

South Cotswold Ramblers

Led Walks - November to December 2012

- Sat 3 Nov EITHER short day 7.0m M Six Farms** Anne E - 01453 842551 on day 07773 292363
Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Wotton-under-Edge, Auction Rooms CP. Go up Tabernacle Pitch and just past the graveyard turn right. You will see two drives, so take the left narrower one to emerge into a large CP. <http://tinyurl.com/mapWottonAuctionCP>
L162/E167 ST 75559350 Bradley Green, Charfield. Bring a picnic.
- Sat 3 Nov OR short day 6.0m M The end of the Cotswold Way** Steve & Rosemary - 01453 860130
Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Bath, Lansdown Park and Ride, nr Bath Racecourse. <http://tinyurl.com/mapBathLansdownP-R>
L172/E155 ST 732680 Walk into Bath to end of Cotswold Way. Time to look around Centre after. Frequent buses back to P&R.
- Mon 5 Nov morning 3.3m L/M Easy walk for Monday morning** Colin B - 01453 843716 on day 07525 453911
Meet 10.20 for 10:30 start from Wotton-under-Edge, Auction Rooms CP. Go up Tabernacle Pitch and just past the graveyard turn right. You will see two drives, so take the left narrower one to emerge into a large CP. <http://tinyurl.com/mapWottonAuctionCP>
L162/E167 ST 75559350 Wotton-under-Edge, Kingswood, Nind, circular. Pub lunch available after.
- Wed 7 Nov day 9.5m M It's that Car Park Again!** Karen - 01453 545824 on day 07721 605409
Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Dursley long stay car park (signed via Long Street). Drive steeply up and round LH bend to park on top level. L162/E167 ST 758982 <http://tinyurl.com/mapDursleyLongSt> Cam Long Down, Silver Street, Coaley, Coaley Mill, Uphorpe, Upper Cam. N.B. slightly faster pace than usual in order to finish before dusk. Bring a packed lunch.
- Sat 10 Nov morning 6.0m M Canal and field** Bernard - 01453 884013 on day 07816 834828
Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Cowcombe Hill, lay by at top. L162/E168 SO 909019 <http://tinyurl.com/mapCowcombeHill> Hyde, Canal to Frampton Mansell, return across fields.
- Wed 14 Nov morning 6.0m M/H The character of Stroud Valleys in a short walk** Sally & Ros - 01453 872729
on day 07818 425088 Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from A419 Lay-by on left (Stroud to Cirencester Road) about 2 miles out of Stroud, just past Hope Mills Lane. E168/L162 SO 864028 <http://tinyurl.com/mapA419layby> Canal, Nether Lypiatt, Toadsmoor, Bussage, Chalford.

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NON MEMBERS You are welcome to walk with the Group three times.

We hope you will then wish to join, either on-line at

www.ramblers.org.uk or with a leaflet, quoting GR03 if you wish to be in our particular Group. Once a Member you can walk with any group in Britain. Newly joined members please email Mike

(info@southcotswoldramblers.org.uk) or ring 01453 873625 for new member information.

IMPORTANT - KEEPING TOGETHER ON A WALK Most parties will have a back marker appointed for the walk. Please inform this person if you need to drop behind for a comfort stop, and tell them when you catch up again. All members of larger parties are asked to help by keeping a look out behind them. If the people behind you are in danger of losing touch, perhaps in a wood, please pause and tell the people in front of you to stop too. Thank you.

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Sat 17 Nov morning 5.0m M Pre-AGM Rodborough Mystery Walk Denys - 01453 751581 on day 07783 269574
 Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Rodborough Tabernacle CP - turn R off road leading up towards Fort signed United Reformed Church downhill for 500 yds. Park tidily. L162/E168 SO 845040 <http://tinyurl.com/mapRodboroughTab> It's a mystery. Bring a picnic lunch. **Tea and cakes provided at the Tabernacle Meeting Room after the walk and before the AGM. ALL WELCOME**

Mon 19 Nov morning 4.0m M Start The Week easy paced walk - Ghosts and a canal Bernard - 01453 884013 on day 07816 834828
 Meet 10.20 for 10:30 start from Brimscombe, Ship Inn. <http://tinyurl.com/mapBrimsccombeShiplnn> L162/E168 SO 867023 Canal to Thrupp, Nether Lypiatt, Quarhouse. Pub Meal possible at end.

