

Roll: **20220804-9234**

Camera: **Canon EOS 5D Mark III: E53**

Film: **Full frame digital**

Subject:

U3A Peak Walks - Three Shires Head.

Notes:

Quite a long drive to Gradbach Mill, tried to set off early but failed. Too much faffing. Made up for it once reached the rural roads of Derbyshire and aided by my new found knowledge of how the speedometer is over stating the vehicles speed I watched the estimated time of arrival steadily drop. Not only an exciting drive but also a most beautiful one with stunning views across the moors to the Roaches.

Although I arrived at twenty past ten there was noone in the car park and I thought that they must have left with out me. Took my time getting ready then walked the few yards to the cafe, with thoughts of ordering lunch, which is where I found them gathered.

I did order lunch only to discover that the establishment chose to discriminate against those using cash, so cancelled the order. As with the Hardwick visit there were several who wanted to pay for me but this time I managed to get the message across in time to prevent such an event.

The walk was I think the best we have done since I joined the group. Three Shires Head is a remarkable and popular location. I wonder how busy it might get in the heat waves. On the one hand it must be a most delightful place to spend the day with children but on the other, most must surely find it a long and tiring hike to reach it in the heat of such a day.

The main party walked on from Three Shires Head for perhaps half a mile before we retraced our steps to the watering hole for the picnic rest. A small intrepid band set off to do another mile and a half to reach bleaker moorland under the leadership of a chap called John, who I gathered was a farmer and to whom I took something of an instant dislike. He was very gung ho and showed no awareness of the needs of the group, I was not convinced that he would stick to any previously agreed route so I remained with John Pickles' main group and was quite glad I had done so as by the return to Gradbach I was mote tired than I might have expected. The lack of walking for the last year due to my injuries and Max's debilitating old age, has surely taken it's toll.

One or two tried againto pay for my lunch when I announced that I was leaving but again I was able to convince the assembled party that my problem was one of principle (intransigence) and not one of lacking the where-with-all to pay by card. I wonder that there is not a national campaign (or at least not one of which I have heard) to stop this incipient, reprehensible and dangerous trend.

The drive back was pleasant enough, I think the satnav managed to take me very much on the same route by which I came.

All in all a splendid day out.

People:

John Pickles, John the Farmer, Pam, Peter Elderton, Simon.

Dates:

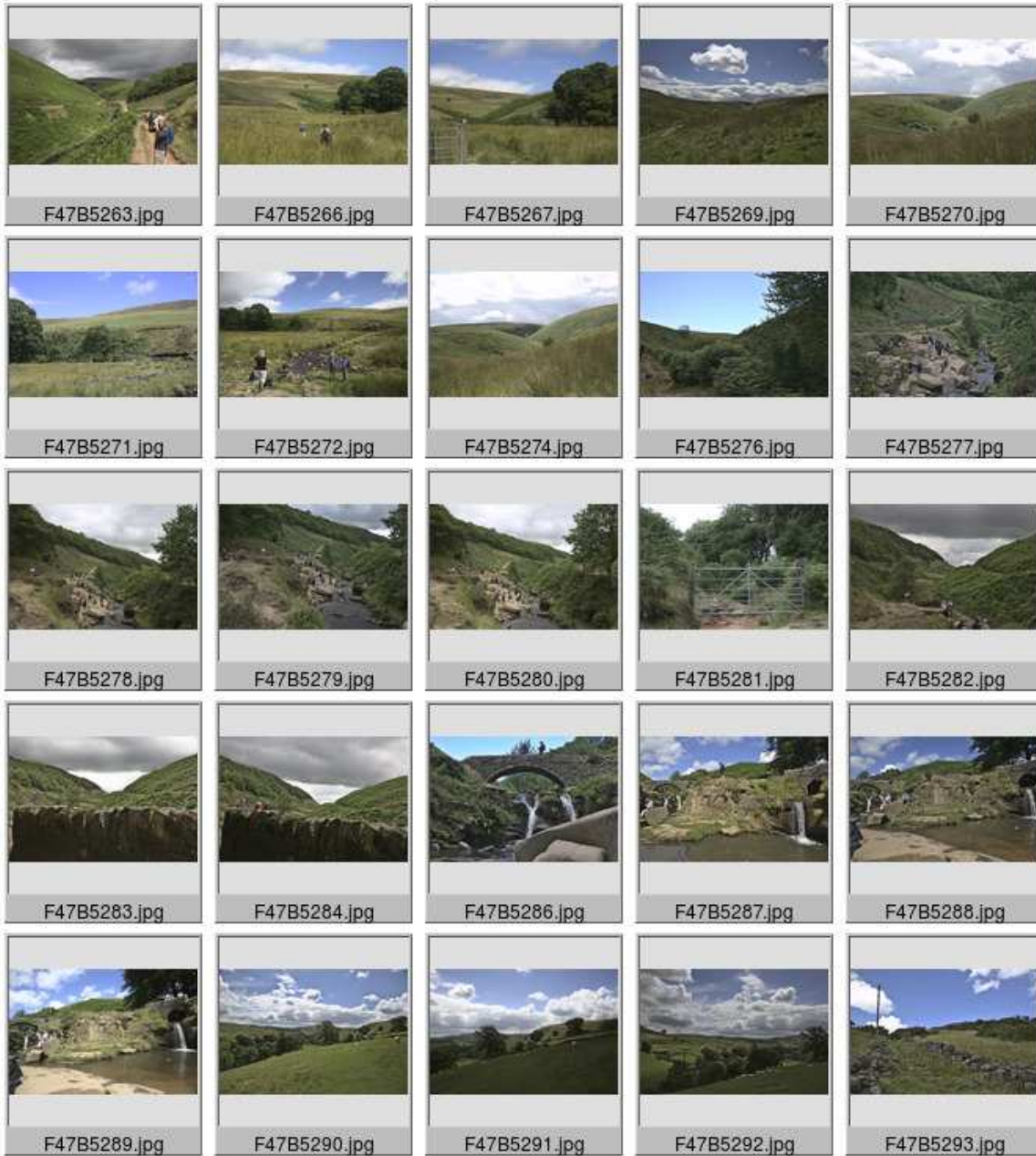
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Frames:

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F47B5286	20220804	11:46:26	Packhorse Bridge.
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F47B5267 - Dane Valley Way.



F47B5266 - Dane Valley Way.



F47B5269 - Dane Valley Way.



F47B5270 - Dane Valley Way.



F47B5280 - Panniers Pool.



F47B5281 - Steel gate.



F47B5282 - Panniers Pool.



F47B5286 - Packhorse Bridge.



F47B5287 - Panniers Pool.



F47B5290 - Dane Valley Way.



F47B5292 - Dane Valley Way.



F47B5293 - Dane Valley Way.