

## May 2010 walks programme

<i>May</i> Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup>	10.15	<b>Park at Colwall railway station car park (free). EXP190/757425, (or train from Hereford arrives 10.04)</b> and enjoy an undulating walkthrough fields, woods and tracks to the Herefordshire Beacon for fine views of surrounding countryside. Some stiles. No steep climbs. Can be muddy in places. 7 miles. Moderate. BPL. Mary 01684 541071 <span style="float: right;"><b>LEADON VALE</b></span>
Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup>	10.00	<b>GOING WEST TO WALES. EXP201/231551 Park at Gladestrey Village Hall</b> energetic. <i>Exploring hills and valleys, rivers and woods and wonderful views over moorlands</i> 7.5 miles BPL Greta 01544 388110 <span style="float: right;"><b>MORTIMER</b></span>
Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup>	10.00 WRCP 09.20	<b>PUTLEY GREEN Park/start at Putley Village Hall EXP189/SO651375.</b> A moderate walk of approximately 7 miles through small pastures, woodland and orchards, with fine views from Marcle Ridge. BPL. Sally & Heather 01989 565687 or 01432 840640 <span style="float: right;"><b>ROSS</b></span>
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	<b>MORNING WALK.</b> Leisurely/moderate, 4 to 5 miles. For further details contact: Thelma 01989 563874 or Sally 01989 565687 <span style="float: right;"><b>ROSS</b></span>
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	<b>EXP190/753312. Meet Redmarley village hall car park</b> for a four mile walk in this pleasant corner of Gloucestershire. Easy. BMMR. Gill 01531 632599 <span style="float: right;"><b>LEADON VALE</b></span>
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	<b>THE LEADON VALLEY near Bosbury. Park on verge at England's Bridge (half mile NW of Bosbury). EXP202/693440.</b> A 4-mile leisurely walk through a secretive valley. A particularly scenic stretch of this delightful valley, passing through orchards and hop fields. 2 – 2.5 hours. Bring light refreshments. John C 01432 266135 <span style="float: right;"><b>HEREFORD</b></span>
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>	19.00	<b>EVENING WALK - RUARDEAN Park at Malt Shovel Public House OL14/SO617175</b> Leisurely/moderate evening walk 4 to 5 miles. Yvonne 01594 839294 <span style="float: right;"><b>ROSS</b></span>
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup>	10.15	<b>STEAM TRAIN SPECIAL- Revisited</b>

	09.00 BSCP	<p><b>EXP OL45/050323. Meet at Toddington Railway station on the B4077 Tewkesbury to Stanway road to board the 10.30 steam train to Cheltenham Racecourse arrive 11.00.</b> Special group concessions available to us. From the racecourse we climb up to Cleeve Common, passing Cleeve Cloud with far reaching views to the Malvern Hills. Then down to Postlip Mill and the lovely Cotswold town of Winchcombe, where we can stop for afternoon tea at one of the attractive tea shops. The Cotswold Way is then followed to Hailes Abbey (remains of), and then across the fields back to the station. 10 miles Moderate. One steep climb.BPL. David H 01684 574205</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>LEADON VALE</b></p>
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	<p><b>WALKABOUT</b> -Woods, marsh, fields and sculptures and <i>Nature Reserve Exp201/313492 Park by Eardisley Church.</i> The aim of these walks is to have time to photograph and observe detail. Moderate 5 miles. Greta 01544 388110</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>MORTIMER</b></p>
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 WRCP 09.25	<p><b>LLANWARNE EXP189/SO505282 – park tightly in car park opposite the church.</b> A moderate 9-mile walk from Llanwarne to Little Birch and Much Dewchurch. Mainly field paths and quiet lanes. Visit 13c ruins of Llanwarne church, Higgins Well and Little Birch Church. BPL - Di 01989 730697</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>ROSS</b></p>
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup>	10.30	<p><b>SUGAR LOAF SUMMIT OL13/301139. Park and meet in Abergavenny at Bus Station car park near TIC or catch the train at 10.09 from Hereford (the first one on a Sunday) arriving 10.32 at Abergavenny and walk down to meeting place with leaders.</b> 11-mile energetic walk along the Usk Valley, then up and over Sugar Loaf, returning via the Deri (550 metres ascent and descent). BPL and snacks. Mary T and George 01432 357766</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>HEREFORD</b></p>
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	<p><b>MORNING WALK.</b> Leisurely/moderate, 4 to 5 miles. For further details contact: Thelma 01989 563874 or Sally 01989 565687</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>ROSS</b></p>
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	10.30	<p><b>HOLME LACY HOUSE WALK</b> Leisurely walks around the vicinity of the Holme Lacy House Hotel and Holme Lacy village for ALL – Ramblers members and guests of the Hotel. The hotel has a tea/coffee shop which we can make use of after</p>

