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# Guided Walks in Nottinghamshire 2007



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## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Distance, routes etc

Please note that all distances and routes described are approximate and leaders may occasionally vary the route according to weather and other conditions

### Wheelchair users

Whilst the lanes and field of many country walks are unsuitable for wheelchair users, town walks are usually accessible. To check whether a walk is suitable please phone the walk leader where a number is given.

### Dogs

Dogs are permitted on most guided walks, but should always be kept on a lead.

### Parking and security

Please park considerately and ensure your car is secure. Nottinghamshire County Council & Sherwood Forest Trust cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage to vehicles parked by walkers participating in a guided walk.

### Public Transport

The starting points of many guided walks can be reached by public transport. For help and information contact:  
Traveline: 0870 6082608 for local bus timetable information, including the Sherwood Forester.

**Further copies of this programme, or individual pages, can be downloaded free from the following websites:**

[www.sherwoodforest.org.uk](http://www.sherwoodforest.org.uk)  
[www.greenwoodforest.org.uk](http://www.greenwoodforest.org.uk)  
[www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk](http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk)

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## SYMBOLS

### National Trust Walks

Most walks last about 2 hours. Unless otherwise stated, all start at the Clumber Conservation Centre and there is a £3 charge. Numbers are limited, to avoid disappointment please book via the Estate Office on 01909 476592. **N.B.** Parking is free for National Trust members, but charges apply for non-members.



### Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre Walks

All walks start and end in the car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith. Sensible footwear and clothing are recommended. Call Tony Warrener on 01623 742247.



### Sherwood Forest Heritage Area

The historic Sherwood Forest area covers 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of Nottinghamshire with its heritage - stretching 25 miles from north of Worksop to Nottingham City and over 10 miles at its widest east - west, from Mansfield to Retford and Farnsfield.



### Sherwood Forest Community Rangers

Discover the future of Sherwood, with new countryside sites and Local Nature Reserves in the Sherwood Forest area, all carefully restored from industrial areas to wildlife havens.



### Greenwood Community Forest Greenwood

Greenwood, Nottinghamshire's Community Forest, links with Sherwood Forest and covers 161 sq. miles of west Notts. countryside from Mansfield down to and around Nottingham city to Attenborough at its south-west tip and from Eastwood across to Farnsfield, east to west.

**Cover Picture :** The Chesterfield Canal, a major natural history and heritage feature, runs 46 miles from Chesterfield to the River Trent. Chesterfield Canal Trust, a volunteer organisation, campaigns and carries out work to restore the canal and offers activities on and around it, including walks, events and boat trips. For information call 01246 224068.

**If you need a large print version of this listing, telephone (01623) 758231**

## MARCH

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Saturday 3rd March at 10.30am

### FROM CUCKOO TO MALLARD!

**11 miles 5½ hours**



A delightful linear walk along the 'Cuckoo Way' following the Chesterfield Canal towpath from Retford to Worksop. Catch the train back at end of the walk from Worksop. (Bus option halfway at Ranby). Please bring a packed lunch and drinks. For more details call 01522 534655. Public Transport: Trains depart Meadowhall 09.33, Sheffield 09.44, Worksop 10.13, Lincoln 09.27, Gainsborough Lea Road 09.49 direct to Retford.

**Leader:** Stuart Parker

**Meet:** Retford Railway Station

**Grid Ref:** SK702803

Sunday 4th March at 3.00pm

### LACE MARKET - GUTS & GORE TOUR

**1 mile 1½ hours**

Discover the dark underbelly of Victorian Nottingham on this entertaining storytelling tour of the Lace Market. True tales of murder, executions, grave robbing and more. Suitable for children. Charge £5 / £3 under 14's. Booking is essential as places are limited. For more details or to book call 07941 210986. These Sunday afternoon walks are repeated throughout the year. See [www.bone-corporation.co.uk](http://www.bone-corporation.co.uk) for dates.

**Leader:** Ade Andrews

**Meet:** Old Angel Inn, Stoney Street, Hockley.

**Grid Ref:** SK576399

Sunday 4th March at 2.00pm

### POULTER COUNTRY PARK

**4 miles 2 hours**

Whaley Thorns walk season begins with this pleasurable stroll to view the local area where all our walks take place. The Derbyshire park has extensive views looking over Nottinghamshire into Lincolnshire and even Yorkshire. For more details call 01623 742247 / 743087.

**Leader:** Dave Evans

**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.

**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Wednesday 7th March at 10.00am

### POULTER COUNTRY PARK

**4 miles 2 hours**

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For more details call 01623 742247.

**Leader:** Neil Helsby

**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.

**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Thursday 8th March at 10.00am

### INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY WALK

**2- 3 miles 2 hours**



**Greenwood**

Celebrate this day in honour of women by joining this female-led walk across an estate once owned by one of the country's first major women land owners. We'll round off the morning by planting a tree to commemorate this important date. For more details call 0115 9273674. Public Transport: NCT Buses 15, 88, 89 to Rise Park, Trent Bus 141 to Bestwood Village or Tram to Butler's Hill (tram stop is 1 1/2 miles to walk meet point).

**Leader:** Bestwood Rangers

**Meet:** Alexandra Lodge, Bestwood Country Park.

**Grid Ref:** SK565475

Sunday 11th March at 10.00am

### HEADON AND GROVE

**8 miles 4 hours**

Delightful countryside to the south west of Retford awaits us today.

**Leader:** Reg Simpson

**Meet:** Grass verge on Thorpe Street, a quarter mile North East of Headon. Thorpe Street is the minor road between Upton towards Treswell

**Grid Ref:** SK 753773

Wednesday 14th March at 1.30pm

### LOOKING FOR SPRING

**3 miles 2 hours**

A short walk looking for signs of spring. For more details call 0115 9148866. Public Transport: NCT 10 Ruddington Connection

**Leader:** Liz Wales

**Meet:** Ruddington Village Green.

**Grid Ref:** SK573329

Wednesday 21st March at 7.30pm  
**LACE MARKET - GUTS & GORE TOUR**  
1 mile 1½ hours

Discover the dark underbelly of Victorian Nottingham on this entertaining storytelling tour of the Lace Market. True tales of murder, executions, grave robbing and more. Suitable for children. Charge £5 / £3 under 14's. Booking is essential as places are limited. For more details or to book call 07941 210986. These Wednesday evening walks are repeated throughout the year. See [www.bone-corporation.co.uk](http://www.bone-corporation.co.uk) for dates.

**Leader:** Ade Andrews  
**Meet:** Old Angel Inn, Stoney Street, Hockley.  
**Grid Ref:** SK576399

Wednesday 21st March at 10.30am

**BESTWOOD COUNTRY PARK HEALTH WALK**  
2 - 3 miles 1½ hours



Walking is one of the best forms of exercise and Bestwood provides an ideal setting to stretch your legs, wind down and enjoy the fresh air and wildlife. The walk will be at a gentle pace and will include some slopes. For more details call 0115 9273674. Public Transport: Trent Bus 141 to Bestwood Village or Tram to Butler's Hill (tram stop is 1 mile to walk meet point).

**Leader:** Bestwood Rangers  
**Meet:** Winding Engine House Car Park, Bestwood Village.  
**Grid Ref:** SK556475

Saturday 24th March at 10.00am

**EARLY SPRING AT WILWELL NATURE RESERVE**  
2 miles 1½ - 2 hours

Join us for a guided walk around this wild flower rich nature reserve between Wilford and Ruddington.

For more details call 0115 958 8242.  
**Leader:** Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust  
**Meet:** Wilwell Farm Cutting Nature Reserve Entrance is off the B680 between Ruddington and Wilford.  
**Grid Ref:** SK568352

Sunday 25th March at 2.00pm  
**A VIEW FROM THE OTHER SIDE**  
5 miles 2½ hours



No, not a ghost walk! This walk is along the escarpment to the south of Langwith to see why and when the various parts were built. For more details call 01623 742247 / 743087.

**Leader:** Dave Evans  
**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.  
**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Sunday 25th March at 10.00am

**BESTWOOD COUNTRY PARK BOUNDARY WALK**  
5 miles 3 hours



Get to grips with Bestwood's unusually shaped boundary as we circumnavigate the outer reaches of this historic park. Learn something of the history of this boundary and Bestwood's original 3,500 acres. We might also come across some signs of spring along the way. Charge £2. For more details call 0115 9273674. Public Transport: Trent Bus 141 to Bestwood Village or Tram to Butler's Hill (tram stop is 1 mile to walk meet point).

**Leader:** Bestwood Rangers  
**Meet:** Winding Engine House Car Park, Bestwood Village.  
**Grid Ref:** SK556475

Sunday 25th March at 10.00am  
**OXTON CIRCULAR (TOAD SPECIAL)**

8 miles 4 hours Greenwood

A scenic walk around Oxtun visiting Oldox Fort and taking the opportunity to walk along Beanford Lane whilst it is closed to traffic during March to assist the toads and frogs in their hazardous journey to the waters to spawn. Please bring a packed lunch. For more details call 0115 9374486.

**Leader:** Bernard Rolls  
**Meet:** Car park and lay-by on west side of Oxtun by-pass about 1/2 mile north of junction with B6386.  
**Grid Ref:** SK624518

Sunday 25th March at 10.00am  
**LAXTON - A FARMING YEAR BEGINS**  
**5 miles 4 hours**

A walk round the three field system of Laxton Estate, see the spring work and have the landscape, livestock and farming activities explained. The walk starts with a short film and talk in the centre. DEFRA funded.

Please bring a packed lunch.

For more details call 07939 228353.

**Leader:** Stuart Rose  
**Meet:** Laxton Visitor Centre  
(Dovecote pub yard)  
**Grid Ref:** SK724671

Sunday 25th March at 10.30am

**NOTTINGHAMSHIRE'S  
NORTH WEST FRONTIER**  
**6 miles 4½ hours Greenwood**

Through Huthwaite and across the border into Derbyshire using little known paths to the delightful fish ponds at Tibshelf for a picnic lunch. For more details call 01623 550172.

**Leader:** Peter Slaney  
**Meet:** Brierley Forest Park Visitor Centre, Skegby Rd, Huthwaite, Sutton in Ashfield, NG17 2PL  
**Grid Ref:** SK472595

Sunday 1st April at 10.30am

**NOTTINGHAMSHIRE /  
LEICESTERSHIRE WOLDS**  
**10½ miles 6 hours**

Crossing the border and traversing the high ground of the wolds in both counties with extensive views over four counties and taking in the villages of Upper Broughton, Old Dalby and Wartnaby. Please bring a packed lunch.

For more details call 0115 9374486.

**Leader:** Bernard Rolls  
**Meet:** Upper Broughton village just off A606. Meet at junction of Top Green, Bottom Green and Station Road. Please park considerately in the village.  
**Grid Ref:** SK681261

Tuesday 27th March at 1.30pm

**RUDDINGTON CIRCULAR**  
**6 miles 2½ - 3 hours**

An easy walk on the bridlepaths outside Ruddington through some pleasant

Nottinghamshire countryside heading towards West Bridgford. Ground may be muddy in the woods. For more details call 0115 9841059. Public Transport: Public Transport: Nottingham City Transport bus No.10 from Angel Row, Nottingham

**Leader:** Jenny Newton  
**Meet:** At the junction of Loughborough Road (A60) and Ashworth Avenue, Ruddington.  
**Grid Ref:** SK577338

Sunday 1st April at 10.30am

**ATTENBOROUGH NATURE WALK**  
**3 miles 2 hours Greenwood**

Join us for a guided walk around this fascinating and much loved nature reserve to enjoy the seasonal wildlife.

**Leader:** Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust  
**Meet:** Attenborough Nature Centre  
**Grid Ref:** SK516340

## APRIL

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Wednesday 4th April at 10.00am

**A WHITWELL WANDER**  
**11 miles 6 hours**

A mid-week wander on the borders of three counties and a section of the Chesterfield Canal. Please bring a packed lunch but there may be a pub stop.

For more details call 01302 866323.

**Leader:** Peter Haines  
**Meet:** Meet at the entrance to Shireoaks Marina, park carefully on road through the village.

**Grid Ref:** SK559807

Wednesday 4th April at 10.00am

**SKY LARK HAVEN**  
**5 miles 2½ hours**

Over the Poulter Park and round the village of Whaley to hear the song of the skylark and other feathered friends.

For more details call 01623 742247.

**Leader:** Neil Helsby  
**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.  
**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Friday 6th April at 10.00am

**HAWKSWORTH & SHELTON**

**9½ miles 5¼ hours**

An easy walk, close to the Vale of Belvoir visiting Flintham with its impressive 18thC hall, Sibthorpe with its 14thC dovecote and Hawksworth Church which has an 18thC brick tower. Please bring a packed lunch.

**Leader:** Geoff Rix

**Meet:** Hawksworth Church

**Grid Ref:** SK753435

Sunday 8th April at 10.00am

**SPRING IN WELLOW WOODS**

**2 - 3 miles 2 - 3 hours**

Come along for a wander in Wellow Wood in search of spring delights. This ancient woodland is glorious at this time of year.

For more details call 01623 822447 or 07747 006450.

