

Rambling Diary 1928

LW Hurley

Notes and Photos of Rambles during the 1928 season

Feb 18th 1928 bought

New Burgon Norwegian Rucksack, a new compass & cord shorts

Suggestions for Holidays Easter & Whitsuntide

Easter – Coates Valley & Dane Valley Buxton by Chinley (late train).

A long weekend.

Whitsuntide:-

Buxton, Hartington, over tops to Manifold Valley, Thors Cave, to Ilam

Hall back by way of Dovedale & Beesford

Dale and Harrow Dale to Hartington & Buxton.

Notes on 1927

Started in early March (Les Hurley, H Wise, G Applewhite).

Easter – A party of 22 went rambling to Bretton. Out of these twelve started a rambling club.

They were: -

H Wise, E Hartley, G Applewhite, R Rowland, A Holey, L Briggs, B

Hazell, EL Coates, Lol Hurley, Albert Charles, Les Hurley, Bill Lee.

At Whitsuntide

Albert Charles dropped out, Dick Wild and Jack Snelling came in making the party thirteen who rambled to Buxton for the first time.

Back by way of the Dales. E Coates Lol Hurley H Wise, E Hartley, G Applewhite, R Rowland, A Holey, L Briggs, B Hazell J Snellings Dick Wild Les Hurley Bill Lee.

1st week in July

Nine (E Hartley, H Wise, B Rowland, L Briggs, A Holey, J Snellings, Lol Hurley, G Applewhite, Les Hurley) went for a week's holiday to Buxton. During the week we rambled to Manifold Valley via Lognor, Warslow as far as Thors Cave and back through Beresford Dale Narrow Dale and Hartington. We also visited Goytes Valley and the "Cat and the Fiddle".

During the year we did two long weekends and five weekends (sleeping in barns).

Three six thirty fives.

About October the party broke up leaving J Snellings, G Applewhite, Lol Hurley, Les Hurley. Lol Hurley formed the Bloodhound Club.

Including Mendal, Bob Everson, H Buckley, George Treeston.

Rambling 1928

New Years Day (Sunday) rambled to Kinder Downfall in snow and ice. The Downfall was frozen there was a bad fog, back by way of Hollings Cross to Castleton.

Sunday 8th Jan

Six of us went to Buxton (Bill Hazell, G Applewhite, Lol Hurley, Bob Everson, Harold Buckley, Les Hurley).

Bob & Bill rode to Peak Forest by bus on way back but the remaining four walked back to Castleton in record time (one & three quarter hours) 1 ¾ hours.

Sunday 15th Jan

Les & George to Buxton the rest to Hathersage.

Sunday 22nd Jan

Train to Edale. Grindlesbrook Crowden Head (2,080 ft) Porters Chapel, Ashop Clough, Featherbed Moss. Snake Road, Doctors Gate, Bleaklow, Glossop. Back by path over Featherbed to the Downfall, path to Jacobs Ladder. Fields to Edale. Time in Glossop 1.35pm. Back in Edale 6.15 (Compass). Party of five. Leader Sid Robinson. Very wet, deep in mud.

Sunday 12th Feb 28

Train to Hope. Rambled over Lower side of Win Hill across Roman Road on to Croockston Nowle on to Kinder Scout across Blagden Clough down to Blagden Farm for dinner.

After dinner up Ashop Clough as far as the Firegrate, a stiff climb in deep snow on to Kinder, seven minutes to reach the Downfall, down Crowden Brook Clough, over Mam Tor Road and down the Winnatts to Castleton for tea.

Conditions

Four & half foot of snow on Kinder. Hard going. Time Half past eleven at Blagden. Quarter past six Castleton. Party of seven. Leader Sid Robinson.

Sat & Sunday 18th & 19th Feb 28.

Set off Saturday afternoon by the two twenty two to Hope for Buxton by Cave Dale & Peak Forest where we caught the 4.55 bus for Buxton arrived 5.30 approx. went to the Peak at night (not so bad). Had a walk round next morning near Solomon's Temple the rest of the boys came over. Left about 3.30 said goodbye to Leonard, arrived in the Castleton about 5.30 for tea. Such beautiful weather fine conditions. Party of

three for weekend George, Bob & Les. Lol & rest came through Dales. Cheadale was flooded.

