

# KARREKONNEKT

THE VIEW FROM CARRICK GROUP 1-2019 - 6-2019



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at the heart of walking

Welcome to **Karrek Konnekt**, a new-look mini-newsletter from the Carrick Group. Karrek Konnekt isn't just for members from the Carrick area, but for every other member of The Ramblers from across the whole of Cornwall.

We hope to bring you the latest about everything Carrick, with news, views, events, opinions, updates... and perhaps even a little gossip! (Anyone got any...?)

Carrick (in modern Cornish, "Karrek" meaning "rock") takes its name from the stretch of water known as Carrick Roads in south Cornwall, and straddles the county, linking north and south coasts.

It includes Falmouth and Truro, Perranporth (pictured above) and St Agnes, so there's a range of environments to explore here, including wide, salty beaches, classic countryside, quiet woodland and meandering river estuaries, all within easy reach of the city of Truro.

We're not just hoping to encourage our local group to

get out walking and exploring Carrick, but also to tempt people from other groups to see the fantastic walks this area's got to offer.

In this first issue, Karrek Konnekt looks at "Ten Walks Around Falmouth", a collection of easily manageable walks, compiled into a book by the Carrick Group, which is available to buy.

There's news from Cornwall Ramblers' rights of way team, with a look at a recent success at Tregony, and a brief who's who of the Carrick committee.

Turn over the page for brief reviews of "The Salt Path" by Raynor Winn and "The January Man" by Christopher Somerville, both books based on walking.

## Stroll or stride?

Easy ramble or full-on hike, there's a walk for you in Carrick. Here's a taster *but for full information, see the main listings in this Walks Book.*

**Roseland Coast and Country**  
23 January 11am Moderate 4 miles. Gerrans, Greeb Point, Rosteague

**Shortlanesend**  
2 February 10.45am Moderate 6 miles. Tregavethan, Treworder, Greatwood

**Stithians**  
13 February Moderate 3.5 miles Stithians Reservoir, Penmarth, Penherion

**St Agnes**  
24 March 2pm Moderate 3.5 miles. Trevellas Coombe, Ropewalk Farm, Trevellas Coombe and Coast Path

**Come to Good Meeting House**  
17 April 10.30am Moderate 5 miles. Come to Good, Goonpiper, Penelewey, Come to Good, Tresithick and Tregye

**Mabe Parish's Hedge Paths**  
1 May Moderate 6 miles. Little Palestine, Bounds, Mabe Church, Eathorne



### Carrick Group Committee

Chairman	Lara Beach
Secretary	Lara Beach
Treasurer	Carolyn Hartley
Walks Secretary	Gill Eade
Rights of Way	Bob Fraser; Carol Wilson
Publicity	Stephen Williams

# A lovely old sunken lane with overarching trees



Preventing old paths being extinguished is a vital part of the work of The Ramblers. Here, Carrick Rights of Way officer Bob Fraser reports on a recent success on The Roseland, at Tregony

THE RAMBLERS HAD cause to celebrate when an Order to add over a kilometre of paths near Tregony (Tregony 9 and Cuby 2) to the definitive map – the official record of public paths – was made.

It's a delightful, ancient, hedged lane which existed in 1748 and probably centuries earlier.

There is a likelihood of paths such as this being extinguished in 2026 because of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000, so if there are unrecorded paths near you which you value, your application to Cornwall Council could save them for the future.

There are probably several thousand – with several hundred in Carrick alone – unrecorded paths, or gaps in paths, in Cornwall.

Many of these are shown on the map on [www.bhsaccess.org.uk/dobbin/Project2026.php?idsouthwest/2026Cornwall](http://www.bhsaccess.org.uk/dobbin/Project2026.php?idsouthwest/2026Cornwall)

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We are working with the British Horse Society and Open Spaces Society to record as many of these as possible before 2026 but at present application levels, only a small proportion of the total will be recorded.

