

# TRICOUNI NEWS SPRING 2019

## RELATING TO THE AUTUMN MEET OF 2018



Those attending were :- Peter Leigh, Nigel Leigh and Scarlett 6, Chris and Vicky Lincoln, Scarlett 5 and Milo, Caroline and Florrie Mains, Malcolm and Patsy Barton, Tony and Eve Reynolds, Helen and Roy Cross, David and Joyce Clode and Richard and Katie Stockwell.

### **THURSDAY OCTOBER 18<sup>th</sup> 2019**

Helen and Roy, Katie and Richard and Joyce and David arrived early to enjoy a lovely meal as follows: - Brie on Toast with Courgette Chutney. Minted Lamb with Rosemary Garlic Potatoes, Cauliflower and Broccoli Cheese and Garden peas. Sticky Toffee pudding and Sticky Toffee sauce with cream. Only Roy and Helen had done any kind of walking to justify this as Richard and Katie and Joyce and David had spent the day visting different National Trust properties on the way up.

### **FRIDAY OCTOBER 19<sup>th</sup> 2019**

The weather forecast wasn't great with a west/south west wind of 25mph. Admittedly it felt much windier than this as there would be **no effect** on us according to the MWIS! Rain and drizzle occasionally with fog with little sunshine but not cold at 6C at 750m.

Helen, David and Joyce and Katie and Richard started at Honister YHA and went up onto Haystacks and down to Scarth Gap where they had lunch trying unsuccessfully to get out of the wind. It was so strong and gusty it was hard to walk down the rough path from Haystacks and David lost his hat but Richard managed to track it down in the undergrowth on the other side of the top!



The group headed down to Buttermere and along the lake but the bridge had been swept away in the winter floods so a diversion of 650m extra was in order, but they arrived just in time for the bus back to Honister so all was well, especially as there was now heavy drizzle as promised ☺



Roy started at Seatoller House and went up the Honister Pass onto Haystacks meeting the previous group at the bottom of Haystacks where he carried onto High Crag, High Stile, round the back of Red Pike via Bleaberry Comb and down to Scale Beck by Crummock Water and back along to Gatesgarth Farm and up to the Honister Pass via Warnscale Bottom in-between Fleetwith Pike and Haystacks and back along the track to Seatoller House.

Peter, Nigel, Scarlett 6, Chris and Vicky, Scarlett 5 and Milo met on the way from Jct 36 to Windermere so had a bit of a race. I am not sure who won but they had breakfast at the Salutation hotel in Ambleside and then parked at the Old Dungeon Ghyll. They went up Stickle Gill to Stickle Tarn and back via Pavey Ark and Harrison Stickle to the car park where there was a jazz festival taking place.



Scarlett 5 had a reward of a hot chocolate with lots of sparkly bits and marshmallows - was it worth £3.25 though ? ☺ Many sweets were eaten on the walk to keep everyone going. They had some blue sky but it was very windy and drizzly after 1400 so the path became slippery and Chris fell with Milo on his back breaking a Leki pole in two - lucky both survived unscathed. Unfortunately Vicky lost an anorak somewhere on the path! So quite an eventful outing!



**Dinner:** - Courgette, Potato and Rosemary Soup. Salmon with Cherry Tomato, Caper and Spinach Sauce with Roast Charlotte Potatoes, Honey Roast Chanteray Carrots and Sweetcorn. Summer Berry Meringue.

## SATURDAY OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup> 2019

Another windy forecast but this time slightly worse with wind up to 35mph west/south west but it would impede our walking this time! Rain and drizzle mostly in the west and south lakes, fog on higher fells all day with a few pockets of sunshine lower slopes - generally better in NE lakes. Not cold at 9c at 750m.

Tony and Eve, Malcolm and Patsy, Caroline and Florrie did a circuit of Buttermere. The weather wasn't great with drizzle for much of the time. They baulked at the parking fee of £8 and even more so at the charge to use the loo at 30 pence a shot(!) and not having the right coins had to make other arrangements!



Chris and Vicky, Scarlett 5 and Milo, Peter, Scarlett 6, David and Joyce, Helen and Roy and Richard and Katie parked at Pooley Bridge paying £5.40 for 4 hours and later discovered a £3 car park across the bridge. Grrrr! Not a good day for cheap parking! They headed along the eastern banks of Ullswater where it was very windy and then up past Barton Park to the Cockpit, a bronze age concentric ring of stones which may have been used for cock fighting in the past but was unlikely to have been built for this purpose. They then headed down High Street, the Roman road, for a short while before descending back to Pooley Bridge. As it was quite sunny on the descent, an ice-cream seemed to be the order of the day ☺





Nigel decided he needed a big walk to counteract the big Seatoller dinners so he headed to Seathwaite and along to Stockley Bridge up Grains Gill to Eskhause, Broad Crag and onto Scafell Pike and back via Angle Tarn and the Langstrath valley. There was some drizzle as far as Eskhause but the visibility wasn't too bad.

As it was Florrie and Milo's birthdays today, Saturday October 20<sup>th</sup>, Tricia had made a lovely chocolate cake which seemed of more interest to those without a birthday! Yum! It was Milo's 3rd birthday and Florrie's 2nd birthday. Happy birthday to them both.



**Dinner :-** Cherry Tomato and Buffalo Mozzarella Salad with Date and Fig Balsamic Dressing. Slow cooked Duck with Red Wine and Damson Sauce with Roast Potatoes, Honey Roast Swede and Sautéed Fine Beans. Warm Chocolate Torte and Caramelised Black Cherries. Perhaps it had been a day with too much chocolate or is there such a thing!?

## SUNDAY OCTOBER 21<sup>ST</sup> 2018

There was low cloud and drizzle so not much enthusiasm for walking. Vicki and Chris, Scarlett 5 and Milo and Peter, Nigel and Scarlett 6 had a visit to Fountains Abbey (National Trust) near Ripon on the way home or to their next destination.



### **Other news :-**

Robert and Sally Ling had a little boy Erik born in December 2017- sorry this is late news!

The marriage of Lynn Leigh and Charles Harrison will take place on Tuesday April 16<sup>th</sup> 2019 in Brisbane, Australia. We wish them all the best and hope to see them at Seatoller House soon.

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