

# **HEREFORDSHIRE AREA WALKS PROGRAMME**

## **December 2018**

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### **OVER THE MOUNTAIN**

Date: **Saturday 1 December** **Mortimer Group**  
Level: **Moderate** A steep pull up and over Harley's  
Distance: **7.5 miles** Mountain following the  
Meeting Place **St Michael's Church,** Herefordshire Trail, rewarded by  
**Lingen** lovely views on a clear day.  
Map/Grid Ref: **Exp201/SO 364672** Across Lime Brook valley and  
Time: **10.00** through Down's Wood to re-join  
Leader: **Eileen** the Trail back to Lingen. BPL.  
Contact: **01432 830569**

### **MISTLETOE IN TENBURY WELLS**

Date: **Saturday 1 December** **Leadon Vale Group**  
Level: **Moderate** Enjoy a walk in the Tenbury area  
Distance: **7 miles** with time afterwards to visit the  
Meeting Place **CP by Swimming** Mistletoe Fair. BPL.  
**Pool off B4204**  
Map/Grid Ref: **Exp203/SO 597684**  
Time: **10.00**  
Leader: **Mary**  
Contact: **01684 541071**

### **SOUTH FROM FERNBANK**

Date: **Saturday 1 December** **Ross Group**  
Level: **Moderate** We head south over Chase Hill  
Distance: **10.5 Miles** and Howle Hill as far as  
Meeting Place **Fernbank Road CP (a** Lodgegrove Brook. Returning  
**junction of Eastfield** through Cinderberry, Penyard and  
**Road and Walford** Merrivale woods along a more  
**Road)** easterly route. Undulating with 7  
Map/Grid Ref: **Exp189/SO 598231** small hills +/- 1800 feet. BPL.  
Time: **10.00**  
Leader: **Martin Shepley**  
Contact: **07876 664545 or**  
**01989 563022**

### **ROSS GROUP MORNING WALK**

Date: **Tuesday 4 December** **Ross Group**  
Level: **Leisurely or Moderate** For details contact Sally 07773  
Distance: **4 - 5 Miles** 686089 or Trisha 01989 769050

### **TEA SHOP WALK FROM KINNERSLEY ARMS**

Date: **Wednesday 5** **Hereford Group**  
**December**  
Level: **Moderate** Turn right off A438 at Letton – if  
Distance: **8 miles** road flooded go via Credenhill on  
Meeting Place **Kinnersley Arms, HR3** A480 turning left near Sarnesfield  
**6QA** and again at Kinnersley.  
Map/Grid Ref: **Exp201/SO 340487** Leisurely pace seeing nature  
Time: **10.00** reserves, castles, common and  
Leader: **Lynne and Mary** church. Easy but some mud. On  
Contact: **01432 271769 or** return everyone is expected to  
**357766** buy cake and tea. BPL.

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### **MORNING WALK AND TALK FROM POINT 4, VENNS LANE, HEREFORD.**

Date: **Thursday 6 December** **Hereford Group**  
Level: **Leisurely** Park at the Point4, Venns Lane, Hereford. These walks are first and third weeks monthly. We walk to Aylestone Park, Lugg Meadows, Tupsley, River Wye or Holmer. Short steep slopes, stiles or muddy patches. Bring mid-morning snack. Refreshments at Point4 optional.  
Distance: **4 miles**  
Meeting Place: **Reception at the Point 4**  
Map/Grid Ref: **Exp189/SO 518412**  
Time: **10.30**  
Leader: **Mary H**  
Contact: **01432 357766**

### **HEREFORD GROUP CHRISTMAS MEAL**

Date: **Saturday 8 December** **All members and friends welcome**  
Meeting Place: **Aylestone Court Hotel HR1 1HS** Some parking at hotel at bottom of Aylestone Hill. Three courses £25.95; two courses £20.95. Ring for details. Book and pay by Monday 3 December. Cheques payable to Hereford Group of the RA.  
Map/Grid Ref: **Exp202/SO 517404**  
Time: **12.30 to eat at 13.00**  
Contacts: **Lynne 07792 010227 or Mary 07854 068214**

### **A GOLD MINE OR JUST THE HOPE?**

Date: **Saturday 8 December** **Ross Group**  
Level: **Moderate** Secluded woods and pastures around Hope Mansell with some beautiful views and – yes – an actual (maybe) gold mine! BPL.  
Distance: **7.5 miles**  
Meeting Place: **Park end-on at the wide forest entrance at the sharp bend on the North side of the minor road between Mitcheldean church and Drybrook**  
Map/Grid Ref: **OL14/SO 655180**  
Time: **10.00 (WRCP 09.20)**  
Leader: **Bob S**  
Contact: **07985 044735 or 01989 769050**

