

Ramblers Devon Area

Moorland Group

Summer Programme 2016

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WEATHER CONDITIONS: Please telephone the appropriate Walk Leader if you wish to know more about the walks listed in the programme or if the weather conditions on the day seem dubious. Walks are rarely cancelled but may be curtailed at the discretion of the Leader.

GROUP SAFETY: In order to promote the collective comfort, safety and enjoyment of walkers with the Group, each participant should be adequately clothed and equipped for bad weather and emergencies in remote, exposed situations. Advice can be obtained from the Walks Secretary or the General Secretary.

WALKS LEADERS: New leaders are always welcome, but are required to be fully paid-up members of the Ramblers and over eighteen years of age.

NOTE FOR LEADERS: If you are unable to lead your walk, it is your responsibility to find another member to do so. Please also let the Walks Secretary know, in order to help with finding a replacement leader.

BACKMARKERS: It is the recommendation of the Committee that a back marker be appointed. While the back marker may not be familiar with the route, they should be capable of navigating back to the finish point of the walk. Please contact the Walks Secretary if you have any questions about appointing a back marker.

DOGS: Dogs are welcome except where stated in the Walks Programme. When brought, dogs must be under complete control at all times. Please note that dogs should be on a short lead at all times during the nesting season, 1 March to 31 July. Also please note that a Walk Leader may require dogs to be on leads and that the Walk Leader's decision is final and not negotiable.

CAR SHARING: We would encourage the use of car sharing where practical between fellow walkers. We would suggest either a voluntary donation of £4, or a private agreement between passengers and drivers, or alternate journeys.

INCIDENTS & INJURIES: Any walker who required medical attention following an incident or an injury sustained during an organised walk is asked to give details to the General Secretary.

RAMBLERS MEMBERS: Members from other groups are welcome to walk with the Moorland Group at any time. Non-members may join a Moorland Group walk on a trial basis, but in furtherance of Ramblers' policy, after three walks they should apply for membership.

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DIARY DATES

6-8 May: Weekend Away

Three days of walking based around Corfe Castle in Dorset. See Notes on page 4 for details of walks and get-together on Saturday evening. Further details on the group's website.

12 June: Annual Hilda Biscoe Walk

A 20-mile circular walk from Princetown. See Programme for details.

18 June: Summer Social Evening/Dinner

The Annual Dinner will be held at Riverford Field Kitchen near Buckfastleigh, 7pm for 7.30pm. Cost £27.50 per person. Bookings, with £10 deposit, to Mary or Graham Wilding, as soon as possible.

23 October: Annual General Meeting

The AGM will be held at Phoenix Hall, St John's Lane, Bovey Tracey at 10am; coffee from 9.30am. It will be followed by a walk; see Programme.

