



RAMBLERS

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LODDON VALLEY RAMBLERS' WALKS AND EVENTS

January to April 2026

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- Our walks are on the web site; see www.lvra.org.uk/Webpages/walks.html.
 - Members and walkers are reminded that they attend walks in this programme at their own risk and that they are responsible for their own personal safety.
 - We welcome children and young people under 18 on our walks but they must be accompanied by an adult who holds parental responsibility, such as a parent, legal guardian, carer, teacher or youth worker.
 - Please make sure that you are fit enough to undertake the walk you intend to join. If you're unsure of your fitness level, try a short and easy walk first: it's much better to find a walk a little too slow and easy than to make yourself miserable and exhausted.
 - Most Ramblers' walks are off-road in rural areas. Please have suitable footwear and clothing for the walk you intend to join, and bring some food and drink, even if the walk includes a pub or café break. Leaders may refuse to accept participants who in their opinion are inadequately equipped or unfit. When in doubt, contact the organisers or the walk leader in advance.
 - For your own and others' safety please read and abide by any advice and guidelines issued by the organisers, and the instructions of the walk leader. Though walking is inherently one of the safest outdoor activities, no activity is completely without risk and it is your responsibility to behave sensibly and to minimise the potential for accidents.
 - During spring and summer months there is a walk on the first Saturday of each month; look for the 🗓️.
 - We occasionally have some easier walks in our programme; look for the 🐾.
 - Sometimes we have joint walks with other Ramblers groups in our programme; look for the 🤝.
 - We occasionally have two walks starting together, but of different distances; look for the Y.
 - Some walks are accessible by public transport; look for the 🚊 or 🚌.
 - Walks which are shown as Strenuous are marked with 🧑‍🦺. People in doubt about their fitness should contact the leader in advance.
 - Please travel to the walk start in sufficient time to put on boots & waterproof clothing etc. We aim to start our walks promptly at the time in the programme.
 - Although we may break near a pub we cannot guarantee it and they are often busy at lunchtime on Sundays. It is therefore advisable to bring a packed lunch on longer walks. Please do not park in pub car parks unless you are using the pub, or the walk instructions say you may, in which case the leader will have obtained permission.
 - If you are a dog owner, please see our policy on [Dogs on Walks](#).
 - If you're looking for a led walk in another area or on another day, try the [Ramblers' Walk Finder](#).

Sunday 4th January 10:00, 5.8 miles: A pleasant circular walk around the fields surrounding Burchetts Green. (From the outskirts of Maidenhead, over the A404, through Maidenhead thicket, across field to Burchetts Green, loop around fields, including agricultural college, back to Burchetts Green, returning across fields and thicket to the starting point.). **Start:** [SU857809](#) Maidenhead Thicket: NT CP, Henley Road [SL6 4GL](#) ([51.52113,-0.76540](#)) ///reckoned.showering.thorax. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Stewart M, 0790 151 4832**.

Tuesday 6th January 10:00, 10 miles: Riverside walking to Leander Club then up through woods. Past the turkey enclosures to then pick up the Chiltern Way to Crazies Hill. Back to Remenham Hill for beverages and scones at approx 8 miles and 1.30pm. Final 2 mile walk back to the cars by going down through Culham Deer Park. **Start:** [SU786844](#) Riverside car park beyond the Flower Pot pub Aston. Bring packed lunch [RG9 3DH](#) ([51.55367,-0.86693](#)) ///oaks.hampers.overruns. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Linda A, 0777 612 6663**.



Thursday 8th January 10:30, 4 miles: From Remenham church past Matson House up Remenham Hill. **Start:** [SU770841](#) Careful parking near Remenham Church [RG9 3DB](#) ([51.55078,-0.89030](#)) ///rucksack.music.lateral. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **David M, 0793 224 6232**.

Thursday 8th January 10:30, 6.4 miles: Avoid the mud! Hawley Common to Minley Wood and back past Hawley Lake. A varied and pleasant walk through forest, heathland, lake and pasture. **Start:** [SU850593](#) Hawley Memorial Hall car park - permission obtained - Hawley farm country park, Hawley Green, Blackwater, Camberley [GU17 9BW](#) ([51.32645,-0.78032](#)) ///figs.vampire.lawns. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Nick J, 0778 525 7992**.

Sunday 11th January 10:30, 6.1 miles: Pleasant , varied walk ,around and about Crowsley , Binfield Heath ,and Dunsden Green. Ample parking Caversham Park Recreation Ground Car Park. **Start:** [SU725767](#) Caversham Park Recreation Ground Car Park [RG4 6AA](#) ([51.48498,-0.95630](#)) ///stream.secret.drama. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Ian M, 0742 933 7369**.

Sunday 11th January 10:00, 12½ miles: An undulating walk in the Oxfordshire countryside. We will skirt the McAlpine estate and enjoy the views of Stonor Park. Then onto the edge of Maidensgrove before climbing to Bix and returning to Middle Assendon. **Start:** [SU738857](#) Middle Assendon, layby on B480 opposite road to Fawley Bottom. Bring packed lunch [RG9 6AS](#) ([51.56541,-0.93528](#)) ///suiting.nosedive.racked. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Christine H, 0777 586 0169**.

