader: Alex Gibson. Walking grade: strenuous. Meeting point and parking: White Wells car park

Heritage Walk: Across Crawshaw Moss and Neolithic Sites – Sunday August 18th , 2pm – 4pm

A 4-mile walk starting on the lower slopes and gradually climbing to the Twelve Apostles standing stones; continuing to the Trig Point at 1,281 feet: the highest point on Ilkley Moor; and returning down Keighley Road. A strenuous walk of 4 hours, with uphill climbing. This walk uses rough moorland tracks and crosses boggy terrain.

Leader: Tracy Gray. Walking grade: strenuous. Meeting point and parking: White Wells car park.

Wildlife Explorers: suitable for push chairs and wheel-chairs - Monday, August 19th , 2pm – 4pm

A summer school holiday activity for children and young people to discover the landscape of the moor and the animals, insects and plants which live there. Wildlife identification, pond dipping and planting wildflower seeds (in pots to take home) will form part of this activity walk. An easy, slow walk of 1 mile.

Leader: Tracy Gray. Walking grade: easy Equipment: provided. Meeting point and parking: Darwin Gardens car park. Booking: All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Wildlife Explorers - Tuesday, August 20th, 2pm – 4pm

A summer school holiday activity for children and young people to discover the landscape of the moor and the animals, insects and plants which live there. Wildlife identification, pond dipping and planting wildflower seeds (in pots to take home) will form part of this activity walk. An easy walk of 2 miles.

Leader: Tracy Gray. Walking grade: easy Equipment: provided. Meeting point and parking: Darwin Gardens car park. Booking: All children must be accompanied by an adult.

SEPTEMBER

Moorland Bats - Saturday, September 7th , 7.30pm – 9pm

A guided walk to discover the night creatures of the moor, in particular bats. Bat detectors will be used to identify the presence of any bats. A moderate walk of 3 miles around the tarns and within the pine woodland; some uphill climbing involved.

Leader: Andrew Milne. Walking grade: moderate. Equipment: please bring a torch if you have one Meeting point and parking: Darwin Gardens car park

Heritage Walk: Archaeology - Saturday, September 14th , 2pm – 4.30pm

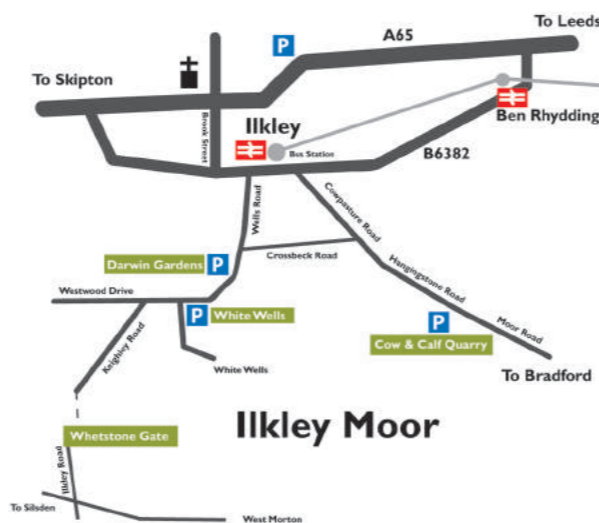
A walk to the Green Crag Slack area of Ilkley Moor, where there is the greatest concentration of archaeological features on the moor.

Leader: Gavin Edwards and Tracy Gray. Walking grade: moderate with some steep inclines and uphill climbing Meeting point and parking: Cow and Calf car park

Heritage Walk: Twelve Apostles and Beyond – Sunday, September 15th, 2pm – 4pm

Climb to the highest point on the moor to discover areas of archaeological and geological interest.

Leader: Tracy Gray. Walking grade: strenuous, with uphill climbing. Meeting point and parking: White Wells car park.



NOTES

Booking is required for all events and can be made up to 48 hours in advance by contacting Tracy Gray either by email or by phone: tracy@ilkleymoer.org / 07780 535860

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Our events involve differing levels of walking grades, some are suitable for pushchairs and wheelchairs. Please wear suitable footwear and clothing.

Well behaved dogs are welcome on a lead unless stipulated.

ABOUT FRIENDS OF ILKLEY MOOR

Each year the Friends of Ilkley Moor put on a range of events including guided walks, fun activities and informative events that are free for everyone to enjoy.

We are a registered charity that works to restore, protect and improve Ilkley Moor for the benefit of the local community and visitors alike. We have raised thousands of pounds since our inception in 2008.

If you would like to support us please visit our website.

ILKLEY MOOR VOLUNTEER DAYS 2024

The third Tuesday of every month:

March 19th, April 16th, May 21st, June 18th, July 16th, August 20th, September 17th, October 15th, November 19th, December 17th.

The FoIM organise regular volunteer days for the local community to help with the conservation of Ilkley Moor; and endeavor to offer worthwhile volunteering experiences to build peoples understanding of and gain skills in the conservation of upland habitats.

