

<u>Day & Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Miles</u>	<u>Start</u>	<u>Leaders</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
March					
Sunday 3	10:00	9.0	Devauden	Jenny & Peter	07443 119004
Thursday 7	10:00	11.0	Glangrwyney	JackieH	01594 564417
Sunday 10	10:00	9.0	Tintern	Jenny & Peter	07443 119004
Wednesday 13	10:00	5.5	Lydney	Susan	01594 843389
Sunday 17	10:00	10.0	Parkend	Ann and John	01594562578
Thursday 21	10:00	8.0	Stanton	John S	01594 531096
Sunday 24	10:00	9.0	Grosmont	Jenny & Peter	07443 119004
Tuesday 26	10:00	11.0	Usk	Malcolm & Sue	01594 531227
Sunday 31	10:00	9.0	Hewelsfield	Lynn & Philip	01291 689954
April					
Wednesday 3	9:45	14.0	Kington	JackieH	01594 564417
Sunday 7	10:00	10.0	Lydney	Ronnie	01594 845225
Thursday 11	10:00	8.0	Coleford	Gill	01594 836856
Sunday 14	10:00	9.0	Fownhope	Jenny & Peter	07443 119004
Thursday 18	10:00	8.0	Worrall Hill	Ian	01594 860904
Sunday 21	10:00	9.5	Arlingham	Dilys & Gerry	01989 750434
Thursday 25	10:00	12.0	Redbrook	JackieH	01594 564417
Saturday 27	10:00	9.0	Huntley	Ronnie	01594 845225
Sunday 28	8:00	48.0	Grange-Over-Sands	Ronnie	01594 845225
May					
Thursday 2	10:00	9.0	Minsterworth	Bruce	01242 464027
Sunday 5	10:00	8.0	Newent	John & Derek	01452 790529-790532
Wednesday 8	10:00	36.0	Nefyn	Ronnie	01594 845225
Sunday 12	10:00	8.5	Chepstow	Lynn & Philip	01291 689954
Thursday 16	10:00	10.0	The Speech House	Nick	01594 845194
Sunday 19	10:00	9.5	Llangattock	Jenny & Peter	07443 119004
Saturday 25	10:00	10.0	Cinderford	Ronnie	01594 845225
Thursday 30	10:00	9.0	Worrall Hill	Ian	01594 860904
June					
Sunday 2	9:30	11.0	Cam, Dursley	Steve K	01594 827928
Wednesday 5	10:00	8.0	Coleford	Irene	01594 834811
Sunday 9	10:00	8.5	Ledbury	Alan & Barbara	01989 770976
Thursday 13	10:00	10.0	Llandogo	Ann and John	01594562578
Saturday 15	9:15	9.0	Lydney	Ronnie	01594 845225
Thursday 20	10:00	11.0	Goodrich	Lynn & Philip	01291 689954
Sunday 23	10:00	9.0	Llangynidr	Jenny & Peter	07443 119004
Tuesday 25	10:00	8.0	Nymphsfield	Steve K	01594 827928
Sunday 30	10:00	9.0	Abergavenny	Jenny & Peter	07443 119004

FOREST of DEAN GROUP PROGRAMME of WALKS & EVENTS

1 March 2019 to 30 June 2019

Chairman:	Peter Robins	01600 715719
Secretary:	Jackie Huck	01594 564417
Treasurer:	Ronnie Walker	01594 845225
Walks Coordinator:	Ian Walding	01594 860904
Footpath Secretary:	John Baker	
Membership Secretary:	Lynn Stockley	01291 689954

Members of the committee can also be contacted via the website (fodramblers.org.uk/contact/)

Normal practice is for a coffee stop to be taken on all walks, but for walks in excess of 5 miles it is recommended that walkers bring a packed lunch with a drink unless otherwise stated.

Walkers are strongly advised to be equipped with stout footwear and waterproof clothing. In the interest and safety of individuals, Walk Leaders reserve the right to refuse to take any individual who is not adequately equipped.

The OS grid reference is shown for the start point of each walk. **Please note that the mileages and times quoted are only approximate.**

When on a walk, stay behind the Leader, or at least within sight. Ensure someone knows if for any reason you leave a walk. Newcomers are welcome to two events before joining the Ramblers Association. Details of how to join are available from the Membership Secretary.

If you have any queries about any event please Contact the Leader or Organizer.

DOG OWNERS. Members may bring their dog on any of the walks unless indicated otherwise in the programme. Owners are at all times responsible for their dogs, which must be kept under close control and not allowed to annoy other dogs, farm animals and wildlife and must not be a nuisance to walkers.