Tuesday 13th January 10:00, 11½ miles: Five Big Bottoms and a Grim Ditch. Visiting Brockenham Bottom, Drunken Bottom, Pigtrough Bottom, Grims Ditch, Morrels Bottom, Bottom Farm and Lane, Ascent 1260ft. **Start:** [SU630838](#) Large layby on western side of A4047 Reading to Oxford Road, north of Woodcote. Blue P sign on approach from Reading direction (not from Oxford). Bring packed lunch [OX10 6AR](#) ([51.54995,-1.09212](#)) ///crinkled.similar.burst. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Duncan M, 0788 426 6309**.

Tuesday 13th January 10:00, 14 miles: Join us for a longer rural meander to enjoy heaths, woods, lakes and farmland, with only 700ft of ascent. We will finish around dusk, so please bring a torch. Simons Wood, California Country Park, Blackwater river valley, Moor Green Lakes, Ambarrow, Gorricks Plantation. **Start:** [SU813634](#) Simons Wood Car Park, Wellingtonia Avenue, Crowthorne. Height barrier 1.9m. Bring packed lunch. Please call leader(s) if meeting at the walk start [RG45 6AE](#) ([51.36470,-0.83324](#)) ///smug.signal.deeper. **Meet: 09:20** at [SU807697](#) Or meet for car share in Cantley Park CP (CP nearest the road), Twyford Road, Wokingham [RG40 5TU](#) ([51.42126,-0.84048](#)) ///necks.judge.dreams. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Paul L, 0776 858 5657 or 0118 979 0190**.

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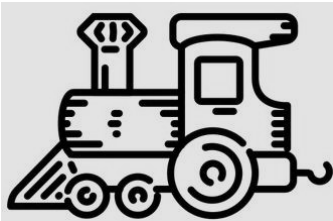
Thursday 15th January 10:30, 6 miles: A pleasant walk from Knowl Hill through woods and fields. The walk goes up to Bowsey Hill, then around Cayton Park to Warren Hill and returns via Ashley Hill. 600 feet ascent. **Start:** [SU822794](#) Lay by off A4 at Knowl Hill [RG10 9UR](#) ([51.50774,-0.81642](#)) ///remedy.prefect.appeal. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **John R, 0796 959 2394 or 0118 979 8703**.

Sunday 18th January 10:00, 5 miles: A walk from Frost Folly car park through Warfield to Maidens Green and to Hawthorn Hill via bridal ways and a little road side walking. **Start:** [SU873726](#) Frost Folly car park [RG42 6EN](#) ([51.44567,-0.74520](#)) ///undulation.sends.water. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Graham St, 0791 340 3345**.

Tuesday 20th January 10:00, 12.3 miles: See winter beauty by walking over and looking at and from Hampshire downs and gallops with a hill fort as centrepiece. There will be just short of 1,000 ft of ascent. **Start:** [SU521587](#) Fieldgate Centre Kingsclere. Bring packed lunch. Please call leader(s) if meeting at the walk start [RG20 5QD](#) ([51.32524,-1.25281](#)) ///galloping.dividing.boost. **Meet: 09:15** at [SU715670](#) Clares Green Road by Spencers Wood Pavilion for car share [RG7 1DY](#) ([51.39767,-0.97244](#)) ///venues.deal.orders. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Richard H, 0788 411 3491 or 0118 988 4118**.

Thursday 22nd January 10:30, 6 miles: Through Crowthorne wood and back through Widmoor Heath. Not too much mud. **Start:** [SU840637](#) Morgan Centre, Crowthorne [RG45 7LA](#) ([51.36623,-0.79347](#)) ///bikes.filled.arts. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **John T, 0118 979 8070 or 0754 897 2170**.

Sunday 25th January 10:00, 6 miles: A local walk from Simons Wood avoiding as much mud as possible. From the Simons Wood car park we walk down the hill to the River Blackwater. We proceed alongside the river towards Horseshoe Lake and enjoy a banana break by the cafe. From the lake we proceed North towards the Finchampstead Ridges and then walk into Simons Wood to return to the cars. **Start:** [SU813634](#) Crowthorne: Simons Wood CP, Wellingtonia Avenue [RG45 6AE](#) ([51.36470,-0.83324](#)) ///smug.signal.deeper. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Nick J, 0778 525 7992**.



Tuesday 27th January 10:00, 11.1 miles: Rivers south of Reading. A walk mostly along river banks, following the Kennet from Theale into Reading and the Holybrook back out again. The walk manages to avoid built-up areas for nearly all its length, following pleasant riverside paths. It touches on some of Readings history, including former mills, the old Coley branch and 16th century buildings at Coley Park farm. Virtually flat. The walk start can be reached by public transport - train from Reading to Theale, then a short walk down to Sheffield Bottom Picnic Area car park. **Start:** [SU647704](#) Sheffield Bottom Picnic Area car park. Bring packed lunch [RG7 4AP](#) ([51.42939,-1.07004](#)) ///asks.bonds.visits. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Steve V, 0774 040 6869**.



