

South Cotswold Ramblers

Our Walks Programme

Late November to December 2021



Tue 30 Nov Castle Combe to Ford and Long Dean Moderate 5.8 m Start 10:00 Est finish 13:00 Across golf course towards Nettleton, then woodland track, metalled lanes and pasture to Ford with one steep ascent and one steep descent. Proceed on to Long Dean and follow Macmillan Way back. Refreshments available in two pubs in village, Castle Inn and White Hart. Ascent back up to CP. Terrain 2 Hilly and level mix. **Leader - Derek T** 01454 448174 on day 07711 445395 Meet 09:50 Castle Combe car park at top of village. (SN14 7HH) L173/E156 ST845777 <http://tinyurl.com/mapCastleCombe>

Sat 4 Dec Fairly flat to Frocester Moderate 10m Start 10:00 Est finish 14:30 Frocester Hill, Silver St, Coaley, Frocester, Eastington, Stanley Downton. Bring a picnic. Terrain 1 Not much climbing. **Leader - Alex** 01453 826907 or 07828 989705 Meet 09:45 King's Stanley SDC CP opp pub. L162/E168 SO811034 GL10 3JD <http://tinyurl.com/mapKingsStanleySDCCP>

Mon 6 Dec A short winter walk Leisurely pace 3m Start 10:30 Est finish 12:30 Walk from Tesco at Cam through Rackleaze Nature Reserve, continuing parallel to the River Cam to Halmore Lane. Visit Halmore Water Mill and then via Upthorpe and back through the fields. May be muddy. Several stiles. A short easy winter walk. Afterwards visit Froffy Coffee in Cam or bring sandwiches. Terrain 0 Level. **Leaders - Alan and Fiona** 01453 541982 or 07817 560353 Meet 10:15 Cam, Tesco CP. Please park at the far end on the left as you go around and register your car reg. at the customer service desk to avoid a charge. (GL11 5PS) L162/E167 SO750004 <http://tinyurl.com/mapCamCP>

Wed 8 Dec A stroll around the Cotswold Water Park Moderate pace 5.5m Start 10:00 Est finish 12:45 A gentle walk around the Cotswold Water Park and through the village of South Cerney. An easy walk along canal paths, along the old railway line via Cerney Wick and through the village of South Cerney. Canal paths can be slippery (watch out for tree roots) and the railway line has boggy areas. The Gateway Cafe serves quality snacks and lunches. Terrain 0 Level. **Leader: Janet W** 01793 752540 mobile 07765 276534 Meet outside the Cotswold Outdoor Shop opposite the Gateway Cafe. There is plenty of parking at the Gateway centre, Spine Road East, South Cerney (GL7 5TL) L163/E169 SU072971 <http://tinyurl.com/mapSCerneyGateway>

WALKS IN THE NEW YEAR

Leaders, we once again hope to collect your much valued walks for another two months (January to February 2022), and we look forward to you volunteering your dates when the time comes. Thank you, Mike.

Sat 11 Dec Over the hill and far away Moderate 6m Start 10:00 Est finish 14:00 Through Hempsted village, passing Lady's Well to reach Gloucester Docks, staying one hour. Returning via the Gloucester Sharpness canal. Terrain 1 Not much climbing. Bring a snack. **Leader John G** - 01452 728760 Meet 09:50 Gloucester, Rea Bridge CP. Follow B4008 north past Tesco Quedgeley roundabout and take 2nd L at traffic lights along Merlin Drive. At 2nd roundabout turn R along Elmore Lane West and car park is on the left before the canal bridge. (GL2 4NS) L162/E179 SO805150 <http://tinyurl.com/mapGlosReaBridge>

Wed 15 Dec Around Cam Long Down Moderate 6m Start 10:00 Est finish 13:30 Ashmead Green and Springhill to Drake Lane, return via Twinings Ash and Far Green. Terrain 1 Not much climbing. Some muddy stretches and difficult stiles. Take a snack. Coffee and Tea available from Coaley Shop before and after the walk. **Leaders - Susan and Peter** 01453 860797 mob 07854 634090 Meet 09:50 Coaley Church, please park considerably in the village, or in CP behind village hall - not in front of hall. (GL11 5ED) L162/E167 SO771017 <http://tinyurl.com/mapCoaleyChurch>

Sat 18 Dec A walk to the market Moderate 4m Start 09:30 Est finish 13:00 Along the canal to Stroud then time to shop in the farmers market. Via canal, river and cycle track. Terrain 0 Level. **Leader - Ann A** 01453 839089 mob 07931 114439. Meet 09:20 Cainscross Car Park opposite Tricorn House top end. (GL5 4LL) L162/E168 SO834051 <http://tinyurl.com/mapCainscross>

Mon 20 Dec Bisley Again Leisurely pace 3.8m Start 10:30 Est finish 12:45 The Readings, Battlescombe, Water Point, Nashend, Bisley. Terrain 2 Hilly and level mix Could be muddy. **Leaders - Brian and Ann** 01452 770510 Mobile 07770 895035 Meet 10:20 Bisley, layby on Cheltenham Road opp. Windy Ridge. (GL6 7BJ) L163/E179 SO903063 <http://tinyurl.com/mapBisleyWindyridge>

Wed 22 Dec Tippits or Tiltups? Moderate 5.5m Start 10:00 Est finish 12:45 A loop of Tippits Inn to Avening, with views over Nailsworth. Two crossings of the busy A46 main road. Please advise me in advance if planning to eat at Tippits Inn. Terrain 1 Not much climbing. **Leader - Dave I** 07770 632652 Meet 09:45 Tippits Inn car park (GL6 0QE) if eating, tidily close by if not. L162/ E168 ST845972 <http://tinyurl.com/mapTippitsInn>

Wed 29 Dec A circuit of the commons Moderate 5.4m Start 10:00 Est finish 13:15 Minchinhampton Common, Rodborough Common and Butterow Lane. Terrain 2 Hilly / level mix. **Leader - Ann A** 01453 839089 mob 07931 114439 Meet 09:50 Amberley War Memorial. Park on Common without damaging grass. (GL5 5AA) L162/E168 SO851016 <http://tinyurl.com/mapAmberleyWM>