This year the FoIM are teaming up with Moors For The Future and Bradford Council to help out with the peatland restoration works taking place on the upper slopes, extra volunteer days will be arranged for this work. Booking is essential for any volunteer day so that we can manage numbers and health and safety issues.

Meeting point: Darwin Gardens car park, Ilkley, 10am - 1pm
Please wear suitable clothing and footwear, bring some sturdy gloves, a packed lunch, water and/or flask. Tools are provided. Contact Tracy Gray: projectofficer@ilkleymoer.org/07780 535860

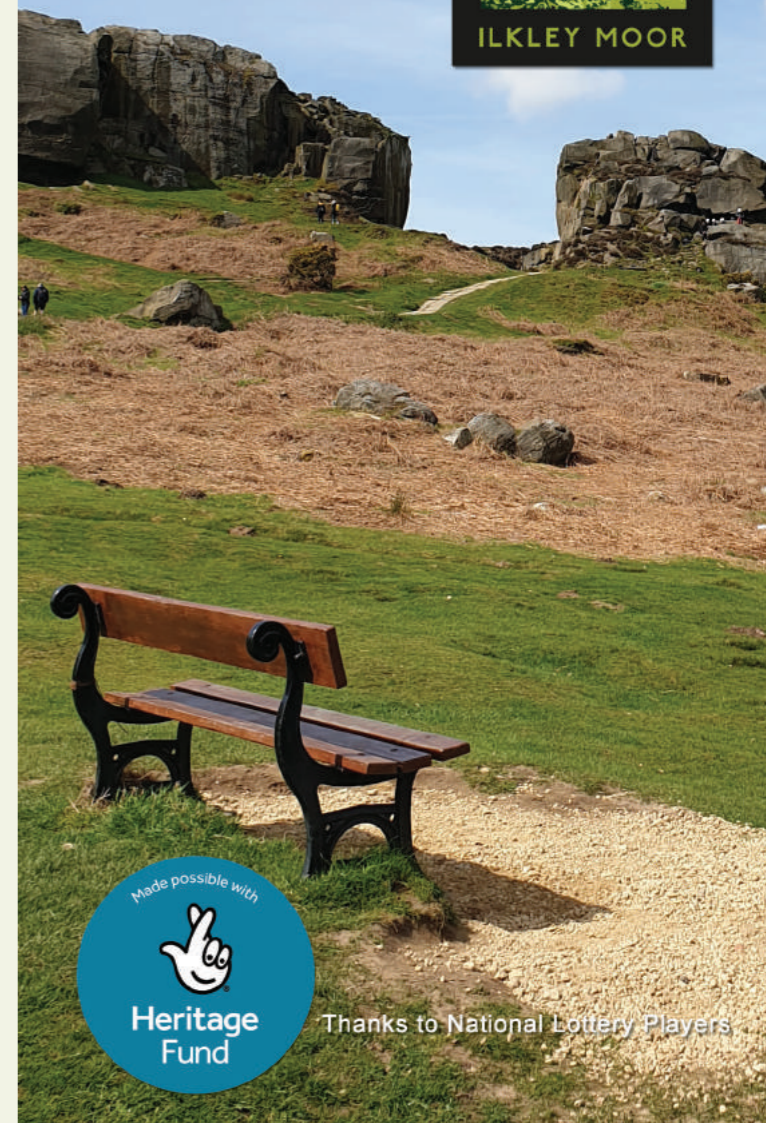
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EVENTS &
LEARNING
PROGRAMME

2024

Friends of Ikley Moor AGM
Friday, May 24th - Starts 7.30pm
 Our AGM will be held at the Clarke Foley Centre, Ikley. All are welcome.

APRIL

A Stroll on Ikley Moor - Saturday April 13th , 2pm - 4pm.

Discover the beauty and special heritage of Ikley Moor. This walk is perfect for those who are new to walking, people with push chairs or wheelchairs, or people who just want a gentle stroll.

An easy walk of 1.5 miles on flat, sometimes slightly sloping paths.

Leader: Tracy Gray. Walking grade: easy, suitable for people with push chairs and wheelchairs.

Meeting point and parking: Darwin Gardens car park

Bracken Management on Ikley Moor - Sunday, April 14th, 2pm - 4pm

This event introduces people to the plant, bracken and the different methods to control this. With a look at past work by the Friends of Ikley Moor to control bracken on the moor; and to celebrate the Friends of Ikley Moors success in securing funding to control bracken, in selected areas, using a flailbot. A circular walk of 2 miles, around the lower slopes of the moor, with some uphill climbing.

Leader: Tracy Gray. Walking grade: easy. Meeting point and parking: Darwin Gardens car park

Habitat Management and Footpath Maintenance - Third Tuesday of each month, 10am - 1pm

Gain skills and understanding in upland habitat management and restoration. This event is an informative and practical conservation morning to help manage and restore the habitats of Ikley Moor and maintain a network of footpaths. Learn why the provision of a hardwearing network of footpaths helps protect the adjacent habitats and species. Meet the regular volunteers who go out each week to help conserve the heritage of Ikley Moor.