Tuesday 27th January 10:00, 15 miles: Tour of woods and hills of South Oxon. **Start:** [SU710820](#) Red Lion, Rotherfield Peppard. Bring packed lunch [RG9 5JX](#) ([51.53245,-0.97782](#)) ///wrong.starfish.forgiven. Difficulty **Strenuous**. Leader **David N, 0770 306 7911**.



Thursday 29th January 10:30, 4½ miles: Lets Explore Waltham St Lawrence. This village has a fascinating history going back to Anglo Saxon times and together with Shottesbrooke, a parish in its own right, it makes for an interesting stroll. Come along and hear how we connect the first vertical take-off jet, The Kings Royal Goldsmith, poor Dicken Smith, who met a very sticky end and selling beer by the pound.

Start: [SU830767](#) The Bell, Waltham St Lawrence [RG10 OJH](#) ([51.48400,-0.80600](#))

///backpacks.custom.physics. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Sally B, 0134 477 4468 or On day 07876141817**.

Thursday 29th January 10:30, 5.4 miles: A town walk through the north and older part of Earley, taking in Palmer park and the river Kennet. **Start:** [SU744721](#) Sol Joel Park car park, Church Road, Earley. Please share lifts if possible [RG6 1EY](#) ([51.44324,-0.92981](#)) ///much.line.photos. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Sue T, 0780 185 4700**.

Sunday 1st February 10:00, 6.9 miles: Braywick Nature Centre to Ray Mill Island. Level and mostly mud-free semi-urban walk to Ray Mill Island and back via Riverside Park and Bray. Some short sections of suburban street walking. **Start:** [SU894794](#) Car park at Braywick Nature Centre, Hibbert Road, Maidenhead [SL6 2RD](#) ([51.50647,-0.71328](#)) ///lush.level.likes. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Colin R, 0773 891 1507**.

Tuesday 3rd February 10:00, 10.6 miles: Whitchurch Hill in winter. Starting from the green at Whitchurch Hill, we will pass Hardwick House and Mapledurham House and then turn north to Abbots Wood. This is a circular walk mostly on tracks so expect it to be muddy underfoot. We will stop for a short break after about 4 miles and again for lunch at about 8 miles. There are no public toilet facilities on the route but plenty of cover for any natural breaks required. We start fairly high at 130m above the river Thames and drop down near the river to 40m - what goes down then must go back up - and its a fairly stiff climb to reach Nuney Green but then its mostly rolling woodland / farmland back to the start. **Start:** [SU638787](#) Road side parking next to the village green. Bring packed lunch [RG8 7NX](#) ([51.50417,-1.08174](#)) ///mush.revisits.jams. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Peter C, 0771 468 3067**.

Thursday 5th February 10:30, 5 miles: Around urban Bracknell between green spaces: Lily Hill Park, Swinley Park, Englemere Pond, Whitmoor Bog and finally Longhill Park. **Start:** [SU887694](#) Lily Hill Park CP [RG12 2RX](#) ([51.41667,-0.72474](#)) ///waddle.likely.pushes. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **David M, 0793 224 6232**.

Sunday 8th February 10:00, 6 miles: A walk through Swallowfield Park and the plantations around Farley Hill returning along part of the Blackwater Valley until it becomes the Broadwater. **Start:** [SU726650](#) Swallowfield Village Hall (Back Car Park) [RG7 1QX](#) ([51.37949,-0.95730](#)) ///pumps.flying.donor. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Richard H, 0788 411 3491 or 0118 988 4118**.

Sunday 8th February 10:00, 10.8 miles: A ramble through woodland, farmland and villages in the Chilterns, and a visit to Swyncombe to see the snowdrops. **Start:** [SU701867](#) Nettlebed, starting by the bus stop. Bring packed lunch. Please call leader(s) if meeting at the walk start [RG9 5AX](#) ([51.57561,-0.98858](#)) ///faster.youths.soup. **Meet: 09:10 at** [SU807697](#) Cantley Park CP, Twyford Road, Wokingham for car share [RG40 5TU](#) ([51.42126,-0.84048](#)) ///necks.judge.dreams. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Susan R, 0796 670 2349**.

Tuesday 10th February 10:15, 11½ miles: Four Wells and a Red Lion. An undulating Chilterns walk taking in Peppard, Gallowstree Common, Stoke Row. Woods and tracks, 800ft ascent. **Start:** [SU709818](#) Rotherfield Peppard: Side road opposite "Red Lion" PH. Please car share if possible. Bring packed lunch [RG9 5LB \(51.53126,-0.97887\)](#) ///march.every.competing. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Jo F, 0797 959 5043**.



Tuesday 10th February 10:00, 15 miles: Choice Chiltern Charm. Chattering and meandering around Lane End, Chisbridge, Shakespeares Way, Hambleden, The Roundhouse and Turville. Circa 1500ft ascent. **Start:** [SU806917](#) Lane End: CP (with loos) by the traffic lights. Bring packed lunch [HP14 3ER \(51.61919,-0.83600\)](#) ///clustered.fries.pulp. Difficulty **Strenuous**. Leader **John G, 0775 486 9152**.

