

West Yorkshire

NTV

Annual Report 2013



From the Chairman

As you know, last year we decided to give the newsletter a well deserved retirement at the ripe old age of 90 issues (perhaps we should have this as the retirement age for tasks!). As you know, the newsletter contained a range of content, which included the programme for the next four months, snippets of news, task reports and various stats.

Georgina has continued to put together a programme of tasks and social events, at four monthly intervals, and this looks to be working well (thanks Georgina). Task reports are being uploaded to our website by the task contacts and hopefully you are visiting the webpage to have a read of them if you didn't manage to join us on a particular day.

<http://www.wyntv.org.uk/tasks/taskreports/index.html>

This leaves the various stats which could be of interest to our members, including individual task statistics, long term volunteer awards, properties visited over the year, work carried out over the year. For this reason, I have volunteered myself (!) to collect these together once a year and circulate as an annual report for the previous year.

If there is anything else you think might find its way to next year's annual report, drop me an email. If it gets to 28 pages, we might have to retire it again!

Enjoy

Pete Hine, Chairman WYNTV



Task Sites visited in 2013

6th January	Nostell Priory	A great start to the year with many bonfires.
3rd February	Nunnington Hall	Putting in a new path and shifting gravel. One of the hardest day's work for a long time but much fun.
9th February	East Riddlesden Hall	A range of jobs around the property including putting in a new path next to the Bothy.
23rd February	Hardcastle Crag	Clearing up two fallen beech trees.
2nd April	Upper Wharfedale	Weeding a tree line and some driftwood clearance (in Wharfedale!).
27/28th April	Borrowdale	Clearing paths and driftwood on the shore of Derwentwater—marvellous spot.
5th May	Upper Wharfedale	Tree maintenance in Deepdale Gill on trees planted a few years ago. Nice to go back again.
2nd June	Nostell Priory	Pulling Rosebay willowherb in Joiner's Wood
23rd June	Nostell Priory	Back to finish off Joiner's Wood.
30th June	Brimham Rocks	Renovating an old path.
14th July	Hardcastle Crag	Repairing a washed away path and installing new grips. Incredibly hot day.
8th September	Malham Estate	Cutting and dragging willow out of the Nature Reserve.
15th September	East Riddlesden Hall	Raking the bank, burning dead wood, moving compost, removing ivy, strimming.
22nd September	Beningbrough Hall	Taking down an old fence and then using it to patch the park fence.
20th October	Malham Estate	Further birch cutting and dragging.
2/3rd November	Cragside	Uncovering rocks along Canada Drive. Two huge bonfires.
17th November	Brimham Rocks	Taking up the old pond dipping platforms and installing a birch fence.
1st December	Rievaulx Terrace	Teak oiling benches and a fire. Lunch on the terrace. Marvellous.
15th December	Hardcastle Crag	Ditching up from Gibson Mill plus Xmas Meal.

Individual Task Statistics—2013

Steve Ellis	21
Stuart Dalby	19
Peter Hine	19
John Shackleton	16
Jenny Ellis	15
Martin Kingdom	14
James Archer	12
Neil Collins	12
Colin Fowler	12
Georgina Collins	11
James Deacon	11
Lesley Deacon	11
Andy Gamble	11
Geoff Thornton	9
Peter Dennis	8
Richard Forrester	8
Margeret Thornton	8
Sylvia Revell	8
Jane Padfield	8

Congratulations to all the above who qualified for either a 50 hour card (10 tasks or over) or a 40 hour card (8 tasks) for working with us in 2013. The 50 hour card gives you free entry into National Trust properties for 1 year, plus 20% discount in the shop and restaurants/tearooms: the 40 hour card gives you free entry for one year. As a reminder, if you do any other voluntary work for the Trust, such as room stewarding or working weeks in another area of the country, please put them in the task book on your return so I can add them to the year record and make sure you are suitably rewarded.

The Group did 21 task days in 2013 at an excellent average of 13.5 people/task and a total of 1405 volunteer hours.

For only the second time in the group's 30 year history, one person, Steve, did all the tasks in the year, a herculean effort. Lucky for us as Steve was always on hand if the going got too tough, and also, as purveyor of the sweet bag, these were also always available.

