

WALKS PROGRAMME, January to April 2012.

Short walks, (7 miles or less), or walks with a short element, are shown with the day in CAPITALS. Where walks are accessible by public transport, bus and/or train, this is indicated by the TRAIN. Walks for Workers are denoted by the CHAP ON A LADDER. Members are asked to check for themselves the train or bus times applicable to reaching the meeting point before the start time. Some useful telephone numbers are as follows: national train information 0871 200 4950, central Sussex trains 01273 206755, bus and train information 0870 6082608. Those with access to our website will find all sorts of useful information via the link to ESCIS on the links page. All times given under the heading meeting point, are the START times and will usually be strictly adhered to.

SUNDAY 1st January

Leader Lionel & Rita, 01424 752452/754855 (07778 704572 walk day only)

Description Conghurst & Great Wigsell circular **Distance** 7 miles

Meeting point Hawkhurst Moor, OS Exp 136, TQ756297 at 11.00 am.

Notes Roadside parking around the Moor and adjacent roads. Picnic lunch somewhere rural.
The final walk in this seasons Festival of Winter Walks.



Sunday 8th January

Leader Brian, 01424 819026 (07716 832174 walk day only)

Description Catsfield to Netherfield circular. **Distance** 11½ miles

Meeting point Catsfield car park behind village hall, OS Exp 124, TQ724137 at 10.00 am.

Notes A fairly brisk circular winter walk with pub or picnic lunch at Netherfield.

TUESDAY 10th January

Leader Lucy, 01424 848332 (07817 279241 walk day only)

Description Little Common circular. **Distance** 7 miles

Meeting point Outside The Wheatsheaf pub at Little Common roundabout, OS Exp 124, TQ714079 at 10.15 am.

Notes Picnic lunch. Number 99 bus (Hastings-Eastbourne) departs Hastings rail station at 9.22 am, arrives at the Little Common roundabout stop at 10.05 am, returns 21 minutes past the hour.



SATURDAY 14th January

Leader Lionel, 01424 752452 (07778 704572 walk day only)

Description Precious metals are on the UP. **Distance** 6 miles

Meeting point The parking area/layby north of the roundabout at Robertsbridge on the A21, OS Exp 124, TQ740244 at 9.30 am.

Notes Short refreshment stop midway.



Tuesday 17th January

Leader Carol, 01580 852432

Description Circular walk via Kilndown and Bewl Water. **Distance** 10 miles

Meeting point Lamberhurst public car park, OS Exp 136, TQ676361 at 10.00 am.

Notes Toilets and recycling in car park; picnic lunch at Bewl Water.

Sunday 22nd January

Leader Lionel & Rita, 01424 752452/754855, (07778 704572 walk day only)

Description Appledore to Stone circular. **Distance** 9 miles

Meeting point Car park behind the village hall in Appledore, OS Exp 125, TQ956297 at 10.00 am.

Notes Picnic lunch.

Thursday 26th January

Leader Clive & Rita, 01424 882674 (07969 446867 walk day only)

Description Sedlescombe circular. **Distance** 8 miles

Meeting point Car park in Brede Lane, Sedlescombe, OS Exp 124, TQ782180 at 10.00 am.

Notes Picnic lunch.



Sunday 29th January

Leader David, 01580 852432

Description Circular from Battle via Crowhurst. **Distance** 10 miles

Meeting point Great Wood car park in Marley Lane (off A21 or from Battle), OS Exp 124, TQ765164 at 10.00 am.

Notes Great Wood is 10-15 minutes walk from Battle railway station. Picnic lunch.



WEDNESDAY 1st February

Leader Jane & Peter, 01580 830167 (07732 366090 walk day only)

Description Circular from Brede.

Distance 6 miles

Meeting point Car park at The Red Lion pub, Brede village, OS Exp 124 or 125, TQ826182 at 10.00 am.

Notes Short refreshment stop & possible pub lunch after the walk.



SATURDAY 4th February

Leader Lionel, 01424 752452 (07778 704572 walk day only)

Description Woods Corner & Dallington circular.

Distance 4½ miles

Meeting point Layby beyond the cross-roads at Wood's Corner, OS Exp 124, TQ665194 at 9.30 am.

Notes Short refreshment stop midway.



Sunday 5th February

Leader Mike, 01424 716840

Description From Ash 2 Ash.

Distance 8¼ miles

Meeting point Ash Tree Inn, Brownbread Street, OS Exp 124. TQ676148 at 10.00 am.

Notes Picnic lunch, possible pub after. **NO DOGS PLEASE.** Likely to be wet and muddy!

WEDNESDAY 8th February

Leader Lionel & Rita, 01424 752452/754855 (07778 704572 walk day only)

Description Hellingly circular.

Distance 6½ miles

Meeting point Layby near the cemetery on the B2104 between Horsebridge and Hellingly, OS Exp 123, TQ578116 at 10.00 am

Notes Refreshment stop, possible pub lunch nearby afterwards.