Thursday 12th February 10:30, 6½ miles: Bagshot Heath (Swinley Forest), visiting Rapley Lake, New England Hill, Wishmoor Cross and Deer Rock Hill. Undulating forest tracks through conifer plantations and heathland over mainly sandy terrain should provide a mainly mud-free walk. No stiles. Dog-friendly. **Start:** [SU902629](#) Considerate roadside parking along College Ride, Bagshot. Walk will start from junction with Pinewood Gardens [GU19 5ES \(51.35841,-0.70594\)](#) ///vaccines.financial.rabble. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Mark C, 0790 500 8551**.

Sunday 15th February 10:00, 6 miles: A local walk, passing 2 golf courses and passing through The Coombes and Rooks Nest. This is a mostly flat walk with no stiles. **Start:** [SU797668](#) Evendons scout hut [RG41 4DX \(51.39487,-0.85549\)](#) ///petty.dizzy.fleet. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Margaret T, 0791 700 2202 or 0118 978 8540**.

Tuesday 17th February 10:15, 10 miles: Three lakes, three woods and a garden. A flat, circular walk round Earley and Woodley open green spaces. Minimal mud. Assistance dogs only, please. **Start:** [SU744721](#) Sol Joel Park Car park, off Church Road, Earley. Public transport: Reading Buses 17 (from Tilehurst and Central Reading) Three Tuns stop on the Wokingham Road; Reading Buses Lion 4/4a (runs between central Reading and Bracknell Bus Station via Wokingham) Mays Lane stop on the Wokingham Road; Reading Buses 19a/c (Central Reading / Woodley / Earley circular) St Peters Church stop, St Peters Road. Bring packed lunch [RG6 1EY \(51.44324,-0.92981\)](#) ///much.line.photos. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Mary B, 0755 743 2878**.

Thursday 19th February 10:30, 3.6 miles: A leisurely walk from Simons Wood car park to and around Horseshoe Lake and back to Simons Wood car park. Coffee stop adjacent to activity centre. **Start:** [SU813634](#) Simons wood car park [RG45 6AE \(51.36470,-0.83324\)](#) ///smug.signal.deeper. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Mary C & Roger C, 0118 978 0235**.



Thursday 19th February 10:30, 5.6 miles: Holies Hanging, Lardon Chase and Lough Down. An old favourite walk, across the Thames from Goring, then up into the hills west of Streatley, with spectacular views over the Goring Gap. 600 ft of ascent, most of it in a single hill. No stiles. Start is outside the Catherine Wheel PH in Goring, 3 minutes walk from Goring and Streatley station. If coming by car, park in Manor Road (RG8 9EB or SU599803) and walk the short distance to the pub. **Start:** [SU599806](#) Catherine Wheel PH,

Goring [RG8 9HJ \(51.52145,-1.13685\)](#) ///establish.amends.volunteered. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Steve V, 0774 040 6869**.

Tuesday 24th February 10:00, 12 miles: Will we find snowdrops? A couple of Penns to Holmer Green, onward to Old Amersham returning via Chalfont St Giles. **Start:** [SU968939](#) Hodgemoor Woods CP, Botterells Lane, Chalfont St Giles. Bring packed lunch [HP7 0JX \(51.63565,-0.60226\)](#) ///total.shack.places. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Anushka H, 0779 223 7977**.



Tuesday 24th February 10:00, 15 miles: Circular round Ufton Nervet. **Start:** [SU647704](#) Picnic area, Sheffield Bottom, Theale. Bring packed lunch [RG7 4AP \(51.42939,-1.07004\)](#) ///asks.bonds.visits. Difficulty **Strenuous**. Leader **David N, 0770 306 7911**.

Thursday 26th February 10:30, 5.8 miles: A Spring walk from Eversley Church to River Blackwater path, returning via Eversley Cross. **Start:** [SU779609](#) The Green opposite Eversley Church [RG27 0PX \(51.34211,-0.88173\)](#) ///ruffle.relatives.flats. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Mike S & Zena S, 0797 906 0925**.

Sunday 1st March 10:00, 5½ miles: California Park, Arborfield and Hazebrouck Meadows Circular A leisurely circular walk via California Park, Arborfield and Hazebrouck Meadows. We will head to California Park and then head west to Arborfield Langley pond and to Hazebrouck Park around this SANG (Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace) and back to California Park and car park. Defined paths and no stiles. Please share transport if possible (small car park). **Start:** [SU788657](#) Wokingham: Rooks Nest Wood car park, Barkham Ride [RG40 4EU \(51.38568,-0.86789\)](#) ///indeed.spit.mercy. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Marc C, 0776 463 2899**.

Tuesday 3rd March 10:15, 12 miles: Town and Country walk via Caversham. From Sonning we pass through Balmore Walk, Chalkhouse Green and Dunsden. **Start:** [SU750760](#) Cul de sac at Sonning Eye. Bring packed lunch [RG4 6TR \(51.47798,-0.92042\)](#) ///period.admits.debate. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Nigel K, 0118 979 1740 or 0751 288 0414**.

