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### Northumbria Area Annual General Meeting

On Saturday February 6<sup>th</sup> 2016 at 2pm, hosted by Gateshead group

Preceded by a short walk at 10.30am

**Please come – there are important matters to discuss**

Any member with items for the AGM agenda should send details in writing to the Area Secretary at least 28 days before the date of the AGM

### **RAMBLERS' ASSOCIATION OBJECTIVES**

The objectives of the Ramblers' Association are to  
promote walking, protect rights of way,  
campaign for access to open country  
and defend the beauty of the countryside.

**Area Website at <http://www.northumbriaramblers.org.uk>**

**National Website at <http://www.ramblers.org.uk/go-walking/group-finder/areas/northumbria.aspx>**

The Group walk programs can be obtained from these websites without registering  
However, you need to register to participate in the forums and edit content on the area site

In the pdf/screen versions of the book the headings as links to either of the two websites.  
The group title to the left links to the national site and the right hand address to the area.

### Under 40?

#### Try Northumbria Walking Group

<http://northwalk.org.uk> or on [national site](#)

This is a group for people in their 20's and 30's

For more information email [walks@northwalk.org.uk](mailto:walks@northwalk.org.uk)

#### Northumbria Family Walking Group

This group has been set up to offer families a range of appropriate walks.

*For further information contact:*

**Robert Cooper, 3 Roydon Avenue, Sunderland, SR2 7TB**

**Email: [familywalking@googlemail.com](mailto:familywalking@googlemail.com)**

**Website: <https://sites.google.com/site/nfwgroupsite/>**

Everyone is welcome on the walks; You do not have to have children!  
However, you will appreciate that the walks are designed with children in mind.

Please, no unaccompanied children under the age of 16.

### THE COUNTRYSIDE CODE

*Which all ramblers should observe:*

#### **Respect - Protect - Enjoy**

- a.. Be safe - plan ahead and follow any signs.
- b.. Leave gates and property as you find them.
- c.. Protect plants and animals, and take your litter home.
- d.. Keep your dog under close control.
- e.. Consider other people.

### BE SUITABLY EQUIPPED

Conditions on walks can vary with the terrain and the weather, which is often unpredictable. In a few minutes rain can turn a firm path into a quagmire and, when walking on a hilltop a pleasant summer breeze can become an icy wind. Please be prepared. It is recommended that all participants on organised walks wear stout footwear, preferably walking boots, and carry a rucksack. Carry waterproof and warm clothing (don't wear jeans), sufficient food and drink for your walk, map of area, compass, whistle, first aid and, in winter, a torch.

In remote or rugged areas a survival bag or blanket should also be carried, we hope you will never need to use it but it is reassuring to know it is there. Most outdoor shops sell them cheaply and they weigh very little.

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**Walks secretary** P. Ford, Pinewood, Church View, Longhorsley, NE65 8UQ. **T:** 01670 788278

**Meeting Place:** Start of walk. All walks start at 10:30 unless otherwise stated. If weather is inclement, check with leader.

All walks are on Sunday

<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>OS Ref</b>	<b>Miles</b>	<b>Leader</b>	<b>Phone</b>
<b>2015</b>					
<b>Aug 2</b>	Hartburn village circular Meet tbc	tbc	8	Paul Wright	01665 799403
Aug 16	Ingram circular Meet Ingram Bridge car park	NU018163	8	Margaret Wallhead	0191 2364549
<b>Sep 6</b>	Hartside – High Cattle Park on verge before farm	NT976162 OL16	8	Heather Corby	07885 933445
Sep 20	Chatton Park Hill Park in layby east of Chatton Bridge	NU060285 Exp 340	7	Penny Ford	01670 788278
<b>Oct 4</b>	Alwinton to Shilmoor Park Alwinton village green	NT921063	8	Nigel and Janet Towers	01665 830313
Oct 18	Rothbury- Simonside Park Beggars Rigg car park	NU050015	9	Ian Bullock	01669 621289
<b>Nov 1</b>	AGM Newton on the Moor VH 10.30am Short walk at 1pm	NU170053	4	Bill Harries	01665 575129
Nov 15	Ros Castle Meet Hepburn woods car park	NU071248 Exp 340		Derek Gander	01670 787443
<b>Dec 6</b>	Etal to Ford Meet Etal castle car park	NT925392 Exp 339	6	Elidh and Derek Gardiner	01665 574839
Dec 20	Felton circular Meet layby north end village	NU010184	7	Derek Gander	01670 787443
<b>2016</b>					
<b>Jan 3</b>	Morpeth and its river Meet car park by MandS	NZ201859	7.25	Paul Wright	01665 799403
Jan 17	Bamburgh-Budle Bay Park by village green	NU183348 Exp340	7	Janice Clarke	0191 2368850



