

## BUMs Seatoller Classic walks weekend

Attendees: Jim, Mike and Selina, Carol and Chris, Les and Mike, Sarah and Steve, Colin, Chrissie, David and Christine, Ann and Neil

Venue: Seatoller House, Borrowdale [seatollerhouse.co.uk](http://seatollerhouse.co.uk)

Date: 30<sup>th</sup> May-2<sup>nd</sup> June

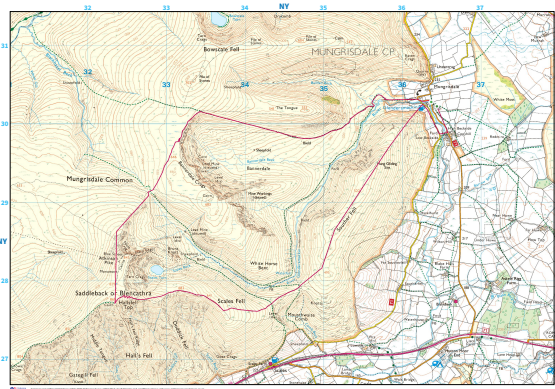
Weather: Unbelievably sunny but cool in the mornings.

Walks:

Day one:

Walking party: Sarah and Steve, Jim, Colin, Mike W

Blencathra from Mungrisedale, 8.1 miles, 2650 ft of ascent



Golfing party: Chrissie, Les and Mike A

18 holes at Penrith, 6.5 miles walked, scoring, secret



**Watendlath Party**

**David and Christine, Ann and Neil and Selina**

**Rosthwaite loop via Dock Tarn and Watendlath. 5 miles and 1700 ft of ascent**

Day two:

Big walk party: Jim, Colin, Mike W, Les, Chrissie, Chris W, David and Christine, Sarah and Steve, Ann and Neil

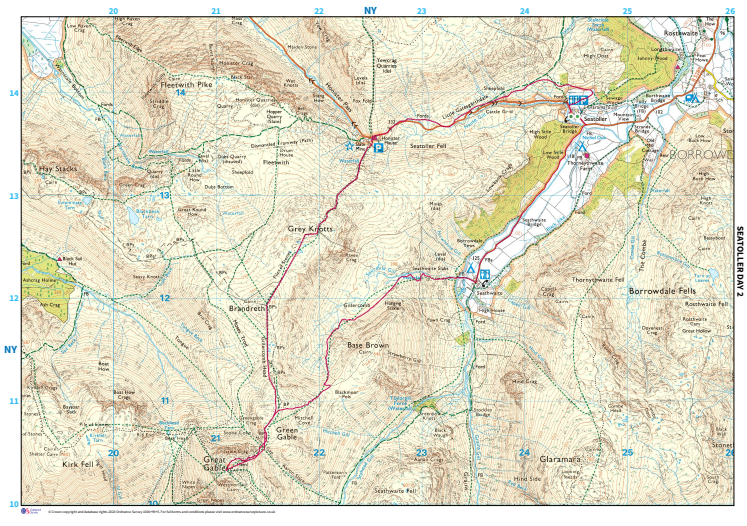
Great Gable from Seatoller and descending via Brandreth and Grey Knott. 8.1 miles, 3250ft of ascent. Hairy descent off last fell.

Note: Chris W had to cut the walk short due to 2 dodgy knees, but he retraced his steps admirably.

Much exhaustion felt from several members of the party but rehydration at the newly opened Yew Tree Pub next door to Seatoller revived spirits



Top of Great Gable



Shorter walk: Mike A, Selina

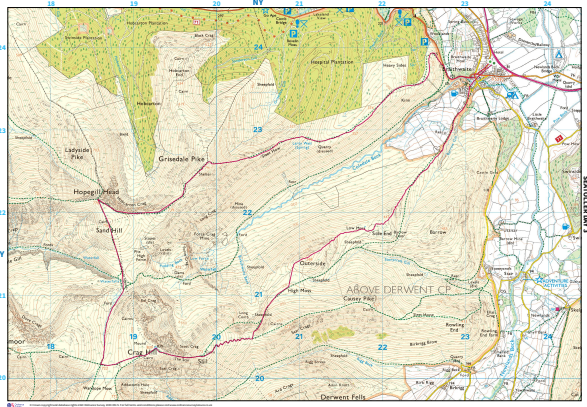
A round of Buttermere after walking up to Seathwaite Farm with the other party and back down to Seatoller to get a car. 9 miles in total with very little ascent.

Day three

Big walk party: Jim, Sarah and Steve, Christine and David, Colin, Neil, Mike W

Coledale Horseshoe from Braithwaite. 9.5 miles 4070 ft of ascent

Many tired legs after this one with Colin suffering from an injury and taking a short cut back.



Shorter walk party: Mike and Les, Chris and Carol, Chrissie, Anne, Selina  
A lovely walk from Seatoller towards Keswick along the west side of the river Derwent in warm and sunny conditions. 6.5 miles incorporating a ferry from Hawse End jetty, tea in a café and bus back. Rehydration at the usual



Carol just before coming a cropper



The touristy part

Day four

Most were going straight home or shopping in Keswick but two brave souls (Jim and Mike W) swept majestically up Fairfield and back down the same way to relive the classic 'Touching the void' moment 20 years ago.....did I ever tell you about the ruptured achilles.....?

A fantastic weekend was had by all. Great company and walking- the Fells seem to me to be getting tougher every year. Great accommodation- I think everyone enjoyed Seatoller House's quirkiness. Great food, cooked by Trish and the team. The bonus for some was the reopening after many years of the next door pub which had great beers and a lovely garden.

Hands up who wants to go next year for more classics?

Thanks for your company

Lesley