Sunday 12th February

Leader Richard, 01424 892865

Description Mayfield to Rotherfield circular

Distance 8 miles

Meeting point Mayfield village car park, south of the High Street, OS Exp 135, TQ588269 at 10.30 am.

Notes Picnic lunch.

Tuesday 14th February

Leader Carol, 01580 852432

Description Hawkhurst circular

Distance 10 miles

Meeting point Hawkhurst public car park near old bus station: OS Exp 136, TQ765305 at 10.00 am.

Notes Walking via Beals Green, Four Wents & The Moor. Picnic lunch on village green or pub.



Sunday 19th February

Leader Lionel & Rita, 01424 752452/754855 (07778 704572 walk day only)

Description Chailey circular.

Distance 9 miles

Meeting point Car park opposite Chailey primary school on A275, OS Exp 135, TQ392196 at 10.00 am.

Notes Picnic lunch.

WEDNESDAY 22nd February

Leader Sue & Dave, 01424 441018, (07729 056526 walk day only)

Description Circular from Catsfield.

Distance 7 miles

Meeting point Car park behind Catsfield village hall, OS Exp 124, TQ724137 at 10.00 am.

Notes Short refreshment stop midway. Possible pub after.



Saturday 25th February

Leader Janet, 01424 420570, (07901 580859 walk day only)

Description Guestling - Westfield circular.

Distance 7½ - 8 miles

Meeting point Guestling Church in car park or road nearby, OS Exp 124, TQ855144 at 10.00 am.

Notes Bus 100 Hastings -Rye leaves Hastings Station 9.15 am arrives Guestling School 9.45 am - footpath opposite 5 mins across field; leader will be on bus. Picnic lunch.



WEDNESDAY 29th February

Leader John L, 01797 222207

Description Footland Wood circular. **Distance** 7 miles

Meeting point Footland Wood public car park, on B2089 (A21 to Cripps Corner), OS Exp 124, TQ762203 at 10.30 am.

Notes Refreshment/picnic stop.

Sunday 4th March

Leader Lionel & Rita, 01424 752452/754855 (07778 704572 walk day only)

Description Weir Wood Reservoir circular, possible steam trains **Distance** 10 miles

Meeting point Weir Wood Reservoir Nature Reserve car park, OS Exp 135, TQ384341 at 10.00 am.

Notes From the traffic lights at Wych Cross on the A22 take the Sharpthorne & West Hoathly road (on the left coming from the south). Carry on for 1 mile to next crossroads, go straight over into Legsheath Lane, the car park is on the right. Allow 1 hour travelling time. Picnic lunch.

WEDNESDAY 7th March

Leader Janet, 01424 420570, (07901 580859 walk day only)

Description On and off the 1066 walk. **Distance** 6 miles

Meeting point Icklesham Recreation Ground, OS Exp 124, TQ878164 at 10.00 am.

Notes Park in street laybys, NOT in recreation ground. Bus 100 Hastings-Dover leaves Hastings Station 9.15 am. Short refreshment break, option of lunch at The Queens Head after the walk.



Sunday 11th March

Leader David, 01580 852432

Description Circular via Old Heathfield, Cuckoo Trail, & Warbleton, **Distance** 10 miles

Meeting point Rushlake Green, OS Exp 123, TQ627184 at 10.00 am.

Notes On street parking, please do not obstruct residents. Picnic lunch.

WEDNESDAY 14th March

Leader John H, 01424 773998

Description Spring in the High Weald around Robertsbridge. **Distance** 6 miles

Meeting point Public car park (charge), Station Road, Robertsbridge, OS Exp 136, TQ737235 at 10.25 am.

Notes Bus leaves Hastings 9.38 am, arrives 10.23 am. Train leaves Hastings 9.50 am, arrives 10.13 am (5 mins walk from station). Alternative free parking at recreation ground opposite Old Forge. Refreshment stop.



Sunday 18th March

Leader Janet, 01424 420570, (07901 580859 walk day only)

Description Somewhere around Etchingham. **Distance** 8-9 miles

Meeting point Etchingham Railway Station, OS Exp 136, TQ715263 at 10.00 am.

Notes Train from Hastings 9.27 am, arrives 9.53 am, but check for engineering work and new timetable. Picnic lunch.



WEDNESDAY 21st March

Leader Lionel & Rita, 01424 752452/754855 (07778 704572 walk day only)

Description Brede High Woods circular. **Distance** 7 miles

Meeting point Brede High Woods car park on the B2089 Cripps Corner to Broad Oak road, OS Exp 124, TQ804206 at 10.30 am.

Notes This is the old car park, there may a new one nearer to Cripps Corner, (which you shouldn't use), by the time you read this. Picnic lunch.

Sunday 25th March

Leader Richard, 01424 892865

Description Alfriston to Bishopstone circular. **Distance** 10 miles

Meeting point Near to Alfriston Primary School, North Road, Alfriston, OS Exp 123, TQ518034 at 10.00 am.