As you will see from above, the 'regulars' put in their usual sterling effort over the year, making sure we had more than enough people at every task day to get the planned work completed.

Overall, thirteen people did over 10 tasks, and another six did 8 or over. Whether you managed just a few tasks or over 15, it all helps the Trust and is equally valuable so just come along when you can. For their continued work in helping with the smooth running of the Group, David Blackburn (Secretary), Fiona Foxton (Treasurer) and Linda Jones (Task Organiser) all qualified for a 50 hour card. Personal thanks also to Stuart, John and Georgina who as well as making many tasks, also took care of the website, membership and the programme respectively.

Long Term Volunteer Awards — 2013

30 years	David Blackburn
30 years	Fiona Foxton
25 years	Jane Padfield
20 years	Colin Fowler
15 years	Sylvia Revell

Many congratulations to David, Fiona, Jane, Colin and Sylvia for their continuing support of WYNTV over the years (to qualify for a year you need to do 8 or more tasks). Particular congrats to David and Fiona who were part of the original steering committee which put the group together and are still on the committee helping us run WYNTV.

TEN PIN BOWLING WINNERS 2013

February: Trophy Winner Sandi Gibson - Top score Colin Fowler

June : Trophy Winner Jo Puttock - Top score - Colin Fowler 198

November: Trophy Winner Paul Bennett - Top Scorer Colin Fowler 195

SOCIAL HIGHLIGHTS 2013

New Year's Day Walk: Due to David's illness we relocated to the Bolton Abbey Estate. After a bacon sandwich we did the walk up to Barden Bridge and then back to the cafe for a bun and a cup of tea. Nice to see everyone as usual.

Railway Children Walk: A lovely walk organised by Steve around Haworth and the various points of interest from the Railway Children film. A good excuse to catch the steam train up from Keighley.

Brewery Trip: A visit to the Copper Dragon brewery in Skipton. A very interesting tour, good beer and a scrumptious meal.

Canal Boat Trip: Twenty people and two boats for one of our favourite days out. An awesome lunch with everyone bringing along something for the picnic.

Day Trip to Scarborough: One of our best ever days out to the seaside. A lovely day with beach stuff and finishing with fish and chips on the veranda looking out over the sea: all in all a wonderful day out.

30th Anniversary Ceilidh: A fantastic night of dancing to the Buttered Peas Ceilidh Band in the magnificent setting of the Airedale Barn at East Riddlesden Hall. The floor was filled all night and I am told that the buffet was fantastic.