		<p>the walks if required.          Dates: Walks start on Thursdays as listed in the programme at 10:30am from outside the main door to reception of the Hotel. Walks will take approx 2.5 hours and are easy. Start: Holme Lacy House Hotel.  <b>Map ref: Explorer 189/555350.</b> Please park in far car park behind the Pavilion building.          Arthur Lee 01432 264374 and Richard Bollard 01432 267414</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>HEREFORD</b></p>
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 WRCP 08.20	<p><b>SHROPSHIRE HILLS - Park/start in Little Stretton (near campsite) EXP217/SO441919.</b> An 11.5-mile energetic walk on the Long Mynd, height 1700 feet, climbing and descending the stunning valleys of Ashes Hollow, Callow Hollow, Townbrook Valley, Cardingmill Valley and Light Spout Hollow. BPL. Please contact the leader to give your phone number if you intend to go directly to the start of the walk.          Neville 01989 564878</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>ROSS</b></p>
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	19.00	<p><b>EVENING WALK – HOARWITHY. Park at the New Harp Inn EXP189/SO545292.</b> 4.5-mile leisurely walk - Heather 01432 840640</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>ROSS</b></p>
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	<p><b>FOOTHILLS &amp; TOPS IN THE BLACK OL13/210351 Park on Moorland.</b> Energetic with one long steep hill, taken very slowly! 7.5miles BPL          Greta 01544 388110</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>MORTIMER</b></p>
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 WRCP 09.30	<p><b>MONMOUTH – LLANGROVE. Park/start Dixton roundabout by vets OL14/SO516135.</b>          An energetic 9-mile walk. Starting at Dixton we use one of the several green lanes we shall be walking to take us through the woodland of Hayes Coppice and Joint Wood. Good views on descending and the return from Llangrove is via Welsh Newton Common. BPL          Neville 01989 564878</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>ROSS</b></p>
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	<p><b>GEOPARK WAY WALK - Meet EXP204/732558 Layby off A44 at Knightwick, south of footbridge to the Talbot Inn.</b> Follow the Geopark Way, 9 miles from Knightwick to Alfrick and the Knapp and Papermill reserve, with return via Crew's Hill. Travel back in time from Triassic to Silurian rocks, river terraces and the effects of the ice ages, plenty of wild flowers, a few hills and lovely views. Moderate. BPL.          Janet 01531 640640</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>LEADON VALE</b></p>

Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	19.00	<b>EVENING WALK from BODENHAM EXP202/542512. Park at England's Gate PH, on the north side of village.</b> 4 miles, leisurely walk over fields and along lanes. Refreshments available at end of walk. David 01981 250117 <b>HEREFORD</b>
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	<b>MORNING WALK.</b> Leisurely/moderate, 4 to 5 miles. For further details contact: Thelma 01989 563874 or Sally 01989 565687 <b>ROSS</b>
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	<b>TEA SHOP WALK FROM "MARY'S"</b> See special events page. <b>Park at Upper Newton Farm, near Newton, NW of Abbeydore – turn off the lane by The Old Rectory (The Vicarage) at OL13/337329. If unsure of way, meet in layby by Wormbridge Church on A465 at 9.10am.</b> Walk over the hills and meadows visiting the Monnow Valley and Michael Church Escley, returning for a delicious Farmhouse Tea - £6 for sandwiches and cakes. Moderate 7.5 miles. BPL - Lynne 01432 271769 & Mary T <b>HEREFORD</b>
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	19.00	<b>EVENING WALK – REDBROOK Park/ Start Car Park Lower Redbrook OL14/ O536099</b> A 4-mile moderate walk. Margaret 01600 713712 <b>ROSS</b>
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	10.30	<b>RAMBLERS GET WALKING DAY. OL13/229422 Park at main car park in Hay by TIC.</b> Up and over Cusop Hill with good views of surrounding countryside and the town of Hay. Return along footpaths down through Cusop Dingle. 8 miles energetic BPL. John W 01432 269108 <b>HEREFORD</b>
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	10.00 WRCP 09.45	<b>RAMBLERS GET WALKING DAY. Start Fernbank Road Car Park, Ross. OL14/SO598231 there is limited parking so please meet at Wilton Road car park and car share or walk.</b> An 11-mile moderate/energetic walk following the old coach road to Deep Dean, down the coffin route to Green Farm. A short walk in the woods and return through Hartshill and Birches Barn. BPL Lesley 01989 768461 <b>ROSS</b>
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	<b>MORNING WALK.</b> Leisurely/moderate, 4 to 5 miles. For further details contact: Thelma 01989 563874 or Sally 01989 565687 <b>ROSS</b>
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	<b>EXP201/374488 – park at Norton Canon Village Hall – off the A480 on the Calver Hill side of the</b>

