



SALTBURN AND DISTRICT BRIDLEWAYS GROUP

Spring Newsletter 2016

Welcome to our spring newsletter. There's never been a better time to be a member of the group – as well as exciting discounts for you, we have lots of exciting things coming up this year, including details of our ever popular pleasure ride and some great guests appearing at our public meetings.

Five-year rights of way plan

SADBG committee members met with Ian Tait, rights of way advisor for Redcar and Cleveland Council to discuss the area's Countryside Rights of Way Improvement Plan for the next five years. Members were asked to produce a "wish list" which was presented to Ian, this included:

- Black Ash Path to St Germain's, Marske – Split into a bridleway and a footpath?
- Errington Woods permissive bridleway - status change to public bridleway (formal application submitted by SADBG last year)
- Convert the track between the footpath and bridleway in Errington Woods into bridleway to make a loop round Pontac Road and Quarry Lane.
- Footpaths from Gurney Street, New Marske, to Catt Flatt Lane converted to bridleways to link with Green Lane, Redcar
- Creating a bridleway between proposed new housing estate and Saltburn Riding School
- Improve horse box parking locally
- Linking up existing bridleways to extend the local bridleway network including:
 - Mucky Lane and Errington Loop/Upleatham – via Tockett's Mill?



- Yearby Woods to Wilton Woods or Kirkleatham to Lazenby Bank
- Saltburn Riding School to Quarry Lane (SADBG already working with farmer on permissive route due to open September 2016 if all goes to plan!).

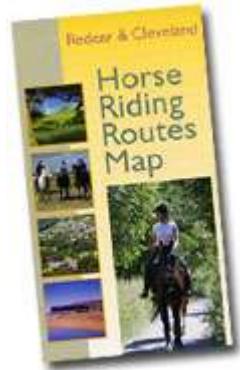
There was a lot of discussion about these issues and Ian has promised to look into them and email us back with further updates and a draft plan at a later date. Funding is limited and the council cannot make any promises but if it is not in the plan it will never happen so thanks to everyone who contributed suggestions!

Ian was also reminded about general maintenance issues including: Saltburn Gill beck, Upleatham to Quarry Lane resurfacing and A174 Quarry Lane to New Marske bypass verge cutting.

Are all your routes on the map?

In 2000 the Countryside and Rights of Way Act was introduced in England and Wales. Section 53 provides a cut-off date of 2026 to ensure all the routes used by horse riders are recorded as bridleways. Potentially many historic routes may be lost if not safeguarded.

We are urging all members to get hold of an OS Map and check the routes you ride on a daily basis are marked as rights of way. Please flag up any local paths you ride that are not recorded as a right of way. Drop us an email and we will investigate – info@saltburndistrictbridleways.co.uk



Want to see if your route is on an historic map? This link to the National Library of Scotland website is very handy: <http://maps.nls.uk/os/6inch-england-and-wales/index.html>

New look website

Have you checked out our new look website at www.saltburndistrictbridleways.co.uk?

The home page now contains our latest news posts and is regularly updated by committee members. There's also pleasure ride photo galleries and useful links to local maps, rides and tide times. Thank you to all who submitted photos!

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Pleasure ride 2016...



This year's Eston Nab pleasure ride will take place on **Sunday 5th June** to coincide with the British Horse Society's Ride UK Week.

The course includes approximately 14 miles of bridleways, woodland, private tracks and minimal road work.

As in previous years, it will set off from Thrushwood Farm at New Marske with start times from 9.30am.

Rosettes and refreshments will be provided at the finish line. Riders must bring £5 returnable deposit for the hire of one of our bibs. Entry is £10 members, £14 non members and all funds raised will help the group continue its work to improve the local bridleway network.

Places are limited so visit www.saltburndistrictbridleways.co.uk and download an entry form today and post along with your payment to Saltburn & District Bridleways Group, 63 Margrove Park, Boosbeck, Saltburn, TS12 3BY. Entries must be received by 31 May 2016.

AGM & public meeting

Another date for your diary... Wednesday 18th May, New Marske Sports Club, 7.30pm. Our AGM and public meeting is the perfect time to pop along and find out what's happening in your local area, as well as meeting a bunch of likeminded horsey friends.

This month, we are lucky to be joined by fellow committee member Paul Darbyson (who many of you may know from Saltburn Riding School), who is coming to join us to talk about trailers and towing - from maintenance to road safety. Paul will be bringing a trailer along with him for a practical demonstration, where you will also be able to put your trailer knowledge to the test!



Members who book a trailer maintenance check with Paul will receive a £10 discount if booked on the night. Certainly not one to be missed if you regularly take your four legged friends out and about on the roads. DVLA guidance for horse box and trailer owners can now be downloaded from our website.

Dead or dead slow?

SADBG is supporting the British Horse Society's Dead Slow road safety campaign. The national campaign aims to educate drivers to pass horses wide and slow – 15mph max and at least a car's width away. Visit our website to view the campaign video.

Pegasus crossing campaign

As you may be aware Taylor Wimpey is planning to build 111 houses next to Saltburn Riding School so SADBG is calling for a Pegasus crossing to be installed on Marske Road as part of the development due to the increased traffic.

The group has the support of the Roads Policing Unit, the British Horse Society and Redcar and Cleveland Council's highways department who have all joined us in approaching Taylor Wimpey to ask them to consider including a crossing as part of the development plans.

Thank you to everyone who wrote to Taylor Wimpey. They have now said they are considering the request. Their official reply to SADBG stated: "The outline planning permission for land south of Marske Road, Saltburn, does not require a Pegasus crossing. The matter has however been raised informally by the council's highways department and Taylor Wimpey are currently considering this request."