

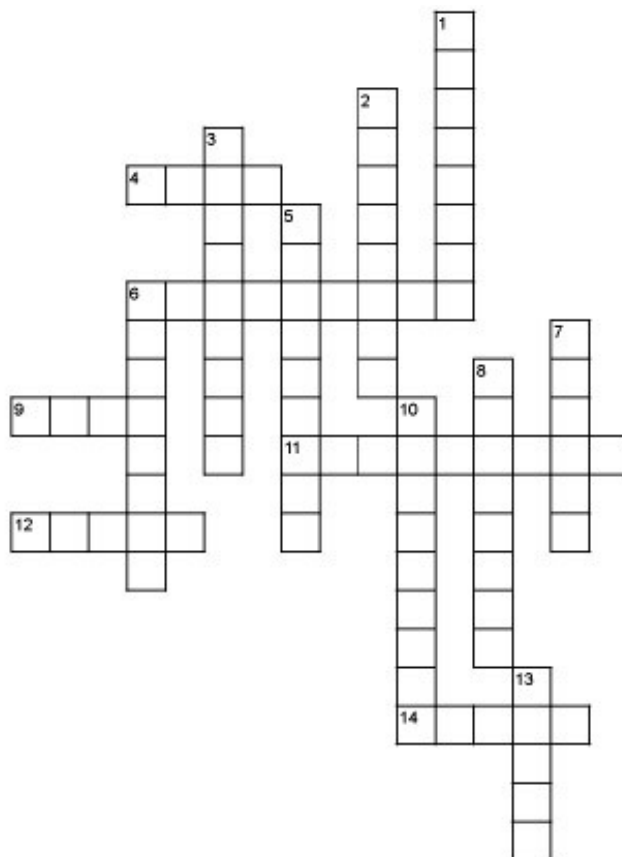
## Axe Edge Moor Geocross V64

No contact geocaching and crossword

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The 'Ethels' are 95 hills in or on the fringe of the Peak District, mostly over 400 metres height. They were named 'Ethels' in 2021 by the Peak District and Yorkshire Branch of the Council for the Preservation of Rural England, a countryside charity, as a tribute to Ethel Haythornthwaite. Ethel was born into the Sheffield Ward family, daughter of one of the largest industrialists in the Steel City. She was very well connected and passionate about the countryside. She was also well educated and an expert letter writer, and she knew how to use her connections to make things happen. One of her first major achievements was to raise a public appeal to purchase the 747 acre Longshaw Estate which was threatened with development. She bought the property in 1928 and immediately gave it to the National Trust. She continued to campaign for the countryside and championed the establishment of the Peak District as Britains first National Park in 1951.

Over half of the Ethels are long established trig points. Most have public access but a few are on private land. This Geocross links 4 Ethels on the west side of the A53 Buxton Leek road.



To solve this crossword puzzle you need to visit the 5 locations of the main feature in the following photographs.

You will need the what3words app (W3W) on your GPS device. Using your GPS device held over the main feature you then get the what3words address. You will probably have to move around to find the W3W square containing the 'word' provided.

Save all the words and eventually fit the words to the crossword grid.

There are just two crossword clues. Find these words first, then fit all the other words to the grid. There may be more than one solution. If a word appears twice, you only need it once for the crossword.

