

Mid Yorkshire Fungus Group

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MEETINGS AND FORAYS 2017

News

A new ancillary group, the **Craven Section of MYFG**, has been inaugurated by Archie McAdam, principally to cater for the needs of members at the western edge of our "territory" (Skipton and beyond), who may find it rather difficult to attend events in the central area (however, it should be emphasized that all MYFG members are welcome to attend events organised by the Craven Section!) The group is still evolving at the moment: details of the first two events are included in the schedule below, and those of others will follow as they become available. All events will take place on the first Wednesday of each month (including December) and will run from 10.00 AM to 12 noon. For further details, please contact Archie on 01756 793359 or helenandarchie@helenandarchie.f9.co.uk

Indoor Meetings

These are held at 7.30 p.m. (though the time may vary slightly) in the Friends' Meeting House in Woodhouse Lane, Leeds (opposite the University, at the junction between St. Mark's Street and Woodhouse Lane - SE293349. There is a car park behind the Meeting House in St. Mark's Street.) Meetings are, when possible, on the first Thursday of the month. **Please take note of the dates printed here!**

The first indoor meeting of the year will be on **16th March**, when we will discuss our finds and forays last year. The following two Spring meetings will be on **April 6th** and **4th May**, which will be the date of our AGM, with refreshments.

There are no indoor meetings in June, July and August.

The first three **Autumn** meetings are on **21st September**, **5th October** and **9th November**. They will be identification sessions, and these are always enjoyable and an opportunity to learn more. Bring along your finds, guide books and magnifying glasses; there are a few electric points if you want to bring a microscope or computer. It can be helpful to bring an extension lead too.

On **7th December** we will have our Midwinter Social. We ask everyone to bring along a small contribution of food or drink (no alcohol, please) and we will discuss our future programme; all suggestions are welcome!

Forays (outdoor meetings)

Details below. These all start at 10.30 a.m. unless otherwise stated.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Thursday 16 March

Indoor meeting

Friends' Meeting House, Woodhouse Lane, Leeds: directions and details above. 19:30 - 21:00 approx.

Wednesday 5th April (10:00 start)

Craven Section - Swinsty Reservoir

Leader Archie McAdam Tel 01756 793359

10:00 - 12:00. Meet at the car park south of Swinsty Reservoir. For further details, please email or phone Archie.

Wednesday 3 May (10:00 start)

Craven Section - Microscope Meeting

Leader Archie McAdam Tel 01756 793359

Microscope workshop - 10:00 - 14:00, Trinity Methodist Chapel, Skipton. Please let Archie know if you plan to attend (email/phone.)

Thursday 4 May

Indoor meeting - AGM

Friends' Meeting House, Woodhouse Lane, Leeds: directions and details above. 19:30 - 21:00 approx.

Wednesday 7 June (10:00 start)

Craven Section - Middleton Woods

Leader Archie McAdam Tel 01756 793359

Meet at Ilkley Swimming Baths car park (SE 118 484). Grassland and then a short walk uphill into mixed woodland. Further details from Archie.

Wednesday 5 July (10:00 start)

Craven Section - Cumberland Trail

Leader Archie McAdam Tel 01756 793359

Meet at Strid car park on B6160 between Bolton Abbey and Barden (SE059563). Please consider car-sharing as parking is limited. Further details from Archie.

Wednesday 2 August (10:00 start)

Craven Section - Austwick Hall

Leader Archie McAdam Tel 01756 793359

From Austwick, head north-east along Main Street. Turn left onto Townhead Lane; the Hall is about 100m on the left (SD767688; postcode LA2 8BS.) Further details from Archie.

Saturday 19 August

Breary Marsh

Leaders Carol and Rod Wood: Tel 0113 2610535.

Meet in the big Golden Acre car park on the A660 (see below.) Do not go under the road to Golden Acre.

Saturday 2 September

Golden Acre Park Public Foray

Leader Anne Bowers. Tel: 0113 275 8957

NON MYFG MEMBERS MUST BOOK: ring the leader Anne Bowers on the above number. The park is on the main A660 road from Leeds to Otley, just before Bramhope as you leave Leeds. The X84 bus from Leeds stops by the car park which is opposite

the main park gate. We'll meet on the path below the café terrace which is near the main gate. There are loos next to our meeting place.

Wednesday 6 September (10:00 start)

Craven Section - Hebers Ghyll

Leader Ron Golightly

Heading west out of Ilkley (towards Skipton), at the traffic lights (SE106480) turn onto Victoria Avenue; continue uphill, then turn right onto Grove Road, and continue onto Hebers Ghyll Drive. Park near the end of the road (SE098473). Mixed woodland on left (south) with plenty of dead wood (woodland on right is private and not accessible). Further details from Archie.

Sat or Sun 9-10 September

Harlow Carr

No finalised arrangements as yet - this may be either a public or private (MYFG only) foray. Further details will follow as available.