Leader: Tracy Gray and Bradford Council Countryside Officer. Walking grade: moderate. Meeting point and parking: Darwin Gardens car park. Booking: essential Dogs: unsuitable

MAY

Heritage Walk: Cow and Calf - Saturday, May 18th, 2pm - 4pm

From the popular parking place at the Cow & Calf Rocks to the quieter areas beyond, discover the famous Cow and Calf Rocks, the geology of quarry faces, streams, a small gorge, a Cup and Ring Stone and Rocky Valley. This is a moderate walk of two hours, with lots of resting stops along the way, to make it a leisurely walk, some uphill walking involved.

Leader: Tracy Gray. Walking grade: moderate. Meeting point and parking: Cow and Calf Rocks car park

Heritage Walk: Woodland Way - Sunday, May 19th, 2pm - 4pm

This walk winds in and out of the woods that form the lowest slopes of Ikley Moor. Some up-hill walking involved.

Leader: Tracy Gray. Walking grade: moderate. Meeting point and parking: Darwin Gardens car park

Peatland Restoration on Ikley Moor - Saturday, May 25th, 2pm - 4pm

This event introduces people to the ecology and conservation of the peatland habitat on Ikley Moor. Discover the work the Friends of Ikley Moor have been doing in partnership with Bradford Council to help restore Ikley Moor's peatlands. Learn the benefits of this for biodiversity, flood alleviation, carbon capture and reduced fire risk. A moderate walk of 4 miles, with uphill climbing.

Leader: Tracy Gray. Walking grade: moderate. Meeting point and parking: White Wells car park

The Plants and Trees of Ikley Moor - Sunday, May 26th , 2pm - 4pm

Discover the trees, flowers, grasses, mosses and lichens of Ikley Moor, in the full glory of summer. A moderate walk of 3 miles, some uphill climbing involved.

Leader: Tracy Gray. Walking grade: moderate. Meeting point and parking: Darwin Gardens car park

JUNE

Heathland Management on Ikley Moor - Saturday, June 15th , 2pm - 4pm

This event introduces people to the ecology and conservation of the heathland habitat on Ikley Moor. The event covers the identification, distribution and status of heathland, relevant legislation, habitat requirements and threats to habitat survival. People will also learn about the plant bracken, different methods to control this and to celebrate the Friends of Ikley Moors success in securing funding to control bracken, in selected areas using a flailbot. A circular walk of 3 miles, with some uphill climbing.

Leader: Tracy Gray. Walking grade: moderate. Meeting point and parking: Darwin Gardens car park

A Stroll on Ikley Moor - Sunday, June 16th , 11am - 1pm

Discover the beauty and special heritage of Ikley Moor. This walk is perfect for those new to walking, people with push chairs or wheelchairs, or people who just want a gentle stroll. An easy walk of 1.5 miles on flat, sometimes slightly sloping paths.

Leader: Tracy Gray. Walking grade: easy, suitable for people with push chairs and wheelchairs. Meeting point and parking: Darwin Gardens car park

The Birds of Ikley Moor - Sunday, June 16th , 2pm - 4pm

A guided walk to discover the birds of Ikley Moor. Ikley Moor forms part of the South Pennine Moors Special Protection Area (SPA) designated under the European Union Bird's Directive for its internationally important breeding birds.

Leader: Tracy Gray. Walking grade: moderate, please bring binoculars if you have them. Meeting point and parking: Darwin Gardens car park

Heritage Walk: White Wells Moorland - Sunday, June 30th , 2pm - 4pm

This walk takes you from the edge of the town on to the high moor, with wide views across Ikley and the Wharfe Valley. The walk takes about two hours and is on reasonable paths, although there will be muddy areas in wet weather. The first part is all uphill but with a good break halfway at White Wells. The walk starts at Darwin Gardens.

Leader: Tracy Gray. Walking grade: moderate to strenuous. Meeting point and parking: Darwin Gardens car park

JULY

Stones and Scones Walk - Saturday July 20th, 1pm - 4pm

A trail of discovery to introduce people to the different stones on the moor, including the Stanza Stones. A circular walk of 3 miles starting and finishing at the Craiglands Hotel in Ikley. This walk will use the newly restored lower footpath up to the Cow and Calf Rocks and will involve some uphill walking.

Leader: David Whitehead. Walking grade: moderate. Meeting point and parking: outside the entrance to Craiglands Hotel, Ikley. Tea and scones will be available, for a charge, in the Craiglands bar at the end of the walk. Walk from 1pm until 3pm. With the option at 3pm to have tea and scones (price for tea and scones is £8).

Wild Plant Food Forage - Sunday, July 21st , 11am - 1pm

Discover the wild edible and medicinal foods found on the moor. A moderate walk of 3 miles.

Leader: Tracy Gray. Walking grade: moderate. Meeting point and parking: White Wells car park

Social History Guided Walk - Sunday, July 21st, 2pm - 4pm

Leader: Alex Cockshott, Ikley Civic Trust. Meeting point and parking: Darwin Gardens car park.