In the last three years, The Ramblers has made applications to add 11 paths in the Carrick area but this is really only scratching the surface. **We only have a further seven years before many of our unrecorded paths will be extinguished.**

## How it was done...

In 2003, an application was made to Cornwall Council to add the northern part of the path as a footpath, based mainly on user evidence.

Historical evidence proving the route and adjoining lanes were originally public roads certainly existed, but the oldest evidence was the Martyn map of Cornwall of 1748.

Other sources of very strong evidence were the Tithe documents of about 1840 and the Finance Act 1910 maps.

An Act of 2006 extinguished motor vehicle rights, meaning that the lanes were classed as restricted byways, ie horse and cart, horseback, cycles and on foot – these lanes have always been used by walkers.

The Definitive Map Modification Order process does not add any new rights, it just clarifies and records rights which already exist.

Cornwall Council made an Order to add the paths in 2016. Objections led to a public inquiry, where The Ramblers submitted evidence to the Inspector supporting the confirmation of the Order.

The Inspector finally issued a decision statement confirming the Order in May 2018.

# Ramblers' reads

**Karrek Konnekt recommends  
The January Man and The Salt Path  
for those post-ramble relaxations**

*You're back at home after a long, bracing winter walk; kicking off muddy boots; easing aching legs into a chair by the fire; putting the kettle on; and picking up an absorbing book... the pleasures of a good read, after an equally good walk, are surely undeniable. To paraphrase Stuart Maconie in his praise for The January Man, "you will ache to leave the tube or train at the very next stop and make for that distant ridge, that glimpsed wood."*

## **The January Man A Year of Walking Britain**

**Christopher Somerville  
Penguin £9.99**

"The January Man is a book that makes you want to pull on your boots, grab a map and get out there... Somerville has the enviable power of noticing and describing details so beautifully:

the subtle but once captured so distinct, variations of yellow in spring flowers; the way a kingfisher's garb – iridescent blue and copper in the sunshine, green and brown in the shadows – gives it the power of discretion... the power of place, enjoyed on foot."

*Fiona Reynolds, Country Life magazine*

## **The Salt Path**

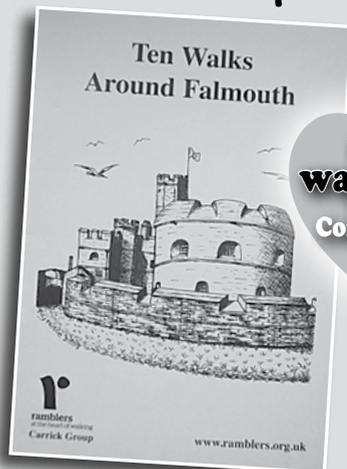
**Raynor Winn  
Penguin £14.99**

"Just days after Raynor learns that Moth, her husband of 32 years, is terminally ill, their home is taken away and they lose their livelihood. With nothing left and little time, they make the brave and impulsive decision to walk

the 630 miles of the sea-swept South West Coast Path... their walk becomes a remarkable journey."

*Cover notes from The Salt Path*

*... and a book of local walks produced by the Carrick Group*



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walking  
love  
Cornwall**

With the help of this book, you'll be able to fully appreciate the beautiful coastline and attractive countryside around Falmouth.

All ten walks are circular, varying in length between 2.5 and 6.5 miles, and have been planned so that walkers can access the start of every walk by public transport – there is also somewhere to park at the start of each walk.

The area covered extends from Constantine to Stithians, Flushing to Budock and all points in between.

To order, at a cost of £2.50 each, which includes post and packing, please fill out in **BLOCK CAPITALS** and send, with a cheque payable to **CARRICK RAMBLERS**, to Mary Weston, 2 Lanaton Road, Penryn, TR10 8RB

Please send me.....copy(ies) of "Ten Walks Around Falmouth"

I enclose a cheque for £.....

Name.....

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.....Post code.....