Thursday 5th March 10:30, 6 miles: Binfield Heath and Crowsley Park. A fairly flat walk through fields and woods. **Start:** [SU746786](#) Arch Hill, Binfield Heath. Park on the road by the recreation park [RG9 4DY \(51.50142,-0.92665\)](#) ///excavate.lighter.enjoy. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Sue T, 0780 185 4700**.



Saturday 7th March 14:15, 7 miles: Woodley and Earley Lakes. A tour of the three man-made lakes to the east of Reading: South Lake, Maiden Erlegh Lake and Whiteknights Lake. The walk also visits High Wood and parkland alongside the River Loddon, and is virtually flat with no stiles. Reading Buses routes 17 (from central Reading) and 4 and 4a (from Central Reading, Wokingham and Bracknell) go to the starting point. If coming by car, park at Sol Joel Park (RG6 7DG or SU745721) and walk the short distance to the Three Tuns PH. **Start:** [SU743720](#) Three Tuns PH, Wokingham Road, Reading [RG6 1LT \(51.44261,-0.93161\)](#) ///herbs.casino.cakes. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Steve V, 0774 040 6869**.

Sunday 8th March 10:00, 6.3 miles: A pleasant walk up the Hambleden valley to Skirmett, returning through woods and along country lanes. **Start:** [SU786864](#) Fee paying car park in Hambleden behind the Stag and Huntsman [RG9 6RP \(51.57182,-0.86653\)](#) ///curvy.rave.repaying. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Chris R, 0771 053 4818**.

Sunday 8th March 10:00, 10 miles: A woodland walk on the outskirts of Marlow (north-west). **Start:** [SU840858](#) Roadside of Pound Lane that meets the road A4155. Bring packed lunch. Please call leader(s) if meeting at the walk start [SL7 2DG \(51.56554,-0.78952\)](#) ///backyards.bespoke.bond. **Meet: 09:15** at [SU807697](#) Cantley Park CP, Twyford Road, Wokingham for car share [RG40 5TU \(51.42126,-0.84048\)](#) ///necks.judge.dreams. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Susan R, 0796 670 2349**.



Tuesday 10th March 10:15, 10 miles: River Loddon Ramble. Flat, circular walk around the River Loddon, visiting Dinton Pastures, Charvil Country Park and Loddon Nature Reserve. Could be muddy in places. **Start:** [SU771740](#) Ashenbury Park Car park, Denmark Road, Woodley. Public transport: Reading Buses 13 / 14 (Central Reading Woodley circular) Brandon Avenue stop. Bring packed lunch [RG5 4RX](#) ([51.46034,-0.89058](#))

///paddocks.bravery.contrived. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Mary B, 0755 743 2878**.



Tuesday 10th March 10:00, 15 miles: Heaths, Greens, Woods and Water. Sprightly Spring Stroll in and around the resplendent environs of the Blackwater Valley. **Start:** [SU813634](#) Crowthorne: Simons Wood CP, Wellingtonia Avenue; (height restr. 1.9m). Bring packed lunch [RG45 6AE](#) ([51.36470,-0.83324](#))

///smug.signal.deeper. Difficulty **Strenuous**. Leader **John G, 0775 486 9152**.



Thursday 12th March 10:30, 4½ miles: Return to The Horns, Bowsey Hill, Warren Row and Juddmonte Farm. **Start:** [SU800809](#) The Horns CP [RG10 8NB](#) ([51.52136,-0.84834](#))

///outbursts.ends.unimpeded. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **David M, 0793 224 6232**.

Thursday 12th March 10:30, 6.8 miles: Badgemore Park and the Oxfordshire Way. Out via the golf course and Lambridge Wood, and back along the Oxfordshire Way and past Dustys grave. **Start:** [SU770816](#) Henley-on-Thames: Mill Lane CP [RG9 4HD](#) ([51.52878,-0.89077](#)) ///drawn.welcome.driven. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Graham C, 0771 999 3787**.

Sunday 15th March 10:00, 6.9 miles: Bisley to Brookwood cemetery passing through Bisley Common and Sheets Heath and along a short section of the Basingstoke canal. We will pass through both the Military and Community cemeteries. Please also note that the first section of the walk passes close to Bisley firing ranges. If the ranges are active on the day, the noise can resemble a fireworks party so not recommended for dogs or those of a nervous disposition. **Start:** [SU950598](#) Car park at Bisley village hall, School Close, Bisley [GU24 9EG](#) ([51.32941,-0.63758](#)) ///nods.music.tune. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Colin R, 0773 891 1507**.

Tuesday 17th March 10:15, 11 miles: Charming and very scenic Spring walk in the Chilterns starting from Woodcote, visiting Hailey and Ipsden. **Start:** [SU645820](#) Woodcote Village Hall Car Park, Reading Road. Bring packed lunch [RG8 0QY](#) ([51.53395,-1.07072](#)) ///flight.skinning.mentions. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Sue A & Sue H, 0785 428 6890 or 0785 506 9324**.

