

CAMBRIDGE GROUP RAMBLERS WALKS PROGRAMME May - October 2018

Sat 5 May

Bishop's Way

Meet at Ely Station, map/grid ref: 226/TL543794 at 10:00. Car park charge £3.20. 09:35 train from Cambridge due Ely 09:51 also possible (check time). Circular walk following the route taken by Bishops of Ely to their palace in Little Downham. Bring food & drink.

13km (8 miles)

Angela 01223 840585

Mon 7 May

Wicken, Soham Circular Walk

Meet at Wicken NT car park (free to NT members), map/grid ref: 226/TL565706 at 10:00. Walk towards Soham along farm tracks and grassy field edge paths and return via Monks Lode. Bring provisions.

10km (6½ miles)

Sharon 01223 811877

Sat 12 May

Anglesey Abbey Figure of Eight

Meet at the car park/Visitor Centre (no charge), map/grid ref: 226/TL534622 at 09:30. The morning walk goes north to join Swaffham Bulbeck Lode and then the Cam. The afternoon walk will start from the Visitor Centre at 13:45 and follows Quy Water and visits Stow cum Quy Fen. Lunch can be bought at Anglesey Abbey café or bring rations.

14/8km (9/5 miles)

Jill 01223 362881

Mon 14 May

Ashwell Circular

Meet in Mill Street, Ashwell, parking considerately alongside the road near the church, beyond the Bushel & Strike, map/grid ref: 208/TL267398 at 10:00. This is a flat walk over varied landscape circling Ashwell and crossing River Rhee/Cam source. Bring rations.

8km (5 miles)

Hilary & John 07875 629713

Sat 19 May

Cornish Hall End Circular

Meet in the car park of the Horse and Groom pub, map/grid ref: 195/TL683365 at 10:00. Walk through pleasant Essex countryside. Bring coffee-time snack.

10km (6 miles)

Penny 01371 810306

Sat 26 May

Ickworth Park

Meet at Ickworth car park (toilets) (£6.25 but free for NT members), map/grid ref: 211/TL815615 at 10:30. Walk in rolling English Country Park and visit Stumpery Gardens. Bring picnic lunch. Note start time.

10km (6½ miles)

Sharon 01223 811877

Mon 28 May

Steeple Morden Figure of Eight

Meet at the village rec car park, map/grid ref: 208/TL285427 at 10:00. Bring picnic to celebrate the legal securing of a valued local path. The short afternoon walk will include wild flower spotting.

8/3km (5/2 miles)

Janet 01223 356889

Sat 2 Jun

Linton Circular

Meet at Linton Health Centre car park, map/grid ref: 209/TL562468 at 10:00. A hilly walk around Linton via Hadstock. Bring packed lunch.

13km (8 miles)

Kathy & Ken 01223 840589

Mon 4 Jun

Shepreth

Meet at the Village Hall, 2 Station Road, Shepreth, map/grid ref: 209/TL393480 (SG8 6PS) at 10:00. Car parking at the Village Hall or park on the road. Easy walk to the pretty village of Barrington where we cross the river Cam, over Shepreth Moor via Meldreth. Bring rations.

10km (6 miles)

Peter 07951 362501

Sat 9 Jun

Spaldwick/Grafham Water

Park carefully in Spaldwick High Street and meet opposite The George pub, map/grid ref: 225/TL129727 at 10:00. Walk up to plateau and towards Grafham Water. Back along byways and field paths. Bring provisions.

13km (8 miles)

Paul S 07780 963519

Mon 11 Jun

The Gransdens

Meet at Waresley Dean Bridge woodland car park, map/grid ref: 208/TL256551 at 10:00. Bring a picnic. Note tea possible at Waresley Garden Centre following the walk.

8km (5 miles)

Janet 01223 356889

Sat 16 Jun

Lyveden New Beild

Meet at Aldwinkle car park, map/grid ref: 224/TL007813 at 10:00. Walk through Souther Wood and Lady Wood and field edges to Lyveden New Beild and return via Lilford Wood and Wadenhoe. Pub at Wadenhoe but bring picnic.