**Leader:** Amy Chandler

**Meet:** Laxton Road entrance, nr. Kirton

**Grid Ref:** SK693675

Sunday 8th April at 10.00am

**BESTWOOD COUNTRY PARK  
IN SPRING**

**2- 3 miles 2 hours**



Mother Nature is waking up and the birds and bees have got love on their minds. Look for signs of spring as leaves and petals unfurl and new life is brought into the world. Charge £2. For more details call 0115 9273674.

Public Transport: Trent Bus 141 to Bestwood Village or Tram to Butler's Hill (tram stop is 1 mile to walk meet point).

**Leader:** Bestwood Rangers

**Meet:** Winding Engine House Car Park, Bestwood Village.

**Grid Ref:** SK556475

Monday 9th April at 10.00am

**BINGHAM & WHATTON**

**9½ miles 5¼ hours**

Part of the route follows a former railway line which stretched from Nottingham to Melton Mowbray and is now a linear nature park.

The picturesque village of Whatton in the Vale has a collection of black and white cottages whilst Bingham is noted for its impressive Buttercross in the Market Place.

Please bring a packed lunch.

**Leader:** Geoff Rix

**Meet:** Newgate Street car park, Bingham

**Grid Ref:** SK703399

Wednesday 11th April at 10.30am

**BESTWOOD COUNTRY PARK  
HEALTH WALK**



**2 - 3 miles 1½ hours**

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**Leader:** Bestwood Rangers

**Meet:** Winding Engine House Car Park, Bestwood Village.

**Grid Ref:** SK556475

Wednesday 11th April at 1.00pm

**A PARKLAND STROLL**



**2 hours**  
Enjoy a walk around Clumber with one of our park Wardens. Cost £3. Please book in advance as places are limited. For more details or to book call 01909 476592.

**Leader:** National Trust

**Meet:** Hardwick Village car park.

**Grid Ref:** SK638753

Sunday 15th April at 2.00pm

**BONBUSK AND FRITHWOOD**

**5 miles 2½ hours**

A stroll past Norwood and Bonbusk farms and over to Frithwood farm and Whaley Common. For more details call 01623 742247 / 743087.

**Leader:** Dave Evans

**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.

**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Sunday 15th April at 10.30am

**MILADY'S VILLAGE**

**4½ miles 3 hours Greenwood**

An easy walk across farmland to the delightful village of Teversal and its associations with Lady Chatterley. We then descend to the Teversal Trail that we follow to the Trails Visitor Centre for refreshments before returning. For more details call 01623 550172.

**Leader:** Michael Owen  
**Meet:** Brierley Forest Park Visitor Centre, Skegby Rd, Huthwaite, Sutton in Ashfield, NG17 2PL

**Grid Ref:** SK472595

Sunday 15th April at 2.30pm

**TIM BOWLES MEMORIAL WALK**

**3 miles 2 hours**

Join us for a guided walk around this wonderful ancient woodland with its beautiful displays of spring wild flowers.

For more details call 01777 860666.

**Leader:** Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust  
**Meet:** Gamston Wood (off the minor road between Eaton and Upton).

**Grid Ref:** SK729772

Monday 16th April at 7.00pm

**BRINSLEY PARISH FOOTPATHS WALK No.1**

**2½ miles 1½ hours Greenwood**

A walk to check on the state of the local footpaths. For more details call 01623 450776 (day) or 01773 715460 (eve & weekends).

**Leader:** Tore Norman  
**Meet:** Yew Tree Inn, Cordy Lane, Brinsley.

**Grid Ref:** SK467497

Tuesday 17th April at 11.00am

**TRACKS & TOWPATH**

**8 miles 4 hrs**

An easy walk alongside the Chesterfield Canal towpath to Bracebridge, returning on good tracks via Scofton. Please bring a packed lunch. For more details call 01246 417984. Public Transport: Hourly bus service to Ranby from Worksop and Retford.

**Leader:** David Blackburn  
**Meet:** By village hall at Ranby. Plentiful roadside parking.

**Grid Ref:** SK649814

Saturday 21st April at 10.00am

**LAXTON MEDIEVAL LANDSCAPE AND VILLAGE**

**3.6 miles 3 hours**

A walk through Laxton and surrounding area including the castle site, fish ponds and the great open field strips. A great chance to see a medieval landscape and the architecture of an 18th century village. DEFRA funded.

Please bring a packed lunch.  
For more details call 07939 228353.

**Leader:** Stuart Rose  
**Meet:** Laxton Visitor Centre (Dovecote pub yard)

**Grid Ref:** SK724671

Saturday 21st April at 1.30pm

**FRIENDLY FARMER**

**5 miles 3½ hours**

This is the 1st of 8 'NOTTS NOSH' walks visiting local farm businesses listed in 'Notts Nosh', Nottinghamshire Local Food Directory. All include a circular walk and a visit to one of the business sites (no dogs allowed as we are entering food premises). Today we visit the Friendly Farmer, a food and farming visitor centre, for a full tour of the business. Why not arrive early and sample a meal in the restaurant?

For more details call 07719 827808.

'Notts. Nosh' can be downloaded at [www.groundworkgreaternottingham.org.uk/fig/local/index.html](http://www.groundworkgreaternottingham.org.uk/fig/local/index.html)

**Leader:** Chris Thompson, Ramblers Association  
**Meet:** Friendly Farmer A46/A17 junction nr. A1 junction Newark.

**Grid Ref:** SK816559

Sunday 22nd April at 10.30 a.m.  
**NOTTINGHAM TRANSPORT HERITAGE  
CENTRE WALK No. 1**

**5 - 6 miles 3 - 4 hours**

The 1st of our series of 3 walks exploring South Nottinghamshire footpaths around the old Great Central Railway, now preserved by volunteers. Subject to availability we take one of our vintage buses to the start of the walk in South Nottinghamshire. There will be a short break about halfway for either a picnic or pub stop, and finish at Rushcliffe Halt Station, East Leake. Here we catch our train (either steam or diesel) back on our preserved railway to the Nottingham Transport Heritage Centre at Ruddington. A charge of around £3 will be made for this journey, which includes admission to the Centre.

**Leader:** Joe Peck  
**Meet:** Nottingham Transport Heritage Centre main entrance, in Rushcliffe Country Park, off the A60 just south of Ruddington.  
**Grid Ref:** SK575323

Sunday 22nd April at 10.00am  
**STILTON CHEESE WALK**

**11 miles 6 hours**

A lovely circular walk starting from the village of Long Clawson, famous for its Stilton cheese making. We climb up a ridge to Long Clawson Lane, then Holwell Mouth, Wartnaby and Grimston Church. Return via Old Dalby, Nether Broughton to Long Clawson. Lunch at pub in Grimston. For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson, Ramblers Association  
**Meet:** Meet at church, Church Street, Long Clawson. Park carefully in village.  
**Grid Ref:** SK722271

Monday 23rd April at 6.45pm  
**GREASLEY PARISH FOOTPATHS  
WALK NO.1**

**3½ miles 2 hours Greenwood**

Following the route of the former Great Northern Railway to the Giltbrook and site of the former Bennerley Iron Works, with views of Bennerley Viaduct. Then by paths and lanes created in the Erewash Valley after

restoration after opencast mining. For more details call 01773 710759.

**Leader:** Jeff Catherines  
**Meet:** The Gate Inn, Awsworth Lane, off Main Street, Awsworth. Please park carefully at roadside.  
**Grid Ref:** SK485445

Tuesday 24th April at 1.30pm  
**A VILLAGE AWAY FROM IT ALL**

**5 miles 2 - 2½ hours**

A pleasant circular walk from Ruddington, taking in the sleepy village of Bradmore. For more details call 0115 9841059. Public Transport: Public Transport: Nottingham City Transport bus No.10 Angel Row, Nottingham. Barton RC, Broadmarsh, Bay 11 (1.00pm)

**Leader:** Jenny Newton  
**Meet:** Ruddington Village Green.  
**Grid Ref:** SK573329

Sunday 29th April at 10.30am  
**HIDDEN VALLEYS**

**8 miles 5½ hours Greenwood**

A circular walk along the hills and valleys into Lawrence Country with some spectacular views of the surrounding countryside. Please bring a packed lunch. For more details call 01623 721617 or 07957 377352.

**Leader:** Alan Cordin  
**Meet:** Annesley Hall. (Old church on the A608, limited parking)  
**Grid Ref:** SK454524

Sunday 29th April at 2.00pm  
**BLUEBELL WALK**

**5 miles 2½ hours**

This walk is so popular that we do it three times! A walk through Scarcliffe Park, with all its spring flowers, ending in Graves Wood carpeted in bluebells. This first walk may include the arrival of the swallows. For more details call 01623 742247 / 743087.

**Leader:** Dave Evans  
**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.  
**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Sunday 29th April at 2.00pm

**CALVERTON VILLAGE TRAIL**

**2½ miles 2 hours**



A pleasant afternoon walk looking at the old and the new, learning about the fascinating history of the village. Calverton Folk Museum will be open for visitors after the walk (small admission charge).

For more details call 0115 9654843.

**Leader:** Chris Peck

**Meet:** Outside the Library, St Wilfrids Square, Calverton.

**Grid Ref:** SK617493

Sunday 29th April at 10.30am

**STAPLEFORD WOODS**

**CROSS BORDER WALK**

**9½ miles 5 hours**

A lovely circular walk crossing the border into Lincolnshire and taking in the villages of Stapleford and Norton Disney (with links to a famous mouse!). Please bring a packed lunch. For more details call 0115 9374486.

**Leader:** Bernard Rolls

**Meet:** Forestry Commission car park, Stapleford Wood off Coddington Lane approximately 1½ miles north east of the A17 trunk road.

**Grid Ref:** SK861565

**MAY**

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Tuesday 1st May at 5.30am

**MAY DAY DAWN CHORUS WALK**

**4.2 miles (optional) 3½ hours (optional)**

Watch the sun rise over Laxton Castle, see the Morris Men dance in the May (the first day of Summer). We are invited to join them for an outdoor breakfast (small donation required). The walk then moves onto the bushy boundaries, dykes and sunken roadways of the Open Fields to hear the birds sing. There are shortcuts back to the village for anyone wishing to finish early. DEFRA funded. For more details call 07939 228353.

**Leader:** Stuart Rose

**Meet:** Laxton Visitor Centre (Dovecote pub yard)

**Grid Ref:** SK724671

Wednesday 2nd May at 10.00am

**BREATHLESS MISTERTON**

**6¼ miles 2¼ hours**

Why not join Dougie on this enjoyable walk using public footpaths, quiet country lanes and 3 waterways, including sections of the Trent Valley Way and Cuckoo Walk (Chesterfield Canal) in the most northerly corner of Notts. Please note the route can be muddy in places after rain so suitable footwear should be worn. Refreshments available at the Dovecote Café after the walk. For more details call Dougie on 01427 890123 or 07808 187575. Misterton is very accessible by public transport - please ring Traveline on 0870 6082608

**Leader:** Dougie Douglas

**Meet:** Car park at the Dovecote Café, Grovewood Road, Misterton, by kind permission of Judy and Pip Stennett.

**Grid Ref:** SK769942

Wednesday 2nd May at 10.00am

**BLUEBELL WALK**

**5 miles 2½ hours**

The second bluebells walk through Scarcliffe Park and Graves Wood to see the many spring flowers and carpets of blue bells. For more details call 01623 742247.

**Leader:** Neil Helsby

**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.

**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Wednesday 2nd May at 6.45pm

**ROBIN HOOD HILLS**

**5 miles 2¼ hours**

**Greenwood**

Start the summer season with a regular Wednesday evening walk led by Chris Thompson. Our walk today climbs onto the Robin Hood Hills overlooking Oxton Village with an excellent view over large parts of the county. We cross to Combs Wood to return by Grieves Lane, Robin Hood Hill to Oxton. For more details call 07719 827808.

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**Leader:** Chris Thompson, Ramblers Association

**Meet:** Green Dragon Pub. Blind Lane, Oxton

**Grid Ref:** SK629516

Saturday 5th May at 10.00am

**A SHIREOAKS SAUNTER**

**11 miles 6 hours**

A stroll over a golf course, taking in woods, tracks and the Cuckoo Way. Please bring a packed lunch but there may be a pub stop. For more details call 01302 866323.

**Leader:** Peter Haines

**Meet:** Carlton in Lindrick church, just off A60, 2 miles north of Worksop.

**Grid Ref:** SK588839

Saturday 5th May at 10.00am

**TEVERSAL AND AULT HUCKNALL**

**7½ miles 4 hours Greenwood**

A mixture of field paths, tracks and reclaimed railway lines. An easy paced stroll through the Teversal area. Please bring a packed lunch.

**Leader:** Reg Simpson

**Meet:** Rowthorne Trail car park off Rowthorne Lane, 1/4 mile South West of Rowthorne

**Grid Ref:** SK476648

Sunday 6th May at 5.30am

**DAWN CHORUS  
AT SHERWOOD HEATH**

**2 miles 2-3 hours**

Get up with the lark to experience the sights and sounds of spring at Sherwood Heath LNR and surrounding area. Bring some binoculars if possible. For more details call 01623 822447 or 07747 006450.

