

Leicestershire & Rutland Walking Group

LRWG

**Summer 2017
Walks Programme**

Photo by Anna Richards

On Walks

Please try to be there 10 minutes before start time to allow time to put boots on & take walks register.

Before going on a walk please ensure that your level of fitness is adequate.

Walk Grades

Leisurely (L) - This will be most evening walks. Suitable for reasonably fit people with at least a little country walking experience. Walking boots and warm, waterproof clothing are recommended. Terrain Includes unsurfaced country paths that may be narrow, uneven, muddy or overgrown, and obstructions such as stiles, narrow bridges, stepping stones and steps. May be hilly, with a few ascents and descents. May also include walks that would otherwise be graded easy access or easy but are longer than 8km/5 miles. Pace Slow or moderate pace; could include otherwise easy walks taken at a moderate pace.

Moderate (M) - This will be most Sunday walks around Leicestershire. Suitable for people with country walking experience and a good level of fitness. Walking boots and warm, waterproof clothing are essential. Terrain As leisurely walks, but with some sustained climbs and perhaps some moderate walking on open hillsides or moorland in the warmer months. Pace Moderate pace; could include walks on leisurely terrain taken at a brisk pace.

Strenuous (S) - This will be most Peak District type walks. Suitable for experienced country walkers with an above average fitness level. Walking boots and warm, waterproof clothing are essential. People in doubt about their fitness are advised to contact the organiser or leader in advance. Terrain Includes rough country and mountains, a few long or lots of short ascents and descents on rough paths and across open country. Pace Moderate or brisk pace; could include walks on moderate terrain taken at a brisk pace.

Technical (T) - Something like going up Tryfan. Suitable for walkers with experience of walking in

rough country, with additional technical skills and specialist equipment where appropriate. Walkers must contact the organiser or leader for further details. Terrain Rough country and mountains; may involve scrambling, ropes, ice axes or crampons. If there is a chance that weather conditions will require ropes or other technical equipment to be used and these are carried as a precaution, the walk should be classed as technical whether they are used or not.

What to take on a walk

- Drinking water
- Comfortable walking boots (not trainers)
- Packed lunch
- Waterproof jacket and over-trousers.
- Walking trousers (not jeans)
- Fleece or other warm top

See <http://www.lrwg.org.uk/resources/walkers> for more information.

Very occasionally it is necessary to change walks due to unforeseen circumstances. Please check our website or Facebook page for any changes since this programme was printed. E&OE.

Your walking group needs you!

The group can't exist without its members volunteering to lead walks. Please feel free to submit walks for the next programme to programme@lrwg.org.uk providing the standard walk information. See our site at www.lrwg.org.uk/resources/leaders for more information.

July

Sunday 02 July 2017	10:30:00 AM	Swanning around Swannington		
Start Point:SK427172,LE67 8NR: Thringstone, Leics		Lat, Long 52.750904,-1.368128	9 miles	M
Route: Thringstone, Griffydam, Farmtown, Swannington, Thringstone				
Details: Starting from Thringstone, taking in the Lount Nature Reserve. Meet on the Green in Thringstone.				
Leader: Tina		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

Friday 7 – Sunday 9 July 2017	10:00:00 AM	Cornwall - Eden Project weekend		
Details: Staying at Eden Project YHA. Contact Chris for more details.				
Leader: Chris		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

Tuesday 04 July 2017	7:00:00 PM	Smeeton Westerby		
Start Point:SP679928,LE8 0QB: Smeeton Westerby		Lat, Long 52.529648,-0.999448	4 miles	L
Route: Smeeton Westerby - Debdale Wharf - Great Union Canal - Smeeton Westerby				
Details: A walk from the village of Smeeton Westerby near Kibworth. We will walk down a farm track to Debdale Wharf where we will join the Great Union Canal, following this for a good stretch. After crossing an aquaduct we will head back to Smeeton Westerby through the countryside. We can finish the night at the Kings head Pub in the village.				
Leader: Anna		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

Wednesday 12 July 2017	7:00:00 PM	Woodhouse Eaves to Quorn		
Start Point:SK530144,LE12 8RZ: Woodhouse Eaves		Lat, Long 52.725272,-1.215647	4 miles	E
Route: Woodhouse Eaves - Quorn - Old Woodhouse - Woodhouse Eaves				
Details: Meet in the car park on Main Street, Woodhouse Eaves. A gentle evening walk to Quorn and back.				
Leader: Rob		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

Sunday 16 July 2017	10:30:00 AM	Bulwick and Deene Park walk		
Start Point:SP964943,NN17 3ET: Corby, Northants		Lat, Long 52.537442,-0.581362	10 miles	M
Route: Bulwick, Bulwick Hall, Deene, Kirby Hall, Gretton				
Details: Meet on the main street in the village next to Bulwick Church. Route to be confirmed.				
Leader: Euan		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