Saturday 16 September

Swinsty

Leaders Mike and Joyce Clerk: Tel 01943 468176

Meet at the car park just south of the causeway over Fewston Dam at SE186538.

Thursday 21 September

Indoor meeting

Friends' Meeting House, Woodhouse Lane, Leeds: directions and details above. 19:30 - 21:00 approx.

Saturday 23 September

Bretton

Leader Alan Braddock. Tel:01924 275631

Meet at the car park in West Bretton village SE 283132. This is the easiest place to park; we then walk to the Park.

Saturday 30 September

Brockadale

Leader Kat Woolley Tel 07709041335

Meet at the car park at the end of Leys Lane SE513173, Little Smeaton, near Pontefract WF8 3LJ. Parking space is limited so car-sharing would be good.

Wednesday 4 October

Craven Section - Parceval Hall (10:00 start)

Leader Archie McAdam Tel 01756 793359

Cross the bridge at Barden, and follow the slow narrow road to the T junction, and go right to Parceval Hall. Further details and map from Archie.

Thursday 5 October

Indoor meeting

Friends' Meeting House, Woodhouse Lane, Leeds: directions and details above. 19:30 - 21:00 approx.

Sunday 8 October

Strensall Common

Leader Mal Greaves: Tel 01904 468887.

Park at the car park at SE 649613

Sunday 15 October

Fountains Abbey

Leader Denise Carter Tel: 07801 557388.

NB 11am start. From the Pateley Bridge to Ripon road, turn to Studley Roger (NOT the Visitor Centre road) and follow road to the right through the entrance archway to Studley Park. Follow signs to the Lakeside car park and park at the far end near the loos; this is SE 278692. National Trust members please bring cards.

Sunday 22 October

British Library: Members only foray.

Leader John Heap: Tel 01937 587922

The Library is the first building along the road into the Thorp Arch Trading Estate as accessed from the village of Walton. The entrance (SE444740) is clearly marked by a prominent sign on the verge. Meet in the visitors' car park to which the Gatehouse Staff will direct you. OS sheet 105 York and OS Explorer 289 (Leeds) are relevant. Bus 770 Leeds-Wetherby (check!) stops only a couple of minutes' walk from the Library at "Walton Corner" bus stop. Members only.

Saturday 28 October

**Community of the Resurrection,
Mirfield**

Leader Dave Barker: Tel 01484 315261.

Meet at SD 189209. The Community of the Resurrection is on Stock's Bank Road. If the car park is full there is always plenty of room to park on Stock's Bank Road itself. Always wax-cap heaven!

Wednesday 1 November

Craven Section - Black Hill foray (10:00 start)

Leader Archie McAdam Tel 01756 793359

Please note the late change of location for this event. It will now be held at Black Hill, at the highest point on the road between Embsay, near Skipton, and Barden (SE 037 554). Meet at the car park at the side of the road (just before the cattle grid.) Further details from Archie.

Saturday 4 November

Cumberland Trail, Strid Woods

Leader Archie McAdam Tel 01756 793359

Meet at Strid Car Park on the B6160 road between Bolton Abbey and Barden at SE059564. No need for an Ilkley meeting-up, but please consider car-sharing.

Thursday 9 November

Indoor meeting

Friends' Meeting House, Woodhouse Lane, Leeds: directions and details above. 19:30 - 21:00 approx.

Saturday 11 November

Hardcastle Crags

Leader Anne Bowers. Tel as for Sept 2nd

Meet at Clough Hole Car Park on Widdop Road at SE 969298. This is the 'top' car park at the top edge of the valley overlooking the landscape. If you have SATNAV it is HX7 7AZ.

Saturday 18 November

Churchyard crawl

Leader Mary Lerner: Tel 0113 2612589.

Reviving a popular activity in which fish and chips may feature. The morning foray starts at St Chad's church, Far Headingley SE 275370. After lunch, proceed to St. John's church, Adel, at SE 275403 for the afternoon discoveries. Both churchyards are good for waxcaps and can include *Hygrocybe calyptriformis*. Depending on weddings and things, the order may be reversed, but notice will be given in plenty of time.

Saturday 25 November

End of season Lawnswood

See below for parking arrangements. Leader and tel.no. as above and below. Full day, not as below, which is usually a morning only.

Wednesday 6 December

Craven Section

Leader Archie McAdam Tel 01756 793359

Location and details to be finalised - contact Archie for more information

Thursday 7 December

Indoor meeting - Midwinter Social

Friends' Meeting House, Woodhouse Lane, Leeds: directions and details above. 19:30 - 21:00 approx.

Lawnswood monthly forays

Mary is continuing the monthly forays to Lawnswood Cemetery. The date is emailed around, but this is often a last-minute decision, depending on the weather and other commitments. Parking is on the opposite side of the A660, opposite the entrance at SE 269390.