Thursday 19th March 10:30, 5.3 miles: Boveney Chapel and Dorney Common. Along the Thames Path past Oakley Court and Bray Studios, then beside the Jubilee River before returning across Dorney Common. **Start:** [SU937777](#) Boveney: Ramblers CP, Boveney Rd (just off Dorney Common) [SL4 6QG](#) ([51.49109,-0.65079](#)) ///herb.sadly.worry. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Graham C, 0771 999 3787**.

Sunday 22nd March 09:45, 6 miles: Finchampstead Ridges and Blackwater Lakes. Along the Blackwater and up on to Finchampstead Ridges. Returning via Heath Pond and Heath Ride. **Start:** [SU824626](#) Ambarrow Court car park [GU47 8JE](#) ([51.35709,-0.81732](#)) ///trips.stuck.sings. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Jenny S, 0118 978 5447 or 0747 966 3256**.

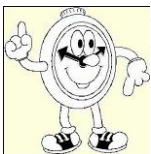
Tuesday 24th March 10:00, 11½ miles: A Circumnavigation of Crowthorne! From the Pinewood Activity Centre we proceed into Crowthorne Woods and make our way past the Broadmoor Hospital towards Wildmoor Heath. We walk through the Edgbarrow Woods Nature Reserve and then up toward Wellington College. Through East Berkshire Golf Course we make our way up to Gorrick Plantation and Ludgrove School. We then return to the cars through Grays Farm and Honey Hill. **Start:** [SU839659](#) Pinewood Leisure Centre, Old Wokingham Rd, Wokingham. Bring packed lunch [RG40 3AQ](#) ([51.38640,-0.79497](#)) ///often.global.shack. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Nick J, 0778 525 7992**.

Tuesday 24th March 10:00, 15.2 miles: Hampden Church, Pulpit Hill, Ellesborough and back skirting Prestwood 1960 ascent. **Start:** [SU865991](#) Prestwood Nature Reserve CP on Hampden Road north of Hughenden Valley village. Bring packed lunch [HP16 OJD](#) ([51.68438,-0.74881](#)) ///lobster.table.inversion. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Anushka H, 0779 223 7977**.

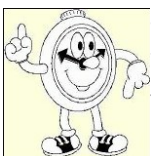
Thursday 26th March 10:30, 6½ miles: Clayfield Copse, Chalkhouse Green, Ladys Shaw, Comp Farm and Littlestead Green. A walk through countryside north of Reading. Mostly on field paths and farm tracks. **Start:** [SU725767](#) Car park at top of Caversham Park Road, next to tennis club and Clayfield Copse [RG4 6AA](#) ([51.48498,-0.95630](#)) ///stream.secret.drama. Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Mark C, 0790 500 8551**.



Saturday 28th March 14:00, 8 miles: Starting in the ever popular Henley-on-Thames we climb from Newtown into the Chiltern Hills enjoying the ups and downs of Henley Golf Club. Admire a thatched cottage before entering some woods and then circling back to Henley. Although this starts from Henley Station it can be joined in Mill Lane car park (which can be very busy) 20 minutes after the walks start i.e. 14.20. **Start:** [SU763822](#) Henley-on-Thames Station or Mill lane car park SU770816 [RG9 1FR](#) ([51.53428,-0.90064](#)) ///important.intensely.switch. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Christine H, 0777 586 0169**.



Sunday 29th March 10:00, 5.4 miles: A lovely walk in the Chilterns, with great views, including Watlington Hill, quiet country lanes and woodland. **Start:** [SU709935](#) Watlington Hill National Trust CP; charges for non members [OX49 5HS](#) ([51.63640,-0.97563](#)) ///farms.polar.landings. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Margaret T, 0791 700 2202 or 0118 978 8540**.



Sunday 29th March 10:00, 12 miles: A circular route through rolling North Hampshire countryside walking through a Wallop, a Cannon Wood, Oak Hills and a variety of copses. **Start:** [SU634483](#) By the old school house just outside Cliddesden, Hants. Bring packed lunch. Please call leader(s) if meeting at the walk start [RG25 2QU](#) ([51.23081,-1.09199](#)) ///during.bubble.plots. **Meet: 09:00 at** [SU733678](#) School Green, Shinfield for car share [RG2 9EH](#) ([51.40458,-0.94626](#)) ///feed.mostly.relay. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Richard H, 0788 411 3491 or 0118 988 4118**.

Tuesday 31st March 10:00, 12 miles: Chance for a Chat in the Chilterns. Perusing Merrimoles, Nuffield Common, Ewelme Park, Swyncombe House, Park Corner and Warburg Nature Reserve. Circa 1200ft ascent. **Start:** [SU701867](#) Nettlebed Green. Bring packed lunch [RG9 5AX](#) ([51.57561,-0.98858](#)) ///faster.youths.soup. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **John G, 0775 486 9152**.



Thursday 2nd April 10:00, 3½ miles: Round and about St James Church Barkham. **Start:** [SU783664](#) Barkham Village Hall car park [RG40 4PL](#) ([51.39159,-0.87537](#)) [///river.standards.fenced](#). Difficulty **Easy**. Leader **Daphne P, 0747 700 9011**.