Sunday 4th March 28

Train to Grindleford from there along river to Froggatt & Caver, Baslow & Chatsworth House & Park and back to Baslow for dinner. In the afternoon back to Caver on to Stoney Middleton, Eyam on to top of Sir William Hill across Eyam Moors to Hathersage. Beautiful day. Photographic Ramble. Just Little Bob & Myself.

Sunday 25th March 28

Train to Grindleford, walk to Chatsworth along the river on to Edensor village and church over to the top of the park Colton Meadows past Dorothy Vernon steps past Haddon Hall past an old tower with underground passages; on to Alport for dinner (20 minutes) 12.15 up the river Alport through a village the name of Youlgreave on to Middleton Dale with river Dove running through it back to Youlgreave from there on to Lathhill Dale just missing Monyash and going up to Over Haddon from there on to Ashford in the Water across the bridges by the Lake up through woods to Great Longstone over country to Longstone Edge across to Hay Dale and down into Stoney Middleton Dale on to Froggatt for tea 6.15pm on to Grindleford for train home.

Conditions Fine & warm but cloudy. Party of Seven. Distance about 32 mile. We past Bakewell within a quarter of a mile. Leader myself.
Sunday 18th march (missed out by mistake)
Train to Hope.

Walked over Win Hill slopes to Hope Cross up to Crookston Noal past "Mad Woman's Stones down to Blackden Farm for dinner.

Back over the Roman Road to the summit of Win Hill down further side to the old railway track along to Bamford to Hathersage for tea. A fine day. Took Miss B. Damms.

Sunday 1st April 28

Train to Grindleford. Walk to Stoney Middleton, Coombs Dale, High Rake, Longstone Edge to Cressbrook Dale to Monsal Dale back along to Littonslack to Litton Mill so on to Millers Dale for dinner.

After dinner up Monks Dale into Peter's Dale, Hay Dale, Dam Dale & Peak Forest up Oxlow Rake over Old Moor, down Cave Dale to Castleton for tea. Back by train from Hope.

Leading. Party of five, much rain in afternoon.

Easter Saturday

Loo, Bob, George, Arthur & myself met caught the eight o'clock bus to Bakewell. Walked from there over Haddon fields to Alport up Lathkill Dale to Over Haddon for dinner.

Up the dale in to Cale Dale to Cale's farm onto the Long rake to Arbor Low. Across Middleton Common to Green Lane to Hartington station down Hand Dale into Hartington. Put up at the Devonshire Arms (5/ bed and breakfast). Lol came next morning.

We set off to Hulme End for the Manifold Valley. Keeping to the river most of the time we passed Ecton Halt (Ecton Copper mine) Butterton Halt, Wetton Mill,

Redhurst Crossing, Thor's Station & Thor's cave, on to Weags Bridge Halt, by Wetton the river starts to disappear & by Thor's has gone altogether at Beeston Tor we had dinner. At Beeston station we leave the railway and go down the Manifold which is now a dried up bed and the country on either side is very thick woods at Ilam the river reappears at Thorpe Cloud we start up Dovedale passing Castle Cave, The twelve Apostles, Lovers Leap, Jacobs Ladder, Tissington Spires, Reynard's Cave, Ilam Rock, Pickering Cave & Hurst Wood to Dove Holes, by Halldale & Nabs Dale passed Ravens Tor to Milldale for tea. After we passed the bottom of Biggin Dale & Drabber Tor & on up Wolfcote Dale on into Beresford Dale passed the Pike Pod & Rock on into Hartington for supper & bed.

Left Hartington Monday morning by ten following the course of the Dove River passing Earl Sterndale passing up Dowel Dale with Parkhouse Hill on one hand and Chrome Hill on the other into High Edge. Passed Stocker Hill into Buxton for dinner. From Buxton by way of Peak Forest into Cave Dale for Castleton for tea. Back by train from Hope. Beautiful weather not a drop of rain. Distance about eighty miles. Leading – myself.

Sunday 15th April 28

Very cold & snowing all day. Train to Grindleford walked along river through Froggatt, Caver, Burbmell, and Baslow to Chatsworth back to Baslow for dinner, back to Caver to Stoney Middleton, Eyam and Hathersage. Party of five. Leading – LWH.