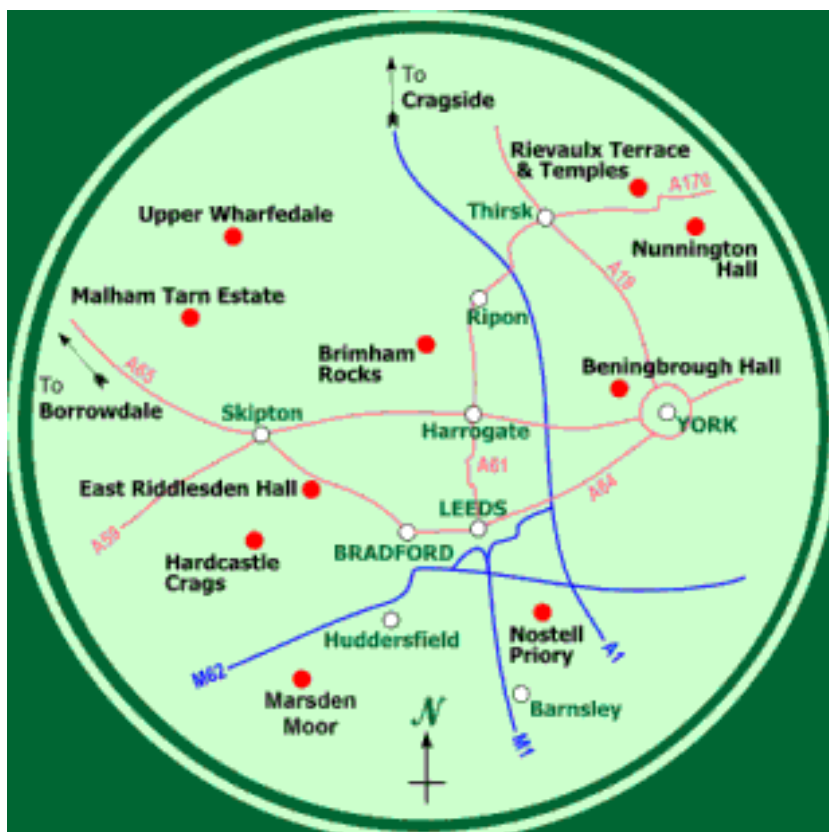


TASK STATISTICS FOR 2013

	No. days	No. of people	People /visit	People hours
Beningbrough Hall	1	15	15	75
Borrowdale*	2	22	11	110
Brimham Rocks	2	28	14	140
Cragside*	2	30	15	150
East Riddlesden Hall	2	26	13	130
Hardcastle Crag	2	25	12.5	125
Marsden**	1	6	6	30
Malham Tarn	2	30	15	150
Nostell Priory	4	54	13.5	270
Nunnington Hall	1	17	17	85
Rievaulx Terrace	1	9	9	45
Upper Wharfedale	2	25	12.5	125
Totals/Averages	21	281	13.5	1405
2011/2012	25		13	1695
2010/2011	25		12	1560
2009/2010	27		12.5	1660
2008/2009	24		16	1935
2007/2008	22		16	1745
2006/2007	27		14.5	1825
2005/2006	25		11	1395
2004/2005	25		10	1205
2003/2004	24		12	1465
2002/2003	24		13	1530
2001/2002	22		14	1600
2000/2001	20		12.5	1250
99/2000	23		13.5	1550
98/99	23		15.5	1785
97/98	22		15	1620
96/97	24		11	1315
95/96	20		13.5	1340
94/95	21		12	1275

TASK STATISTICS FOR 2013

- 21 NT properties visited in 2013.
- Most popular property visited in 2013 was Nunnington Hall: 17 people for a massive day of hard core (in all senses of the phrase) removal and moving the line of a path.
- Most trips to Nostell Priory, including an extra visit to clear the remaining Rosebay willowherb in Joiner's Wood (thanks to Stuart for volunteering us!).
- Quite an even task average across the various properties. This is good considering the task sites are so different.
- The low turn-out for the one Marsden task (**) of the year was due to capped numbers as the minibus would only take 6 people.
- Three tasks cancelled due to various circumstances (mostly weather) leading to the lower hours compared to past years.
- The weekend tasks (*) were as well supported as ever.



30 YEAR STATISTICS

The NT recently asked for our stats for the last 30 years. For stat fans here they are shown below.

	Total no of tasks	Total number of people	Average no of people/ task	Total no of hours worked
Beningbrough Hall	78	883	11.3	4415
Borrowdale	26	1885	14.5	377
Bransdale	1	3	3	15
Brimham Rocks	82	910	11.1	4550
Cerne Abbas	2	32	16	160
Clumber Park	1	8	8	40
Cragside	36	557	15.5	2785
East Riddlesden Hall	120	1369	13.7	8195
Fountains Abbey	39	416	10.7	2080
Goddards	1	12	12	60
Hardcastle Crag	75	756	10.1	3780
Hudswell Woods	1	10	10	50
Malham Tarn	92	948	10.3	4740
Marsden Moor	25	193	7.7	965
Nostell Priory	18	294	16.3	1470
Nunnington Hall	10	131	13.1	655
Rievaulx Terrace	23	285	12.4	1425
Upper Wharfedale	38	410	10.8	2050
Totals	648	7864	11.8	39,320

- Most popular task site – Nostell Priory – a firm favourite since we first started going on 23rd July 2006.
- Most hours worked - East Riddlesden Hall – nearly double the next nearest. First visit 22nd Jan 1984.
- Most visits – East Riddlesden Hall, Malham (first visit 20th Nov 1983) and Brimham Rocks.
- Weekend tasks at Cragside and Borrowdale continue to be very popular.