16km (10 miles)

Lisa 01223 245566

Mon 18 Jun

The Eversdens Circular

Meet at The High Street, Little Eversden, map/grid ref: 209/TL373533 (CB23 1HE) at 10:00. Park considerately in The High Street. Walk to Gt Eversden and up to Eversden Wood and back via Mare Way with fine views. Bring rations.

9km (5½ miles)

Peter 07951 362501

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Sat 4 Aug

London

Catch the 08:47 train from Cambridge to King's Cross for arrival at 09:35 or meet under the departure boards at King's Cross, map/grid ref: 173/TQ302831 at 09:45. A circular walk to include the City of London, South Bank, St James Park, Hyde Park and Regents Park Canal, finishing at King's Cross Station. (The walk can be shortened by taking the tube back to King's Cross from Baker Street.) Lunch will be in Brown Hart Gardens. Bring rations or buy lunch as wished. Drinks available.

See <https://londonunveiled.com/2013/11/07/brown-hart-gardens/>

18km (11 miles)

Joye 07761 380314

Sat 11 Aug

New River Path – First Part

Having covered Cambridge to Hertford walking from station to station, we will now continue from East Hertford on the three-stage New River Walk to Islington, led in the past by David Elsom and by Charles Knowelden.

Catch the 09:04 train from Cambridge to Hertford East, changing at Broxbourne (arr. 09:30, dep. 10:19). Meet at Hertford East station, map/grid ref: 174/TL330129 at 10:35. Alternatively park at the Station. Walk beside the New (1613) River which originally followed the 100ft contour dropping 10cm per km. Return from Cheshunt to Cambridge or to Hertford East. Bring provisions.

18km (11 miles)

Sharon 01223 811877

Mon 13 Aug

Linear Walk from Godmanchester to St Ives

Meet at The Princess Diana Garden on Christ's Pieces, map/grid ref: 209/TL453586 at 10:00 then catch the X3 bus from Jesus Lane at 10:10 to Godmanchester. Bus passes will apply for this walk or buy a £6 day rover, which will cover both journeys. Catch the Guided Bus C from St Ives to Cambridge for the return journey. Note Whippet is the only bus company that covers this walk. Bring snack.

10km (6½ miles)

Joye 07761 380314

Sat 18 Aug

New River Path – Second Part

Catch the 09:21 train from Cambridge to Cheshunt, map/grid ref: 174/TL366023, arr. 10:21. Walk along the New River Path through countryside and parkland to London suburbs. Return from Bowes Park to Cambridge (changing at Finsbury Park) or via King's Cross to Cheshunt. Bring rations but café en route.

16km (10 miles)

Sharon 01223 811877

Mon 20 Aug

Bourn Circular

Meet at The Stove Café, Manor Farm, 14 Alms Hill, Bourn, map/grid ref: 208/TL325566 (CB23 2SH) at 10:00. Car parking arranged at the café. The walk follows the Bourn Brook, then up to Bourn Windmill and into Cambourne Nature Reserve. Back via Crow End. Lunch to be taken at the café.

9km (5½ miles)

Peter 07951 362501

Sat 25 Aug

New River Path – Third Part

Catch the 08:56 train from Cambridge to Bowes Park, changing at Finsbury Park, arriving at 10.34. Meet at Bowes Park station, map/grid ref: 174/TQ302915 at 10:45. Walk through parkland and streets of Islington to New River Head. Return from King's Cross. Bring picnic.

13km (8 miles)

Sharon 01223 811877

Mon 27 Aug

Shepreth Circular

Meet at Shepreth's Dunsbridge Turnpike, map/grid ref: 209/TL396466 at 10:00, parking considerably alongside the road. The walk is via Fowlmere & Foxton through varied landscape, including nature reserve. Bring rations

11km (6½ miles)

Hilary & John 07875 629713

Sat 1 Sep

Circular from Newmarket Road P&R

Meet at the bus stop within the Park & Ride, map/grid ref: 209/TL492594 at 10:00. Bring rations for lunch at Anglesey Abbey or buy in the café as wished. Drinks available. Return via Horningsea and Fen Ditton.

16km (10 miles)

Joye 07761 380314

Sat 8 Sep

Heath and Forest

Meet at West Stow Country Park (parking charge but toilet), map/grid ref: 229/TL800715 at 10:00. Bring rations but café for tea at end.