Date	Starting point and distance	Route details	Leader(s)
01/05/16 10am	Sharpitor car park SX 561708 16 miles S	Sharpitor to Pew Tor Mostly moorland (bogs and brooks), short bridlepaths and a lane	Heather Tel: 07561 110202
6-8 May	See Note 1	Weekend Away Based around Corfe Castle, Dorset	Graham & Mary Tel: 01626 830150 / 07500 340182
15/05/16 10am	Princetown car park (fee) SX 589735 13 miles S	How do you get to Hucken Tor? Merrivale stone rows, Hucken Tor, King's and Swell Tors, Sharpitor, Raddick settlements, Black Tor falls	Andrew Tel: 01837 52332
20/05/16 Friday 9.30pm	Postbridge car park (fee) SX 646788 12 miles S See Note 2	Moonlight Sonata Sittaford Tor, East Dart waterfall, White Tors, Bellever Tor	Andrew Tel: 01837 52332
22/05/16 10am	Four Winds car park SX 561749 13 miles S	Walking the Walkham Great Mis Tor, Langstone Moor circle, Roos, Great Staple and Pew Tors, Ward Bridge, Daveytown	David S. Tel: 07970 203301
29/05/16 10am	Dartmeet car park SX 672732 12 miles S	Steve's Spring Bank Holiday Stroll Yar Tor, Bellever, Arch Tor, Laughter Tor and Huccaby Tor	Steve Tel: 07808 893369
05/06/16 10am	Bennett's Cross SX 680816 12½ miles S	Down, but not out! Challacombe Down, Hameldown, Cripdon Down, Hookney Down and Bush Down	Steve Tel: 07808 893369
12/06/16 9am	Princetown car park (fee) SX 589735 20 miles S	Hilda Biscoe Walk North Hessary Tor, Little Mis Tor, King's Tor, Sharpitor, Leather Tor, Sheeps Tor, Down Tor, South Hessary Tor	Mandy & Chris Tel: 01752 311672
19/06/16 10am	Galmpton Common SX 890568 (Left off A3022) 12 miles S	More Footpaths around Brixham Broadsands, Fishcombe, Lupton House, Greenway & Quay, a bit of Galmpton & John Musgrave Trail back	George Tel: 01803 854828 / 07798 854347
26/06/16 10am	Clannaborough car park SX 659913 12 miles S	'Mangald' Rails Cosdon, Wild Tor, Manga Rails, Scorhill stone circle, Buttern Hill, Aysh and Throwleigh	Andrew Tel: 01837 52332
03/07/16 10am	Car park near Whitehill Tor and Lee Moor village SX 576616 15 miles S	Moor River Walk Whitehill Tor, Blackalder Tor, Collard Tor, Hawks Tor, River Plym, Cann Wood, Boringdon Camp	Mandy & Chris Tel: 01752 311672
10/07/16 10am	Pork Hill car park SX 532751 13 miles S	Power Walk Peter Vavy, Mary Vavy, Horndon, Wheal Betsy, Wheal Jewel, White Tor, Roos Tor	Roger Tel: 01822 834829
17/07/16 10am	Brunel Industrial Estate, Newton Abbot: park beside Jewsons SX 870716 15 miles S	Zigzag Loop of Teign Estuary Tidal path, hills, valleys and coast; tracks, paths and lanes; some steep ascents and descents	Barbara Tel: 07989 122647 / 01626 779842
24/07/16 10am	Cold East Cross SX 740742 14½ miles S	A Beacon, a Few Downs and Several Tors Around the eastern side of the moor	Julie Tel: 07527 021783

Date	Starting point and distance	Route details	Leader(s)
29/07/16 Friday 6pm	Bel Tor Corner SX 695731 About 6 miles M	Summer's Evening Stroll Ponsworthy, Jordan, Corndon Tor, Yar Tor, Sharp Tor	Debbie Tel: 01364 643180
31/07/16 10am	Lane Head SX 537823 10 miles S	Around and about Tavy Cleave Nattor Down, Lynch Tor, The Meads, Hare Tor	Kevin Tel: 01409 261827
07/08/16 10am	Belstone car park SX 621938 12 miles S	Hetta's High-summer Hike Belstone Tors, Irishman's Wall, River Taw ford, Scorhill stone circle, Buttern Hill, Cosdon Beacon	Hetta Tel: 01392 678072
14/08/16 10am	South Brent car park SX 697603 15 miles S	South-east Dartmoor Brent Hill, Dockwell Ridge, Gripper's Hill, Quickbeam Hill, Three Barrows, Sharp Tor, Owley Corner	Don Tel: 07530 945944
21/08/16 10am	Fernworthy Reservoir car park (fee) SX 669839 15–16 miles S	Some North-eastern Tors North to Shilstone Tor and back via Wild Tor, visiting more than a dozen tors	Patrick Tel: 07968 873227
28/08/16 10am	Dartmoor Inn moorgate SX 525854 12 miles S	Fur Tor Bray Tor, Green Tor, Amicombe Hill, Fur Tor, Sandy Ford, Tavy Cleave	Debbie Tel: 01364 643180
04/09/16 10am	Combestone Tor SX 670717 13 miles S	The Black Lane to Red Lake Horse Ford, Ter Hill, Childe's Tomb, Fox Tor, Black Lane, Red Lake, Snowdon, Ryder's Hill	Martyn Tel: 01364 643728
11/09/16 10am See Note 3	Cross Furzes SX 700666 About 12 miles S	A Mystery Walk Wherever we go, we'll end up back where we started...	George Tel: 01803 854828 / 07798 854347
18/09/16 10am	Postbridge car park SX 646788 13 miles S	Will's Autumn Amble Laughter Tor, Bellever Tor, Arch Tor, Broad Down, Statts House, Sittaford Tor, White Ridge, Stannon Tor	Will Tel: 07909 103007
25/09/16 9.30am	South Zeal car park SX 651934 16 miles S	The Wilds of the North Moor Higher Tor, Yes Tor, Wild Tor, Kennon Hill	Feli Tel: 07899 970215
02/10/16 10.30am See Note 4	Calstock station SX 434688 15 miles S	Tamar Valley: the Devon side Train to Bere Alston, then walk to Morwellham, Gunnislake, Calstock	Roger Tel: 01822 834829
09/10/16 10am See Note 5	National Trust car park near Little Dartmouth SX 874491 12 miles S	SW Coast Path Challenge Stoke Fleming, Strete, Torcross and back. To include the new off-road section of Coast Path at Strete.	George Tel: 01803 854828 / 07798 854347
16/10/16 10am	Lowery Cross car park SX 547692 14 miles S	An Irate Cloistress Yennadon Down, Meavy, Ringmoor Down, Ditsworthy Warren, Nun's Cross, Crazywell Pool, Burrator	Janet Tel: 01822 852609
23/10/16 approx 11.15am depending on AGM finish	Phoenix Hall, Bovey Tracey, SX 812783 10–11 miles M	Trenchford Reservoir Bovey Tracey, Trenchford Reservoir, Lustleigh	Graham & Mary Tel: 01626 830150 / 07500 340182