**Leader:** Amy Chandler

**Meet:** Ollerton Tourist information centre.

**Grid Ref:** SK650675



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**NOTTINGHAMSHIRE'S HIGHEST**

**5 miles 4 hours Greenwood**

Along the upper Meden Valley to Nottinghamshire's highest point (205m) at Silverhill Wood surmounted by a fine bronze statue commemorating the county's mining heritage. The expansive views extend as far as Lincoln Cathedral. We call at the Teveral Trails Visitor Centre for refreshments before returning.

For more details call 01623 550172.

**Leader:** Michael Owen

**Meet:** Brierley Forest Park Visitor Centre, Skegby Rd, Huthwaite, Sutton in Ashfield, NG17 2PL

**Grid Ref:** SK472595

Sunday 6th May at 9.30am

**BIRDS OF CLUMBER**

**2 hours**

Join Ron Overton in a search for our Spring birds. Cost £3. Binoculars are essential. Please book in advance as places are limited. For more details or to book, call 01909 476592.

**Leader:** National Trust

**Meet:** Hardwick Village.

**Grid Ref:** SK638753



Monday 7th May at 10.00am

**BUG HUNT / POND DIPPING**

**2 miles      2 hours      Greenwood**

A walk to find bugs, beetles etc so members of the group can hopefully identify them for you, and a chance to do some dipping to identify different life forms in the local ponds. For more details call 01623 811378.

**Leader:** Loz Brooks  
**Meet:** Pit Lane Pleasley, off big roundabout on A617 between Mansfield and Chesterfield.

**Grid Ref:** SK501644

Monday 7th May at 10.00am

**WHATTON, ASLOCKTON, THOROTON & ORSTON ROUND**

**9½ miles      5½ hours**

A walk around 4 of the Cranmer parishes taking in Thoroton's St. Helena Church, the grave of the 1st SRN (State Registered Nurse), Orston which has a drum from Waterloo and views from the ridge at Orston. Please bring a packed lunch. For more details call 01949 850834.

**Leader:** Diana MacIntosh  
**Meet:** Lay-by on the slip road to Aslockton

**Grid Ref:** SK738394

Monday 7th May at 11.00am

**EAST RETFORD CHARTER DAY WALK**

**1 mile      1½ hours**

Take a break from the hectic activity of Retford's Charter Day festivities and discover something of the town's historic past. View the attractive Georgian almshouses, admire the old coaching inns and hear the fascinating story of Retford's Crimean war cannon. For more details call 01777 703789.

**Leader:** Roy Sluman, Blue Badge Guide  
**Meet:** In front of the Town Hall, Market Square, Retford.

**Grid Ref:** SK705812

Monday 7th May at 2.00pm

**WEST RETFORD & TRINITY HOSPITAL**

**1 mile      2 hours**

This is another Retford Charter Day celebration walk. Cross the River Idle, wander through the quiet backwaters of East Retford's sister settlement and enjoy the



tranquillity of the secluded locks on the Chesterfield Canal. We will have the rare opportunity of visiting the chapel and audit room of Trinity Hospital, an unusual survival of a 17th century charitable foundation. For more details call 01777 703789.

**Leader:** Roy Sluman, Blue Badge Guide  
**Meet:** n front of the Town Hall, Market Square, Retford.  
**Grid Ref:** SK705812

Wednesday 9th May at 6.45pm

**COTGRAVE WOOD & CLIPSTON**

**6 miles      2½ hours**

Our walk climbs up to the village of Clipston with excellent views of South Notts. We walk along the Mill Lane to cross over the A46 and walk through Borders Wood and via Owthorpe Woods, Wold Farm, through Cotgrave Woods to return to Clipston and Normanton.

For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson, Ramblers Association  
**Meet:** Normanton on the Wolds (roadside near Pub.)

**Grid Ref:** SK623327

Sunday 13th May at 10.30am

**DOB PARK AND THE MISK HILLS**

**9 miles      5½ hours      Greenwood**

A circular walk around Dob Park plantation, Misk Hills, Greasley, Moorgreen Reservoir, High Park Wood and Morning Springs. Please bring a packed lunch. For more details call 01623 721617 or 07957 377352.

**Leader:** Alan Cordin  
**Meet:** Lay-by, A611 Hucknall Bypass. Nr. Dob Park plantation.

**Grid Ref:** SK524502

Sunday 13th May at 10.30am

**FISKERTON, MORTON, BLEASBY CIRCULAR**

**9 miles      5 hours**

A pleasant walk in the Trent Valley along field paths and the River Trent towpath including a picnic on the island at Hazelford Lock. Please bring a packed lunch. For more details call 0115 9374486.

**Leader:** Bernard Rolls  
**Meet:** Riverside car park, Fiskerton.  
**Grid Ref:** SK739513

Monday 14th May at 7.00pm  
**BRINSLEY PARISH FOOTPATHS  
WALK No.2**

**3½ miles    2 hours                      Greenwood**

A walk to check on the state of the local footpaths. For more details call 01623 450776 (day) or 01773 715460 (eve & weekends).

**Leader:** Tore Norman  
**Meet:** Durham Ox Public House, High Street, Brinsley.  
**Grid Ref:** SK460503

Wednesday 16th May at 6.45pm  
**HALAM & SOUTHWELL TRAIL**

**6 miles    2½ hours**

A circular walk from Kirklington Station car park. We walk to Goldhill Cottages and take the footpath into Halam, through the churchyard, to climb out of the village on the Robin Hood Way footpath to reach Cundy Hill with excellent views of Southwell Minster. For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association  
**Meet:** Kirklington Station.  
**Grid Ref:** SK675565

Thursday 17th May at 7.00pm  
**LAXTON MEADOWS & SYKES,  
ITS PLANTS AND WILDLIFE**

**4 miles    2½ hours**

A walk round Laxton's great South Field to look at ancient grassland meadows, areas farmed but never sprayed or fertilised, to study its plants and see the wildlife of its bushy boundaries. DEFRA funded. For more details call 07939 228353.

**Leader:** Stuart Rose  
**Meet:** Laxton Visitor Centre  
(Dovecote pub yard)  
**Grid Ref:** SK724671

Saturday 19th May at 1.30pm  
**FINE ALES BREWERY TOUR**

**5 miles    3½ hours**

This is the 2nd of 8 'NOTTS NOSH' walks visiting local farm businesses listed in 'Notts Nosh', Nottinghamshire Local Food Directory. All include a circular walk and a visit to one of the business sites (no dogs allowed as we are entering food premises). Today we visit Springhead Fine Ales, a brewery of traditional ales. We would

welcome interested parties booking 1 week before the walk so we can provide a visit to health and safety standards. For more details call 07719 827808.

'Notts. Nosh' can be downloaded at:  
[www.groundworkgreaternottingham.org.uk/fig/local/index.html](http://www.groundworkgreaternottingham.org.uk/fig/local/index.html)

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association  
**Meet:** Springhead Fine Ales Ltd. Old Great North Road, Sutton on Trent (over railway bridge, right into industrial estate).  
**Grid Ref:** SK792659

Sunday 20th May at 2.00pm  
**CUCKNEY HAY WOOD**

**5 miles    2½ hours**

A walk through the village of Nether Langwith and into the very old Cuckney Hay Wood with its spring flowers and bird song, returning via the old Cotton Mill. For more details call 01623 742247 / 743087.

**Leader:** Dave Evans  
**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.  
**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Sunday 20th May at 10.00am  
**OFF THE BESTWOOD  
BEATEN TRACK**

**2- 3 miles    2 hours**

Explore the lesser trodden paths and tracks that take us away from the crowds and into the tranquil backwaters of the Country Park. This walk will include some slopes and some sections are away from surfaced paths. Charge: £2. For more details call 0115 9273674. Public Transport: NCT Buses 15, 88, 89 to Rise Park, Trent Bus 141 to Bestwood Village or Tram to Butler's Hill (tram stop is 1 1/2 miles to walk meet point).

**Leader:** Bestwood Rangers  
**Meet:** Alexandra Lodge, Bestwood Country Park.  
**Grid Ref:** SK565475



Sunday 20th May at 10.00am

**PILGRIM FATHERS WALK**

**10 miles 6 hours**

We walk out of Retford to join the Chesterfield Canal, which we follow to Lady Bridge and Old London Road. Into Barnby Moor for lunch then return taking footpath to join Green Mile Lane to Babworth and back to Retford. Lunch at Public House.

For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association  
**Meet:** Meet outside Retford Town  
Hall, Market Place, Retford.

**Grid Ref:** SK705811



Monday 21st May 6.45pm.

**GREASLEY PARISH FOOTPATHS**

**WALK NO.2**

**4 miles 2 hours Greenwood**

From fields behind Greasley Church to the Giltbrook. Along the brook and up Gilt Hill to Mill Lawn - the former site of three windmills and returning via Reckoning House Farm and Watnall Woods. For more details call 01773 710759. Public Transport: Bus No.331 Nottingham - Moorgreen - Alfreton (run by Doyles coaches in daytime, Dunn Line in evening).

**Leader:** Jeff Catherines  
**Meet:** Lay-by in front of Greasley St.  
Mary's church on B600  
between Moorgreen and  
Watnall.

**Grid Ref:** SK489473

Wednesday 23rd May at 6.45pm

**SHELFORD & NEW BRIDLEWAY OVER  
NEWTON AIRFIELD**

**5¾ miles 2½ hours**

Leaving the public house we walk through Shelford via the church to climb uphill to Mill Farm, take the Trent Valley Way footpath to the A6097 and follow bridleway and footpath to Newton House Farm and the A46. We take new bridleway over Newton Airfield to return to Shelford. For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association  
**Meet:** Park carefully in Shelford  
Village, near Church.

**Grid Ref:** SK662424

Thursday 24th May at 10.30am

**ALL AROUND EAKRING**

**8½ miles 4½ hours**

The 1st of 3 walks in the DEFRA Access Register for Nottinghamshire, visiting Mompesson's Cross and Pudding Poke Wood which has connections with Oklahoma USA. Please bring a packed lunch. For more details call 0115 9374486.

**Leader:** Bernard Rolls  
**Meet:** DEFRA car park, half a mile  
north of Eakring on the Eakring  
to Wellow Road

**Grid Ref:** SK672633

Sunday 27th May at 2.00pm

**BEESTON HERITAGE TRAIL Greenwood**

**2 miles 2 hours**

An enlightening walk around Beeston taking in buildings and places of historic interest. For more details call 0115 9259044. Public Transport: NCT buses 36, 193, 13 or Trent Barton 5 to Beeston Bus Station. (10 mins walk up Foster Ave.)

**Leader:** Beeston & District Civic Society  
**Meet:** In front of Beeston Town Hall,  
Foster Avenue, Beeston.

**Grid Ref:** SK525369

Sunday 27th May at 10.30am

**HARDWICK CIRCULAR**

**8 miles 5½ hours Greenwood**

A circular walk through Hardwick Park, starting at Brierley Forest Park and following the tracks along the Teversal and Rowthorn Trails, passing through Norwood at bluebell time and returning through Lady Spencer Wood. Please bring a packed lunch or refreshments are available at Hardwick Inn. For more details call 01623 550172 or 07957 377352.


**Leader:** Alan Cordin  
**Meet:** Brierley Forest Visitor Centre,  
Skegby Road, Huthwaite,  
Notts, NG17 2PL

**Grid Ref:** SK472595

Sunday 27th May at 2.00pm  
**THE OWL AND POULTER LOOP**   
in conjunction with Derbyshire Walking Festival  
**5 miles 2½ hours**


The walk following the Whaley Brook and the River Poulter looking at the industries which once existed along the valley. For more details call 01623 742247 / 743087.

**Leader:** Dave Evans  
**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.  
**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Monday 28th May at 11.00am  
**TIME TRAVELLER**   
in conjunction with Derbyshire Walking Festival  
**7 miles 5½ hours**

A walk to Creswell Crags for a lunch stop and a short break to watch the 'cave people' making stone tools and, weather permitting, returning via Holbeck. Please bring a packed lunch. Toilets available. For more details call 01623 742247 / 743087.


**Leader:** Dave Evans  
**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.  
**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Monday 28th May at 10.00am  
**STAPLEFORD WOODS & NORTON DISNEY**   
**10 miles 5½ hours** **Greenwood**

Stapleford Woods, close to Newark, has a magnificent display of rhododendrons at the end of May that attracts visitors from far and wide. Norton Disney has a connection with Mickey Mouse and Donald Duck - come along and find out more. Please bring a packed lunch.