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

PERSONS PARTICIPATING IN ANY GROUP ACTIVITY DO SO AT THEIR OWN RISK

This programme is also available online at <http://fodramblers.org.uk/programme/listing/>

We are part of "Ramblers". Registered Charity number 1093577

Sunday March 3 **ST468977** **OL14** **9.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Wern y Cwm car park (20 mins Monmouth)
 Turn right at Devauden, then 2nd right (Kilgwrrwg), car park on right. An undulating wander at a moderate pace through ancient woodlands with spectacular views in good visibility. We will visit an 8th Century Church for coffee and a Norman Church for lunch break. Difficult stiles for dogs.
 Moderate Drink and picnic lunch Leader: Jenny & Peter (07443 119004)

Thursday March 7 **SO231170** **OL13** **11.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Layby between Glanrwyney and Crickhowell
 Through woods and bridleways to Llangenny then following Grwyne Fawr valley to skirt the foot of the Sugar Loaf to Cwm Bwch before the sustained ascent to the summit. Back via woods and country lanes. In poor weather conditions a lower route of 9 miles will be taken. All ascents taken at a sensible pace. 07767351190 o
 Strenuous Coffee and BPL Leader: JackieH (01594 564417)

Sunday March 10 **ST527971** **OL14** **9.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Lower Wynclyffe Car Park (between Tintern and Chepstow)
 Gently undulating walk through Giant's Cave with coffee at Lover's Leap and a lunch break at ancient Penterry Church. Returning via the Eagles Nest. NOTE access via St Arvans IF proposed A466 road works between Tintern and St Arvans have begun: see www.tinternvillage.co.uk Dog owners - some stiles.
 Moderate Bring a drink and a picnic lunch Leader: Jenny & Peter (07443 119004)

Wednesday March 13 **SO638024** **OL 14** **5.5 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Lydney lake parking area off Cambourne Pl. Take Hams rd and Tutnalls St.
 Walk Bathurst Park; Norchard Wood; Lower Dodmore Wood; Redhill; A48 pavement; Mead Lane.
 Moderate Morning Coffee/ Tea stop Leader: Susan (01594 843389)

Sunday March 17 **SO613079** **OL14** **10.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Parkend cricket field
 Circular walk from Parkend including New Fancy viewpoint and Spion Kop quarry. Will be muddy if wet.
 Moderate bring coffee and packed lunch Leader: Ann and John (01594562578)

Thursday March 21 **SP067343** **OL45** **8.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Stanton Village Hall. Please use outer car park.
 A circuit of three picturesque Cotswold villages (Stanton, Stanway and Snowhill), with some good views. Joint walk with Maurice (01594 835371),
 Moderate Picnic Lunch Leader: John S (01594 531096)

Sunday March 24 **SO405244** **OL13** **9.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Grosmont - park considerably in or near main street. Meet by Angel Inn NP7 8EP
 Exploring meadows and valleys then a gentle ascent to Edmunds Tump with wonderful panoramic views over Grosmont and Brecon Beacons if visibility is good. Returning through woodlands. Not dog friendly stiles.
 Moderate Drink and picnic lunch Leader: Jenny & Peter (07443 119004)

Sunday June 23 **SO155196** **OL13** **9.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Llangynidr free car park opposite village hall and public toilets
 Steady ascent up Llangynidr mountain at our usual pace in the morning, enjoying panoramic views if visibility is good then returning along the banks of the River Usk with maybe a short stretch of the Monmouthshire and Brecon Canal. Stiles not dog friendly.
 Moderate Drink and picnic Leader: Jenny & Peter (07443 119004)

Tuesday June 25 **SO794012** **EX167** **8.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Coaley Peak Car Park
 A circular walk following sections of the Cotswold Way to Cam Long Down and the Iron Age hill fort Of Uley Bury.
 Moderate Coffee break & picnic lunch. Leader: Steve K (01594 827928)

Sunday June 30 **SO291152** **OL13** **9.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Upper wide end of Chapel Road
 A summer stroll around the slopes of the Sugar Loaf with one ascent at a gentle pace to enjoy the panoramic views at the trig point if visibility is good.
 Moderate Drink and picnic lunch Leader: Jenny & Peter (07443 119004)



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Wednesday June 5 **SO567129** **OL14** **8.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Christchurch campsite car park off Bracelands Drive
 Walking part of the Highmeadow Trail to Symonds Yat Rock . We then descend to the River Wye .Walking alongside the river until reaching our turnoff to then ascend to the Near Harkening Rock, hopefully to have views across to the Welsh hills. From here we go up to the Buck Stone then on through the village
 Moderate Coffee and lunch stop. Leader: Irene (01594 834811)