Sunday 22nd April 28

Took tramcar to Fullwood walked past Redmires to Stanage Pole on to Stanage Edge down to the Old Castle of the Eyres in the wood to Hathersage over Leadmill Bridge up passed Hillow Hall on to Bretton Clough to the Barrel Inn for dinner. After we carried on up the Bradwell Edge down and up the other end of Bretton Clough across a part of Abney Moors into Abney Hamlet on down Hillow Brook & woods to Stoney Ford through the woods and on to Leadmill Bridge back into Hathersage for tea. After tea we walked on over the C through Whitely Wood to Fullwood & home. Very nice weather. Party of four. Loo out again. Saw Edges in Hathersage walk home with us. Leading LWH.

Sunday 29th April 1928

Train to Bamford. Walk down from Bamford up the old railway track to Ashopton and Derwent on to the first dam. Then climb up Cuzelden Clough on to Birchin Pasture over to Alport Castles & tower down Alport Dale to Snake Road & Blackenden Farm for dinner. In the afternoon over the Roman Road across Win Hill slopes to Hope for tea.

Loo out again also Bill Lee. Party of seven – Lol leader. 6 of the old crowd. Harry Wise & Jack both motorbike.

Sunday 6th May 1928

(Little Jack died from accident on cycle after unconscious a week).
Train to Edale walk over Broadlee Bank Tor into Crowden Brook up the Clough to
Crowden Tower & onto Kinder Scout over the top to Red Brook to the Kinder
Downfall then across to the Firegrate on the edge over looking Ashop Clough &
Moors. Had dinner at the Firegrate having taken flasks. After dinner over to
Fairbrook past the Naze on to Middle Seal Clough & Seal Edge to Blackden Rind and
top of Blackden Clough or Brook we then crossed within sight of Ringing Rock to the
top of Lady Booth Brook across Nether Moor to the top of Jagers Clough & down the
Brook across to the Roman Road & into Hope for tea.
Party of six – G Applewhite leader. Very hot sunny day. Cloudless.
Little Jack funeral on Wednesday. Lol, George, Bill Hazell, Les & Bob go to funeral.

Sunday 13th May 28

Train to Hope. From Hope up Lose Hill on to Back Tor to Hollins Cross on to Mam
Tor along Rushup Edge across Bettfield Clough across Rouch Clough up Mount
Famine onto Hayfield for dinner. From Hayfield to Stoney-ford up to Edale Cross
down Jacobs Ladder to Barber Booth to Edale for tea. Weather dull but fine & warm
sun shone after tea. Party of ten. Leader LWH.

Sunday 20th May 28

Train to Hope. Raining so decide to go a short ramble. Go on to Castleton up the
Winnatts Pass on the road nearly to Sharrow Pit then turn off to left field to Elden
Hole. Then onto Peak Forest for dinner. After back over fields and moors to Cave Dale
& Peveril Castle & Castleton for tea on to train at Hope. Very wet day. Party of four.
Lol leader.

Whitsuntide 1928

Party of six set off on the 2.30pm bus for Bakewell. From Bakewell we walked over
the fields to Cover Haddon for an early tea there. Dropped down into Lathkilldale &
up into Cale Dale and over Middleton Common to Hartington (change our clothes)
put up for night at Devonshire Arms.
After breakfast Lol joined us and we set off to Hulme End & the Manifold Valley. At
Beeston Tor we had dinner. Afterwards we caught the train (North Staff Light
Railway) down the Hamps Valley to Waterhouses where we caught a connection to
Leek.
From Leek we walked over fields to Rudyard where we found lodging for the night
(changed and went boating on the lake) (very fine scenery).
Next morning we set off up the lake through beautiful woods to Cliffe Hall & Park at
the head of the lake.
A few miles further we entered the Dane Valley coming into Back Dane & Back forest
where we had dinner (maybe it was Midleygate) in the afternoon we push on up the
Dane which was now becoming Moors in place of the woods to Dane Colliery where
we left the Dane valley & at Dane bower took a path across the Moors to the “Cat and
the Fiddle” Inn, from the to Moss Ho, at the upper end of Goyles Moss & Valley over
to Burbage and into Buxton for tea. (Lol & Bob walk to Castleton & train home). (The
rest of us dressed up & went to the dance at Town Hall).