**Leader:** Geoff Rix  
**Meet:** Forest Enterprise main car park in Stapleford Woods  
**Grid Ref:** SK861566

Wednesday 30th May at 10.30am  
**BESTWOOD COUNTRY PARK HEALTH WALK**  
**2 - 3 miles 1½ hours**  
Walking is one of the best forms of exercise and Bestwood provides an ideal setting to stretch your legs, wind down and enjoy the fresh air and wildlife. The walk will be at a gentle pace and will include some slopes. For more details call 0115 9273674. Public Transport: Trent Bus 141 to Bestwood Village or Tram to Butler's Hill (tram stop is 1 mile to walk meet point).  
**Leader:** Bestwood Rangers  
**Meet:** Winding Engine House Car Park, Bestwood Village.  
**Grid Ref:** SK556475

Wednesday 30th May at 6.45pm  
**RIVER MEDEN CIRCULAR**   
**5½ miles 2½ hours** **Greenwood**  
From Church Warsop we walk through the churchyard and climb the hill to Oakfield Plantation. We take trails through Parkhouse Plantation to Warsop Wood to return along William Wood Lane to Mill Farm, Sookholm, then along the River Meden, Stoke Bridge and return to Church Warsop. For more details call 07719 827808.  
**Leader:** Chris Thompson, Ramblers Association  
**Meet:** Riverside car park  
**Grid Ref:** SK568687

## JUNE

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Monday 4th June at 7.00pm  
**BRINSLEY PARISH FOOTPATHS WALK No.3** **Greenwood**  
**4 miles 2¼ hours**  
A walk to check on the state of the local footpaths. For more details call 01623 450776 (day) or 01773 715460 (eve & weekends).  
**Leader:** Tore Norman  
**Meet:** White Lion Public House, Hall Lane, Brinsley.  
**Grid Ref:** SK459487

Wednesday 6th June at 10.00am

### **BONBUSK AND FRITHWOOD**

**5 miles 2½ hours**



A stroll past Norwood and Bonbusk farms and over to Frithwood farm and Whaley Common. For more details call 01623 742247.

**Leader:** Neil Helsby  
**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.  
**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Wednesday 6th June at 6.45pm

### **NEWSTEAD ABBEY CIRCULAR**

**5½ miles 2½ hours**



A popular circular walk taking in Papplewick Church, Papplewick Hall, South Lodge, Newstead Abbey and Freckland Wood returning along the Linby Trail to Linby Village. For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson, Ramblers Association  
**Meet:** Horse & Groom, Main Street, Linby (parking at rear of car park).  
**Grid Ref:** SK536510

Friday 8th June at 7.00pm

### **HISTORY OF THE MILLING INDUSTRY OF THE RIVER LEEN**

**2 miles**



During the late 18thC, Scotsman George Robinson established an innovative bleaching and cotton milling enterprise at Papplewick. Cleverly harnessing local water sources, he built a complex of ponds and a number of giant mills. Later, while battling with the 5th Lord Byron over water rights, Robinson began pioneering experiments with steam power. Join members of the Friends Of Moor Pond Wood and explore intriguing remains of this unique industrial enterprise, with stories of great endeavour, espionage, historic legal battles and world - changing innovation.

For more details call 01623 758231.

**Leader:** Lee Scudder  
**Meet:** Car Park, Papplewick Village Hall, Linby Lane, Papplewick  
**Grid Ref:** SK548510

Sunday 10th June at 10.30am

### **VISIT THREE CENTRES**

**6½ miles 4½ hours Greenwood**

Following the limestone ridge to the west of Kirkby-in-Ashfield, this walk offers some spectacular views of both Nottinghamshire & Derbyshire. NB. This is a linear walk, anyone wanting return transport should please ring to book a place. Please bring a packed lunch, or refreshments are available at one of the visitor centres. For more details call 01623 721617 or 07957 377352.

**Leader:** Alan Cordin  
**Meet:** Portland Park Visitor Centre, Off Lindley's Lane, Kirkby-in-Ashfield, Notts  
**Grid Ref:** SK499550

Wednesday 13th June at 6.45pm

### **BATTLE OF WATERLOO DRUM & ORSTON (RIVER SMITE)**

**5½ miles 2¼ hours**

A delightful circular walk from Orston visiting the local church to view the Battle of Waterloo drum. We take footpath to link onto Moor Lane, Orston Lane to Whatton in the Vale. We take the path into Aslockton, pass Cranmer Mound and the riverside to return to Orston. For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson, Ramblers Association  
**Meet:** Park carefully near church on High Street, Orston  
**Grid Ref:** SK769411

Thursday 14th June at 10.00am

### **ORCHID WALK**

**2 miles 3 hours Greenwood**

For more details call 01623 811378.

**Leader:** Loz Brooks  
**Meet:** Pit Lane Pleasley, off big roundabout on A617 between Mansfield and Chesterfield.  
**Grid Ref:** SK501644

Sunday 17th June at 10.00am

### **ORCHID WALK**

**2 miles 3 hours Greenwood**

For more details call 01623 811378.

**Leader:** Loz Brooks  
**Meet:** Pit Lane Pleasley, off big roundabout on A617 between Mansfield and Chesterfield.  
**Grid Ref:** SK501644

Sunday 17th June at 2.00pm  
**COTTON MILL AND SHEEP WASH**

**5 miles 2½ hours**



The walk is over by Blue Barn Farm to the Old Cotton Mill and on to the Nether Langwith sheep wash, returning via the Poulter Country Park. For more details call 01623 742247 / 743087.

**Leader:** Dave Evans  
**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.

**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Sunday 17th June at 10.00am  
**BESTWOOD COUNTRY PARK  
IN SUMMER**

**2- 3 miles 2 hours**



Visit the Country Park in all its summer glory. The woodland is in full leaf, flowers brighten the meadows and the place is alive with the buzzing of insects. Join us for a stroll through this beautiful green landscape. Charge £2. For more details call 0115 9273674. Public Transport: Trent Bus 141 to Bestwood Village or Tram to Butler's Hill (tram stop is 1 mile to walk meet point).

**Leader:** Bestwood Rangers  
**Meet:** Winding Engine House Car Park, Bestwood Village.

**Grid Ref:** SK556475

Sunday 17th June at 10.00am  
**A SUMMER SOLSTICE PICNIC**

**8½ miles 5 hours**

Celebrate the soon to arrive (21st June) summer solstice with a walk and a canal side picnic. Our walk will include Owsthorpe and the scenic Grantham canal. No need to carry your picnic, as we will return to the vehicles for lunch. Access to the picnic site is by kind permission of Mr Price a local landowner. Weather permitting about 1 hour will be allocated for lunch. Please bring a packed lunch.

**Leader:** Reg Simpson  
**Meet:** Car park adjacent the canal bridge where the Cropwell Bishop road crosses the Grantham canal, 1 mile North of Kinoulton.

**Grid Ref:** SK678325

Sunday 17th June at 10am  
**SOUTHWELL AND WESTHORPE**

**5½ miles 3 hours**

An easy ramble on well used tracks and paths surrounding the pleasant town of Southwell using part of the Robin Hood Way long distance path. There will be a tea break. For more details call 01949 844019.

**Leader:** Paul Walden - Robin Hood Way Association  
**Meet:** Southwell trail car park. Station Road, Southwell.

**Grid Ref:** SK706544

Monday 18th June at 6.45pm  
**GREASLEY PARISH FOOTPATHS  
WALK NO.3**

**5½ miles 3 hours**

**Greenwood**

From Greasley Church to Bogend to cross fields designated SSSI to Watnall, via Moorgreen Showground on to Watnall Brickyard chimneys - a familiar sight to M1. Returning via Brookesbreasting Farm and the source of the Giltbrook and over fields that afford excellent views of the remains of Greasley Castle and the Erewash Valley beyond. For more details call 01773 710759. Public Transport: Bus No.331 Nottingham - Moorgreen - Alfreton (run by Doyles coaches in daytime, Dunn Line in evening).

**Leader:** Jeff Catherines  
**Meet:** Lay-by in front of Greasley St. Mary's church on B600 between Moorgreen and Watnall.

**Grid Ref:** SK489473

Wednesday 20th June at 10.30am  
**BESTWOOD COUNTRY PARK  
HEALTH WALK**

**2 - 3 miles 1½ hours**



Walking is one of the best forms of exercise and Bestwood provides an ideal setting to stretch your legs, wind down and enjoy the fresh air and wildlife. The walk will be at a gentle pace and will include some slopes. For more details call 0115 9273674. Public Transport: Trent Bus 141 to Bestwood Village or Tram to Butler's Hill (tram stop is 1 mile to walk meet point).

**Leader:** Bestwood Rangers  
**Meet:** Winding Engine House Car Park, Bestwood Village.

**Grid Ref:** SK556475

Wednesday 20th June at 6.45pm

**HARDWICK HALL**

**6 miles 2½ hours**

We celebrate the longest day by having a walk in the grounds of Hardwick Hall linking all the lakes and boundary woods and walk along the Rowthorpe Trail passing the Gamekeepers Cottage described in D.H.Lawrence's 'Lady Chatterley's Lover'. For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association

**Meet:** Hardwick Inn

**Grid Ref:** SK457634

Wednesday 20th June at 2.00pm

**AN AFTERNOON WALK  
THROUGH THE PARK**



**2 hours**

Enjoy a stride out with one of the Wardens of Clumber Park. Cost £3. Please book in advance as places are limited. For more details or to book, call 01909 476592.

**Leader:** National Trust

**Meet:** Clumber Conservation Centre.

**Grid Ref:** SK623748

Sunday 24th June at 10.30am

**THREE PEAKS**

**7 miles 5½ hours Greenwood**

An invigorating walk along the western boundary of Ashfield. This walk takes in some of Nottinghamshire's highest points. Please bring a packed lunch, or refreshments are available at Teversal Trails visitor centre. For more details call 01623 550172 or 07957 377352.

**Leader:** Alan Cordin

**Meet:** Brierley Forest Visitor Centre,  
Skegby Road, Huthwaite,  
Notts, NG17 2PL

**Grid Ref:** SK472595

Sunday 24th June at 10.05 / 10.38

**ARNOLD TO LOWDHAM**

**8¾ hours 4½ hours Greenwood**

A linear walk using public transport; starting from Arnold walking to Calverton, Woodborough, and Lowdham. Return by Pathfinder from Lowdham N.B. Bus times may change, please check with leader or ring 0115 9506070. Please bring a packed lunch. For more details call 0115 9821022. Public

Transport: 10.05am Upper Parliament Street No. 58 to Arnold.

**Leader:** Paul Wagstaff

**Meet:** No 58 bus stop Upper Parliament Street or Gleneagles Drive, Arnold.

**Grid Ref:** SK572401/ SK597464

Monday 25th June at 7.00pm

**BRINSLEY PARISH FOOTPATHS**

**WALK No. 4**

**3½ miles 2 hours Greenwood**

A walk to check on the state of the local footpaths. For more details call 01623 450776 (day) or 01773 715460 (eve & weekends).

**Leader:** Tore Norman

**Meet:** Robin Hood Inn, Hall Lane, Brinsley.

**Grid Ref:** SK459487

Tuesday 26th June at 7.15pm

**BEESTON HERITAGE TRAIL –  
science and engineering**

**2 miles 2 hours Greenwood**

An enlightening walk around Beeston taking in buildings and places of historic interest. For more details call 0115 9259044. Public Transport: NCT buses 36, 13 or Trent Barton 5 to Salthouse Lane.

**Leader:** Beeston & District Civic Society

**Meet:** In front of Evangelical Free Church, Broadgate, Beeston.

**Grid Ref:** SK533375

Tuesday 26th June at 6.30pm

**EXPLORING NOTTINGHAM GENERAL  
CEMETERY AND THE PARK TUNNEL**

**1½ miles 2 hours**

Find some of Nottingham's past characters who are buried or commemorated in the general cemetery and finish with a walk through the nearby Park tunnel (optional). Charge £2, accompanied children free (Families welcome). For more details call 0115 9145520. Public Transport: All Derby Road, Alfreton Road and Ilkeston Road routes

**Leader:** Peter Hammond

**Meet:** Canning Circus entrance way.

**Grid Ref:** SK564402

Wednesday 27th June at 6.45pm

**BELVOIR CASTLE**

**6 miles 2½ hours**

From Redmile Village we walk along footpath to Bottesford to Tostin Hall. On Grantham canal towpath to Muston, Gorse Farm past Belvoir Farm to Belvoir Castle. Return back via the Ash Beds over Long Lane and into Redmile.

For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association

**Meet:** Park carefully in the village & meet at bridge over Grantham Canal.

**Grid Ref:** SK796355

Saturday 30th June at 1.30pm

**PICK YOUR OWN FRUIT**

**5 miles 3½ hours**

This is the 3rd of 8 'NOTTS NOSH' walks visiting local farm businesses listed in 'Notts Nosh', Nottinghamshire Local Food Directory. All include a circular walk and a visit to one of the business sites (no dogs allowed as we are entering food premises). Today we visit Goacher's fruit farm. You will be able to pick some fruit to take home. For more details call 07719 827808.

'Notts. Nosh' can be downloaded at:  
[www.groundworkgreaternottingham.org.uk/fig/local/index.html](http://www.groundworkgreaternottingham.org.uk/fig/local/index.html)

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association

**Meet:** Goachers Green Acres, Wood Lane, North Wheatley.

**Grid Ref:** SK759861

**JULY**

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Sunday 1st July at 11.00am

**ELMTON WELL DRESSING**

**7 miles 5½ hours**

A visit to the well dressing in the ancient village of Elmton and a stop for lunch. The return is via Whaley and Scarcliffe Park. Please bring a packed lunch. Toilets available. For more details call 01623 742247 / 743087.

**Leader:** Dave Evans

**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.

**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Sunday 1st July at 10.00am

**ROACHE ABBEY**

**10 miles 6 hours**

A lovely cross border walk from Langold Country Park to Letwell, Firbeck to Roache Abbey, returning to Langold Country Park. Lunch at Public House.

