**Countryside Activities Programme for Teesside**

**April to August 2025**

**TANDEMS ON TEESSIDE**

Our seven tandem clubs are based in Teesside, Harrogate, Ripon, Selby, Wakefield, Wetherby, and York. Join us every Tuesday at 6pm for a Tandem Bike Ride - designed to open up new adventures and build confidence! Our May rides are a gentle introduction, helping our groups gain experience before we work up to the big rides.

We’ll be meeting at Margrove Ponds every Tuesday from April to September setting off to explore the Cleveland Hills, local beaches, and other hidden gems. Come ride with us as we get the wheels turning at our new hub!

Expect around 90 minutes of riding, followed by a relaxed social stop - often with a drink and a chat to wind down the session. Need a lift? Just let us know - we’re happy to help.

**NATURE AND ACCESS CLUB**

Now accepting sign-ups for our Nature and Access Club, every Thursday from 10-3pm from 15th May. This club partners with local organisations on accessibility and conservation projects. Our current partners include: • Tees Valley Wildlife Trust

• The Goodlife Community Garden

• Forestry England & Guisborough Branchway

Get involved to protect our natural world and make the outdoors more inclusive for everyone.

**OUTINGS**

From 26th May, hop on our 14-seater minibus and join us for fun weekend adventures across the Tees Valley! Here's what we’ve got planned:

**Monday 26th May**

**TEES WHEELY BOATING at THE TEES BARRAGE**

Come aboard wheelchair users and take to the water!

Admission: £5 Trip: £12 Travel: 30 mins

**Saturday 7th June**

**KIRKLEATHAM MUSEUM & OWL CENTRE**

Spend the day discovering the rich art & heritage exhibitions, then head over to the Owl Centre to meet some feathery friends.

Admission: £3.50 Trip: £12 travel time: 10 mins

**Saturday 28th June**

**IRONSTONE MUSEUM AND SKINNINGROVE BEACH**

Come and learn about our industrial and natural heritage at Skinningrove.

Admission: £10 Trip: £12 Travel: 15 mins

**Saturday 5th July**

**STEAM RAILWAY, MUSEUM & WHITBY HARBOUR**

Full steam ahead from Goathland to Whitby!

Admission: £10 Trip: £12 Travel: 20 mins

**Saturday 19th July**

**BIRDWATCHING at RSPB SALTHOLME**

A day of birdwatching and learning! Let’s see how many species we can find with our binoculars.

Admission: FREE Trip: £12 Travel: 40 mins

**Saturday 2nd August**

**MONK PARK FARM**

Accessible fun with friendly animals, open spaces, and gentle farm experiences.

Admission: £12 Trip: £12 Travel: 40 mins

**Saturday 16th August**

**SUMMER PARTY** Join us for a relaxed celebration at Saltburn Woodland Cabin - a special gathering for Open Country volunteers, members, staff and friends! Admission: FREE Trip: FREE Travel: 10 minutes

**EVENTS**

**15th, 16th & 17th May ACCESSIBLE WALKS AT GUISBOROUGH WALKING FESTIVAL** Take part in an accessible walk at Guisborough Branchway. Travel time: 10 mins

**5th June WOMEN’S TOUR OF BRITAIN at REDCAR**

**6th June WOMEN’S TOUR OF BRITAIN at SALTBURN**

Come and see us at the finish line of the Women's Tour of Britain! We will have our pimped up tandems and will be riding around throughout the day.

**Saturday 14th & 15th June**

**KITE FESTIVAL, REDCAR**

Join our accessible zone and craft and fly kites with us! We will be joined by members from our Harrogate and Wakefield Hubs.

Coming soon...

**April to August 2025 WELLBEING CLUB**

Launching in August, our Wellbeing Club will include gentle walks, journaling, and crafting - perfect for connecting with others and discovering what we enjoy. Walks depart from Margrove Heritage Centre via our minibus, and we offer pick-ups and drop-offs if needed. We’ll be hiking & exploring beautiful local areas including the Cleveland Hills, Tees Barrage, coastal paths, woodlands, and more!

To book a place on any of these activities, telephone Open Country on 07848 257814. Please do let us know if you’ve booked and then cannot come to a Countryside Activity, so we can give someone else your place.

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