After Breakfast George & Pops go on to Castleton. Lew, Erol & I go off down Ashwood
Dale go over fields from Lovers leap and on to Cowdale (most beautiful) sat on the
Cookoo-Rocks on across fields by Priests Way into Back Dale & start of Horseshoe
Dale down Deep Dale (went in Churn Hole) to Chee Dale. Passed Chee Tor (had
dinner in Chee Dale) into Millar’s Dale climbed out of Millar’s Dale & from top could
see Monks Dale & Tideswell Dale from there we went down High Dale to Bushfield
into Taddington Dale (fine view from top) along Taddington into Monsal Dale up to
Monsal Head for tea.
From Monsal Head over fields to Great Longstone on to Rowland over Deep Rake to
Rough side into Combs Dale to Froggatt along the river to Grindleford & home.
Beautiful weather all the time. A great ramble. Pops, George, Lol, Bob, Erol (Myself
leader Les & Erol).

Including about 20 miles in conveyance we went approx 96 miles.

Sunday 3rd June 28

Train to Hathersage. Swimming in the Derwent at Leadmill Bridge walked up to
Highlow Brook for dinner. Slept all afternoon on the moors near Bretton Clough.
Walked back to Hathersage for tea.

Very hot day. Party of four. Lew, George, Pops & I. Too hot to walk far.

Friday 8th June Motorcycle Tourist Trophy Races

Caught the 12.19am train to Liverpool arrived 2.45am went down to the docks and
boarded the boat. Set sail at 3.20am and arrived in the Isle of Man at 8.15am; after a
walk round Douglas we caught a bus for Creg-Ny-Baa.
We walked up to the Keppel Gate back to Creg-Ny-Baa on to Hillberry to Cronk-ny-
Mona then to Signpost corner to Governor’s Bridge on to Bray Hill back into Douglas
(watching each lap at different spots).

1 st – CJP Dodson (Sunbeam)	2 nd – GC Rowley (AJS)	3 rd – TL Hatch (Scott)
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In the afternoon we went for a row and landed on a little castle in the bay. Left
Douglas on the Ring Orry arrived in Liverpool 10.30pm. Had a look round and caught
the train back at 11.40pm. In Sheffield at 2.20. Very bad weather going but cleared up
in the afternoon.
F Critchley and I went.



Sunday June 10th

Train to Hathersage. Walk up Highlow Brook into Bretton Clough to the Burrell Inn for dinner. Stopped a long time as it rained for a couple of hours. Afterwards back over Abney Moors to Abney village to Leadmill Bridge to Hathersage for tea. After tea a game of football in the fields while waiting for train home.

Party of four – George, Pops, Bill Lee & I.
Showery weather.

Sunday 16th June 28

A Car Tour – set off at ten picked Lew up and went by way of Ecclesall to Fox House to Hathersage to Bamford to Ashopton to the Snake Inn to Glossop to Hayfield to Chapel-en-le-Frith to Doveholes to Buxton on the Leek Road. We met Bill on his bike & had dinner together; we left him and went on to Leek on to Rudyard and lake. Went on the lake. Afterwards back to Buxton, down Ashwood Dale to Millersdale to Tideswell to Bradwell to Bamford to Hathersage & home to George's house.

Party of five – Charley, Pops, George, Lew & I. The weather no so bad.

For two or three Sundays in very hot weather we did short rambles round Hathersage, Bretton & Eyam taking girls or going swimming trips.

8th July 28 Sunday

Nice warm weather Pops & I take train to Bamford & walk along the old railway track to Ashopton & onto Derwent Dams where we had dinner coming back into Derwent village. Looked around the hall & the old chapel & the Old Pack Horse Bridge. Going back the way we came so on to Hathersage for tea.

Friday night 13th July 1928 Irish Tour Co. Antrim

Time of departure 8.31pm. Lew and I take train to Heysham & catch the boat to Belfast. Arrived 7.15am next morn. Had breakfast & a look round Belfast seeing High Street & the City Hall, also other large buildings.