### **BUS WALK – CREDENHILL TO WELLINGTON**

Date: **Sunday 9 December** **Hereford Group**  
Level: **Moderate** Catch the 71 bus at 09.15 at the City bus station. Walk via Tillington, Badnage Hill and Wood, calling at renovated Pub in Wellington for optional drinks or teas. Catch the 492 bus from Wellington Turn at 14.57 arriving at Tesco 15.17. BPL.  
Distance: **7 miles**  
Meeting Place: **Hereford City Bus Station (by Tesco)**  
Map/Grid Ref: **Exp202/SO 507401**  
Time: **09.15**  
Leader: **John A.W.**  
Contact: **01432 355833 or 07779 508204**

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### **ROSS GROUP MORNING WALK**

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Level: **Leisurely or Moderate** For details contact Sally 07773  
Distance: **4 - 5 Miles** 686089 or Trisha 01989 769050

### **PUB QUIZ, CHAT AND CURRY – EVENING OUT - Tuesday 11 December**

Meeting Place **Victory Pub, St Owen's Street, Hereford** **Hereford Group – all members and friends welcome**  
Time: **20.00**  
Contact: **Martin and Anthea** Come for a drink and the pub quiz,  
**01432 769470 or 07583 048409** followed by Curry - £2.50 per person. Just turn up and help form a table.

### **KINGTON AND HERGEST**

Date: **Saturday 15 December** **Mortimer Group**  
Level: **Moderate** A stroll through Kington, visiting St Mary's Church and the parkland of Hergest Croft. Then a steady uphill walk along Hergest Ridge and part of Offa's Dyke Path, with extensive views from the top. Back via Castle Twts and Park Wood. BPL.  
Distance: **6.5 miles**  
Meeting Place **Mill Street CP, Kington (fee)**  
Map/Grid Ref: **Exp201/SO 296565**  
Time: **10.00**  
Leader: **Eileen**  
Contact: **01432 830569**

### **ROSS GROUP MORNING WALK**

Date: **Tuesday 18 December** **Ross Group**  
Level: **Leisurely or Moderate** For details contact Sally 07773  
Distance: **4 - 5 miles** 686089 or Trisha 01989 769050

### **COLWALL CIRCULAR WALK**

Date: **Wednesday 19 December** **Leadon Vale Group**  
Level: **Moderate** Enjoy a winter walk on hopefully fairly dry paths before returning for optional coffee/lunch. BMMR.  
Distance: **5 miles**  
Meeting Place **Colwall Station**  
Map/Grid Ref: **Exp190/SO 757425**  
Time: **10.15**  
Leader: **Mary**  
Contact: **01684 541071**

### **MORNING WALK AND TALK FROM THE POINT 4, VENNS LANE, HEREFORD.**

Date: **Thursday 20 December** **Hereford Group**  
Level/Distance **Leisurely/4 miles** Walks are first and third weeks monthly. Walk to Lugg Meadows, Tupsley, Wye or Holmer. Some short slopes, stiles, mud.  
Meeting Place **At the Point 4, at 10.30**  
Leader: **Ring Mary H. 01432 357766**

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### **FRIDAY 21 DECEMBER – START OF WINTER WALKING FESTIVAL**

#### **LINEAR WALK – KINGTON TO LYONSHALL**

Date: **Saturday 22 December** **Hereford Group**  
Level: **Moderate** Catch 461 bus (Wyevale 09.17, Weobley 09.40). Walk from Kington via Elsdon, Holme Marsh, Offa's Dyke and Lyonshall to the Cattle Shed at Penrhos Court for optional teas. Return 14.55 arriving Hereford 15.52. BPL.  
Distance: **7.5 miles**  
Meeting Place **Hereford Railway Station bus stop**  
Map/Grid Ref: **Exp189 /SO 515405**  
Time: **08.55**  
Leader: **John A.W.**  
Contact: **01432 355833 or 07779 508204**

#### **MALVERN TOWN AND UP TO THE HILLS**

Date: **Saturday 22 December** **Leadon Vale Group**  
Level: **Moderate** From the station, through Priory Park, Rose Bank Gardens, up 99 steps to the Hills. St Anne's Well for a coffee stop, then back passing interesting places.  
Distance: **5 miles**  
Meeting Place **Great Malvern Station**  
Map/Grid Ref: **Exp190/SO 783457**  
Time: **10.15 (09.39 train from Hereford)**  
Leader: **David H**  
Contact: **01684 574205**

