



A Welcome Break on a Walk from Church Lawford Lead by Pam Bunker on 3 Sep 2014



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WALKS PROGRAMME – WINTER 2014-2015

Date	Leader	Location	Miles	Tel. No.
1 Oct 14	Peter Mason	Farnborough	5	815073
15 Oct 14	Shirley Bird	Ashby St. Legers	5	815790
29 Oct 14	Isobel Wlittaker	Birdingbury-Soups 'n Puds Walk	5	814234
12 Nov 14	John Maughan	Chipping Warden	5	612901
26 Nov 14	Peter Webster	tba		814063
10 Dec 14	Richard Lillystone	tba		817529
17 Dec 14	John Gymer	Sherry Walk	4	813646
7 Jan 15	Jeff Round	Sawbridge	4.5	817734
21 Jan 15	Peter Mason	Stockton	5	815079
11 Feb 15	Bob McAulley	Grandborough	5	01788 817136
25 Feb 15	Bill Pease	Royal Leamington Spa	5	813873
11 Mar 15	John Bushnell	Eydon	5.3	814409
25 Mar 15	Alan White	Welton	5	01327 311078

Walks Programme Organiser :- Nigel Chapman Tel. No. 813765

All walks start at Wood Street car park at 9.30 am.

Please Note:

1. Leaders have full control and are responsible for all arrangements.
2. All members of the Ramblers' Association are welcome. Potential members are invited to attend two walks before membership application is necessary for continued Group activity.
3. Registered Assistance Dogs only are allowed on rambles.
4. Walks are subject to change if circumstances dictate.

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Please note

Southam & District Group, Ramblers' Association.

A.G.M.

Friday, 5th. December, 2014.

8.00pm. At the “Nelson Club”, Stockton.

Please make every effort to attend. Decisions may be taken which could affect your Group

Soups and Puds Walk Wednesday the 29th of October 2014

After the Birdingbury walk, Jackie has again offered to provide soups and puds. The cost will be £6. The proceeds again will be going to charity. As there are only 35 limited places would you please let me have your name together with the £6 (cash preferably) by the 15th of October 2014 to 16 Napton Rise, Southam. The first 35 will be successful. Parking will be available behind the club and there will be a bar.

Isobel Whittaker

Notes on the Summer Walks

(This item was prepared by Di Weaver, wearing her publicity hat, with inclusion in the “District Advertiser” in mind.)

Members enjoyed this lovely Summer; every walk I went on the sun shone. The company was great and the walks had anything from 15 to 28 people, discussing every topic under the sun (forgive the pun). Alison took us to Bodington.

Because the weather had been so bad on her pre-walk, it was a bit “Where do we go next?” in order to avoid the mud, but it did take us on the old railway line that I had never walked before. We also knew we were in the right place, as we had that giant windmill to mark our starting point.

Mike took us to Kenilworth and walked us from the castle to Honiley where we had our coffee stop at the church – a joy of a building – not what you would expect.

Vib took us to Flore, walking the “Nene Way” and Alan lead us on a lovely post harvest walk from Hampton Lucy.

Wednesday walkers meet every other Wednesday 9.30am (arrive 9.15 ish) at Wood Street car park.

Bill took over the Summer Strollers and from what I've been told, everybody enjoyed them, except the people who arrived late to find the group had moved off; it is advisable to arrive sooner than later.

Our thanks go to “Basher” Bushnell, who does a lot of prewalks, clearing the way for us with his “chopping” stick and, if that was not enough, he takes photos,

leads walks and puts the newsletter together. Our thanks must go to Richard, also, as they walk together, sharing the path clearing effort.

Now the Autumn is upon us, a new programme is in the making; we all take it in turns to organise a five mile walk, so new volunteers for the job would be welcome. There are lots of places that we have not explored in recent years, so come and join us, once holidays are over and grandchildren have gone back to school, you will enjoy it. Any people who have not been for a while come and join us again. You know it does you good. Those who read this that have had to hang up their boots for whatever reason are still in our “do you remember?” conversations.

Di Weaver

Southam Group 30 Years Anniversary.

I use old print paper sheets that have a blank side for printing out our shopping lists. Annette happened to turn last week's over and found that it was the menu for the Southam Group's 20th. Anniversary lunch. It was dated 12 November 2005. It means, of course, that next year will be its 30 year anniversary. The 25th. seems to have slipped by without anyone noticing. Looking back, I see that 2010 was the 75th. anniversary of the founding of the Ramblers' Association, so I suppose all our thoughts were on that.

Our 30th. would be a good excuse to have a “do”; anything from a dinner or lunch, perhaps combined with a walk or ...what? Does anyone have any ideas? Also, very importantly, is there anyone who could volunteer to arrange something? There is still plenty of time to think about it.

John Bushnell



Members waiting to cross a foot bridge on a walk from Hellidon on 9 July 2014, lead by Jeff Round.

Margaret Ridley.



I am so sorry to hear that Margaret is very poorly and in Myton Hospice. I am sure that we all will hold her in our thoughts.