

	<h2 style="margin: 0;">HEAD & DALES WALK</h2> <h3 style="margin: 0;">PT 138 - 15km</h3> <h3 style="margin: 0;">Route Closes 31/12/2017</h3>			
START VENUE	Car Park at Millers Dale Station. (Closed). Map: 119 GR SK138732. Post Code SK17 8SN but Sat Nav will take you to the church – so at Millers Dale turn off the B6049 at the signpost for Wormhill and follow the P-parking signs which will take you to the Car Park at Millers Dale Station			
CAR PARKING	At the start venue – pay and display £4.50 all day (£3.50 for 4 hours) [price at 4/5/15]			
PUBLIC TRANSPORT	Bus 68 at car park entrance. Bus 65/66 on B6049 road, approx 200m). See http://www.derbybus.info/times/index.htm			
DISTANCE/GRADE	15km - Grade 2+			
TERRAIN	Minor roads, tracks, farmland, moorland and riverside paths. Some steep climbs and descents. The walk follows the River Wye through Millers Dale to Litton Mill and then joins the Monsal Trail. After passing through Litton & Cressbrook (railway) Tunnels you cross the railway viaduct and then climb up to Monsal Head for the famous view. The route then follows the river along Monsal Dale, via Brushfield and High Dale back to Millers Dale.			
REFRESHMENTS:	Anglers Rest PH (near start). Monsal Head Hotel and a Café (at 6.25km).			
TOILETS	Public toilets at the start at Millers Dale Railway Station Public toilets in the car park behind the hotel at Monsal Head (6.25km) Patrons will be able to use the toilets in the Hotel and/or Café also at 6.25km			
BWF / IVV	This trail is registered until 31 December 2017			
ROUTE DESCRIPTION CHECK/UPDATED	4 May 2015 (Please check you are using the latest version if you printed this off a while ago). This walk will close on 31 December 2017. It will not be registered for 2018 due to low walker numbers (2 in 2016, 3 in 2017 as at 30/12/2017)			
BWF DECLARATION	The organisers are not liable for accidents, thefts and/or damage to property. Every effort will be made by the organisers to make this a safe, enjoyable and memorable event.			
ENTRY FORM	Please complete the section below and send your IVV log books, Payment and an SAE to the Contact Address. Please check the postage rate for weight/ thickness of the envelope. Overseas postage is more expensive.			
ENTRY FEE	£1.00 per walker (Cheques payable to: Lincolnshire Vikings Walking Club)			
AWARD	Sorry badges are out of stock. The costs we have been quoted by several companies so far do not make it possible to re-order. If you wish to be advised when badges are available, tick here _____ enter your email address here on the form			
SOUVENIER LOG BOOK	Free stickers for your souvenir log book are available on request. Quantity Required _____			
CONTACT/ ADDRESS FOR STAMPING OF BOOKS	Spike & Helen Elliott, LVWC, 11 St Ives Close, Macclesfield, Cheshire. SK10 3JX. Email: lvwc.bwf89@btinternet.com			
NAMES OF THOSE COMPLETING THE WALK				
DATE WALK COMPLETED		PAYMENT ENCLOSED	£	
EMAIL	(in case we need to contact you about your entry)			
PT POSTAL CARDS	Will be stamped if you do not wish to send your IVV books - YES/NO *			
QUESTION 1		QUESTION 4		
QUESTION 2		QUESTION 5		
QUESTION 3		QUESTION 6		

ROUTE DESCRIPTION

This walk will close on 31 December 2017.

The route will be left on the website until 31/1/2018 so walkers have all contact details for sending IVV books in for stamping.

From car park, go through gate at side of former station building. Turn Right onto gravel track (Monsal Trail) signposted Wye Dale. At next signpost, Turn Left for Millers Dale and follow path into trees. Descend steps to road. Turn Right and in 50m at T junction turn left (signposted Tideswell/Litton Mill B6049). Opposite church bear right along lane (signposted Litton Mill only) passing watermill on right-hand side. Continue along lane, passing the Angers Rest public house and a row of 4 cottages.

Continue along lane for approximately 2km until you reach another row of cottages.

Q1. What is the name of the first cottages on the left. The name is on the end/side, not facing the road?

Before you reach Litton Mill, opposite cottage no. 10, Turn Right onto Public Footpath signposted Monsal Trail. Pass Riverside House on left and ahead on path, up steps and follow path uphill to reach Monsal Trail. Turn Left onto Monsal Trail signposted Bakewell. Continue ahead on Monsal Trail through Litton Tunnel. After emerging from tunnel

Q2. There is a Railway Stories audio device on the left. What "train track" is no 7? (The audio device unfortunately appears to suffer regular vandalism so may not be there).

Continue ahead and pass through Cressbrook Tunnel, pass old station platform and ahead to cross Monsal Viaduct to information sign at end on left.

Q3. There is a photograph of the Viaduct under construction on the information board, in which decade (year) was this photograph taken?

Just before Headstone Tunnel bear left on footpath to Monsal Head, up hill; at bend in path turn right signposted Monsal Head and follow uphill to reach the area by Ellerys (tea & crafts) Cafe and Monsal Head Hotel. Take in the view which is reputedly one of the most photographed in the Peak District; Follow the footpath signposted Ashford, Monsal Dale downhill. Ignore path to Ashford and take lower right-hand path towards gate. Pass through gate and continue on path downhill, to second gate.

Q4. On second gate, what partnership is mentioned?

Pass through gate to reach the weir. At weir, bear left and continue on path keeping river on right hand side; turn right over river bridge and then Turn Left onto path. Continue ahead on path with river on left and at fork in path take right hand fork. After approximately 1.5km from weir, at footpath sign, Turn Right for Brushfield Hough and follow this path up through trees. There are a series of steps as the path twists uphill. At top bear right on wide grassy path between bushes to reach stone step stile in wall. Cross stile. Turn right along track in direction of arrow on finger post. At next finger post, bear left through gateway and after 30metres go through gate and turn left through stone gateway then right between farm buildings. Continue up track with wall on left, then wall on both sides. Go through gate and continue ahead on track. Continue on track across field towards lone tree and finger post. At fork by tree go left signposted Brushfield and continue along track passing through gates to reach farm buildings and cottages. Pass through gate to lane and finger post..

Q5. At the 3-way finger post, which other place is named on the finger post pointing towards Millers Dale?

At the finger post, turn left, downhill (signposted Taddington). At sharp left hand bend in lane go straight ahead through latch gate (public footpath sign) and go ahead with wire fence/stone wall on right hand side. Continue along High Dale with wall on right. At end of stone wall follow grassy path to right going uphill. At second stone wall by Public Bridleway marker post, go through gap in wall and continue ahead with wall on right. At top go through gate and turn left on track; after 40metres turn right over stone wall stile and go ahead with wall on right hand side. At end of field cross wall stile on left and turn right keeping wall on right hand side. Just before end of field, bear left and follow path through narrow field going downhill. Cross wooden stile and stone wall at bottom corner and turn left downhill (fence and wall on left). Go through small wooden gate by side of larger gate and continue downhill; keep on distinctive path downhill to reach Priestcliffe Lees Nature Reserve information board/sign by small wooden gate. Go through gate and Turn Right down steps. At bottom of steps, Turn Left onto Monsal Trail. Pass under bridge and continue ahead along the trail until you reach a bench on the right hand side.

Q6.The bench has a plaque in memory of James Edward Donaldson. Which two years are mentioned on the plaque?

Continue along Monsal Trail to return to Millers Dale station.

Lincolnshire Vikings Walking Club hope you have enjoyed your walk.