For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association

**Meet:** Langold Country Park (car park off Church St.)

**Grid Ref:** SK580866

Tuesday 3rd July at 7.30pm

**EXPLORING LADY BAY**

**1¼ miles 2 hours**

West Bridgford's Lady Bay contains a fascinating mixture of Victorian, Edwardian and later housing. Discover some of the typical features and how this area was developed. Charge £2, accompanied children free (Families welcome). For more details call 0115 9145520. Public Transport: NCT Route 11 (Post Office stop).

**Leader:** Peter Hammond

**Meet:** Car park of Lady Bay public house, Trent Boulevard (opp. Lady Bay School).

**Grid Ref:** SK592383

Wednesday 4th July at 6.45pm

**DERWENT MOUTH / RIVER TRENT JUNCTION**

**5½ miles 2½ hours**

From Trent Lock car park we walk along the river Trent to Sawley Cut, cross the River Trent to Sawley Lock under the M1 to the Derwent Mouth. Return to B6540 over Harrington Bridge to the edge of Sawley to take footpath through Grounds Farm to Trent Lock. For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association

**Meet:** Trent Lock car park off Lock Lane, off B6540

**Grid Ref:** SK489312

Thursday 5th July at 10.00am

**SOUTHWELL & MORTON**

**6½ miles 3½ hours**

A pleasant walk around the countryside of Southwell. Please bring a packed lunch.

**Leader:** Rita Rippin

**Meet:** Church Street Car Park,  
Southwell

**Grid Ref:** SK703539

Sunday 8th July at 10.30am

**HUTHWAITE, HILCOTE,  
BLACKWELL CHURCH**

**5 miles 3½ hours Greenwood**

A stroll into Derbyshire along a former railway line, now a country trail, before climbing to Blackwell Church. After a picnic lunch we return along footpaths. For more details call 01623 550172.

**Leader:** Peter Slaney

**Meet:** Brierley Forest Park Visitor  
Centre, Skegby Rd, Huthwaite,  
Sutton in Ashfield, NG17 2PL

**Grid Ref:** SK472595

Monday 9th July at 7.00pm

**BRINSLEY PARISH FOOTPATHS  
WALK No. 5**

**4 miles 2½ hours Greenwood**

A walk to check on the state of the local footpaths. For more details call 01623 450776 (day) or 01773 715460 (eve & weekends).

**Leader:** Tore Norman

**Meet:** Durham Ox Public House, High  
Street, Brinsley.

**Grid Ref:** SK460503

Wednesday 11th July at 10.00am

**THE OWL AND POULTER LOOP**

**5 miles 2½ hours**

The walk following the Whaley Brook, the Owl Spring and the River Poulter looking at the industries which once existed along the valley. For more details call 01623 742247.

**Leader:** Neil Helsby

**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns  
Heritage Centre, West Street,  
Whaley Thorns, Langwith.

**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Wednesday 11th July at 6.45pm

**ARTHUR MEE WALK**

**5½ miles 2¼ hours Greenwood**

From Bramcote Park we walk through Bramcote old village through Town Street recreation grounds to Burnt Hill and take footpath over windmill to Stapleford passing the site of author Arthur Mee's house and the Saxon Cross.

For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association

**Meet:** Bramcote Park, Coventry Lane  
/ Ilkeston Road junction,  
Bramcote

**Grid Ref:** SK499385

Sunday 15th July at 10.00am

**BUTTERFLY & DRAGONFLY WALK**

**2 miles 3 hours Greenwood**

For more details call 01623 811378.

**Leader:** Loz Brooks

**Meet:** Pit Lane Pleasley, off big  
roundabout on A617 between  
Mansfield and Chesterfield.

**Grid Ref:** SK501644

Sunday 15th July at 10.00am

**LNR TO NNR - SHERWOOD**

**7 miles 5 hours**

A leisurely ramble from Sherwood Heath to the Major Oak and back again on Thoresby land which would normally be closed to the public! Lunch at Sherwood Forest Country Park Visitors Centre.

For more details call 01623 822447.

**Leader:** Amy Chandler

**Meet:** Ollerton Tourist information  
centre car park.

**Grid Ref:** SK650675



Sunday 15th July at 11.00am

**UPPER LANGWITH WELL DRESSING**

**7 miles 5½ hours**

The walk goes via the Old Hall of Langwith to Upper Langwith Church to see its well dressing. Lunches are available, or bring a packed lunch. Toilets available. For more details call 01623 742247 / 743087.

**Leader:** Dave Evans

**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns  
Heritage Centre, West Street,  
Whaley Thorns, Langwith.

**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Sunday 15th July at 10.30am  
**NOTTINGHAM TRANSPORT HERITAGE  
CENTRE WALK No. 2**

**5 - 6 miles 3 - 4 hours**

The 2nd of our series of 3 walks exploring South Nottinghamshire footpaths around the old Great Central Railway, now preserved by volunteers. Subject to availability we take one of our vintage buses to the start of the walk in South Nottinghamshire. There will be a short break about halfway for either a picnic or pub stop, and finish at Rushcliffe Halt Station, East Leake. Here we catch our train (either steam or diesel) back on our preserved railway to the Nottingham Transport Heritage Centre at Ruddington. A charge of around £3 will be made for this journey, which includes admission to the Centre.

**Leader:** Joe Peck  
**Meet:** Nottingham Transport Heritage Centre main entrance, in Rushcliffe Country Park, off the A60 just south of Ruddington.

**Grid Ref:** SK575323

Wednesday 18th July at 6.30pm  
**HOLLINWOOD & FOXWOOD  
COUNTRYSIDE WALK**

**3 miles 2½ hours**

A bracing evening walk passing the recently established Hollinwood Millennium Wood, then climbing to the 2nd highest point in Nottinghamshire (500ft above sea level) continuing along the ridge with extensive views (weather permitting) past Foxwood, an ancient hillfort, then downhill all the way to the finish. Calverton Folk Museum will be open for visitors after the walk (small admission charge).

For more details call 0115 9654843.

**Leader:** Chris Peck  
**Meet:** Outside the Library, St Wilfrids Square, Calverton.

**Grid Ref:** SK617493

Wednesday 18th July at 6.45pm  
**POULTER COUNTRY PARK /  
SCARCLIFFE PARK**

**5½ miles 2¼ miles**

A circular walk linking Poulter Country Park (former Nether Langwith Pit) & Scarcliffe Park. This walk has everything, including

high vista points, good trails and historic woods. For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association  
**Meet:** Jug & Glass Pub, Queens Walk, Nether Langwith.

**Grid Ref:** SK534705

Saturday 21st July at 1.30pm  
**ICE CREAM TREAT**

**5 miles 3½ hours**

This is the 4th of 8 'NOTTS NOSH' walks visiting local farm businesses listed in 'Notts Nosh', Nottinghamshire Local Food Directory. All include a circular walk and a visit to one of the business sites (no dogs allowed as we are entering food premises) Today we visit Thaymar Dairy Ice Cream. See how this lovely ice cream is produced. After the walk take the opportunity of high tea. For more details call 07719 827808.

'Notts. Nosh' can be downloaded at:  
[www.groundworkgreaternottingham.org.uk/fig/local/index.html](http://www.groundworkgreaternottingham.org.uk/fig/local/index.html)

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association  
**Meet:** Thaymar Ice Cream, off B6387 (Houghton Park Farm, Bevercotes).

**Grid Ref:** SK692742

Saturday 21st & Sunday 22nd July  
**WILDLIFE  
WEEKEND**



Two days of wildlife displays, walks and activities at the Conservation Centre, to celebrate the diverse wildlife of Clumber Park. See Clumber notice boards for details.

**Leader:** National Trust  
**Meet:** Clumber Conservation Centre.  
**Grid Ref:** SK623748

Sunday 22nd July at 10.30am  
**KIRKLINGTON, FARNSFIELD,  
HALAM CIRCULAR**

**9½ miles 5 hours**

A lovely walk taking in the Southwell Trail and the high ground above the Greet Valley. Please bring a packed lunch. For more details call 0115 9374486.

**Leader:** Bernard Rolls  
**Meet:** Kirklington Station picnic site on the Southwell Trail, 1 mile south of Kirklington.

**Grid Ref:** SK676566

Sunday 22nd July at 9.30am

**BESS OF HARDWICK TRAIL**

**17 miles 8 hours**

This long walk, for experienced walkers only due to the distance, links Hardwick Hall with Bolsover Castle. From Greet Pond car park we climb up to Astwith to take the 5 Pits Trail to Grassmoor Country Park, Postman's Lane, Sutton, Scarsdale Hall, Carr Vale, Bolsover and return via Palterton and Glapwell to Hardwick Hall. Lunch at Public House. For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association

**Meet:** Great Pond car park, nr. M1  
bridge.

**Grid Ref:** SK453637

Monday 23rd July at 6.45pm

**GREASLEY PARISH FOOTPATHS**

**WALK NO.4**

**4½ miles 2½ hours Greenwood**

From the car park via field paths to Engine Lane and on to Colliers Wood Park - formerly the site of Moorgreen Colliery. Returning via Coney Grey and Witley Wood farms and the track of a former mineral railway. For more details call 01773 710759. Public Transport: Trent Bus No.1 Nottingham, Eastwood, Alfreton service. Evening service run by Dunn Line to Eastwood. Change to Nottingham service.

**Leader:** Jeff Catherines

**Meet:** Headstocks picnic area car  
park, Mansfield Road, Brinsley.

**Grid Ref:** SK464485

Wednesday 25th July at 10.30am

**BESTWOOD COUNTRY PARK**

**HEALTH WALK**

**2 - 3 miles 1½ hours**

Walking is one of the best forms of exercise and Bestwood provides an ideal setting to stretch your legs, wind down and enjoy the fresh air and wildlife. The walk will be at a gentle pace and will include some slopes. For more details call 0115 9273674. Public Transport: Trent Bus 141 to Bestwood Village or Tram to Butler's Hill (tram stop is 1 mile to walk meet point).

**Leader:** Bestwood Rangers

**Meet:** Winding Engine House Car  
Park, Bestwood Village.

**Grid Ref:** SK556475



Wednesday 25th July at 6.45pm

**CUCKOO BUSH TRAIL**

**5 miles 2 hours**

We walk out of Gotham to climb the Gotham Hills with lovely views all around of the Trent Valley and Charnwood Forest seen in the distance. The trail descends to Kegworth Road and up Wood Lane to Cuckoo Bush Farm. We take a short circular of West Leake Hills to descend into Gotham.

For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association

**Meet:** Gotham Church.

**Grid Ref:** SK536303

Sunday 29th July at 2.00pm

**CUCKNEY HAY WOOD**

**5 miles 2½ hours**

A walk through the village of Nether Langwith and into the very old Cuckney Hay Wood with its wild flowers and bird song, returning via the old Cotton Mill. For more details call 01623 742247 / 743087.

**Leader:** Dave Evans

**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns  
Heritage Centre, West Street,  
Whaley Thorns, Langwith.

**Grid Ref:** SK531711

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**AUGUST**

Wednesday 1st August at 6.30pm

**BAGTHORPE, UNDERWOOD HILL  
& WESTWOOD**

**5 miles 2 hours**

A circular walk starting from the beautiful village of Bagthorpe. We climb up to Underwood Hill, a vista from here shows the Derbyshire countryside in the distance including Crich Stand. We drop down to Westwood and return to Bagthorpe. For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association

**Meet:** Dixie's Public House,  
Bagthorpe (park in field rear of  
pub)

**Grid Ref:** SK473516

Saturday 4th August at 10.00am

**IDLING AROUND RETFORD**

**11 miles 6 hours**



A walk around Retford linking the River Idle and the Chesterfield Canal. Please bring a packed lunch but there may be a pub stop. For more details call 01302 866323.

**Leader:** Peter Haines

**Meet:** Outside Retford Railway Station. Parking available nearby.

**Grid Ref:** SK702803

Sunday 5th August at 10.30am

**BATTLE OF EAST STOKE**

**7 miles 4 hours**

A lovely circular walk taking in the villages of Elston, Syerston, East Stoke and the area surrounding Stoke Field battleground. Please bring a packed lunch.

For more details call 0115 9374486.

**Leader:** Bernard Rolls

**Meet:** On grass verges of Brecks Lane, ¼ mile south east of Elston (near old windmill)

**Grid Ref:** SK762475

Monday 6th August at 7.00pm

**BRINSLEY PARISH FOOTPATHS**

**WALK No. 6**

**4 miles 2¼ hours Greenwood**

A walk to check on the state of the local footpaths. For more details call 01623 450776 (day) or 01773 715460 (eve & weekends).

**Leader:** Tore Norman

**Meet:** Yew Tree Inn, Cordy Lane, Brinsley.

**Grid Ref:** SK467497

Wednesday 8th August at 10.00am

**CUCKNEY HAY WOOD**

**5 miles 2½ hours**



A walk through the village of Nether Langwith and into the very old Cuckney Hay Wood with its wild flowers and bird song, returning via the old Cotton Mill.

For more details call 01623 742247.