Wed 21 Nov morning 6.0m L/M Stone and Whitcliffe Deer Park Maurice - 01453 811162 on day 07912 552075
 Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Ham near Berkeley, Salutation Inn. L162/E167 ST 680984 <http://tinyurl.com/mapHamSalutation> Little Avon river to Stone, back through the Deer Park. Weather permitting, good views all round. Pub lunch at end if wanted, good food, selection of real ales.

Sat 24 Nov short day 8.0m L/M Uley valley David & Maurice - 01453 547580 / 01453 811162 / on day 07891 918275
 Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Dursley long stay car park (signed via Long Street). Drive steeply up and round LH bend to park on top level. L162/E167 ST 758982 <http://tinyurl.com/mapDursleyLongSt> Mainly level walking to Uley and Owlpen. Bring a picnic.

Wed 28 Nov morning 6.0m M/H Down the hill from Randwick Steve & Rosemary - 01453 860130
 Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Randwick, outside the Vine Tree. Park in adjacent Car Park or use pub Car Park if visiting afterwards. L162/E179 SO 829068 <http://tinyurl.com/mapRandwickVineTree> Cotswold Way, Stroudwater Canal, Stratford Park. Possible pub meal at end.

Sat 1 Dec EITHER day 10.0m M/H Helen's walk Alex - 01453 826907
 Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Stroud Stratford Park Leisure Centre CP. <http://tinyurl.com/mapStroudLCCP> L162/E179 SO 844055 Wickridge Hill, Swift's Hill, Lypiatt, Rodborough Hill, canal. Picnic required.

Sat 1 Dec OR morning 6.0m M/H Downs and Ups from Selsley Tim - 01453 757104
 Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Selsley Common large CP. L162/E168 SO 828026 <http://tinyurl.com/mapSelsleyCom> Bown Hill, Windsoredge, Dunkirk, Cycle Track, South Woodchester and uphill finish.

Mon 3 Dec morning 4.0m M Get your Bearings at Bisley (Gentle walk) Brian & Ann - 01452 770510
 Meet 10.20 for 10:30 start from Bisley, The Bear CP or street parking nearby. <http://tinyurl.com/mapBisleyBearCP> L163/E179 SO 903060 Start the week walk via France Lynch, Nashend, Crickety. Pub lunch possible after at The Bear.

Wed 5 Dec morning 5.5m M/H Elkstone Excursion Patrick & Angela - 01452 616886 on day 07778 662951
 Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Cowley, car park of Gloucestershire Girlguiding Centre 'Deer Park' by kind permission. From A436 turn into Cowley Village. Take lane on left after Cowley Manor. Guide centre is on left after half a mile. L163/E179 SO 967143 <http://tinyurl.com/mapCowleyGGC> Cowley, Penhill Farm, Elkstone, Cowley Wood. Pub at end.

Sat 8 Dec 10:00 AREA AGM at Swindon Village Hall, Cheltenham - CEO Benedict Southworth will be there - see Area News

Sat 8 Dec morning 6.0m M/H Peak, Bury and two Downs Brian & Sheelagh - 01453 872220
 Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Coaley Peak CP. L162/E167 SO 794014 <http://tinyurl.com/mapCoaleyPeak> Coaley Peak, Cam Long Down, Cam Peaked Down and Uley Bury. Much on Cotswold Way with great views and including four 300 foot climbs. NO pub at the end so bring sustenance if required.

Wed 12 Dec morning 5.5m M Touching the clouds on Painswick Beacon James - 01452 611614 on day 07804 275394
 Meet 09:45 for 10:00 start with time to place lunch orders before the walk. Royal William Cranham (A46) GL6 6TT. Please park in the car park behind the pub, not on the A46. L162/E179. SO 878127 <http://tinyurl.com/mapRoyalWilliam> Descend to Painswick stream, walk SW to the village of Painswick. Return via golf course and the beacon, before a leisurely walk back to the start. Pub lunch available at The Royal William.