Wednesday 19 July 2017	7:00:00 PM	Barkby		
Start Point:SK635098,LE7 3QG: Syston		Lat, Long 52.682693,-1.061753	5 miles	L
Route: Barkby - Beeby - Barkby				
Details: A walk from the village of Barkby, north east of Leicester. We'll meet by the Malt Shovel pub on Main Street. The walk will follow the Barkby Brook to the hamlet of Beeby, past Spring Grange, past a couple of woods and then back to Barkby for a well earned beverage.				
Leader: Phil		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

Sunday 23 July 2017	10:30:00 AM	Burton Overy figure of 8 walk		
Start Point:SP677979,LE8 9DL: Burton Overy, Leics		Lat, Long 52.574689,-1.001611	10.5 miles	M
Route: Burton Overy - Carlton Curlieu - Ilston on the Hill - Burton Overy - Great Glen - Burton Overy				
Details: New members walk! Meeting outside The Bell in Burton Overy, the first half of the walk will take us to the villages of Carlton Curlieu and Ilston-on-the-hill via farmland and country lanes. We will then return to Burton Overy for lunch before heading out in the afternoon on a route that will take us by Great Glen. Come for the morning or afternoon or for the whole walk. The first half is 4.5 miles and the second 6 miles. If you wish to join us in the afternoon make sure you are at The Bell by 13:00.				
Leader: Anna		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

Wednesday 26 July 2017	7:00:00 PM	Hungarton and Quenby Hall		
Start Point:SK691073,LE7 9JX: Hungarton		Lat, Long 52.658270,-0.980429	4 miles	L
Route: Hungarton - Quenby Hall - Cold Newton - Hungarton				
Details: Meet outside the church in Hungarton. (Please park considerately in the village.) Our walk will take us through the grounds of Quenby Hall and the site of a medieval village at Cold Newton before returning to Hungarton via a section of the Midshires Way.				
Leader: Helen		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

Sunday 30 July 2017	10:30:00 AM	Churnet Valley Walk		
Start Point:SK099406,ST14 5PP: Denstone		Lat, Long 52.963530,-1.852971	11 miles	M
Route: Denstone, Alton, Oakamoor, Denstone.				
Details: Meet outside "The Tavern" Pub in Denstone, please park considerately on the surrounding quiet side streets. Heading out from the historic college town of Denstone we will head along the Staffordshire Way through farmland and along the ancient Saltersford Lane into Alton, then through the woods of Toot Hill past the Ramblers Retreat into Dimmingsdale and then onwards to Oakamoor where there is a Picnic site for our lunch stop (with toilet facilities). We will then head back to Denstone along sections of disused railway and countryside tracks taking in the view of Alton Castle along the way.				
Leader: James		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

August

Wednesday 2 August	7:00:00 PM	Long Whatton		
Start Point:SK479235,LE12 5DG: Long Whatton		Lat, Long 52.807053,-1.291569	5 miles	L
Route: Long Whatton - Piper Wood - Long Whatton				
Details: Meet outside The Falcon pub in Long Whatton. Please park considerately in the village. We walk across the fields to Piper Wood near Shepshed, before returning via some undulating terrain.				
Leader: David		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

Sunday 06 August 2017	10:30:00 AM	Narborough Mystery Tour		
Start Point:SK538975,LE19 2EL: Narborough, Leics		Lat, Long 52.572767,-1.206167	9 miles	M
Route: Narborough, Thurlaston, Enderby, Narborough				
Details: Narborough to Enderby, the long way round. Starting from the car park on Desford Road, Narborough. Accessible by train.				
Leader: Tina		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

Wednesday 9 August 2017	7:00:00 PM	Cossington		
Start Point:SK604136,LE7 4UU: Syston		Lat, Long 52.717581,-1.106839	5 miles	L
Route: Cossington - Watermead - Grand Union Canal - Cossington Meadows - Cossington				
Details: Meet in the car park next to the church on Main Street in the picturesque village of Cossington. We'll walk through the fields down to the top of Watermead Park before heading back along the Grand Union Canal to Cossington Meadows and then back to Cossington.				
Leader: Phil		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

Saturday 12 August 2017	10:00:00 AM	Peak Distict Weekend Away - Castleton, Mam Tor walk		
Start Point:SK149830,S33 8WN: Castleton		Lat, Long 53.343771,-1.777545	12 miles	S
Route: Castleton - Lose Hill - Mam Tor - Castleton				
Details: Walk will start from the Visitor centre in Castleton and we will climb Lose Hill and Mam Tor				
Leader: Yvonne		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