**Leader:** Neil Helsby

**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.

**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Wednesday 8th August at 6.30pm

**RUSHCLIFFE COUNTRY PARK**

**5 miles 2¼ hours**

We walk through the Country Park to take the footpath to Gotham Moor Farm. We carry on to the outskirts of Bunny to return via Bradmore to Rushcliffe Country Park. For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association

**Meet:** Rushcliffe Country Park

**Grid Ref:** SK574323

Saturday 11th August at 1.30pm

**PORK PIE & SAUSAGE WALK**

**5 miles 3½ hours**

This is the 5th of 8 'NOTTS NOSH' walks visiting local farm businesses listed in 'Notts Nosh', Nottinghamshire Local Food Directory. All include a circular walk and a visit to one of the business sites (no dogs allowed as we are entering food premises). Today we visit Mellors Livestock Ltd near Tuxford. an old fashioned farm shop that produces its own award winning pork pies and sausages. For more details call 07719 827808. 'Notts. Nosh' can be downloaded at: [www.groundworkgreaternottingham.org.uk/fig/local/index.html](http://www.groundworkgreaternottingham.org.uk/fig/local/index.html)

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association

**Meet:** Mellors Livestock Ltd., Main Street, Milton.

**Grid Ref:** SK713733

Sunday 12th August at 2.00pm

**HOLBECK & ROBIN HOOD'S GRAVE –**

A Robin Hood Festival Walk

**5 miles 2½ hours**



A walk to Holbeck and back through Greaves Wood looking for Robin Hood's grave. A book of the place names of Nottinghamshire says it is somewhere here! For more details call 01623 742247 / 743087.

**Leader:** Dave Evans

**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.

**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Sunday 12th August at 10.30am  
**INTRODUCING BRIERLEY FOREST  
PARK LOCAL NATURE RESERVE**

**3 miles 2 hours Greenwood**

An extended walk around the park taking in its variety of scenery and natural habitats. We shall learn how the park has evolved and our aims for the future. This should be of interest to locals and visitors alike. Refreshments available at Brierley Visitor Centre Tearoom. For more details call 01623 550172.

**Leader:** Michael Owen  
**Meet:** Brierley Forest Park Visitor Centre, Skegby Rd, Huthwaite, Sutton in Ashfield, NG17 2PL  
**Grid Ref:** SK472595

Sunday 12th August at 10.00am

**ROBIN HOOD TRAIL**

**9 miles 6 hours**

We go on the Robin Hood Trail by Hazel Gap, Budby Drive, Budby South Forest, Major Oak to Edwinstowe. We Return via St. Edwin's Cross, Hangar Hill, Gleadthorpe Plantation, Hazel Gap to Duncanwood car park. It is hoped we evade the Sheriff of Nottingham's army on our walk! Lunch at Public House.

For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson, Ramblers Association  
**Meet:** Duncanwood Lodge car park off B6034  
**Grid Ref:** SK612716



Monday 13th August at 6.45pm

**GREASLEY PARISH FOOTPATHS  
WALK NO.5**

**3 miles 1½ hours Greenwood**

The area of the Erewash Valley covered by this walk was very much an industrial area with clay pits, coal mines, canals and railways. This is an opportunity to see the return to nature that has taken place over the past 40 years as well as walking the final section of the Giltbrook.

For more details call 01773 710759.

**Leader:** Jeff Catherines  
**Meet:** Lord Raglan Public House, Newthorpe Common, Newthorpe.  
**Grid Ref:** SK471461

Wednesday 15th August at 6.30pm

**TRENT HILLS WALK**

**5 miles 2 hours**

A delightful circular walk along Oldhill Lane to climb Toothill into Kneeton. We return via Trent Hills Park.

For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson, Ramblers Association  
**Meet:** Kneeton Road, East Bridgford (nr. Occupation Lane)  
**Grid Ref:** SK700440

Sunday 19th August at 10.00am

**REMPSTONE**

**9¾ miles 5 - 5½ hours**

This is a semi-circular linear walk using public transport. Starting from Rushcliffe Halt walking via West Leake returning by bus from East Leake. NB Bus times may change, please check with leader or ring 0115 9506070. Please bring a packed lunch. For more details call 0115 9821022. Public Transport: 10.00am Beastmarket Hill No.1 South Notts bus to Loughborough. Alight Rushcliffe Halt.

**Leader:** Paul Wagstaff  
**Meet:** Beastmarket Hill No.1 bus stop for South Notts Loughborough bus.  
**Grid Ref:** SK571399/ SK552277

Monday 20th August at 7.00pm

**BRINSLEY PARISH FOOTPATHS  
WALK No. 7**

**3 miles 2 hours Greenwood**

A walk to check on the state of the local footpaths. For more details call 01623 450776 (day) or 01773 715460 (eve & weekends).

**Leader:** Tore Norman  
**Meet:** Robin Hood Inn, Hall Lane, Brinsley.  
**Grid Ref:** SK459487

Wednesday 22nd August at 10.30am

**BESTWOOD COUNTRY PARK  
HEALTH WALK**



**2 - 3 miles 1½ hours**

Walking is one of the best forms of exercise and Bestwood provides an ideal setting to stretch your legs, wind down and enjoy the fresh air and wildlife. The walk will be at a gentle pace and will include some slopes. For more details call 0115 9273674. Public Transport: Trent Bus 141 to Bestwood Village or Tram to Butler's Hill (tram stop is 1 mile to walk meet point).

**Leader:** Bestwood Rangers  
**Meet:** Winding Engine House Car Park, Bestwood Village.  
**Grid Ref:** SK556475

Wednesday 22nd August at 6.30pm

**FRIAR TUCK TRAIL**



**5 miles 2 hours**

A popular circular walk around Harlow Wood, Rainworth Water and Fountindale. For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association  
**Meet:** Portland College, off A60.  
**Grid Ref:** SK550568

Wednesday 22nd August at 10.00am

**HEATHLAND & GRAZING**



**2 hours**

In the 1980s the heathland sites had virtually disappeared at Clumber. Join our Countryside Manager to find out how these fragile and important areas have been managed since then to ensure their recovery. Cost £3. Please book in advance as places are limited. For more details or to book, call 01909 476592.

**Leader:** National Trust  
**Meet:** Clumber Conservation Centre.  
**Grid Ref:** SK623748

Saturday 25th August at 7.30pm

**MOTH NIGHT**

**3 hours Greenwood**

For more details call 01623 811378.

**Leader:** Loz Brooks  
**Meet:** Pit Lane Pleasley, off big roundabout on A617 between Mansfield and Chesterfield.  
**Grid Ref:** SK501644

Saturday 25th August at 7.30pm

**DUSK DELIGHTS**

**2 miles 2 - 3 hours**



A wander around Ollerton's old pit tip in search of bats and birds at dusk. Keen eyes and bat detectors necessary (where possible). For more details call 01623 822447 or 07747 006450.

**Leader:** Amy Chandler  
**Meet:** Ollerton Pit Woods car park off Newark Road.  
**Grid Ref:** SK668674

Sunday 26th August at 10.30am

**KNEESALL, LAXTON CIRCULAR**

**8 miles 5 hours**

The 2nd of 3 walks in the DEFRA Access register for Nottinghamshire, taking in the mill field and west field of the open fields system of Laxton, with extensive views over the Trent Valley into Lincolnshire. Please bring a packed lunch.

For more details call 0115 9374486.  
**Leader:** Bernard Rolls  
**Meet:** Just outside Kneesall on grass verges of the Kneesall to Ossington Road  
**Grid Ref:** SK707645

Monday 27th August at 10.00am

**SKELLINGTHORPE & HARBY**

**9½ miles 5¼ hours**

The walk visits Skellingthorpe Old Wood, now in the care of the Woodland Trust who have an open access policy. Harby was associated with Queen Eleanor and an effigy of her can be seen above the church door. We will also pass close to the impressive Elizabethan Doddington Hall. Please bring a packed lunch.

**Leader:** Geoff Rix  
**Meet:** Skellingthorpe Community Centre car park, off Lincoln Road  
**Grid Ref:** SK926716

Monday 27th August at 11.00am

**KNEESALL AND LAXTON**

**6½ miles 3½ hours**

A varied and interesting walk combining the butlers grand house with the village where time stood still. Please bring a packed lunch (there will be a pub stop at lunch time).

**Leader:** Reg Simpson

**Meet:** Laxton Visitors Centre car park behind the Dovecote Inn, Laxton

**Grid Ref:** SK724671

Wednesday 29th August at 6.30pm

**BURNTSTUMP & POLISH WAR GRAVE**

**5 miles 2 hours Greenwood**

This is the last Ramblers Association Wednesday evening walk of the summer. We walk through Burntstump Country Park to Samsom Wood, Watchwood Plantation and Calverton Colliery Park to return via Gravelly Hollow to Burntstump.

For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson, Ramblers Association

**Meet:** Burntstump Country Park (Burntstump Inn car park - furthest away from PH)

**Grid Ref:** SK577508

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**SEPTEMBER**

Saturday 1st September at 6.30pm

**BATS AND MOTHS OF CLUMBER**

**2 hours**

Find out about bats on a walk with the North Notts. Bat Group, then return for a moth trapping session with Lepidopterist Robert Woods. Cost £3. Please bring torches for this evening walk. Please book in advance as places are limited. For more details or to book, call 01909 476592.

**Leader:** National Trust

**Meet:** Clumber Conservation Centre.

**Grid Ref:** SK623748



Sunday 2nd September at 10.30pm  
**NOTTINGHAM TRANSPORT HERITAGE CENTRE WALK No. 3**

**5 - 6 miles 3 - 4 hours**

The last of our series of 3 walks exploring South Nottinghamshire footpaths around the old Great Central Railway, now preserved by volunteers. Subject to availability we take one of our vintage buses to the start of the walk in South Nottinghamshire. There will be a short break about halfway for either a picnic or pub stop, and finish at Rushcliffe Halt Station, East Leake. Here we catch our train (either steam or diesel) back on our preserved railway to the Nottingham Transport Heritage Centre at Ruddington. A charge of around £3 will be made for this journey, which includes admission to the Centre.

**Leader:** Joe Peck

**Meet:** Nottingham Transport Heritage Centre main entrance, in Rushcliffe Country Park, off the A60 just south of Ruddington.

**Grid Ref:** SK575323

Monday 3rd September at 7.00pm

**BRINSLEY PARISH FOOTPATHS WALK No.8**

**3 miles 2 hours Greenwood**

A walk to check on the state of the local footpaths. For more details call 01623 450776 (day) or 01773 715460 (eve & weekends).

**Leader:** Tore Norman

**Meet:** White Lion Public House, Hall Lane, Brinsley.

**Grid Ref:** SK459489

Wednesday 5th September at 10.00am

**COTTON MILL AND SHEEP WASH**

**5 miles 2½ hours**

The walk is over by Blue Barn Farm to the Old Cotton Mill and on to the Nether Langwith sheep wash, returning via the Poulter Country Park.

For more details call 01623 742247.

**Leader:** Neil Helsby

**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.

**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Saturday 8th September at 10.00am  
**LAXTON MEDIEVAL LANDSCAPE AND VILLAGE**

**3.6 miles 3 hours**

A walk back in time through Laxton and surrounding area including the castle site, fish ponds and the great open field strips. A great chance to see a working medieval landscape and the architecture of an 18th century village. DEFRA funded. Please bring a packed lunch.

For more details call 07939 228353.

**Leader:** Stuart Rose  
**Meet:** Laxton Visitor Centre  
(Dovecote pub yard)  
**Grid Ref:** SK724671

Sunday 9th September at 2.00pm

**BEESTON HERITAGE TRAIL Greenwood**  
**2 miles 2 hours**

An enlightening walk around Beeston taking in buildings and places of historic interest.

For more details call 0115 9259044. Public Transport: NCT buses 36, 193, 13 or Trent Barton 5 to Beeston Bus Station. (through precinct to Square.)

**Leader:** Beeston & District Civic Society  
**Meet:** The Podium, Beeston Square.  
**Grid Ref:** SK527367

Sunday 9th September at 2.00pm

**FIELDS AFTER HARVEST**

**5 miles 2½ hours**

A walk around the local fields after the crops have been harvested to see what has been grown. For more details call 01623 742247 / 743087.

**Leader:** Dave Evans  
**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.  
**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Sunday 9th September at 10.30am

**OVER THE HILLS AND NOT VERY FAR AWAY**

**4½ miles 2½ hours Greenwood**

An easy walk down Herrods Hill and around the unspoilt valley of the infant River Meden. We cross the old Silverhill and Brierley railways, currently under conversion into country trails, before we return by Spring

Wood. Refreshments available at Brierley Visitor Centre.

For more details call 01623 550172.

**Leader:** Michael Owen  
**Meet:** Brierley Forest Park Visitor Centre, Skegby Rd, Huthwaite, Sutton in Ashfield, NG17 2PL  
**Grid Ref:** SK472595

Wednesday 12th September at 10.00am

**A MISSON MEANDER**

**12 miles 6 hours**

A stroll on the Notts/Yorks borders with a view of Britain's newest airport. Please bring a packed lunch but there may be a pub stop. For more details call 01302 866323.

