

Walks Programme. April to July 2009

On All Day walks, bring a packed lunch. For updated information see www.nhrg.org.uk.

Introduction to Walks Programme

Longer days see our biggest walks programme ever, with a great variety of walks. STOOP and the Greensand Ridge provide long distance walks, but we also offer short morning walks (frequently using the bus), and evening walks finishing at a pub. Some Sundays have a choice of walks, a response to the ever growing numbers of walkers on our rambles. Regular walkers will make use of this variety. But, if you haven't walked with us before, we do hope there's something here to tempt you. We do our best to encourage new walkers, and you can always be assured of a warm welcome.

Ramblers' Association. *After two or three "taster" walks, we invite you to join the RA. As a member of the RA you are welcome to join the walks of any Group throughout the country. Please ask the leader for an Application Form, or join on-line at www.ramblers.org.uk or call 020 7339 8500.*

Car sharing: We encourage members to share lifts to and from walks. Voluntary contributions towards the driver's expenses are encouraged; we suggest £2 per passenger, or more for longer journeys.

Dogs: No dogs, please, other than registered guide dogs.

Saturday 4 April. Morning Bus Walk. 6m

Meet: Stevenage Bus Station (Stop A) for 384 bus at 08.55.
Route: Dane End to Waterford. Return to Stevenage on 390 bus, arrives Stevenage 12.39.
Leader: David Ashby. 01438 880470.



Sunday 5 April. Coach Trip to Oxford

Pick up points: St Mary's Square, Hitchin 07.45, Letchworth Station 08.00, Lytton Way, Stevenage 08.15.
To be booked and paid for in advance.
Organiser: Mary Nudds 01438 362027.



Sunday 12 April. All Day. 10-11m

Meet: Stevenage Library (TL 238239). 09.30
Route: St Pauls Walden, Whitwell.
Leader: Des Brown. 01438 213365.

Saturday 18 April. All Day. 10m

Meet: Train. Stevenage 09.46, Hitchin 09.51, Arlesey 09.56. Buy return to Sandy.
Route: Sandy to Arlesey.
Leader: Mark Gallant. 01462 834518.



Sunday 19 April. All Day. 9¼m.

Meet: Portmill Lane CP, Hitchin (TL 185292). 09.30
Route: Chicksands, Haynes.
Leader: Richard Huxtable. 01462 629006.

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Saturday 25 April. Morning Only. 5m

Meet: Lytton Arms, Old Knebworth (TL228203). 10.00
Route: Knebworth, Lytton Arms. **Optional pub lunch.**
Leader: Gill Harvey 01438 317133.

Sunday 26 April. All Day. 9m

Meet: Stevenage Library. 09.30
Route: Standon.
Leaders: Liz Staples, Rosemary Purcell. 01438 360240.

Saturday 2 May. All Day. 7m

Meet: Train. Stevenage 09.42, Hitchin 09.47. (arr. Cambridge 10.27) Buy return to Cambridge.
Route: Cambridge Canter, in which we visit familiar and less familiar parts of the city.
Leaders: David and Sue Smith. 01438 318568.



Sunday 3 May. (1) Morning Only. 6m

Meet: Stevenage Library. 09.30
Route: Norton Green, Rusling End.
Leader: Ron McDowell. 07976 210963.

Sunday 3 May. (2) All Day. 15m+

Meet: Stevenage Library. 09.30
Route: Ware, Much Hadham (Pioneer, route finder!)
Leader: David Ashby. 01438 880470

Saturday 9 May. Morning Bus Walk. 5m

Meet: Stevenage Bus Station (Stop J) for 391 bus at 09.55.
Route: Weston to Walkern. Return to Stevenage on 384 bus, arrives Stevenage 13.17 - or optional walk back to SB1.
Leader: David Ashby. 01438 880470.



Saturday 30 May. STOOP East. All Day. 14m

Meet: Stevenage Bus Station (Stop C) for 55 bus at 09.00.
Arrives Graveley at 09.13.
Route: Graveley to Woolmer Green via Beane Valley. *Return to Stevenage on 300/301 bus.*
Leaders: Harold and Carol Stokes. 01438 353666.



Sunday 31 May. All Day. 10m.

Meet: Stevenage Library. 09.30.
Route: Hertingfordbury.
Leader: Gill Harvey 01438 317133.

Saturday 6 June. Bus Walk. Morning Only. 5m

Meet: Stevenage Bus Station (Stop C) for 100 bus at 09.10 to Hitchin (St Mary's Sq). Then 304 bus at 09.45 to Whitwell.
Route: Whitwell, Langleigh to Stevenage Bus Station. Optional picnic in town centre park at finish.
Leaders: Ray and Tessa Peters. 01438 353583.



Sunday 7 June. (1) Greensand Ridge 1. All Day. 9m.

Meet: Call leaders to arrange car sharing. See page 13
Route: Leighton Buzzard to Woburn.
Leaders: Harold and Carol Stokes. 01438 353666.

Sunday 7 June. (2). Afternoon Only. 6½m

Meet: Portmill Lane CP, Hitchin. 2.00 pm
Route: Hitchin to Offley (circular).
Leader: Roger Jarvis. 01462 422837.

Saturday 13 June. All Day. 10m

Meet: Car park. Great Ashby District Park (end of Serpentine Close. TL267268). 10.00. Or SB7 bus from Stevenage Bus

Sunday 10 May. All Day. 9m

Meet: Portmill Lane CP, Hitchin. 09.30

Route: Ashridge

Leader: Dennis Cannon. 01462 629483.