Sunday June 9 **SO711377** **EX190** **8.5 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Park in town centre car parks and meet at Market House
 Through town centre narrow streets to climb Dog hill, through Frith Wood and Oyster Hill with some good views. Continue to Coddington, returning via vineyard, skirting Wellington Heath and return.
 Moderate Coffee stop and packed lunch Leader: Alan & Barbara (01989 770976)

Thursday June 13 **SO525030** **OL14** **10.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: White Stones car park
 Through the woods past the top of Cleddon Falls and over the fields to Trelleck, then on to Woolpitch wood with its ancient ironworks. Some steep and uneven ground.
 Moderate coffee and packed lunch Leader: Ann and John (01594562578)

Saturday June 15 **SO635030** **OL/14** **9.0 Miles**
 Time: 9:15 Meet: Swan Road Car Park
 Catch the 9:29am bus (717) to Soudley from Lydney Bus Station.
 Alighting from the Bus at the White Horse Soudley and rambling back via Mallards Pike and the Kidnalls.
 Moderate Picnic Lunch Leader: Ronnie (01594 845225)

Thursday June 20 **SO576197** **OL14** **11.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Goodrich Castle car park (Â£1 charge) or considerate parking on road up to Castle
 Cancelled last year because it was too hot, so we're hoping for sunny and pleasant this year. Anyway if you've ever been on Symonds Yat and tried to understand the meanders the river takes here - this is the walk for you. Beautiful views of the countryside and some lovely riverside walking.
 Moderate Bring drinks and packed lunch Leader: Lynn & Philip (01291 689954)

Tuesday March 26 **SO373012** **EXP190/OL13** **11.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: The Island Car Park
 From Usk via Trostrey Common with great views to the church at Bettws Newydd. Then via the church at Kemeys Commander to the Chainbridge. Return via Usk Valley Walk.
 Pub at end of walk.
 Moderate Coffee stop and Packed Lunch. Leader: Malcolm and Sue (01594 531227)

Sunday March 31 **ST558992** **OL14** **9.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Tidenham Chase car park
 We will explore the area between the rivers Wye and Severn. We'll see some iconic features, including the Devilâ€™s Pulpit and Wintourâ€™s Leap, and lovely panoramas of the Severn Estuary, with its sandbanks and bridges
 Moderate Bring drink and picnic lunch Leader: Lynn & Philip (01291 689954)

Wednesday April 3 **SO295566** **OL201** **14.0 Miles**
 Time: 9:45 Meet: Mill Street car park, Kington (Â£1.60 for day)
 Linear walk catching 10.10am no 41 bus from Kington, Mill Street (bus stop is next to car park) to Knighton arriving at 10.46am. Walking the Offa's Dyke trail back to Kington. Please phone leader (07767351190) nearer the date to check bus timetable hasn't changed since posting this walk.
 Strenuous Coffee and BPL Leader: JackieH (01594 564417)

Sunday April 7 **SO637025** **OL/14** **10.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Lydney Boating lake Car Park
 Walk down to the Docks along the tack, up to Taurus Crafts and then across to Northchard Station before returning to the Boating lake.
 Moderate Picnic Lunch Leader: Ronnie (01594 845225)

Thursday April 11 **SO610107** **OL14** **8.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Cannop Ponds
 A circular walk through some of the forest's oldest and most varied woodland. Some ups and downs, which may be muddy in places.
 Moderate Coffee stop and BPL Leader: Gill (01594 836856)

Sunday April 14 **SO578340** **OL14** **9.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Fownhope Recreation Ground
 We will walk across fields and along the River Wye then ascend to one of the most impressive iron age settlements of around 500BC. Scenic views if visibility is good, a beautiful Art and Crafts Church, and ancient woodlands and nature reserves. Couple of not dog friendly stiles along the river.
 Moderate Drink and picnic lunch Leader: Jenny & Peter (07443 119004)

Thursday April 18 **SO596145** **OL14** **8.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Road to Carterspiece Farm
 Walk from start down Eastbach Road, over airfield and down into Lydbrook valley. Continue along riverbanks, past the Black Bridge along river bank. Eventually climb to English Bicknor and through fields and lanes to start.