Sunday 13 August 2017	10:30:00 AM	Monyash to Over Haddon via Lathkill Dale		
Start Point:SK150665,DE45 1HE: Monyash		Lat, Long 3.195841,-1.776829	9 miles	S
Route: Monyash - Lathkill Dale - Over Haddon - Monyash				
Leader: Yvonne		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

Tuesday 15 August 2017	7:00:00 PM	Fosse Meadows start from car park		
Start Point:SP488908,LE10 3AB: Hinckley		Lat, Long 52.513385,-1.281770	4 miles	E
Route: Fosse Meadows-Frolesworth- Fosse Meadows				
Details: A figure of 8 walk starting from Fosse Meadows Car Park along the old roman Fosse way followed by footpaths across fields to Frolesworth & along footpaths around the nature area Fosse Meadows.				
Leader: Paula		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

Sunday 20 August 2017	10:30:00 AM	Melton and villages		
Start Point:SK757207,LE13 1FE: Melton Mowbray		Lat, Long 52.779374,-0.878774	9.5 miles	L
Route: Melton Country Park - Ab Kettleby - Scalford - Melton Country Park				
Details: Meet at the main car park at Melton Mowbray Country Park at the bottom end of Wymondham Way, off Scalford Road, Melton. The walk takes in several of the villages north of Melton. There is a pub or two along the way, and a cafe at the Visitor Centre.				
Leader: Rob		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

Wednesday 23 August	7:00:00 PM	Great Glen		
Start Point:SP656973,LE8 9GF: Great Glen		Lat, Long 52.570787,-1.032936	3 miles	L
Route: Great Glen - Burton Overy - Great Glen				
Details: Meet on the village green (opposite the Pug and Greyhound pub) in Great Glen. From here we will walk across some fields to Burton Overy, then walk back across some more fields and past a pond.				
Leader: Helen		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

Sunday 27 August 2017	10:30:00 AM	Blaby to Ratby Meadows		
Start Point:SP577982,LE2 9TL: Blaby, Leics	Lat, Long 52.578015,-1.151441	8 miles	L	
Route: Blaby moat - Ratby Meadows - Canal path				
Details: Starting at Blaby Moat monument, moving through Blaby itself, stopping for lunch at The Bulls Head Whetstone, then onto Ratby meadows. Escaping Ratby Meadows returning via scenic Gee's lock, finishing back at Glen Parva Manor, an atmospheric pub with beer garden. Parking: The far end of Glen Parva Manor car park is reserved for monument visitors, you should be fine there.				
Leader: Tim	newmem@lrwg.org.uk			

Wednesday 30 August 2017	7:00:00 PM	Walton on the Wolds		
Start Point:SK592198,LE12 8HR: Barrow Upon Soar	Lat, Long 52.772861,-1.122800	3.5 miles	L	
Route: Walton on the Wolds - Prestwold Hall - Burton on the Wolds - Walton on the Wolds				
Details: The start point will be at the Anchor Inn in the centre of Walton on the Wolds. We'll then walk north west skirting past Prestwold Hall before ending up at the small village of Burton on the Wolds. We'll then head back to Walton on the Wolds hopefully before the last of the daylight has gone.				
Leader: Phil	newmem@lrwg.org.uk			

September

Sunday 03 September 2017	10:30:00 AM	Grindleford Station		
Start Point:SK250788,S32 2HY: Grindleford	Lat, Long 53.305984,-1.626908	10 miles	M	
Route: Grindleford Station - Froggatt Edge - Baslow - Calver - Grindleford Station				
Leader: David	newmem@lrwg.org.uk			

Sunday 10 September 2017	10:30:00 AM	Belton-in-Rutland and Launde Abbey		
Start Point:SK816011,LE15 9LB: Belton-in-Rutland	Lat, Long 52.602442,-0.796503	10.5 miles	M	
Route: Belton-in-Rutland - Withcode Lodge - Withcote Hall - Launde Abbey - Loddington - Allextion - Belton-in-Rutland				
Details: Meet at the corner of Church Street and Main Street in the village of Belton-in-Rutland before heading off into the countryside. We will pass several places of historical interest including the Grade II listed Withcote Hall and Chapel and Launde Abbey, which was built by the son of Thomas Cromwell. We will then head back through the villages of Loddington and Allextion following the Eye brook to Belton-in-Rutland.				
Leader: Anna	newmem@lrwg.org.uk			