Saturday – At nine thirty we caught a bus from the Telegraph buildings for Glenarm and went round the coast by Larne, Ballygalley head & so to Glenarm arriving at 11.30am. Put up at the Coastguard station.

Sunday – Explored Glenarm; saw the Earl of Antrim's Castle, & the slipping village called Straidcally, all around the hedges are filled with wild gooseberries, sloes, they are adorned with beautiful wild fuchsias & honeysuckle & on the banks are wild strawberries we walked round to Carnborough & back along the coast to Glenarm. At night we went bathing.



Monday morning

We set off on a five-day tour for the north passing through Carnlough along the coast to Garron Towers, which we were shown round on to Garron Head where we had lunch from this point. Scotland can be seen quite plain. We pushed on round the coast round Red Bay where we got an excellent view of Glen of Glenariff. On to Cushendall with its Curlew Tower from here we got a fine view of Lurgethan a Mt not very high but having a flattened top once said to be fortified & the home of the poet Ossian.

On along the coast to a pretty village called Cushendun.

We put up & had tea at the Cushendun Hotel cost (5/ bed and breakfast). (Good food). Afterwards we dispatch our mails & went for a walk round explored the red sand stone caves; one is about thirty foot long there is a natural arch. From the top of the caves a fine view of the beautiful bay, the lovely white houses and beach of fine sands.

After a good night and a good breakfast we pushed on over the moors to Ballycastle arrived about dinnertime. Found the Royal Hotel fixed ourselves up for the night had a late lunch.

After changing we looked over the town; then walked round the coast to Fairhead, along Grey Mans Path. The great height of Fairhead. A lake or a small lough on the top. Looking from the far side of the lough, Raithlins Island looks like part of the mainland.

The first surprise one gets on walking round its banks & sees the drop of say 100ft with sea below. It is very hard to get to Rathlins Island and sometimes impossible.

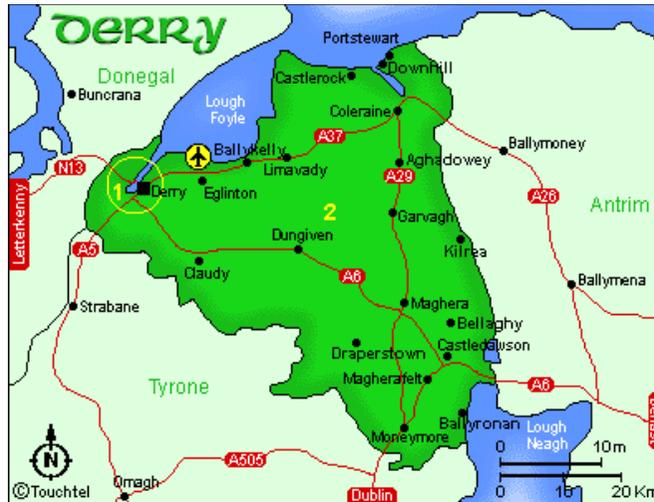
Back by road to Ballycastle and to bed.

After breakfast next morning we decide to go to the Giant's Causeway by bus it did not take us long and first view of the rocks is not so impressive but better on approaching how hard the rock is.

Took the oldest tram in Great Britain and Ireland down to Dunlace Castle. Which is a fine old ruins, saw some of the same shaped rocks in the walls as those of the Giant's Causeway also one in Portrush; where we walked to for tea. Found board for the night at the Portrush Hotel.

At night went to the dance.

Next morning we bus to Londonderry along the coast to Port Stewart down to Coleraine along the river Bann back to the coast and Castlerock on the other side of the Bann which is a very fine river.



Some fine salmon, a thirty-foot leap at Coleraine, also a long bridge over the river. At Castlebrook the road is very near the water's edge, the hills coming so close and finish in cliffs with waterfalls here and there. Now the road bends inland along the shore of Lough Foyle. Right across the Lough can be seen the hills of Donegal the sun shining down making it an inviting scene for the artist. Soon we enter Londonderry over a fine bridge and get a view of the docks. On closer inspection they are large with some very ships in dock. (By way of Limavady).
The wide old walls.

The old Carnon. Roaring Meg. The Old Town. Some fine old building. The Ancient church & the beautiful new cathedral. After five hours looking round we board a bus back to Portrush in time for supper.