Sat 15 Dec morning 5.0m L Shipton Moyne to Brokenborough Olivia - 01453 751716
 Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Shipton Moyne Cat and Custard Pot CP if staying for lunch or in village. L162/E168 ST 890895 <http://tinyurl.com/mapShiptonMoyne> Estcourt Park, Fosse Way, Brokenborough. Pub lunch at end.

Mon 17 Dec morning 4.0m M Rooksmoor circle Mike & Heather - 01453 873625 on day 07749 282087
 Meet 10.20 for 10:30 start from Woodchester, Rooksmoor, The Old Fleece LH side CP. Please park tidily. L162/E168 SO 842031 <http://tinyurl.com/mapWoodchesterOldFleece> Villa and Manor. Slopes taken at your own (gentle) speed. Pub snack (order before walk) or drink possible.

Wed 19 Dec morning 5.5m L/M Find the Skylark Anne E - 01453 842551 on day 07773 292363
 Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Arlingham, Red Lion CP (space for 7 cars). Otherwise park carefully nearby. L162/OL14 SO 708109 <http://tinyurl.com/mapArlingham> Barrow Hill and the River Severn. Pub lunch possible.

Sat 22 Dec figure of 8 9.5m L/M am M/H pm The Chairman's Mince Pie and Mulled Wine Walk Richard & Diana - 01453 762373 on day 07973 860669
 Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Rodborough Tabernacle CP - turn R off road leading up towards Fort signed United Reformed Church downhill for 500 yds. <http://tinyurl.com/mapRodboroughTab> L162/E168 SO 845040 AM 5m L/M One short climb but mainly level round common. PM 4.5m M/H Hilly walk down into valley. Christmassy dress a bonus. After morning walk soup, mince pies, mulled wine, tea, coffee and cakes will be served in the Tabernacle - small contribution invited with any excess going to Church Funds.

Thu 27 Dec morning 6.0m M Dursley and Uley Leg Stretcher Michael & Gillian - 01453 542386 on day 07949 812975
 Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Dursley long stay car park (signed via Long Street). Drive steeply up and round LH bend to park on top level. L162/E167 ST 758982 <http://tinyurl.com/mapDursleyLongSt> Round trip from Dursley to Uley through woods / fields.

Sat 29 Dec morning 4.5m M Train and Trail Patrick & Angela - 01452 616886 on day 07778 662951
 Meet 09:40 for 10:00 train departure from Winchcombe Station. M5 to Jn 9, A46 to Teddington Hands, B4077 towards Toddington, then B4078 to Greet. (GL54 5LD). OL45/L150 SP 027297 <http://tinyurl.com/mapWinchcombeStat> Steam train to Gotherington, fare £5/5.50. Footpaths to Stanley Pontlarge, Gretton, Greet. Bring picnic. Tea/cakes available at Winchcombe station at the end.

IMPORTANT - SEE NOTES ON PAGE 1

Offers of Walks for March to June 2013 - Please get in touch with: John G (Saturdays) 01453 834141, Kathy (Midweek) 01453 860004 and Anne E (STW throughout the week) 01453 842551. Offers needed by 31 December and details by 25 January. Thank you.

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Led Walks - January to February 2013

