



Trip Report

Bouldering at Burbage South & Plantation

15th to 16th March 2019

Day 1

On Saturday the club went to the Burbage South Valley Boulders and enjoyed some of the best weather we've had for a long time. It's a very family friendly area, and a few families joined us:

Steve Appleyard and daughter (and two adorable dogs), Jiggi Button and children, Jenny Ives and daughter, plus Stuart McBeath, Jon Parry, Janet Saunders, Maryam Sharifzadeh and Simon Arbache. Emma North and Steve Hobbs, having climbed a lot at the area, were at the Roaches for the day and joined us at the campsite in the evening.

A few did The Shearing (V2 5c) which is the most sandbagging V2 in the area, with more people trying the hands free slab on the adjacent face. Overall everyone had fun trying random boulder problems and becoming familiar with gritstone bouldering.



(Left to right: Maryam, Jon, Steve A + Daughter, Jiggi, Janet, Stu)



Jiggi on The Shearing (V2)



Nathan going up the No Hands Slab



Cutest dog, loves belly rubs



This one goes for a sophisticated look



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Maryam: good mat protection



Emma: great spotting



Jenny: approaching the top



Saturday's group



And thanks to Simon for organising it all!



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Day 2

On Sunday the club moved onto Stanage Plantation as a smaller group, with Marc Cunnington and Ross Garfoot joining Maryam, Simon, Emma and Steve.

The Pebble was climbed, with some experiencing its full height on the Thin Slab (f6B, V3) and other variants around. Everyone tried hard, climbing some desperately thin slabs with no holds on The Lone Boulder, and it's very short dyno on the front face.



Emma on the desperately thin The Lone Slab (f6A)



Ross on the Pebble, doing Thin Slab (f6B)



Who has the highest reach?

Epilogue

With little skin left on the fingers, everyone went home at reasonably early around 5pm. A great weekend.