Next day Friday we pack up and make tracks for Glenarm. By bus through Ballymoney to Ballymena for dinner where we changed into rambling togs and set off for the coast walking through Broughshane.

Note Ballymena is the town of the seven towers, beautiful scenery.

On the road past Broughshane is Antrim's only real mountain Slemish, the place where St. Patrick spent most of his slavery.

The first church of the Saint was built on a hill opposite; its ruins can still be seen. Soon we are back in Glenarm 7 o'clock. Our rambling has finished. We spent the rest of our stay round Carnlough, Straidkilly & Glenarm.

Monday we catch the bus into Belfast, have a last look round the city, board the boat and sail at nine-five.

In Sheffield at nine next morning. A grand crossing and a fine moonlight night.

Note

The fine air in Portrush. How generally it is rough weather. The sea on three sides & how sometimes it looks as though you have sea all around. The sands, so fine backed by great sand dunes. Right across the bay the Towers of the Causeway standing out on the extreme point. The skerries across the bay.

Review

Sunny weather till Tuesday, then rather dull, but not bad all round. A beautiful country. Nice people. Good food. Cheap generally. A first class holiday in good weather. Home Tuesday morn.

Saturday 28th July

Went on a char-a-bang trip to Knaresborough. Went on river. Came back through Harrogate, Leeds, Wakefield & Barnsley.

Sunday 29th July

Pops, Bill Lee & I took train to Hathersage walk over to Longstone Edge down Cressbrook Dale into Monsal Dale where we had dinner having been a long time under shelter from a thunderstorm. Giving to another storm we were late in starting home after dinner. We climbed up to Monsal Head over fields to Longstone up to the edge over into Coombes Dale, into Stoney Middleton Dale up Eyam Dale up through the woods, passed old mines to Eyam Moors down into Hathersage for tea.

In Bank Holiday week, Pops, George & family & I went to Skegness for week. Had first class weather and a real good time. Met some fine chaps from Coventry.

From 4th August to 11th 1928

Sunday 12th August 28

Pops & I go to Hope climb up Win Hill go along Rushup Edge down Holling Cross down the Winnatts Pass into Castleton for dinner in the afternoon up Cave Dale where we sat in the sun for sometime and under some rocks another time from a storm. We then walked to Hope, Bamford and on to Hathersage for tea.

Sunday 19th August 28

Pops on Bill bike & I behind Bert set off for Skegness by way of Worksop, Lincoln, Horncastle, set off at nine had three stops for smokes on the way and were there by five & twenty minutes to one. Saw some old friends and set off for home by way of Wainfleet at five o'clock went through Boston and saw the stump. Fine road to Sleaford on to ----- on to Collerton to Worksop through Swallownest and Handsworth and home for nine thirty after a good day and champion weather.

Sunday 26th August 28

Pops & I take three girls from Grindleford along the river to Froggatt on to Caver along to Combs Dale along Dale and up to the Great Rake for dinner. In the afternoon we set off back over fields to Moon Hill and Stoney Middleton and over field towards Grindleford when it came on to rain and we had to shelter in a deserted farm there was no water so we caught some rain water in the kettle and boiled our tea on a Primus stove. It was still raining after tea so we set off to Grindleford and were just about drowned when we got there but enjoyed it.

Sunday 2nd Sept 28

Pops, Brian Crowther, Bill Lee & I take train to Hope go over Win Hill slopes to the Roman Road, turn off and go over to Crookston Barn up to Crookston Noal on to the Scout. Going up the centre about W.N.W. we got views of Back Tor over the Grindsbrook side, a great view of Bleaklow & Alport Castle from off Blackdean Clough and Fair Brook.

We continued until off the head a Crowden where we stopped for dinner the weather being so hot the sun shining down from a cloudless sky.

Our biggest draw back was shortage of water and we only had one flask between us. As we were having lunch we saw George A. & Lew with these girls just leaving the top of the brook to go across. They came up on the same train as we did and went on to Edale so they had not got far.

We lay in the sun till three o'clock and set off down the brook for Edale where we had tea.

Then continued up to Back Tor on to Loose Hill and down into Hope. A great day but very hot. Leader Les Hurley.