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| Tue 1 Jan day | 10.0m M | Hill and Ham New Year's Day Walk | Joe - 01453 890197 on day 07502 080751 |
| Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Hill village. L162/E167ST 645950 http://tinyurl.com/mapHillVillage Wood End Lane, Whitcliff Deer Park, Ham, River Severn, Frampton Lane. Bring a packed lunch. | | | |
| Sat 5 Jan EITHER long morning | 7.0m M | Luckington and Didmarton | John G - 01453 834141 |
| Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Royal Ship Inn CP, Luckington. L173/ E168 ST 833840 http://tinyurl.com/mapLuckington Sopworth, Didmarton, Brook End. Morning snack advised. Pub Lunch available afterwards. | | | |
| Sat 5 Jan OR morning | 4.0m M/H | "11th Night" Short Walk in the daytime! | Sally & Keith - 01453 872729 on day 07818 425088 |
| Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Minchinhampton Common reservoir CP. L162/E168 SO 855012 http://tinyurl.com/mapMinchResCP Minchinhampton Common, Theescombe, Neu-Lindsey Nature Reserve, Nailsworth Valley, Littleworth. Lunch/drinks available at nearby pubs afterwards. | | | |
| Mon 7 Jan morning | 3.5m M | A tale of two commons | Richard & Diana - 01453 762373 on day 07973 860669 |
| Meet 10.20 for 10:30 start from Amberley Inn at the top of Culver Hill. Park in lanes opposite the inn. L162/E168 SO 849013 http://tinyurl.com/mapAmberleyOpplnn Gentle stroll through Manor Woods to Rodborough Common. One steep climb. Possible pub lunch at end. | | | |
| Wed 9 Jan morning | 6.5m M | To Chavenage Green | John G - 01453 834141 |
| Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Nailsworth Garden Centre. L162/E168 ST 854995 http://tinyurl.com/mapNailsworthGC Harley Wood, Ledgemore Bottom, Chavenage Green, back across fields. Lunch at end if required. | | | |
| Sat 12 Jan day | 10.0m M/H | May Hill | Catherine - 01452 615382 |
| Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Huntley Church, park in road off A40 (signposted to garden centre). OL14/L162 SO 713196 http://tinyurl.com/mapHuntleyChurch May Hill, Aston Ingham - super views on a clear day. Picnic. | | | |
| Wed 16 Jan day | 10.0m M | North of Dursley | Ray -01453 547213 |
| Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Dursley long stay car park (signed via Long Street). Drive steeply up and round LH bend to park on top level. L162/E167 ST 758982 http://tinyurl.com/mapDursleyLongSt Upper Cam, Upthorpe, Coaley, Uley, Dursley. Picnic lunch. Crown at Uley for drinks only. | | | |
| Sat 19 Jan | NO WALK | GROUP ANNUAL LUNCH | BOOK EARLY SEE NEWSLETTER |
| Mon 21 Jan morning | 4.0m L | Start the Week Easy Paced Walk Berkeley | Maurice 01453 811162 on day 07912 552075 |
| Meet 10.20 for 10:30 start from Mariners Arms CP Berkeley. Use the car park if going in afterwards. L162/E167ST 681992 http://tinyurl.com/mapBerkeleyMarinersArms In and around Berkeley. Pub lunch available after. | | | |
| Wed 23 Jan morning | 6.0m M | Whiteshill revisited in Winter | Denys - 01453 751581 on day 07783 269574 |
| Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Whiteshill, car park by the Playing Field. http://tinyurl.com/mapWhiteshillCP E179/L162 SO 839070 Cotswold Way clockwise via Haresfield Beacon & Pitchcombe Wood. Snacks available at Village Shop. | | | |
| Sat 26 Jan figure of 8 | 9.0m M | Foston's Ash Figure of 8 | Bill - 01452 813094 |
| Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Foston's Ash CP. Park on gravel starting from the rear of the CP. L163/E179 SO 914114 http://tinyurl.com/mapFostonsAsh am 4.5 miles Overtown Farm, Sheepscombe Common. pm 4.5 miles Climperwell, Starveall. Pub lunch at Foston's Ash. | | | |
| Wed 30 Jan morning | 5.5m M | A visit to Waterlane and Far Oakridge | Richard & Diana 01453 762373 on day 07973 860669 |
| Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Daneway Inn Car Park. L162/E179 SO 939034 http://tinyurl.com/mapDaneway Via Waterlane, Far Oakridge and canal. One climb. Pub lunch available at end. | | | |
| Sat 2 Feb EITHER day | 10.0m H | Hills and Dales | Allen M - 01453 545588 on day 07749 564232 |
| Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Stinchcombe Hill Public Car Park (not Golf Course CP). L162/E167ST 743983 http://tinyurl.com/mapStinchcombeHillCP Stinchcombe Hill, Waterley Bottom, North Nibley. Bring a picnic. | | | |
| Sat 2 Feb OR morning | 5.5m M | The Battle of Doerham 577 AD | Jacqui - 01666 826139 |
| Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Hinton, The Bull Inn CP. E155 ST 735768 http://tinyurl.com/mapHinton Hinton Hill, Cotswold Way, Dyrham. Lunch afterwards if required. | | | |
| Mon 4 Feb morning | 4.0m L | Eastington | Mike & Heather - 01453 873625 on day 07749 282087 |
| Meet 10.20 for 10:30 start from Eastington, Old Badger Inn. Limited parking if staying, or park considerably in Victoria Drive opposite. L162/E168 SO 777053 http://tinyurl.com/mapEastingtonOldBadger Gentle walk via fields and river. Pub lunch or drink possible afterwards. | | | |
| Wed 6 Feb morning | 6.0m M | Shurdington Saunter | Enid - 01242 863283 on day 07962 561888 |
| Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Shurdington, The Cheese Rollers on A46. Only use pub car park if eating there at end. If not, park in Lambert Gardens on other side of road. L163/E179 SO 919183 http://tinyurl.com/ShurdingtonCheeseRollers Shurdington village, Chargrove lane, Leckhampton, Greenway lane. Pub lunch at end if required. | | | |
| Sat 9 Feb morning | 5.0m M | Dursley Woods and Fields | Karen & Tony - 01453 545824 on day 07721 605409 |
| Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Dursley long stay car park (signed via Long Street). Drive steeply up and round LH bend to park on top level. L162/E167 ST 758982 http://tinyurl.com/mapDursleyLongSt Steep climb through woodland (taken slowly), Hermitage Wood, Rockstowes. | | | |

