

THE JERICHO SHANTY TOWN EXPERIENCE



A painting by Alan Fearnley - courtesy of David Joy

Free guided walks to take place
during 2017 on Thursday 27th April,
Thursday 1st June, Thursday 29th June,
Thursday 27th July and Thursday
24th August

The opportunity for a history-packed visit to the world famous Ribbleshead Viaduct and view the Shanty Town area. Then take a short train ride over the viaduct to Garsdale Station to see displays about the line and the bronze statue of Ruswarp, 'the dog that saved the line'.



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Meet at the Ribbleshead Visitor Centre on Ribbleshead Station at 12 noon (connects with the train from Leeds).

At the Visitor Centre there will be talks and informal discussions about the Jericho Shanty Town and the surrounding area. Also, there will be several display boards, pottery pieces and glassware found in the Shanty Town area with a mannequin, dressed as a typical navvy on display.

The group will then take a short tour to the Ribbleshead Viaduct along a stony track. Interpretation of the Shanty Towns area will be explained followed by return to the Visitor Centre for 13.45 in time to catch the train to Garsdale Station (fare payable on the train or at a staffed station). On the train journey the Jericho area will be pointed out. At Garsdale Station there will be a tour looking at the bronze statue of Ruswarp and the interpretation boards in the waiting rooms. The return journey back to Ribbleshead will be from the 15.13 train from Garsdale (destination Leeds).

Please bring a packed lunch. Drinks and light refreshments can be purchased at the Visitor Centre. Strong shoes are advisable together with waterproofs in case of bad weather. The walks are not suitable for people with limited mobility.

Visitors should check with Northern tel: 03457 484950 for train times and fare options. The tour is free of charge, but donations are welcome.

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Ribbleshead Visitor Centre is open 7 days a week from Easter-October 10.15-15.30. Displays in the Centre illustrate the history of the line and the building and restoration of the viaduct. Drinks and light refreshments are available.