Sunday 9th September 28

Took train to Grindleford. Walked along river to Leadmill Bridge, walked up to the road (leading to Sir William) and turned off over the fields through Highlow woods up Bretton Clough to the Barrel Inn for dinner.

In the afternoon, walked over Abney Moors into Abney and down Highlow Brook and woods back into Hathersage for tea.

Uncertain weather, Pops and I take two girls.

Saturday 15th Sept 28

Went in car by way of Chesterfield to Derby and back through Matlock to Caver to Froggatt for tea and home.

Sunday 16th Sept 28

Train to Bamford. Walk by way of Pady's Mill to Ashopton from there up to Derwent on to the dams back to village for dinner. After dinner we climbed the Crook Hills then down into Ashopton along the old railway track to Bamford along road to Hathersage for tea.

Party of four – Pops, Bill & Hodge & I.

Weather – great.

Leader – Les Hurley.

Sunday 23rd Sept 28

Train to Hope. Walk round field missing the village and climbed Loose Hill on to Back Tor along the edge to Mam Tor on to Rushup Edge down and over fields down the Winnatts into Castleton for dinner. Had a good talk. In the afternoon we walked over fields and up to Back Tor top there back into Castleton for tea. Weather – very dull and cold.

Pops & I.

Sunday 30th Sept 28

Took train to Hope. Walk back by way over Win Hill slopes over to Crookston Noal up the centre of the Scout to Potters Chapel in Grindlesbrook top for dinner.

After we went over to Fairbrook down to the foot of the waterfall to Evens Caven then up again to the Naze and across to the downfall back along the edge passed Red Brook on the Swines Back on to Brown Noal turned back and went down Jacobs

Ladder and over Mam Gap down to the Winnatts and Castleton for tea.

Weather was very cold but visibility was splendid. Party of three. Sid Robinson, Reg Damms & I.

Sid Robinson – leader.

Sunday 7th Oct 28

Train to Hope. Walked back way to Crookston over Win Hill slopes from Crookston along the edge to top of Blackden Clough then struck for Porter Chapel. Had dinner from 12.30 to 1.10pm.

We then set off for the Downfall and arrived there about 1.30pm when it came on to rain badly so we set off along the edge again and to the Swines back down to Edale

Cross, where we left at 2.30pm across Brown Noal for Rushup Edge being on the Edge at 3.15pm having taken only $\frac{3}{4}$ of an hour in the pouring rain. We continued

down to Mam Tor across the fields down the Winnatts to Castleton for tea. Party of five did a good enjoyable walk. Weather mostly raining but warm temperatures. Pops, Bert Gormley, George? & I with Sid Robinson as leader, a very good Scout leader.

Saturday 14th October 28

Frank & I go down to London in the train. Arrive Kings Cross 3.40pm. Phone Auntie & Uncle rushed off down the tubes and booked Waterloo, caught train & changed at Baker Street for Bakerloo railway down the moving staircase on to train arrived Waterloo climbed moving stairs booked Southern Railway train No 2 platform 4.20pm 2 minutes to catch it and the length of twelve platforms to go, did it. Out of train at New Malden, asked direction and was in Aunties house at ten minutes to five.

Had tea and back to Shepherds Bush at the Motor show by twenty to seven.

Left at ten, caught bus up to Trafalgar Square, had a walk round Piccadilly, boarded another bus as far as Charing Cross, walked back to Strand had supper at the Corner

House, five to eleven when we sat down. After we came out caught a bus for Kings Cross, arrived at 11.40pm. Had a walk round, a savaloy & a cup of coffee. We went in to the station the train left at 12.20am, a bus met the train & I was home at 4.30am.

Sunday 21st Oct 28

Train to Bamford. Walked up Paddymail to Derwent village for dinner. Went up to the dams afterwards. Saw the Old Pack Horse Bridge, the parapet being visible for the first time in many years. Set off up Howselden Clough on to Bleaklow over to Alport Castle. Fine view and a great wind. Down Alport Dale on to the Snake Road up the old Roman Road to Win Hill down and across fields to Castleton for tea.

Weather windy & showery but mostly bright. Party of five. Sid Robinson as leader.

Mendal, Regg, Bert & I.

Thursday 25th October 28

Went to Wolverhampton via Derby, Burton on Trent, Walsall to Wolverhampton, on to Giggity. From there we visited the Crooked House at Hinley.