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Wed 13 Feb morning 5.0m L Arlingham Olivia - 01453 751716
 Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Arlingham, Red Lion CP (space for 7 cars). Otherwise park carefully nearby. L162/OL14 SO 708109 <http://tinyurl.com/mapArlingham> Severn way, Wick Court, Barrow Hill. Pub at end.

Sat 16 Feb short day 8.5m L Minsterworth Andrew - 01452 857958 on day 07900 390351
 Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Minsterworth - layby on A48 at eastern (Gloucester) end. L162/E179 SO 789176 <http://tinyurl.com/mapMinsterworthLaybyE> Grassy riverside paths and farmland. Gloucestershire Way, River Severn, Gloucestershire Way. Packed Lunch.

Mon 18 Feb morning 3.5m M Hilltop Villages Richard & Diana - 01453 762373 on day 07973 860669
 Meet 10.20 for 10:30 start from Eastcombe, Lamb Inn. L162/E168 SO 891044 <http://tinyurl.com/mapEastcombeLamb>
 An easy stroll through the hilltop villages of Bussage, Brownshill and Eastcombe. Possible pub lunch at end.

Wed 20 Feb morning 6.0m L/M Commons and Woods Tim - 01453 757104
 Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Minchinhampton Common reservoir CP. L162/E168 SO 855012 <http://tinyurl.com/mapMinchResCP> Manor Woods, Rooksgrove, Little London and Commons.

Sat 23 Feb morning 5.0m L Croome Caper(bility)! Patrick & Angela - 01452 616886 on day 07778 662951
 Meet 09:50 for 10:00 start from Croome NT car park (free). M5 northbound to J8. M50 west to J1. A38 north to Ryall. A4104 to Earls Croome - follow brown signs to Croome Park. OL45/L150SO 887452 <http://tinyurl.com/mapCroomeNT> High Green, Knightshill, Kinnersley, Croome Park Lakes. Additional self-guided walks available in afternoon if desired. Lunches etc. available in NT restaurant.

Wed 27 Feb figure of 8 10.5m M/H A day around Miserden Richard & Diana - 01453 762373 on day 07973 860669
 Meet 09:40 for 10:00 start from Miserden, Carpenters Arms. If CP full park considerably in road. L163/E179 SO 937088 <http://tinyurl.com/mapMiserdenCArms> 5.5m morning circular walk to the north of Miserden. 5m afternoon walk for those who want a longer walk to the south of the village. Meet 10 minutes early for coffee served by the landlord and to order lunch if required

COULD YOU HELP LEAD A GROUP WALK AT SHORT NOTICE?

Just recently we have needed a few people to step in because of altered circumstances of the original leader(s) which has occurred at the last minute.

We do have an excellent small team of people who don't mind doing this, but we would welcome a little more help to lighten the load. If you are able to find time to check the other leader's route and lead the walk on the day please have a chat with Mike or Richard on a walk. There may even be someone who is not able to commit to lead any walk several months ahead, but is willing to be approached if we need help!

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