Thursday 2nd April 10:30, 5 miles: Pleasant walk around Barkham countryside, and the Coombes. **Start:** [SU768668](#) Parking on the side of the blocked off School Rd on the Barkham road side of the Barrier [RG41 4TS](#) ([51.39567,-0.89717](#)) [///spirits.greyhound.sofas](#). Difficulty **Easy**. Leader **Gerry C, 0780 535 6708**.

Tuesday 7th April 10:00, 11.7 miles: Bluebell hunting from King William IV Pub. Striding out via Braziers Park and picking up the Icknield Way we will make our merry way (as in not Grim - its a route pun / joke) to Stoke Row. This is a circular walk. It will be mostly on tracks in fairly open ground with some wooded sections so please expect it to be muddy under foot. Apart from the pub at the end of the walk, there are no public toilet facilities but there will be ample cover opportunities to cater for any natural breaks required. We plan to stop for a short break at about the 4 mile mark (banana?) and again at 8 miles (lunch?). I plan to have a meal (early supper) in the pub after the walk. You are welcome to join us but please contact the pub directly (01491 681845) and say you want to be added to the LVR (my) table booking. You are also welcome to join us just for a drink in the pub after the walk but please do not feel obliged to. Its also OK not to. **Start:** [SU642858](#) The walk will start from the King William IV pub car park. I have spoken to the landlady and we have permission to park in the top car park - behind and above the pub. (Obviously she would be keen we pop in after the walk.) Parking a large group of cars is becoming a bit of an issue these days and many places charge. I would rather support a local pub with my custom than pay to park. Bring packed lunch [OX10 6AD](#) ([51.56772,-1.07481](#)) [///lowest.breeze.cafe](#). Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Peter C, 0771 468 3067**.

Tuesday 7th April 10:00, 13½ miles: Join us for a longer and hilly figure-of-eight walk with 1600 ft of ascent, from Hambleden village, visiting Skirmett, back down the beautiful Hambleden valley to the village, then east to Marlow Common, returning via Homefield and Heath Woods. Drink at the end at the Stag and Huntsman. Bring packed lunch. Dogs on leads. **Start:** [SU786864](#) Meet in the car park behind the Stag and Huntsman, Hambleden. Pay and display. Or careful free street parking either east or west of the church very nearby, and walk into the car park. Bring packed lunch. Please call leader(s) if meeting at the walk start [RG9 6RP](#) ([51.57182,-0.86653](#)) [///curvy.rave.repaying](#). **Meet: 09:00** at [SU807697](#) For car share: 09.00 in Cantley Park CP (CP nearest the road), Twyford Road, Wokingham [RG40 5TU](#) ([51.42126,-0.84048](#)) [///necks.judge.dreams](#). Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Paul L, 0776 858 5657 or 0118 979 0190**.

Thursday 9th April 10:30, 5½ miles: Simons Wood to Heath Lake circular via East Berkshire golf course. Flat no-stile leisurely walk from Simons wood car park, following the Devils Highway Roman Road to Crowthorne Station then heading to Heath Lake via the East Berkshire golf course. **Start:** [SU813634](#) Crowthorne: Simons Wood CP, Wellingtonia Avenue; height 1.9m [RG45 6AE](#) ([51.36470,-0.83324](#)) [///smug.signal.deeper](#). Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Marc C, 0776 463 2899**.

Sunday 12th April 10:15, 6½ miles: Maharajahs Well at Stoke Row circular from Rotherfield Peppard. 500 ft ascent This is the first part of a 10.5 mile walk, with option to either leave or do full walk. Please bring a packed lunch if you might stay. Please car share if possible, and park away from the pub if possible. **Start:** [SU709818](#) Rotherfield Peppard: Side road opposite "Red Lion" PH [RG9 5LB](#) ([51.53126,-0.97887](#)) [///march.every.competing](#). Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Jo F, 0797 959 5043**.

Sunday 12th April 10:15, 10½ miles: Maharajahs Well and Kings Farm figure of eight from Rotherfield Peppard. 800 ft ascent. This will start with the 6.5 mile walk, with option to leave after 6.5 miles. Please car share if possible, and park away from the pub if possible. **Start:** [SU709818](#) Rotherfield Peppard: Side road opposite "Red Lion" PH. Bring packed lunch [RG9 5LB](#) ([51.53126,-0.97887](#)) [///march.every.competing](#). Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Jo F, 0797 959 5043**.

Tuesday 14th April 10:00, 10 miles: A pleasant walk through forestry plantations, fields, woods and heathland. From Eversley Church the walk goes via Heath Warren Wood to New Mill and then through Bramshill Plantation to a stretch along a quiet road leading to Hazeley Heath. From there we return past Warren Hill Farm and across Warren Heath. Only 460 feet of ascent. **Start:** [SU779609](#) The green at Eversley Church. Bring packed lunch [RG27 OPX \(51.34211,-0.88173\)](#) [///ruffle.relatives.flats](#). Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **John R, 0796 959 2394 or 0118 979 8703**.

