



# FOLK CAMPS

Site information

## AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY SELF-CATER WEEKEND

28 August – 01 Sept 2020 (Fri eve to Mon afternoon plus camping Tues am)

At Bampton Memorial Hall, Cumbria

**STAFF**

**LEADER**

**TBA**

**MUSICIANS**

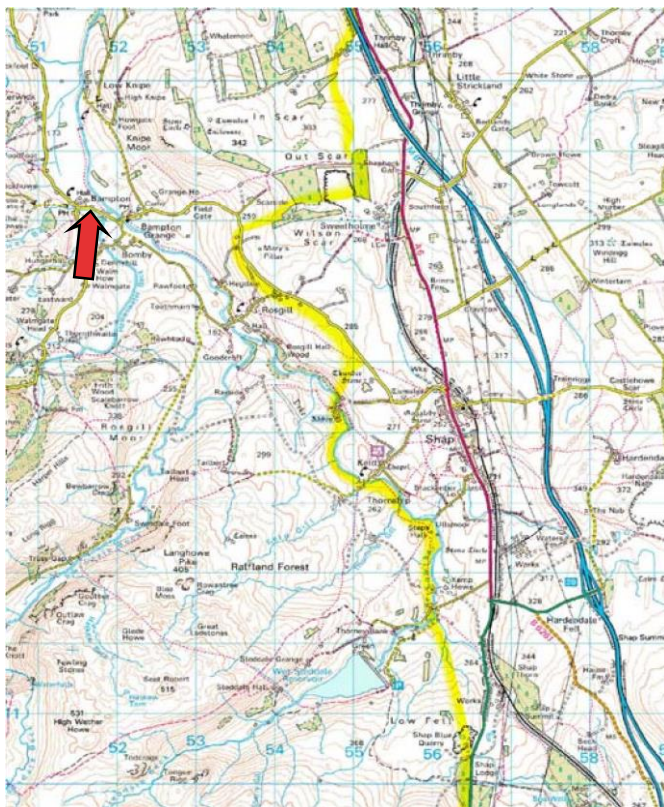
**Hilary Vare & John New**

**WARDEN**

**TBA**

### The area

Bampton village is on the east side of the Lake District near Shap and Penrith in Cumbria. Despite being easily accessible from the M6 only a 15 min drive from J 39 and a 20 min taxi journey from Penrith Railway Station; Bampton is one of the quietest and most unspoilt of villages in the Lake District and is just 3 miles from Haweswater, a spectacular and beautiful lake which offers an ideal location for summer picnics, or first-class walking and orienteering at any time of the year.



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c/o Bampton Memorial Hall

Bampton, PENRITH

Cumbria CA10 2RS

(Map Ref NY 516 182)

Coordinates N54 33'25" W2 44'51"

### How to get there

Please do not arrive until after 3pm.

For small vehicles, from M6 junction 39 go west for 0.8 miles. At T junction turn right onto A6. After 1.9 miles go through Shap. At the end of the village fork left on unclassified road signposted Bampton. After 3.7 miles turn sharp right. After 0.3 miles the village hall is on the right before Bampton village.

If towing or with a larger vehicle it is easier to approach from north. After Shap take left turn signposted Askham (Lowther Castle) follow road keeping Lowther Castle on left, pass Punchbowl Inn on left. At junction in Askham turn left and follow road on to Bampton. The site is on the left straight after village hall.

### On arrival

The camp runs from Friday 5 pm until Mon afternoon (camping until Tues am). Please check with the warden when you arrive who will advise you where to pitch and tell you when to expect a drink. The leader will arrange a camp meeting in the early evening at which staff will be introduced, safety information given out and workshops planned. It is most important that you and all your party attend the meeting.

**Site address**

## About Folk Camps Society Limited

Folk Camps Society is a registered charity and non-profit making organisation promoting traditional folk song, dance and music.

Our camps are informal and fun and you don't necessarily need a partner to join in. There are no strings (apart from the ones on the instruments) and the only condition is that you help with jobs that need doing to make the camp run smoothly. These will be allocated by the camp warden and cannot be "reserved" in advance.

Without everyone's co-operation folk camps could not run because there are no paid staff – everything we do is done with voluntary labour.

### The staff

The camp leader is in charge of the camp's social activities, the musician takes responsibility for organising music and the warden for domestic arrangements.

### The site & facilities

The camping site is a large flat well-drained field adjacent to the village hall which is used for camp activities. Hot and cold water and toilet facilities including disabled access are provided.

### What to bring with you

Your tent, campervan or caravan, personal toilet requisites including a wash bowl, wellies and a torch are all essential items. Please also bring a fire extinguisher or a fire bucket to keep by your tent or caravan.

As this is a self-catered camp you will need to provide all your own food and means of cooking it. Hot drinks and biscuits will be provided mid-morning and during the evening.

### The daily programme

Mornings are usually taken up with workshops. Afternoons are generally free for sightseeing but more activities might be organised later on. In the evening there may be singing games and dancing for children, which will be followed by dancing and singing for everyone.

## Health & Safety on site

*Parents are reminded that all children under 18 remain their responsibility at all times.*

Dogs must be kept on leads and under control at all times and inadvertent messes must be cleared up immediately.

There are specific areas which have added dangers on catered camp sites. These include the kitchen, washing up areas and areas around the toilets and shower areas. Great care should be taken to ensure safety in these areas.

Washing up area / showers – children under 16 are not allowed to collect water from hot water boilers. Care should be taken when water is taken from the boilers and boilers should be refilled to marked levels each time hot water is taken.

Kitchen – no under 16s allowed in the kitchen areas at any time.

There is a 5mph speed limit on the camp site. No uninsured or learner driving allowed on site at any time.

Vehicles are not allowed near the hall unless delivering or collecting materials at the warden's discretion or specifically for access for people with limited mobility. Great care should be taken when driving close to the hall and parking should be in marked bays or parallel to the side walls.

Additional safety information will be given at the camp meeting and also will be displayed on a board in the hall with site specific information.

## Updates and Accuracy of information

The Folk Camps brochure and camps update information can be found at:  
<http://www.folkcamps.co.uk>

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