

# IT'S GREAT TO BE BACK!

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*That's the verdict of many passengers on the first weekend of the 2022 Moorsbus season.*

*With some definitely mixed weather, it was a time to be prepared with wet-weather gear and alternative plans. But there were great opportunities for taking in the sights when the sun shone.*

*Let's hope for lots more enjoyable days — whether you're out walking, just gazing out of the window, enjoying a museum or exhibition, or partaking in some fine Yorkshire hospitality.*

## WHAT'S NEW

We don't change things without good reason. We're strong believers that we all need a bit of continuity and confidence, especially now, and even more so if you're new to public transport or new to the area.

But we do need to make minor adjustments to better spread our resources around routes and destinations.

'New' 2022 operator East Yorkshire Buses (seen below on the M31 at Byland Abbey)

are running our M31 service from Pocklington, York and Easingwold to Helmsley (going on to Pickering on a Saturday and as M4 to Guisborough on a Sunday).

York passengers should note that this service comes along Hull Road and Rougier Street, picking up *opposite* the railway station (stand RH). The earlier bus from York (M6) starts from outside the railway station (stand RC). (M6 travels to Malton, Norton and Pickering before heading through Rosedale to Danby.)

East Yorkshire Buses also operate the 128 and X28 services between Helmsley and Scarborough.

In the past they have issued and accepted Moors Rover tickets between Thornton le Dale and Helmsley, but this year, you can use a Moors Rover along the full length of the route. So just get one ticket and you can paddle in the sea at Scarborough as well as enjoy the delights of Helmsley (and all the other Moorsbus destinations).



## FARES FAIR

We've not made any increases this year, just simplified our fares. The best value **Moors Rover** costs £9.50, with a young person's version (5 to 17 year olds) £2.50. The Family Rover ticket enables upto 2 adults and 4 children to travel on one ticket (although any adult must be accompanied by at least one child). These Rover tickets are valid on the whole of the Moorsbus Network.

On Moorsbus days they are also issued and accepted on **East Yorkshire Buses** 128 / X28 between Helmsley and Scarborough, and **Arriva** services as follow:

- X4 between Saltburn and Redcar;
- 5 between Guisborough and Easington;
- 81 between Guisborough and Redcar;
- X93 between Guisborough and Scarborough.

And don't forget the Moorsbus Donate Ticket (see overleaf).

# WHAT'S ON

10 July

## Kirkbymoorside Open Gardens

11am to 5.00pm. Entrance £5 (free for under 16s) including tea and scones (served from 1pm). Tickets available from outside *Something Special* in the Market Place. Plant stall.

17 July

## Festival of Green

Storytelling, walks and other activities  
Sutton Bank Visitor Centre

9 / 10 July

## Abstracted Landscape & Fired Earth

Exhibition at *Inspired by...* gallery,  
Danby Lodge National Park Centre

16 July to 12 September

## A Woodland Sanctuary

The work of renowned photographers Joe Cornish and Simon Baxter. *Inspired by...* gallery,  
Danby Lodge National Park Centre

23, 24, 30 & 31 July

## Ryedale Open Studios

Meet a wide range of artists representing many media, including painting, printmaking, sculpture, ceramics, jewellery and textiles.

Open studios in Kirkbymoorside, Hutton le Hole, Nawton, Pickering, Dalby, Thornton le Dale and elsewhere.

[ryedaleopenstudios.com](http://ryedaleopenstudios.com)

## Re-imagining Sacred Spaces.

A dazzling new exhibition showcases the works of three artists as they explore sacred sites, including many on Moorsbus routes. Free exhibition at Ryedale Folk Museum (*Hutton le Hole*) until 10th July.

## Rievaulx Terrace & Temples

(National Trust) open 23 & 24, and 30 / 31 July (see next column for details of what's there).



## RIEVAULX TERRACE & TEMPLES

Located above Rievaulx Abbey, the National Trust's Terrace & Temples were created in the late 1750s. The Ionic Temple (above) at the northern end of the terrace, was a place for sumptuous dining and socialising after guests had walked the half-mile long terrace from the Tuscan Temple at the southern end.

You too can walk the Terrace with its splendid views of Rievaulx Abbey nestling in the Rye valley below, and there's a path leading from the Terrace to the village of Rievaulx and the Abbey.

Get off (or on) the M4 Moorsbus at the top of Rievaulx Bank.

## *Tell a fellow traveller!*

Not everyone knows what's on offer. Maybe you could help other passengers by showing them where to find **Moorsbuzz** and a **Survey Form**.

## DONATE TICKETS

As you'll know, Moorsbus relies on contributions from many people, including passengers. Many of those who benefit from 'free' travel thanks to a pass are happy to chip in with a small donation towards their travel.

If you're able to help, a Donate Ticket can be bought from the driver in just the same way as an ordinary ticket. Choose from a £1, £2, £5 or £10 donation. In this way we'll be able to build a better bus service for the future.

## 2021 SURVEY RESULTS

Many thanks to the hundreds of passengers who filled in a Survey Form last year. The full results are on the Moorsbus website, but here are the headlines:

*A third of Moorsbus users were from Yorkshire and the Humber; a third from the North East; and the rest from elsewhere in England.*

*59% of passengers went for a walk of 3.4 hours on average.*

*66% were from a household without a car.*

*Passengers spent £13.25 on their trip, over £10 on food and drink.*

*5% of Moorsbus visits started with a rail journey.*

*Passengers gave an overall satisfaction rating of 94.4%, and our drivers were awarded 99.8%*

## ANORAK'S CORNER



A trio of Moorsbuses at Danby in August 1998: Perry's, East Yorkshire and Wear Buses. Fares were £2 within the moors area, or £4 for those getting the bus outside the moors. 'Long-haul' Moorsbuses started at Peterlee, Bishop Auckland, York and Hull.

1998 was the year the green and yellow Moorsbus triangle was introduced and a special government grant enabled Moorsbus to operate daily during the summer holidays. The government-awarded Charter Mark for the National Park said 'We particularly single out for commendation the Moorsbus.'