Sunday 17 September 2017	10:30:00 AM	Carsington and South Peak District		
Start Point:SK240515,DE6 1ST: Wirksworth		Lat, Long 53.062026,-1.641910	12 miles	M
Route: Carsington Water Visitor Centre - Hognaston - Kniveton - Bradbourne - Ballidon - Brassington - Carsington - Carsington Water Visitor Centre				
Details: The walk will start from the Carsington Water Visitor Centre - this is just off the B5035 between Ashbourne and Wirksworth. There is a large car park at the visitors centre - cost for the day is £4.70. We'll head away from the reservoir passing through the villages of Hognaston, Kniveton and Brassington amongst others. There are 1 or 2 steep climbs in the rolling Derbyshire countryside. The last mile or so will be walking alongside the reservoir before arriving back at the visitors centre.				
Leader: Phil		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

Sunday 24 September 2017	10:30:00 AM	Burrough Hill		
Start Point:SK765114,LE14 2QZ: Burrough on the Hill, Leics		Lat, Long 52.695631,-0.869171	10 miles	L
Route: Burrough Hill - Thorpe Satchville - Burrough on the Hill - Somerby - Burrough Hill.				
Details: Meeting at the Burrough Hill Country Park pay & display car park (cost = £2.50 for the day.) The route follows parts of the Leicestershire Round in some places around Burrough Hill and nearby villages.				
Leader: Phil S		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

Saturday 30 September	10:00:00 AM	Hallgates car park, Bradgate Park. Figure of 8 walk		
Start Point:SK542113,LE7 7HQ: Cropston		Lat, Long 52.697295 -1.198095	12 miles	M
Route: The morning walk includes Swithland Wood, Woodhouse Eaves, Quorn, Swithland and Cropston Leys; the afternoon walk is a circuit of Bradgate Park.				
Details: Figure of 8 walk: meet at Hallgates car park (NE corner of Bradgate Park). For the morning 8 mile walk meet at 10:00 am; for the afternoon 4 mile walk meet at 2.00 pm. Car park fee £4.00. Members of other Ramblers groups in the area will be encouraged to join us.				
Leader: Mark		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

October

Sunday 01 October 2017	10:30:00 AM	The Other Shakespeare Walk - Snitterfield, Works		
Start Point:SP218600, CV37 0LF: Stratford-upon-Avon		Lat, Long 52.238417,-1.681389	10 miles	M
Route: Snitterfield-Langley-Wolverton-Snitterfield				
Details: Starting from the church in Snitterfield, we will explore the birthplace of Shakespeare's father, John, this beautiful walk will go through gentle undulating hills in the Warwickshire countryside.				
Leader: Yvonne		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

Sunday 15 October 2017	10:30:00 AM	Market Bosworth - Leicestershire Round 24 of 28		
Start Point:SK406030,CV13 0LF: Market Bosworth		Lat, Long 52.623790,-1.401277	9.5 miles	M
Route: Market Bosworth, Nailstone, Odstone, Shackerstone, Market Bosworth				
Details: Walk 24 of 28 walks which split the Leicestershire Round into circular walks. This takes in the historic town of Market Bosworth, Shackerstone Castle, Ashby Canal and the Battlefield Line Heritage Railway See Ramblers Route here: https://goo.gl/Q5foVC				
Leader: Chris		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

Saturday 21 October 2017	10:00:00 AM	Charlecote Park Photography Walk		
Start Point: SP262564, CV35 9ER: Wellesbourne		Lat, Long 52.205655,-1.617295	5.5 miles	L
Route: Charlecote Park - River Dene - Wellesbourne - Middle Hill Farm - Charlecote Park				
Details: On this walk we'll be combining a walk in gentle rolling countryside and a National Trust Park with some great photo taking opportunities. It doesn't matter whether you've got a smartphone or a top-of-the-range DSLR, come along and see what photos you can take. Or not! Even if you're not bothered about taking photos come along for the walk and a chance to look around the park and house at Charlecote Park. The walk starts by following the River Dene towards the village of Wellesbourne before walking through fields and countryside and heading back to Charlecote Park. We'll then head into the National Trust property where you'll have a chance to go into the house and go looking for the deer in the parkland. It costs £8 to go into the grounds at Charlecote Park and £12 if you also want to go into the house. Parking is free. Meet at the entrance to the Charlecote Park car park: https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/charlecote-park				
Leader: Anna		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

Friday 27 - Sunday 29 October 2017	10:00:00 AM	Weekend away - Conwy		
Staying at Conwy YHA				
Details: Barney is leading the end-of-season weekend away, based in Conwy on the North Wales coast. The plan is to do coastal walking in the Conwy Valley area possibly taking in Llandudno and the Great Orme. Please book your own accommodation in B&Bs or at the YHA, and let Barney know if you are coming. A meal will be booked for the Saturday night, probably at a pub. More details available from the organiser.				
Leader: Barney		newmem@lrwg.org.uk		

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