**Walks Secretary:** Derrick Joanes, **T:** 01289 309581

**Group Secretary:** Serena Dean, **T:** 01289 388668

**Footpaths Officer:** Margaret Anderson, **T:** 01289 305483

**Meeting place:** Wallace Green car park, Berwick (see time at WG) to arrange car sharing, except for walks using public transport as indicated

**Special events:** Away Days (Reeth): 8<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> September 2015.

Festival of Winter Walks: 20<sup>th</sup> December 2015 to 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2016.

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<b>2015</b>					
<b>Aug 2</b>	Mutiny Stones and Whiteadder Reservoir WG 09:30. Start 10:30	NT644579	11.5	Erica Bamford	01289 302559
Aug 9	Hownam Law WG 09:30. Start 10:25	NT814208	8	Elliott Ray	01289 306955
Aug 16	Dere Street (linear) – Advance booking WG 09:30. Start 10:30	NT641245	9	Gemma Banks	01890 820452
Aug 23	Hedgehope WG 09:30. Start 10:15	NT954225	9	Tom Brewis	01289 387524
Aug 30	Happy Valley and Cold Law WG 09:30. Start 10:15	NT976250	7.5	Margaret Anderson	01289 305483
<b>Sep 6</b>	Around Bowden Doors WG 09:30. Start 10:00	NU107338	10.5	Derrick Joanes	01289 309581
Sep 13	Roaming from Hethpool WG 09:30. Start 10:15	NT894281	9	Lesley Angell	01289 306790
Sep 20	Around About Chatton WG 09:30. Start 10:15	NU056283	10.5	Erica Bamford	01289 302559
Sep 27	Wooler Tops – part 2 WG 09:45. Start 10:15	NT976273	10	Morag Forsyth	01670 734122
<b>Oct 4</b>	Akeld Hill and Yeavinger Bell WG 09:30. Start 10:00	NT976273	8.5	Elliott Ray	01289 306955
Oct 11	Abbey St Bathans Circular WG 09:30. Start 10:15	NT762619	9	Helen Rabour	01573 470361
Oct 18	Trowupburn Valley WG 09:30. Start 10:15	NT894281	10	Morag Forsyth	01670 734122
Oct 24	Norham to Etal (linear) Bus 09:05 Berwick Rly Stn/ 09:10 Golden Sq	NT899473	10	Barry/Alison Tymon	01289 305842
<b>Nov 1</b>	Autumn in Detchant Park WG 09:45. Start 10:10	NU083373	8	Serena Dean	01289 388668
Nov 8	Beadnell to Craster (linear) Bus 09:12 Berwick Rail Stn/ 09:17 Golden Sq	NU230293	8.5	Keith Johnson	01289 303767
Nov 15	Around Ingram WG 09:30. Start 10:15	NU017163	10	Annie Watt	01289 307656
Nov 22	Alnwick to Alnmouth (linear) WG 08:45. Join 09:51 bus from Alnmouth	NU185132	8	Julie Yellowley	01668 217262
Nov 28	A Circular Walk from Duns WG 09:30. Start 10:00	NT785539	8.5	Derrick Joanes	01289 309581

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>OS Ref</b>	<b>Miles</b>	<b>Leader</b>	<b>Phone</b>
<b>Dec 6</b>	The Hirsell Estate WG 09:30. Start 10:00	NT840397	8	Helen Rabour	01573 470361
Dec 12	Wrangham to Etal (linear) Bus 10:00 Berwick Rail Stn/ 10:05 Golden Sq	NU001353	7	Josie McChrystal	01289 307706
Dec 20	From Spittal WG 09:45. Start 10:00	NU006516	8	Annie Watt	01289 307656
Dec 26	Horncliffe, Chain Bridge and Paxton House WG 11:00. Start 11:20	NT929497	5	Erica Bamford	01289 302559
<b>2016</b>					
<b>Jan 3</b>	Etal Circular WG 09:30. Start 10:00	NT926395	7.5	Gemma Banks	01890 820452
Jan 10	Eyemouth Circular Bus 09:30 Berwick Chapel St. Start 09:50	NT944645	7.5	Barry/Alison Tymon	01289 305842
Jan 17	Wooler Circular WG 10:00. Start 10:30	NT989282	6	Serena Dean	01289 388668
Jan 24	Heatherslaw and Ford Moss WG 10:00. Start 10:30	NT934385	6	Keith Johnson	01289 303767
Jan 31	Berwick to Eyemouth (linear) Start WG 09:30.	NT999532	10.5	Randi Wright	01289 332630