Notes Picnic lunch.

Tuesday 27th March

Leader Malcolm & Joyce, 01424 224472

Description Farms in rural Sussex.

Distance 10½ miles

Meeting point Bodle Street Green Recreation Hall (agreed with Parish Council), OS Exp 124, TQ651144 at 10.00 am.

Notes Picnic lunch. **NO DOGS PLEASE** (discussed with farmer, lambing starts mid-March).

SATURDAY 31st March

Leader Lionel, 01424 752452 (07778 704572 walk day only)

Description Ticehurst to Bewl circular.

Distance 5½ miles

Meeting point Pickforde Lane car park in Ticehurst, OS Exp 136, TQ689303 at 9.30 am.

Notes Short refreshment stop midway.



Sunday 1st April

Leader Bill, 01424 214372

Description Herstmonceux to Star Inn circular.

Distance 12 miles

Meeting point Outside the entrance to The Science Centre, OS Exp 124, TQ653103 at 10.00 am.

Notes Pub or picnic lunch.

WEDNESDAY 4th April

Leader John L, 01424 01797 222207

Description Sedlescombe circular.

Distance 7 miles

Meeting point Car park in Brede Lane, Sedlescombe, OS Exp 124, TQ782180 at 10.30 am.

Notes Refreshment/picnic stop.



Sunday 8th April

Leader Bill, 01424 214372

Description Pevensey Castle to Hailsham circular.

Distance 12 miles

Meeting point On the green by the cannon to the west of Pevensey Castle at Westham, OS Exp 123, TQ642047 at 10.00 am.

Notes Ten minutes walk from Westham railway station. Pub or picnic lunch.



Wednesday 11th April

Leader Lionel & Rita, 01424 752452/754855 (07778 704572 walk day only)

Description Frant to Eridge circular.

Distance 10 miles

Meeting point The green at Frant, OS Exp 136, TQ590353 at 10.00 am.

Notes On-street parking, where you can around the green. Picnic lunch or pub at Eridge.

SATURDAY 14th April

Leader Lionel, 01424 752452 (07778 704572 walk day only)

Description A 'chilley' walk across the levels.

Distance 5 miles

Meeting point On the green by the cannon to the west of Pevensey Castle at Westham, OS Exp 123, TQ 642047 at 9.30 am.

Notes Short refreshment stop midway.



Sunday 15th April

Leader Sue & Dave, 01424 441018, (07729 056526 walk day only)

Description Circular from Linton, same start, different route from last year **Distance** 8 miles

Meeting point Linton Church public car park (free), OS Exp 148, TQ754502 at 10.00 am.

Notes The car park is approximately 100 yards north of the Church, up the hill on the right. Views, bluebells and/or apple blossom time if we're lucky! Generally easy walking, few stiles but a short steep hill close to the end. Picnic lunch.

Wednesday 18th April

Leader Margaret & Stephen, 01424 223482 (07798 795393 walk day only)

Description Appledore/Fairfield circular.

Distance 8 miles

Meeting point Free car park behind Appledore village hall, OS Exp 125, TQ955294 at 10.15 am.

Notes Picnic lunch. Toilets at start. **NO DOGS PLEASE**, possible lambs on route.

Sunday 22nd April

Leader Val & Mick, 01424 843039 (07772 870757 walk day only)

Description Guestling-Westfield circular. **Distance** 9 miles

Meeting point Outside Guestling School on Rye Road, OS 124, TQ851 139 at 10.00 am.

Notes Picnic lunch.

Thursday 26th April

Leader Clive & Rita, 01424 882674 (07969 446867 walk day only)

Description Bluebell walk from Brede. **Distance** 8 miles

Meeting point Layby to north of Brede village hall, OS Exp 124, TQ825192 at 10.00 am.

Notes Picnic lunch.



Sunday 29th April

Leader Lionel & Rita, 01424 752452/754855 (07778 704572 walk day only)

Description Circular walk from Sissinghurst Castle. **Distance** 10½ miles

Meeting point Sissinghurst Castle car park, there is a charge for non-NT members, OS Exp 136, TQ806383 at 10.00 am.

Notes Picnic lunch.

Please make sure that you are fit enough to undertake the walk you intend to join. If you're unsure of your fitness level, try a short and easy walk first: it's much better to find a walk a little too slow and easy than to make yourself miserable and exhausted. Most Ramblers' walks are off-road in rural areas. Please have suitable footwear and clothing for the walk you intend to join, and bring some food and drink, even if the walk includes a pub or café break. Leaders may refuse to accept participants who in their opinion are inadequately equipped or unfit. When in doubt, contact the organisers or the walk leader in advance. For your own and others' safety please read and abide by any advice and guidelines issued by the organisers, and the instructions of the walk leader. Though walking is inherently one of the safest outdoor activities, no activity is completely without risk and it is your responsibility to behave sensibly and to minimise the potential for accidents to occur.