#### **BRINGSTY COMMON**

Date: **Thursday 27 December** **Leadon Vale Group**  
Level: **Easy** A gentle stroll over Bringsty Common & back to the pub for a drink.  
Distance: **3 miles**  
Meeting Place **Live & Let Live, Bringsty**  
Map/Grid Ref: **Exp202/SO 700545**  
Time: **10.30**  
Leader: **Tom**  
Contact: **01886 821544**

#### **BREINTON CIRCULAR**

Date: **Friday 28 December** **Hereford Group**  
Level: **Moderate** Park at far end of Wyevale Garden Centre car park. Walk down quiet tracks, lanes and footpaths to Breinton and along the river Wye. Optional tea at Wyevale at end. BPL.  
Distance: **6.5 miles**  
Meeting Place **Far end of Wyevale GC car park**  
Map/Grid Ref: **Exp202/SO 472415**  
Time: **11.00 late start**  
Leader: **Mo**  
Contact: **01432 350516**

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### **STOCKTON AND KIMBOLTON**

Date: **Saturday 29 December** **Mortimer Group**  
Level: **Moderate** Permission to park at pub (open for seasonal celebrations on return). A green lane, tracks and field edges. Kimbolton Church, Bache Camp, returning on part of the Herefordshire Trail. BPL.  
Distance: **6.5 miles**  
Meeting Place **Stockton Cross Inn Car Park**  
Map/Grid Ref: **Exp203/SO 519613**  
Time: **10.00**  
Leader: **Jen**  
Contact: **01568 620138 or 07725 832159**

### **FIGURE OF 8 FROM REDBROOK TO PENALLT AND THE KYMIN**

Date: **Saturday 29 December** **Ross Group**  
Level: **Moderate** Park in either of the two car parks on the right coming from Monmouth and meet in the middle. After walking along the Wye Valley, the path climbs through woodland to the viewpoint at Penallt Church. The afternoon begins with a gentle walk before a more energetic climb to the Kymin. BPL.  
Distance: **5 or 10 miles**  
Meeting Place **Redbrook Car Park (fee £1 or £1.50)**  
Map/Grid Ref: **OL14/SO 536102**  
Time: **10.00 (WRCP 09.00 )**  
Leader: **Barbara**  
Contact: **07845 466101 or 01989 762363**

### **PLEASE READ THESE IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS**

**General:** As a group member it is your responsibility to follow the leader's instructions for the benefit of the group as a whole. If you should leave the walk early, please notify the leader. Please do not walk in front of the leader. Keep in single file on all roads. Accidents or incidents that occur during the course of the walk, should be reported to the leader immediately. Persons under 18 must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

**Insurance:** All sporting and leisure activities have inherent hazards associated with them and rambling is no exception. In spite of the safety of members always being the paramount concern, accidents will occasionally occur. It is important, therefore, that when entering into the activity, each member appreciates that they have a responsibility to identify the hazards associated with the activity and take all reasonable steps to eliminate or minimise the potential for an accident to arise.

#### **Guidance on grades:**

**Easy Access;** Walks for everyone, including people with conventional wheelchairs and pushchairs, using easy access paths. Comfortable shoes or trainers can be worn. Assistance may be needed to push wheelchairs on some sections.

**Easy:** Walks for anyone who does not have a mobility difficulty or a specific health problem or is seriously unfit. Suitable for pushchairs if they can be lifted over occasional obstructions. Comfortable shoes or trainers can be worn.

**Leisurely:** Walks for reasonably fit people with at least a little country walking experience. May include un-surfaced rural paths. Walking boots and warm, waterproof clothing recommended.

**Moderate:** Walks for people with country walking experience and a good level of fitness. May include some steep paths and open country. Walking boots and warm, waterproof clothing essential.

**Strenuous:** Walks for experienced country walkers with above average fitness level. May include hills and rough country. Walking boots and warm, waterproof clothing essential.

**Transport/Car Parking:** Think green, try and car share. If you require a lift, contact the walk leader who may be able to organise a lift for you. Don't leave valuables in your car in full view of thieves, and remember to lock your car. Protect against theft or vandalism.

The pick-up point for Ross Group – WRCP = Wilton Road Car Park.

The pick-up point for Leadon Vale Group – BSCP = Bridge Street Car Park.

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Colwall Station is to become an alternative car pick-up or car-share point for Leadon Vale. Exp 190 SO756425 Car Parking is free and it is served by a regular train service.

**Notes:**

For a full days walk bring a packed lunch = BPL - and plenty to drink.

For a half days walk bring a mid-morning refreshment = BMMR

Dogs: Can be taken on walks only with advance permission of the leader, but are generally welcome

**Remember:** If in doubt contact the walk leader before going, or check on the web site at

[www.herefordshireramblers.org.uk](http://www.herefordshireramblers.org.uk)