Coming back on Friday through Lichfield and see _____ the Cathedral coming on through Derby and Chesterfield.

Sunday 28th Oct 28

Party of five go over the Scout nice day. Sid, George, Bert, Pops & I.
From Hope.

Saturday 4th Nov 28

Went to London. Took Mum. Went on to New Malden.

Sunday 11th Nov 28

To Peak Forest from Hope. Two minutes silence at Peak Forest. Walked back Castleton very wet day.

Sat 17th Nov 28

Went to Leeds by way of Barnsley & Wakefield.

Sunday 18 Nov 28

To Edale. Climbed Grindesbrook over the Scout across Black Ashop Clough, over Feather Bed Moss to Doctors Gate for dinner. Up on Bleaklow to Bleaklow stones. Off the top down West End Clough, passed the Derwent Dams in Derwent for tea, down the old railway track to Bamford. Mac, Reg, Pops, Mim, Sid, Bill & I.
Leader Sid Robinson. Weather good.

Sunday 25th Nov 28

6.38am train to Hazelhead. Very terrible weather blowing a gale and teaming with rain. Was were wet through before we got to Lawns Clough, boots were full with cross roaring torrents. Up Lawns Clough to the cabin where we had food & hot coffee. In the face of a great wind we climbed up to Barrow Stones where took shelter but the storm came on worse. We could not hear and hardly see for sleet & wind as we set off for Bleaklow Stones, so being the general opinion we gave up and came down West End, the Dams were flooding over the walls in great falls, we changed at Derwent.

And when we had reached Ashopton, Pops & I climbed Win Hill. We were blown about terrible. The other three reached Castleton first by going round. Sid lead. There was Max, Mim, Albert, Bunny, Reg, Tom, Pops & I.

Sat 1st Dec 28

2.30 bus to Bakewell & walked Latherkill Dale & Cale Dale over Arbor Low; (great difficulty in dark finding our way), up Green Lane to Hartington for the night – arrived 7.30pm.

Set off next morning at 10.30am, up the Dove Valley to Dowel Dale up the Dale across the moors down into Buxton for dinner.

Left for Castleton at 3.30pm for Castleton by way of Peak Dale & Peak Forest and Cave Dale into Castleton, Pops, Albert, Bunny & I leader. Weather good.

Sat 8th Dec 28

Pops & I took bus to Huddersfield. Archie was on it. Caught bus from there to Marsden. Put up at Blake Lea (very fine place). Went down at 11.30pm to meet the rest as we were twenty minutes from the station. The party was then six – max, Mim, Reg, Sid, Pops & I. As blizzard had gone to another place to stop.

Set off next morning at 8 o'clock, (the lady of the house telling us Jimmie Evans has slept there the night before his last ramble; he died from lack of food in Fairbrook).

We were in Marsden at 8.15am and set off up Weesenden Valley, the snow was thick and the mist heaving and what we could see of the dams, they were mostly frozen. At the Isle of Skye we were behind time, setting off across the moors. We climbed on to Black Hill. This being very hard as we could see no lance marks on Black Hill, our clothes and hats froze the hair on our legs and faces had ice on it. We found our way to the top of Crowden Little Brook where in the cabin we had some food. We were there fifteen minutes. Going down the Clough Archie caught us up. He set off at 8.30am and had not stopped for food. We cross the valley at Crowden and climbed Wild Boar Clough. The waterfalls were all frozen from the top. We crossed to Wain Stones where Archie stopped for food. We kept on into the Culvat. Had the rest of our food in Thomsons hollow. Up over Feather Bed down into Ashop Clough and commenced to climb the Naze of Fairbrooke. At a quarter to four it was going dark and Mim started with muscle trouble.

It took twenty minutes for Sid & I to get her up and we had difficulty in seeing the stake at Grindsbrook but Pops discovered it at "Potter Chapel". At four we served out a jack of rum between us. It put fresh life into us all and revived Mim. We just got going down the other side when it became dead black. The lads left us going up Hollins Cross. Sid & I stopped helping Mim as she was going very slow and to make matters worse it came on to blow & snow but we at last got into Castleton at 6.30. Sid Robinson led very well.