### Clues

2 ACROSS fall on ice

10 DOWN assembled musicians

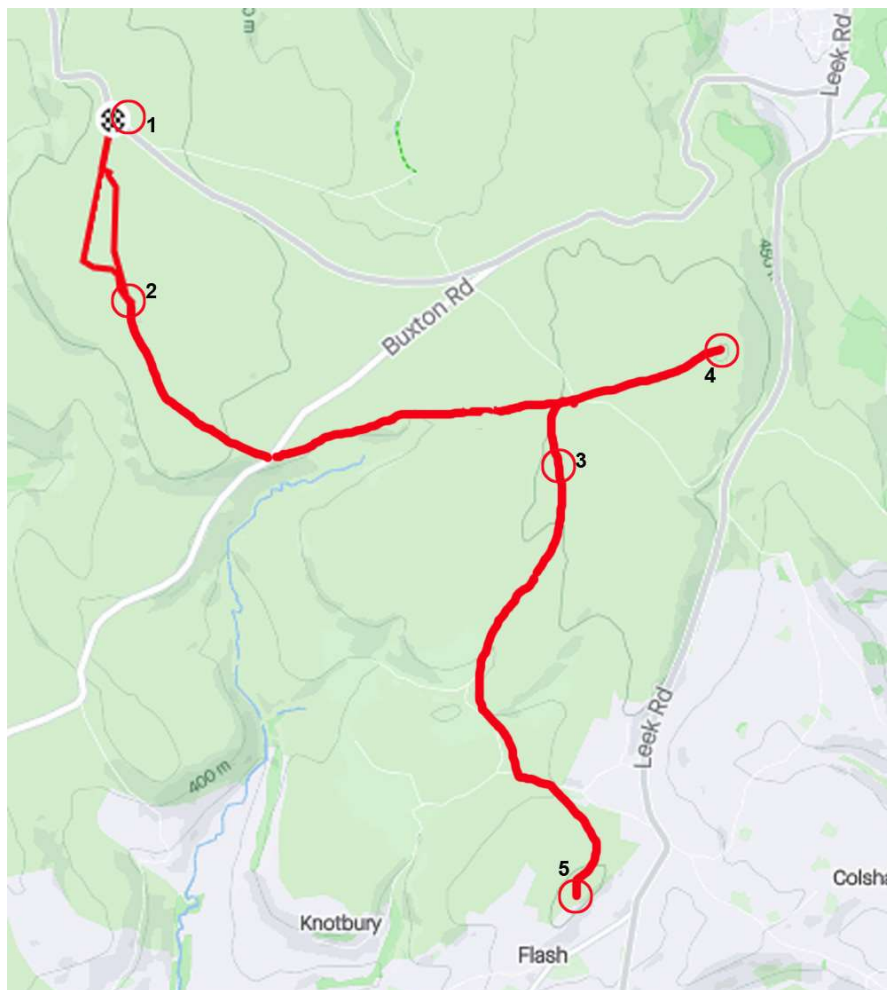
The GPS on mobile phones can be imprecise. This can mean that multiple devices very close to each other might show different 3 word addresses, not because the 3 word addresses of your actual location is different but because the devices each think they are in slightly different places. Each location is a grid square 3x3 metres.

In order to help you ensure that you obtain the correct three word (W3W) address, the first word in the W3W is provided as a clue. You may need to walk around the main feature into different 3 x 3 metre grid squares to find the correct W3W address.

E.g. Let's assume that you are at a location given by the W3W address thick.verge.commented and you are told the first word of the W3W address is the word "thick". You now know you have found the right one.

Location	OS grid reference	W3W		
		First word	Second word	Third word
1	SK 00108 71896	balancing		
2	SK 00207 70855	slip		
3	SK 02673 69960	winemaker		
4	SK 03502 70615	drummers		
5	SK 02738 67600	thinkers		

Each of the locations can be found on the route below. The locations are listed in order and sufficient background is included to help you triangulate your position to identify the location.



Start from the Cat and Fiddle Inn.

Location 1 OS ref SK 00108 71896

Cat and Fiddle Inn sign

Contains “balancing”



Standing at 515 metres above sea level, the Cat and Fiddle Inn is the second highest pub in England. The Yorkshire Dales Tan Hill Inn is slightly higher at 528 metres.

The Cat and Fiddle was closed in 2015 but may reopen.

It was built as a coaching inn in 1813, on the Cat and Fiddle Road which links Buxton to Macclesfield. The road is notorious for severe weather, lots of sharp corners and unfortunately, accidents. Motorcyclists regard this road as a challenge to their skills.

The road is often closed due to snow, and there is a webcam at the Cat and Fiddle to help drivers plan their route.



Location 2 OS ref SK 00207 70855

Whetstone Ridge

Contains “slip”



Whetstone Ridge is a featureless moor which is one of the most westerly summits in the Peak District National Park. It has no footpath and is rarely visited except by the grouse moor gamekeeper whose feeding spot is as close to the true summit as possible.

There is a very popular bridleway which passes close to the high point, heading south to Danebower Hollow and Three Shires Head.

Whetstones were used for knife sharpening. If there were whetstones here they have all gone.



Location 3 OS ref SK 02673 69960

Cheeks Hill

Contains “winemaker”



Another vague summit close to the source of the River Dane. There are a number of flooded coal mine pits nearby and a well used bridleway running north-south.

This is the south tip of a large coalfield which continues north into the Goyt Valley and beyond.

There is no footpath to the summit, and no marked summit either.

Some of the Ethels are not popular locations!

Location 4 OS ref SK 03502 70615

Axe Edge

Contains “drummers”



Thankfully Axe Edge has a trig point and is very popular.

Axe Edge Moor is large and best known as the source of several rivers, the River Dove, River Manifold, River Dane, River Wye and River Goyt.

The trig point is on a well formed stone plinth, possibly once a cairn and rebuilt to create a summit feature on an otherwise featureless moor.



Location 5 OS ref SK 02738 67600

Oliver Hill – north boundary wall

Contains “thinkers”



Oliver Hill summit is on CROW Access Land but the farmer has not made much provision for access. In fact he has made access very difficult by erecting an electric fence.