		<p><b>village and just NW of Eccles Green.</b> A pretty countryside walk through the fields and along quiet lanes. Moderate 8 miles. BPL Mo 01432 350516 <b>HEREFORD</b></p>
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>	10.30	<p><b>“IT’S A BREEZE WALK” Breinton Church Near Hereford. Start Place: Breinton National Trust car park, Near Hereford. EXP189/474394</b> A gentle four mile walk exploring the River Wye, the paths and quiet lanes around this pleasant village just to the west of Hereford city. There are a few stiles on this walk. Bring a hot drink and light snack for mid-morning refreshment stop and you are invited to eat your picnic lunch in the garden of Mr &amp; Mrs Eyles, afterwards if you like. Directions will be given by Richard at the end of walk. Leader: Richard B 01432 267414 <b>AREA with HEREFORD GROUP</b></p>
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>	10.30	<p><b>HOLME LACY HOUSE WALK</b> Leisurely walks around the vicinity of the Holme Lacy House Hotel and Holme Lacy village for ALL – Ramblers members and guests of the Hotel. The hotel has a tea/coffee shop which we can make use of after the walks if required. Dates: Walks start on Thursdays as listed in the programme at 10:30am from outside the main door to reception of the Hotel. Walks will take approx 2.5 hours and are easy. Start: Holme Lacy House Hotel. <b>Map ref: Explorer 189/555350.</b> Please park in far car park behind the Pavilion building. Arthur Lee 01432 264374 and Richard Bollard 01432 267414 <b>HEREFORD</b></p>
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>	19.00	<p><b>EVENING WALK PRIOR’S FROME Park in Yew Tree Inn car park EXP189, SO574389.</b> A moderate walk of approximately 4 miles. Martin S 01432 263672 <b>ROSS</b></p>
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	<p><b>EXP202/512528. Park in layby by old school at Hope under Dinmore (east side of A49)</b> for walk via Westhope Common to Oak House, Aulden for lunchbreak (bring food, drinks provided). Part of outgoing walk on metalled lane but excellent views to distract! 9 miles, energetic. Wendy 01568 720424 <b>MORTIMER</b></p>
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 WRCP	<p><b>BIGSWEIR - park tightly on the left in the narrow lane for Whitebrook at the Chepstow end of the</b></p>

	09.10	<p><b>Bigswear Bridge. OL14/SO537050.</b> A moderate/strenuous 8.7 mile walk with a steepish climb just after the start. We join the Wye Valley walk and head south through Cuckoo Wood and Cleddon falls before dropping down to Brockweir. After crossing the Wye the return leg follows the river along Offa's Dyke Path. BPL.</p> <p>Sam &amp; Thelma 01989 563874 <b>ROSS</b></p>
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup>	14.00	<p><b>AFTERNOON WALK- The Secret River walk 12 EXP179/780237. Park at Hartbury church, following signs from the village.</b> We continue to follow the course of the river Leadon in this pleasant 5½ mile ramble from Hartbury to Rudford. And you will also get a buzz from the unique Hartpury bee shelter. Easy. Bring refreshment.</p> <p>Mary 01684 541071.</p> <p><b>LEADON VALE</b></p>
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup>	10.00	<p><b>BANK HOLIDAY WALK - from Kilpeck. Park at Kilpeck village hall to the south of the village at the very far end. EXP189/446301.</b></p> <p>A moderate circular walk of about 6 miles, followed by a tour of the fascinating church and castle remains. BMMR, and BPL (for end of walk)</p> <p>P Exton 01432 351493 <b>HEREFORD</b></p>

#### KEY

BPL = Bring packed lunch

BMMR = Bring mid-morning refreshment

WRCP = Wilton Road car park

BSCP = Bridge Street car park

#### NOTES

Dogs – Please contact the leader if you want to bring your dog