**Leader:** Peter Haines  
**Meet:** Meet at Top Road near Misson Cemetery, 2 miles North of Bawtry, just off A614  
**Grid Ref:** SK693952

Wednesday 19th September at 10.30am

**BESTWOOD COUNTRY PARK HEALTH WALK**



**2 - 3 miles 1½ hours Greenwood**

Walking is one of the best forms of exercise and Bestwood provides an ideal setting to stretch your legs, wind down and enjoy the fresh air and wildlife. The walk will be at a gentle pace and will include some slopes. For more details call 0115 9273674. Public Transport: Trent Bus 141 to Bestwood Village or Tram to Butler's Hill (tram stop is 1 mile to walk meet point).

**Leader:** Bestwood Rangers  
**Meet:** Winding Engine House Car Park, Bestwood Village.  
**Grid Ref:** SK556475

Saturday 22nd September at 1.30pm

**VINEYARD TOUR**

**5 miles 3½ hours**

This is the 6th of 8 'NOTTS NOSH' walks visiting local farm businesses listed in 'Notts Nosh', Nottinghamshire Local Food Directory. All include a circular walk and a visit to one of the business sites (no dogs allowed as we are entering food premises). Today we visit the Eglantine Vineyard at Costock. There will be a tour of the vineyard and samples of wine available. There will be a £2 per person charge to cover cost of tour

and sample wine. For more details call 07719 827808.

'Notts. Nosh' can be downloaded at [www.groundworkgreaternottingham.org.uk/fig/local/index.html](http://www.groundworkgreaternottingham.org.uk/fig/local/index.html)

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association  
**Meet:** Bunny Church, Church Street.  
**Grid Ref:** SK583296

Sunday 23rd September at 2.00pm

### THE OWL AND POULTER LOOP

**5 miles 2½ hours**

The walk following the Whaley Brook and the River Poulter looking at the industries which once existed along the valley. For more details call 01623 742247 / 743087.

**Leader:** Dave Evans  
**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns  
Heritage Centre, West Street,  
Whaley Thorns, Langwith.

**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Sunday 23rd September at 10.00am

### D.H.LAWRENCE TRAIL

**9 miles 6 hours Greenwood**

We walk down Weaver's Lane to the site of Felley Mill, High Park Wood, Moorgreen Reservoir, Colliers Wood to Moorgreen. We return via Greasley Church, Source of Giltbrook, Brookbreasting Farm, Morning Spring and Kennel Lane to Annesley Hall. Lunch at Public House.

For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association  
**Meet:** Lay-by near Annesley Hall  
(A608) Junction 27 M1 nr.  
Home Farm  
**Grid Ref:** SK500522

Wednesday 26th September at 10.00am

### A MORNING WALK THROUGH THE PARK

**2 hours**

Stride out with a Clumber Warden. Cost £3. Please book in advance as places are limited. For more details or to book, call 01909 476592.

**Leader:** National Trust  
**Meet:** Clumber Conservation Centre.  
**Grid Ref:** SK623748



Sunday 30th September at 2.00pm

### WILLOW WALK - CALVERTON

**3½ miles 2½ hours**

An easy paced walk mainly on the level, taking in the sites of two of the many water mills on the Doverbeck. Calverton Folk Museum will be open for visitors after the walk (small admission charge).

For more details call 0115 9654843.

**Leader:** Chris Peck  
**Meet:** Outside the Library, St Wilfrids  
Square, Calverton.  
**Grid Ref:** SK617493

## OCTOBER

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Wednesday 3rd October at 10.00am

### FIELDS AFTER HARVEST

**5 miles 2½ hours**

A walk around the local fields after the crops have been harvested to see what has been grown. For more details call 01623 742247.

**Leader:** Neil Helsby  
**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns  
Heritage Centre, West Street,  
Whaley Thorns, Langwith.

**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Sunday 7th October at 10.30am

### A BRIERLEY AUTUMN

**2 miles 2 hours Greenwood**

A leisurely stroll around the park to admire the autumn colours of our extensive woodlands, taking in the viewpoints at Hardwick View and Rooley Tops. An optional short but steep diversion takes us to the highest point in the park at Carsic Top (195m). Refreshments available at Brierley Visitor Centre.

For more details call 01623 550172.

**Leader:** Michael Owen  
**Meet:** Brierley Forest Park Visitor  
Centre, Skegby Rd, Huthwaite,  
Sutton in Ashfield, NG17 2PL  
**Grid Ref:** SK472595

Sunday 7th October at 10.00am

**DREAMING SPIRES TO  
THE SILVER TRENT**

**10½ miles 6 hours**

A pleasant walk over the hills to Southwell and back to the Trent. Visiting the lovely villages of Rolleston, Morton and Fiskerton. Please bring a packed lunch.

For more details contact 0115 9374486.

**Leader:** Bernard Rolls

**Meet:** Riverside car park, Fisterton

**Grid Ref:** SK739513

**Leader:** National Trust

**Meet:** Clumber Conservation Centre.

**Grid Ref:** SK623748

Tuesday 16th October at 10.00am

**FUNGI FORAY**

Details as 13th October.

**Meet:** Meet at the Classical Bridge.

**Grid Ref:** SK6210738

Thursday 18th October at 10.00am

**FUNGI PHOTOGRAPHY**

Details as 15th October.

Friday 19th October at 10.00am

**FUNGI FORAY**

Details as 13th October.

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**MUSHROOMS, TOADSTOOLS & MOULD**

**A week of fungi activities  
to celebrate these incredibly  
diverse life forms**



Saturday 13th October at 10.00am

**FUNGI FORAY**

**2 hours**

Hundreds of species of fungi are recorded at Clumber Park. Join us in a search for our Autumn species. Cost £3. This walk is always full so please book early to avoid disappointment. For more details or to book, call 01909 476592.

**Leader:** National Trust

**Meet:** Clumber Conservation Centre.

**Grid Ref:** SK623748

Sunday 14th, Wednesday 17th  
& Friday 19th October

**FUNGI EXHIBITION**

**1.00pm to 4.00pm**

Fungi displays, information and activities at the Clumber Conservation Centre.

For more details call 01909 476592.

**Leader:** National Trust

**Grid Ref:** SK623748

Monday 15th October at 10.00am

**FUNGI PHOTOGRAPHY**

**2 hours**

Bring your own equipment for a morning of photo - opportunities in the woods. We will identify and lead you to some of the most photogenic fungi of Clumber Park. Cost £3. Please book in advance as places are limited. For more details or to book, call 01909 476592.

Sunday 14th October at 2.00pm

**CUCKNEY HAY WOOD**

**5 miles 2½ hours**

A walk through the village of Nether Langwith and into the very old Cuckney Hay Wood with its wild flowers and bird song, returning via the old Cotton Mill. For more details call 01623 742247 / 743087.

**Leader:** Dave Evans

**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.

**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Sunday 14th October at 10.00am

**LAXTON - ALL IS SAFELY GATHERED IN**

**5 miles 4½ hours**

A walk round the Laxton Estate and village to see the three field system after harvest and have the landscape and farm activities explained. A chance to see the Church decorated for Harvest (time permitting). The walk starts with a short film. DEFRA funded. Please bring a packed lunch.

For more details call 07939 228353.

**Leader:** Stuart Rose

**Meet:** Laxton Visitor Centre (Dovecote pub yard)

**Grid Ref:** SK724671

Thursday 18th October at 10.30am

**THE CHESTERFIELD CANAL  
AND A COLLAPSED TUNNEL**

**10 miles 5 hours**

A circular walk along the canal towpath to Norwood tunnel – on the 100th anniversary of its collapse. Return via Lindrick Dale. Please bring a packed lunch. For more details call 01246 417984. Public Transport: Hourly bus from Worksop to start point. Train from Retford/Worksop to Shireoaks station (5 mins walk)

**Leader:** David Blackburn

**Meet:** Entrance road to Shireoaks  
Marina, nr Worksop.

**Grid Ref:** SK 559807

Saturday 20th October at 1.30pm

**ORGANIC FARMERS & GROWERS**

**5 miles 3½ hours**

This is the 7th of 8 'NOTTS NOSH' walks visiting local farm businesses listed in 'Notts Nosh', Nottinghamshire Local Food Directory. All include a circular walk and a visit to one of the business sites (no dogs allowed as we are entering food premises). Today we visit Trinity Farm Organic, Farmers and Growers in Cossall. For more details call 07719 827808.

'Notts. Nosh' can be downloaded at:  
[www.groundworkgreaternottingham.org.uk/fig/local/index.html](http://www.groundworkgreaternottingham.org.uk/fig/local/index.html)

**Leader:** Chris Thompson, Ramblers Association

**Meet:** Newton Lane fishing car park.

**Grid Ref:** SK476433

Sunday 21st October at 2.30pm

**EXPLORING NOTTINGHAM GENERAL  
CEMETERY AND THE PARK TUNNEL**

**1½ miles 2 hours**

Find some of Nottingham's past characters who are buried or commemorated in the general cemetery and finish with a walk through the nearby Park tunnel (optional). Charge £2, accompanied children free (Families welcome). For more details call 0115 9145520. Public Transport: All Derby Road, Alfreton Road and Ilkeston Road routes

**Leader:** Peter Hammond

**Meet:** Canning Circus entrance way.

**Grid Ref:** SK564402

Sunday 21st October at 10.00am

**TRENT VALLEY WANDER**

**9 miles 6 hours**

From South Collingham Church we walk down Westfield Lane to the River Trent to take a footpath to Carlton Ferry Lane, through Besthorpe Lakes, Trent Lane, Mooring Lane and Girton to return to Besthorpe. We follow the Trent Valley Way back to Collingham. Lunch at Public House. For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association

**Meet:** South Collingham Church,  
Westfield Lane, off the Green,  
Collingham.

**Grid Ref:** SK826614

Wednesday 24th October at 10.30am

**BESTWOOD COUNTRY PARK  
HEALTH WALK**

**2 - 3 miles 1½ hours**



Walking is one of the best forms of exercise and Bestwood provides an ideal setting to stretch your legs, wind down and enjoy the fresh air and wildlife. The walk will be at a gentle pace and will include some slopes. For more details call 0115 9273674. Public Transport: Trent Bus 141 to Bestwood Village or Tram to Butler's Hill (tram stop is 1 mile to walk meet point).

**Leader:** Bestwood Rangers

**Meet:** Winding Engine House Car  
Park, Bestwood Village.

**Grid Ref:** SK556475

Sunday 28th October at 10.30am

**LAWRENCE COUNTRY**

**6 - 7 miles 4 - 5 hours**

**Greenwood**

A walk around the areas covering Moorgreen, Brinsley and Felly Mill. Please bring a packed lunch. For more details call 01623 721617 or 07957 377352.


**Leader:** Alan Cordin

**Meet:** Sandhill Tavern car park on the  
A608, Underwood.

**Grid Ref:** SK479511

Sunday 28th October at 2.00pm

### **GHOST TRAIL**

**5 miles 2½ hours** 

A walk to hear of the strange goings on at the Old Hall, the phantom pit pony and the other ghostly tales of the area. For more details call 01623 742247 / 743087.

**Leader:** Dave Evans

**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.

**Grid Ref:** SK531711

## **NOVEMBER**

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Sunday 4th November at 10.00am

### **BESTWOOD COUNTRY PARK IN AUTUMN**

**2- 3 miles 2 hours**



The nights draw in and the year comes to a close as animals feast and plants shut down in preparation for the on-coming winter.

Enjoy the woodland at its most glorious in all its autumnal hues. Charge £2. For more details call 0115 9273674. Public Transport: Trent Bus 141 to Bestwood Village or Tram to Butler's Hill (tram stop is 1 mile to walk meet point).

**Leader:** Bestwood Rangers

**Meet:** Winding Engine House Car Park, Bestwood Village.

**Grid Ref:** SK556475

Wednesday 7th November at 10.00am

### **GHOST TRAIL**

**5 miles 2½ hours** 

A walk to hear of the strange goings on at the Old Hall, the phantom pit pony and the other ghostly tales of the area.

For more details call 01623 742247.

**Leader:** Neil Helsby

**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.

**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Saturday 10th November at 9.30am

### **BIRDS OF CLUMBER**

**2 hours**



As we move into the Winter season, an opportunity to join Ron Overton in a search for our early visitors and resident birds. Cost

£3. Binoculars are essential for this walk.

Please book in advance as places are limited. For more details or to book, call 01909 476592.

**Leader:** National Trust

**Meet:** Clumber Conservation Centre.

**Grid Ref:** SK623748

Sunday 11th November at 2.00pm

### **BONBUSK AND FRITHWOOD**

**5 miles 2½ hours**

A stroll past Norwood and Bonbusk farms and over to Frithwood farm and Whaley Common. For more details call 01623 742247 / 743087. Public Transport:

**Leader:** Dave Evans

**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.

**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Sunday 11th November at 10.00am

### **COTHAM & RIVER DEVON CIRCULAR**

**7½ miles 4 hours**

The last of 3 conservation walks in the DEFRA Access Register for Nottinghamshire taking in a newly created access walk along a further stretch of the River Devon and visiting the church at Cotham. Please bring a packed lunch. For more details contact 0115 9374486.