Thursday 16th April 10:30, 6 miles: Around Remenham. Riverside with lovely views then through Remenham Woods to Remenham Hill. Down through Culham deer park and back along the river through the footpath planted with Spring bulbs. **Start:** [SU770841](#) Remenham Church [RG9 3DB \(51.55078,-0.89030\)](#) [///rucksack.music.lateral](#). Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Linda A, 0777 612 6663**.

Sunday 19th April 10:00, 6 miles: Ascot Heath, Racecourse and Great Pond. This is a circular walk that gives us the opportunity to walk across the world-famous racecourse instigated in 1711 by sporting monarch, Queen Anne; it is also a chance to wander through woods and by the huge lake in Sunninghill Park. **Start:** [SU925687](#) Meet at the free car park area at the eastern end of Ascot High Street (A329), marked <Ascot 6 FREE> [SL5 7HB \(51.41048,-0.67050\)](#) [///index.flying.tooth](#). Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Jane K, 0788 180 5156**.

Tuesday 21st April 10:00, 10 miles: A Spring walk in the Chilterns. A circular walk starting at Maidensgrove and taking in Russells Water, Catslip, Merrimoles, Scotland, Tartary, Bix, Freedom Wood and back to Maidensgrove. Guide dogs only, please. **Start:** [SU712887](#) Maidensgrove, at the eastern end of the common where Park Lane emerges into the open. Bring packed lunch. Please call leader(s) if meeting at the walk start [RG9 6EX \(51.59299,-0.96204\)](#) [///shadowed.scariest.factory](#). **Meet: 09:05** at [SU807697](#) Cantley Park CP (CP nearest the road) Twyford Road, Wokingham for car share [RG40 5TU \(51.42126,-0.84048\)](#) [///necks.judge.dreams](#). Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **David H, 0773 806 7096**.



Tuesday 21st April 10:00, 14 miles: Woodley to Binfield Heath and back via Caversham. Unusual mixed urban and country walk exploring the Thames Valley on the north-east side of Reading and connects Woodley, Shiplake, Binfield Heath, Emmer Green, Caversham and Thames Valley Park. **Start:** [SU771740](#) Ashenbury Park Tippings Lane cp. Bring packed lunch [RG5 4RX \(51.46034,-0.89058\)](#) [///paddocks.bravery.contrived](#). Difficulty **Strenuous**. Leader **Martin L, 0786 025 4249**.



Thursday 23rd April 10:30, 4.7 miles: A leisurely walk from Horseshoe Lake activity centre overflow car park or main car park if full. Along the black water river to and around the new Moor Lakes wetland extension. Returning back along the river to the car park. **Start:** [SU820620](#) Horseshoe lake activity centre overflow car park or main car park if full [GU47 8JW \(51.35117,-0.82390\)](#) [///either.urgent.toys](#). Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Mary C & Roger C, 0118 978 0235**.

Thursday 23rd April 10:30, 6.6 miles: A Watery Walk, counting off at least 3 rivers and 5 lakes, flat easy route will be managed on day to minimise mud, but some may be inevitable. **Start:** [SU771740](#) Ashenbury Park Car Park, Woodley, accessible on 13/14 buses [RG5 4RX \(51.46034,-0.89058\)](#) [///paddocks.bravery.contrived](#). Difficulty **Leisurely**. Leader **Duncan M, 0788 426 6309**.



Saturday 25th April 14:00, 8 miles: Explore the Chilterns and maybe we shall see Bluebells. The Beech Woods around Nettlebed, Nuffield and Russells Water are the places where hopefully we will be lucky. **Start:** [SU701867](#) Nettlebed Village Green near the Bus Stop [RG9 5AX \(51.57561,-0.98858\)](#) [///faster.youths.soup](#). Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Christine H, 0777 586 0169**.

LODDON VALLEY RAMBLERS' WALKS AND EVENTS

January to April 2026

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Sunday 26th April 10:00, 6.8 miles: An undulating spring walk from Middle Assendon, to Henley Park with a circuit round Lambridge Wood in search of bluebells. **Start:** [SU738857](#) Layby in Middle Assendon near Rainbow pub (closed) [RG9 6AS](#) ([51.56541,-0.93528](#)) ///suiting.nosedive.racked. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Chris R, 0771 053 4818**.

Tuesday 28th April 10:15, 12½ miles: Linkenholt and Faccombe from Walbury Hill. Great views (weather permitting) on this walk through rolling countryside. We pass Combe Gibbet on the Wayfarers Walk on our way to Linkenholt, then go through the pretty village of Netherton. We return to the start on the Brenda Parker Way via Faccombe. Assistance dogs only. **Start:** [SU380615](#) Car park to the east of Walbury Hill on a minor road about 2 miles south of Inkpen. Postcode: useless; do not use it in your satnav. (Note: if you go to the CP to the west of Walbury Hill that has a concreted entrance, you are at the wrong one!). Bring packed lunch [RG17 9EH](#) ([51.35186,-1.45539](#)) ///leans.oils.solutions. Difficulty **Moderate**. Leader **Keith B, 0778 046 4115**.

We hope you enjoy our walks. We need more volunteers to lead. We will help you plan your first walk and would love to welcome you to the team. Give me a call – I look forward to hearing from you.

Martin L

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