16km (10 miles)

Michael 01223 358012

Sat 15 Sep

Wimpole Circular

Meet in Wimpole Hall car park (£2 charge but free to NT members), map/grid ref: 209/TL338510 at 10:00. Pleasant walk to include the recently restored Folly and climbing to the Mare Way. Bring packed lunch.

13km (8 miles)

Kathy & Ken 01223 840589

Sat 22 Sep

Weston Circular

Meet in Maiden Street by the small green, map/grid ref: 193/TL259301 at 10:00. Walk more or less south almost to Walkern, then back via Hall's Green. Possible refreshments at Hall's Green, but bring food and drink.

14km (9 miles)

Lisa 01223 245566

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Mon 24 Sep

Mepal Circular

Meet at Bridge Rd, Mepal, map/grid ref: 228/TL442812 at 10:00, parking considerably alongside the road. Walk via Sutton Gault alongside Fen rivers and waterways. Bring rations.

10km (6 miles)

Hilary & John 07875 629713

Sat 29 Sep

Witcham & the New Bedford River

Meet at Witcham village green, map/grid ref: 228/TL463800 at 10:00. Circular walk in Fenland. Bring food & drink.

13km (8 miles)

Angela 01223 840585

Mon 1 Oct

Waresley Circular

Meet at Waresley Garden Centre, Gamlingay Road, Waresley, map/grid ref: 208/TL248545 (SG19 3DB) at 10:00. Park at the far end of the garden centre car park. Pleasant walk over to Lt Gransden, on to Gt Gransden and back through Waresley Wood. Lunch at the garden centre.

10km (6 miles)

Peter 07951 362501

Sat 6 Oct

Chicksands

Meet at Rowney Warren Wood car park, map/grid ref: 208/TL124404 at 10:00. Circular walk in Bedfordshire countryside. Bring food and drink.

16km (10 miles)

Paul C 01223 248249

Mon 8 Oct

Weston Green, Lower Woods and Carlton

Meet at Horseshoe Lane, Weston Green, map/grid ref: 210/TL627522 at 10:00. A gentle circular walk through woodlands and South Cambridgeshire countryside. Bring rations.

10km (6½ miles)

Sharon 01223 811877

Sat 13 Oct

Elmdon and Chrishall Circular

Park considerably in Elmdon village and meet at the south door of the church, map/grid ref: 194/TL462396 at 10:00. Walk includes a stretch of the Harcamlow Way. Bring food & drink.

14km (8½ miles)

**Janet 01223 356889 & Sharon
01223 811877**

Mon 15 Oct

Hinxworth Circular

Meet in Hinxworth, map/grid ref: 208/TL235406 at 10:00, parking considerably alongside the road after the pub. Walk through varied landscape via Edworth. Bring rations.

9km (5½ miles)

Hilary & John 07875 629713

Sat 20 Oct

**Great Chesterford to Newport Linear
(via Saffron Walden)**

Meet at Great Chesterford station, map/grid ref: 209/TL505424 at 10:35 (currently the 10:21 train from Cambridge gets to Great Chesterford at 10:34, but check with walk leader nearer the time whether the autumn timetable is different) Station-to-station linear walk via Little Chesterford and Saffron Walden to Newport. Depending on our walking speed, we might catch the 15:27 train back from Newport to Cambridge; if our pace is more leisurely then it would be the 16:27 (there is a café in Newport). Bring packed lunch.

16km (10 miles)

Jean 01223 312974

Sat 27 Oct

Gog Magogs, Stapleford, Wandlebury

Meet at Magog Down car park off Haverhill Road, map/grid ref: 209/TL486532 at 10:00. A circular walk via Stapleford, the Roman Road and Wandlebury Country Park. Bring provisions.

10km (6 miles)

Sharon 01223 811877

Mon 29 Oct

Yelling - Papworth St Agnes - Graveley Circular

Meet at Yelling Church, map/grid ref: 225/TL262624 at 10:00. A walk through Huntingdonshire villages and gently rolling countryside. Bring mid-morning snack/drink.

8km (5 miles)

Jean 01223 312974