Moderate Coffee and Lunch Stops Leader: Ian (01594 860904)

- Sunday April 21** **SO708109** **OL14** **9.5 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Red Lion Inn, Arlingham
 A long but fairly level walk from Arlingham along side the River Severn following tracks, fields and some lane walking with views from Hock Cliff (renowned for its fossils, including the so-called Devil's toenails.).
 Park along Church Road opposite the Red Lion Inn.
- Easy Coffee Break and Picnic Lunch Leader: Dilys and Gerry (01989 750434)
- Thursday April 25** **SO537099** **OL14** **12.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Redbrook Car Park (fee payable)
 Taking the hidden valley up to Newland then on to St Briavels via bridleways, woods and country lanes. Dropping down into the Wye Valley before picking up Offa's Dyke back to Redbrook. May see some early bluebells in Bigsweir Woods. 07767351190 on the day.
 Moderate Coffee and BPL Leader: JackieH (01594 564417)
- Saturday April 27** **SO714196** **OL/14** **9.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Huntley Church
 A ramble with a twist - up and down May Hill, a difference route from the norm.
 Moderate Picnic lunch Leader: Ronnie (01594 845225)
- Sunday April 28** **SD417786** **OL/7** **48.0 Miles**
 Time: 8:00 Meet: Holiday pickup points
 Initial contact Sue Marshall
 Moderate Full board Leader: Ronnie (01594 845225)
- Thursday May 2** **SO789176** **EX179** **9.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Layby on A48 near Apple Tree pub
 From the Layby follow Gloucestershire Way to the river, then follow the river north to just short of Telford's Bridge, and return along the Gloucestershire Way.
 N.B. there are many high styles in very poor condition on the route!
 Easy Coffee & Picnic Lunch Leader: Bruce (01242 464027)
- Sunday May 5** **SO722260** **OL14** **8.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Newent Broad Street Car Park
 Newent Arboretum, Kilcot, Clifford's Mesne & Stallion Hill
 Easy Picnic Lunch Leader: John & Derek (01452 790529-790532)
- Wednesday May 8** **SH306405** **SO/253** **36.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Nefyn on the Llyn Peninsula
 5 day trip to North Wales
 Details From Ronnie Walker
 Moderate Hotel Leader: Ronnie (01594 845225)

- Sunday May 12** **ST526971** **OL14** **8.5 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Lower Wynclyffe Car Park (between Tintern and Chepstow)
 The views on this walk range from close ups of the gorge itself to far reaching panoramas past the Severn bridges and out to the islands of the Bristol Channel. Most of the walk is undulating, but there's a steep climb at the beginning (with a gentler alternative), and at the end (sorry!).
 Moderate Bring drink and picnic lunch Leader: Lynn & Philip (01291 689954)
- Thursday May 16** **SO623124** **SO** **10.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Speech House Woodland Car Park off Speech House Road B4226
 Circular walk taking in Woorsgreen, Steam Mills, Mallards Pike and Speech House lakes along with some ponds on the way. Possibly of a little mud particularly around Woorsgreen if weather has been wet
 Moderate Coffee stop and Packed Lunch Leader: Nick (01594 845194)
- Sunday May 19** **SO213177** **OL13** **9.5 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Hillside Road into Llangattock, left into Park Drive and park considerably.
 We will walk to the Lonely Shepherd viewpoint along tramways, passing Eglwys Faen Cave with stunning views if visibility is good. One gentle ascent to be taken at own pace. Returning through woodland where bluebells may still be in flower. Stiles not dog friendly.
 Moderate Drink and picnic Leader: Jenny & Peter (07443 119004)
- Saturday May 25** **SO624125** **OL/14** **10.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Woodlands Car Park, Near Speech House
 A wander through the forest - taking in sculpture trail, Woorgreen Lake, Mallards Pike, New Fancy viewpoint and other ponds.
 Moderate Picnic Lunch Leader: Ronnie (01594 845225)
- Thursday May 30** **SO596145** **OL14** **9.0 Miles**
 Time: 10:00 Meet: Road to Carterspiece Farm
 Meet on road to Carterspiece Farm about 300 meters from Glos to Monmouth road.
 Walk through woods to Lydbrook valley. Cross to opposite hillside and climb to Pludds.
 Traverse lanes and tracks past Beaver enclosure and climbing to Brierley village. Cross main road and follow gentle tracks back to start point.
 Moderate Coffee and Lunch stops Leader: Ian (01594 860904)
- Sunday June 2** **ST767993** **EX 167** **11.0 Miles**
 Time: 9:30 Meet: Cam Peak Car Park
 A circular walk following the Cotswold Way through Dursley and over Stinchcombe Hill to the Tyndale Monument. We continue through Waterley Bottom and over Breakheart Hill.
 Strenuous Coffee break & picnic lunch Leader: Steve K (01594 827928)