Saturday 16 May. Afternoon Only. 6m

Meet: Stevenage Station Booking Office. 2.00 pm

Route: West of Stevenage.

Leader: Roger Jarvis. 01462 422837.

Sunday 17 May. All Day. 9m

Meet: Stevenage Library. 09.30.

Route: Elmdon, Duddenhoe End, Littlebury Green

Leader: Tony Read. 01462 450494.

Saturday 23 May. Short Day Bus Walk. 6m

Meet: Stevenage Bus Station (Stop A) for 390 bus at 09.25.

(dep. Watton at Stone, The Bull 09.43). *(Return to Stevenage on 390 bus at 12.21 or 14.21)*

Route: Hertford North to Watton at Stone.

Leader: Mary Nudds. 01438 362027.

**Sunday 24 May. All Day. 10m**

Meet: Stevenage Library. 09.30.

Route: Tempsford.

Leader: Sheila George. 07980 313922.

Thursday 28 May. Evening Pub Walk. 4m

Meet: The Windmill, Charlton. 6.30 pm

Route: Charlton.

Leader: Robin Green and Liz Brosnan. 01438 727180



Station at 09.24, alight at Thirlmere Way.

Route: Great Ashby and Walkern.

Leaders: David and Sue Smith. 01438 318568.

**Sunday 14 June. (1). Morning Only. 7m.**

Meet: Stevenage Library. 09.30

Route: Benington.

Leader: Peter Knight. 01438 318138.

Sunday 14 June. (2). All Day. 12m.

Meet: Portmill Lane CP, Hitchin. 09.30

Route: Wimpole Hall. Car park £2, free for National Trust members

Leader: Mark Gallant 01462 834518.

**Tuesday 16 June. Evening Pub Walk. 5½m**

Meet: Lytton Arms, Old Knebworth. 6.15 pm

Route: Old Knebworth.

Leader: Robin Green and Liz Brosnan. 01438 727180

**Saturday 20 June. STOOP West. All Day. 14m**

Meet: Stevenage Bus Station (Stop H) for 301 bus at 09.17.

Arrives Woolmer Green at 09.28.

Route: Woolmer Green to Graveley via St Pauls Walden. Return to Stevenage on 55 bus.

Leaders: Harold and Carol Stokes. 01438 353666.

**Sunday 21 June. Morning Only. 6.5m**

Meet: Stevenage Library. 09.30 .

Route: Knebworth Park.

Leader: Ron Faulkner. 01438 237747.

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Saturday 27 June. Bus Walk. All Day. 7m

Meet: Stevenage Bus Station (Stop A) for 384 bus at 08.55 to Sacombe. From Hitchin (St Mary's Sq), bus 102 at 08.19.
Route: Sacombe to Chells Manor, then SB1 to Stevenage.
Leaders: Ray and Tessa Peters. 01438 353583.



Sunday 28 June. All Day. 10m.

Meet: Portmill Lane CP, Hitchin. 09.30.
Route: Wrest Park.
Leader: Mike Wells. 01462 454245.

Saturday 4 July. All Day. 8m

Meet: Train. Hitchin 08.58, Stevng 09.03. Buy Travelcard.
Route: New Malden, Beverley Brook to Putney, via Wimbledon Common and Richmond Park.
Leader: Peter Briercliffe 01462 637349.



Sunday 5 July. (1). All Day. 11½m

Meet: Stevenage Library. 09.30.
Route: Hebing End, Haultwick, Ardeley.
Leader: Ron Faulkner. 01438 237747.

Sunday 5 July. (2). Morning Only. 7m

Meet: Portmill Lane CP, Hitchin. 09.30.
Route: Ampthill.
Leader: Jan Worthington. 01462 815768

Sunday 12 July. (1) Greensand Ridge 2. All Day 11½m.

Meet: Call leaders to arrange car sharing. See page 13.
Route: Woburn to Maulden.
Leaders: Harold and Carol Stokes. 01438 353666.

Sunday 12 July. (2). Afternoon Only. 6½m

Meet: Portmill Lane CP, Hitchin. 2.00 pm
Route: Hitchin to Preston (circular).
Leader: Roger Jarvis. 01462 422837.

Wednesday 15 July. All Day. Choose 6 or 10m.

Meet: Contact leaders for car sharing, to be in St Albans by 10.00 am
Route: St Albans. Joint walk with Group from Petersfield, Hants.
Leaders: David and Sue Smith. 01438 318568.

Thursday 16 July. Evening Pub Walk. 5¼m

Meet: Rose and Crown, Ashwell. 6.15 pm
Route: Ashwell.
Leaders: Robin Green and Liz Brosnan. 01438 727180.



Saturday 18 July. Afternoon Only. 5m

Meet: Sailing Centre, Fairlands Park. 2.00 pm
Route: Fairlands Valley and around.
Leaders: Liz Staples and Mary Nudds. 01438 360240.

Sunday 19 July. All Day. 10m.

Meet: Stevenage Library. 09.30.
Route: Much Hadham, Widford.
Leaders: Leon Fotiadis and Aliki. 01438 243347.

Sunday 26 July. All Day. 10m.

Meet: Stevenage Library. 09.30.
Route: Welwyn.
Leader: Lynsey Holt. 01462 834518.