30/10/16 10am (British Summer Time ends)	Postbridge car park SX 646788 14 miles S	Between East & West Darts Devil's Tor, Littaford Tors, Laughter Tor	David G. Tel: 01579 348165
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NOTES

The letter after the mileage indicates the grade of walk: E= Easy, M = Moderate, S = Strenuous

1. Weekend away based around Corfe Castle, 6–8 May 2016

- Friday 6 May: Walk 1

Start: The Tank Museum at Bovington, SY 830884

Time: 10am

Distance: 11 miles S

Route: Clouds Hill, Briantspuddle, Cull-peppers Dish, Affpuddle Heath, Pallington Heath, Moreton

- Saturday 7 May: Walk 2

Start: Lulworth Camp (Armoured Fighting Vehicle Gunnery School), SY 835815

Parking: Officers Mess car park (no charge); Graham will be at the main gate to oversee access from 9.20–9.55am

Time: 10am

Distance: 15 miles S

Route: Arish Mell, Tyneham village, Warbarrow, Fossil Forest, West Lulworth, Durdle Door; includes MOD range area, deserted village, fossilised Jurassic forest and coast path

- Group evening meal: Saturday 7 May, 7pm for 7.30pm

The Greyhound Inn, Corfe Castle

Please let Mary know if you wish to attend

- Sunday 8 May: Walk 3

Start: Outside Greyhound Inn, Corfe Castle, SY 961821

Time: 10am

Distance: 15 miles

Route: Scotland (yes, Scotland!), Wyth Farm, Goathorn Plantation, Studland, Ballard Down, Nine Barrow Down, Brenscomb Hill

2. This is a night walk. Bring a head torch (for 6+ hours), but hopefully the full moon means they may not be needed. Also bring a drink and snacks. If you want to eat at the East Dart Hotel beforehand, 7.30 for 8pm, please contact Andrew (01837 52332) by Sunday 15 May so that he can book a table.

3. Parking space is limited. Please consider car sharing if possible.

4. The time is subject to catching the first train to Bere Alston, which presently leaves at 10.40am but may be different in the new timetable. Any changes will be notified by email.

5. This walk will be part of the 'South West Coast Path Challenge', an event which takes place throughout October to raise funds to repair and enhance the path. Walkers can make a voluntary contribution of £10. This is an opportunity for Moorland Group members to take part in the Challenge, the main objective being to maximise our mileage on the Coast Path.

George will be arranging other Coast Path walks during October, details of which will be circulated by email, along with further information about the event.

For more information about the Moorland Group see our website: www.moorlandramblers.org.uk