**Leader:** Bernard Rolls

**Meet:** Car park at north end of fishing lake between the villages of Cotham and Hawton.

**Grid Ref:** SK796496

Wednesday 21st November at 10.30am

### **BESTWOOD COUNTRY PARK HEALTH WALK**

**2 - 3 miles 1½ hours**



Walking is one of the best forms of exercise and Bestwood provides an ideal setting to stretch your legs, wind down and enjoy the fresh air and wildlife. The walk will be at a gentle pace and will include some slopes. For more details call 0115 9273674. Public Transport: Trent Bus 141 to Bestwood Village or Tram to Butler's Hill (tram stop is 1 mile to walk meet point).

**Leader:** Bestwood Rangers

**Meet:** Winding Engine House Car Park, Bestwood Village.

**Grid Ref:** SK556475

Wednesday 21st November at 10.30am

### **VALE OF BELVOIR AMBLE**

**6½ miles 3½ hours**

A short walk in the Vale of Belvoir along the Grantham canal through Cropwell Bishop and Colston Basset. Please bring a packed lunch.

For more details contact 0115 9374486.

**Leader:** Bernard Rolls

**Meet:** Car park by the side of the Grantham canal near Mackley's Farm.

**Grid Ref:** SK678325

Saturday 24th November at 6.15pm

### **MOONLIGHT IN CLUMBER**

**6 miles 3 hours**



Clumber Park lit by moonlight is an enchanting and mysterious sight. Can you imagine the church by the lake lit by the moon! Join us tonight for a memorable and unusual experience. Note that warm and waterproof clothing and a reliable light are essential. We will be stopping for a drink and snack, please bring your own as required.

**Leader:** Reg Simpson

**Meet:** Car park just to the East of the A614, opposite the Limetree Avenue entrance to Clumber Park

**Grid Ref:** SK646773

Saturday 24th November at 1.30pm

### **FARM SHOP VISIT**

**5 miles 3½ hours**

This is the 7th of 8 'NOTTS NOSH' walks visiting local farm businesses listed in 'Notts Nosh', Nottinghamshire Local Food Directory. All include a circular walk and a visit to one of the business sites (no dogs allowed as we are entering food premises). Today we visit Gonalston Farm Shop, Gonalston. They are butchers, delicatessen, farmhouse cheeses, wines, speciality beers and country cider and local ice cream. For more details call 07719 827808.

'Notts. Nosh' can be downloaded at:

[www.groundworkgreaternottingham.org.uk/fig/local/index.html](http://www.groundworkgreaternottingham.org.uk/fig/local/index.html)

**Leader:** Chris Thompson, Ramblers Association

**Meet:** Lowdham Main Street / Station Road junction.

**Grid Ref:** SK671462

Sunday 25th November at 10.30am

### **ALONG THE LINES**

**6 - 7 miles 4 hours**

**Greenwood**

An introduction to the network of disused railway lines that have been transformed into footpaths and cycle ways linking Teversal, Pleasley and beyond. Please bring a packed lunch. For more details call 01623 721617 or 07957 377352.

**Leader:** Alan Cordin

**Meet:** Teversal Trails Visitor Centre, Carnarvon Street, off Fackley Road, Teversall.

**Grid Ref:** SK478613

Sunday 25th November at 2.00pm

### **MYSTERY WALK**

**5 miles 2½ hours**



Where will Dave go? Will he turn left or right? The only thing he says is that he will return you to where you started off. For more details call 01623 742247 / 743087.

**Leader:** Dave Evans

**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.

**Grid Ref:** SK531711

Sunday 25th November at 10.00am

### **COLLIERIES TRAIL**

**11 miles 6 hours**

**Greenwood**

From Hucknall Market Place we visit the former pit villages of Linby, Newstead and Annesley, returning via Annesley Plantation, Whyburn Horse Farm, Whyburn Farm and Dob Park to Hucknall. Lunch at Badger Box pub in Annesley.

For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson, Ramblers Association

**Meet:** Hucknall Market Place

**Grid Ref:** SK534494

## DECEMBER

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### Sunday 2nd December at 10.30am SHELFORD & RADCLIFFE ON TRENT CIRCULAR

**6¾ miles 3½ hours**

A lovely walk with outstanding views from the cliff tops above the River Trent. Please bring a packed lunch.

For more details contact 0115 9374486.

**Leader:** Bernard Rolls

**Meet:** Church Street, Shelford.

Please park considerately.

**Grid Ref:** SK662423

### Wednesday 5th December at 10.00am A VIEW FROM THE OTHER SIDE

**5 miles 2½ hours**

No, not a ghost walk! This walk is along the escarpment to the south of Langwith to see why and when the various parts were built.

For more details call 01623 742247.

**Leader:** Neil Helsby

**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.

**Grid Ref:** SK531711

### Sunday 9th December at 2.00pm POULTER COUNTRY PARK

**4 miles 2 hours**

The Whaley Thorns walk season ends with this pleasurable stroll to view the local area. The park has extensive views looking over Nottinghamshire and into Lincolnshire. For more details call 01623 742247 / 743087.

**Leader:** Dave Evans

**Meet:** Car park of Whaley Thorns Heritage Centre, West Street, Whaley Thorns, Langwith.

**Grid Ref:** SK531711

### Saturday 15th December at 3.30pm BESTWOOD COUNTRY PARK WINTER CELEBRATION –

#### A TORCH PROCESSION

**1 mile 1 hour**

Join us for a torch-lit walk through the darkening winter woods at this festive time of year. Please bring a torch. Please note: A craft session runs prior to the walk which requires booking and has a charge. It is not a requirement to attend the craft session first.



For more details call 0115 9273674. Public Transport: NCT Buses 15, 88, 89 to Rise Park, Trent Bus 141 to Bestwood Village or Tram to Butler's Hill (tram stop is 1 1/2 miles to walk meet point).

**Leader:** Bestwood Rangers

**Meet:** Alexandra Lodge, Bestwood Country Park.

**Grid Ref:** SK565475

### Sunday 16th December at 10.00am MA HUBBARD

#### CHRISTMAS WALK

**A - 7 miles, B - 5 miles 3½ hours**

Two circular walks in the Edwinstowe area. We will do a morning walk and have a Christmas meal at 2pm at Ma Hubbard's in Edwinstowe. Come and join us and begin to celebrate Christmas. Stop at Ma Hubbards for lunch.

For more details call 07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association

**Meet:** East Lane, Edwinstowe.

**Grid Ref:** SK626666



### Wednesday 19th December at 10.30am BESTWOOD COUNTRY PARK HEALTH WALK

**2 - 3 miles 1½ hours**

Walking is one of the best forms of exercise and Bestwood provides an ideal setting to stretch your legs, wind down and enjoy the fresh air and wildlife. The walk will be at a gentle pace and will include some slopes. For more details call 0115 9273674. Public Transport: Trent Bus 141 to Bestwood Village or Tram to Butler's Hill (tram stop is 1 mile to walk meet point).

**Leader:** Bestwood Rangers

**Meet:** Winding Engine House Car Park, Bestwood Village.

**Grid Ref:** SK556475

**Greenwood**



### Wednesday 26th December at 10.00am BOXING DAY WALK

**2- 3 miles 2 hours**

A chance to walk off those Christmas calories and blow those festive cobwebs clean away. What better way to raise the spirits than fresh air, the company of friends and a Ranger to guide you through the winter countryside. For more details call 0115 9273674. Public Transport: Trent Bus 141 to

**Greenwood**

Bestwood Village or Tram to Butler's Hill  
(tram stop is 1 mile to walk meet point).

**Leader:** Bestwood Rangers  
**Meet:** Winding Engine House Car  
Park, Bestwood Village.  
**Grid Ref:** SK556475

Thursday 27th December at 10.00am

**COLLINGHAM & NORTH SCARLE**

**9½ miles 5¼ hours**

This is an easy walk on the Notts./ Lincs.  
Border. We visit the hamlet of South Scarle  
and its much larger neighbour, North Scarle.  
The latter has a lovely High Street with  
attractive red brick houses and an unusual  
miniature railway that circumnavigates the  
local sports field. Please bring a packed  
lunch.

**Leader:** Geoff Rix  
**Meet:** Medical Centre car park, High  
Street, Collingham  
**Grid Ref:** SK830616

Thursday 27th December at 10.30am

**ANNESLEY AT CHRISTMAS**

**4 miles 3 hours Greenwood**

A chance to walk off the pudding with this  
traditional walk, giving panoramic views of  
the countryside and Annesley Hall. Public  
Transport: Trent Rainbow 3, Black Cat

**Leader:** John Saint  
**Meet:** The A611 Junction with  
Annesley Cutting (100 yds  
south of Badger Box pub).  
**Grid Ref:** SK509535

Thursday 27th December at 10.00am

**A WINTER WONDERLAND  
WALK**

**6½ miles 3 hours**

A winter wonderland walk through Gorse  
Covert and Sansom Wood with, hopefully, a  
stop in the landscaped grounds of  
Papplewick pumping station. Please bring a  
packed lunch.

**Leader:** Reg Simpson  
**Meet:** Blidworth Bottoms Forestry  
Commission car park, off  
Blidworth Lane, 1¼ miles  
South south east of Blidworth.  
**Grid Ref:** SK 595544



Saturday 29th December at 10.30am

**KIMBERLEY TO GREASLEY**

**7 miles 3½ hours Greenwood**

A mid festivities relaxing walk taking us over  
to Greasley and will include a stop at the  
Greasley Tea Rooms. Please bring a packed  
lunch or visit the Tea Rooms.

**Leader:** Reg Simpson  
**Meet:** Car park at the junction of  
Newdigate Street and Main  
Street Kimberley. Space is  
limited but shoppers may use  
the retail outlet car park on the  
opposite side of Main Street.

**Grid Ref:** SK499447

Saturday 29th December at 10.00am

**A TINSEL TREK**

**2 hours**

Meet Warden Roy Turner. Please book in  
advance as places are limited. For more  
details or to book, call 01909 476592.

**Leader:** National Trust  
**Meet:** Main Car Park.  
**Grid Ref:** SK625746



Sunday 30th December at 10.30am

**MAUN VALLEY AND KING'S MILL**

**4 miles 2½ hours Greenwood**

A short walk along the Maun Valley Trail and  
around King's Mill Reservoir.  
For more details call 07957 377352.

**Leader:** Alan Cordin  
**Meet:** New Car Park at King's Mill  
Reservoir  
**Grid Ref:** SK515594

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**JANUARY 2008**

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Tuesday 1st January 2008 at 10.00am

**NEW YEAR WALK, HICKLING STANDARD**

**9 miles 5 hours**

Climbing out of Hickling up to Hickling  
Standard. Down Folly Hall Lane to follow  
bridleway to Old Dalby and return via Nether  
Broughton to Hickling. For more details call  
07719 827808.

**Leader:** Chris Thompson,  
Ramblers Association  
**Meet:** Hickling Road, nr. Grantham  
Canal (Hickling Basin).  
**Grid Ref:** SK692295

## FURTHER CONTACTS

The following organisations organise regular guided walks. Contact them for further details.

### Walking the Way to Health programmes:

#### Hucknall Taking Steps

A weekly programme of walks around the Hucknall area.

Tel: 0115 9640393

#### In Step Mansfield

Tel: 07951 945407

#### Walk for Health in Rushcliffe

Weekly walks starting at 10.30am

Tuesdays: Meet Rushcliffe Arena for ½ hour walk. Wednesdays: Meet Rushcliffe Country Park, Education Centre for 45 min. walk.

Tel: Rachael Terry, 0115 87830000

#### Sherwood Foragers

Short walks around Newark & Sherwood:

- Blidworth Tel. 01623 405691
- Clipstone Tel. 01623 428578
- Edwinstowe Tel. 01623 823679
- Newark Tel. 01623 674702
- Ollerton Tel. 01623 862971
- Oxtun Tel. 0115 9654606

#### Walk & Talk,

A weekly programme of short walks in Broxtowe Borough.

Tel: 0115 9173366

#### Greenwood Community Forest

Greenwood is Nottinghamshire's Community Forest and with a working partnership is involving communities in creating well-wooded landscapes for wildlife, work and education, Greenwood is providing new opportunities for a range of recreational facilities, nature areas and public open space all on the doorsteps of thousands of people.



#### The Sherwood Forest Trust

The Trust and its partners is working to ensure the survival of Sherwood Forest – one of Europe's most important places for ancient trees, along with woodland, wetland and heathland, which like rainforest is very rare!

We rely on many sources of financial support - from major funders to individual donations - to help us protect, restore and recreate these important landscapes for people and wildlife to enjoy now and in the future.

#### HELP SHERWOOD SURVIVE – ADOPT AN OAK

For a £20 (min.) donation you can help plant and maintain woodland and get a supporter's pack including a certificate in your name, or in celebration of a special occasion or person in your life.

**Call Sherwood Forest Trust on 01623 758231 or visit [www.sherwoodforest.gov.uk](http://www.sherwoodforest.gov.uk)**

**Sherwood: the Living Legend** is an ambitious project which aims to win £50m of BIG lottery funding to secure a bigger and brighter future for the Sherwood Forest area.

Make sure you cast your vote in the 'Living Landmarks' TV programme in the Autumn.

**For further details visit: [www.thelivinglegend.co.uk](http://www.thelivinglegend.co.uk)**