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**New walkers are made very welcome and car sharing is encouraged.**

Date	Venue	OS Ref	Miles	Leader	Phone
<b>2015</b>					
<b>Aug 9</b>	Beadnall then tea at John Shaws		10	Jo Hall	07833 590060
Aug 23	Blanchland		TBC	Mu Goode	0191 4386820
<b>Sept 6</b>	Coach trip - Holy Island		TBC	John Armstrong	07976 279256
Sept 20	Marske/Richmond-(two Valleys)		TBC	Kath Nixon	07443 892177
<b>Oct 4</b>	Barningham		8	Jim Birkett	07474 666119
Oct 18	Watergate		10	Daniel Green	07951 936470
<b>Nov 1</b>	Bowes and Pastures End		7.5	Stevie Dixon	0191 4282261
Nov 11	<b>AGM</b> – The Whitehills pub, Waldrige Road, Chester-le-Street, DH2 3AB				
Nov 15	Hamsterley		8	Maggie	0191 3711522
Nov 29	Bellingham		10	Jo Hall	07833 590060
<b>Dec 13</b>	Beamish/Waldrige Xmas walk and food		TBC	Daniel	07951 936470
Dec 26	TBA Boxing Day walk				
Dec 27 <sup>1</sup>	TBA				
<b>2016</b>					
<b>Jan 1</b>	NYD walk TBA		8	Bernard Pereira	0191 2859689
Jan 10	Urban walk in Newcastle	NE3 4HS			
Jan 24	Rainton Meadows		8	Kath Tweddle	0191 5120185

All of our walks are mainly circular and around 10 miles, with a shorter walks (where possible) **Please contact the walks leader for more information.****Evening walks** – short evening walk on the second and fourth Wednesday during May, June, July and August. Meet at The Old Civic Centre Carpark at 6.30pm**Thursday Morning Short Walks** – see Programme. Meet 10am at The Old Civic Centre Carpark.**Coach Trips** – Amount must be paid in full at time of booking which is none refundable.

**Secretary:** Vaughan Davidson, **T:** 0191 3894659, **E:** [vandjq@hotmail.com](mailto:vandjq@hotmail.com)

All walks are on a Sunday at 10:30 am and are classed as 'moderate' unless otherwise stated.

If in any doubt about the weather or other conditions then please contact the leader or walks secretary, Rob Green, beforehand.

The second number given is the leader's mobile phone and can be used for contact on the morning of the walk.

Date	Venue	OS Ref	Miles	Leader	Phone
<b>2015</b>					
<b>Aug 2</b>	Hamsterley Forest and Common. Meet at Bedburn Lay-by (DL13 3NW)	NZ100316	8	Ian Turnbull	01207 238193 07891 110669
Aug 16	Durham Hi - Lo walk. Meet at Durham County Hall Visitors car park (DH1 5TP)	NZ268434	10	Derek Mears	01207 580201 07512 748113
Aug 30	Simonburn Common. Meet at Brocolitia car park off the Military Road (NE46 4DB) (£4 charge per car)	NY860712	10.5	Dave Mitchell	01207 290222 07875 844280
<b>Sep 6</b>	Bus trip to Melrose. Meet at 8:00 at Stanley Bus Station. Please let Rob know if you plan to come along.		-	Rob Green	01207 235032 07904 485610
Sep 13	Allendale Town. Meet in the market square (NE47 9DB)	NY837557	11	Jo Davies	01207 237488 07970 057912
Sep 20	Osmotherley. Meet outside public toilets in the village centre (DL6 3AG).	SE456972	8	Kath Mair	07974 288056
Sep 27	Stanhope. Meet at the Dales Centre car park (DL13 2LZ).	NY996392	10	Rob Green	01207 235032 07904 485610
<b>Oct 11</b>	High Force. Meet at Bowlees Picnic area car park (DL12 0XE).	NY908283	8	John Armstrong	0191 3893022 07967 279256
Oct 25	Westgate and Wolfclough. Meet at Westgate car park (DL13 1SG) This will be followed by the AGM at Stanhope Dales Centre at 15:00.	NY909379	7.5	Ian Turnbull	01207 238193 07891 110669
<b>Nov 8</b>	Satley and Hedley Hope Fell. Meet near church adjacent to PH, (DL13 4HU),	NZ117432	8.5	Tony Royston	0191 3832295 07776 261749
Nov 22	Chester-le-Street. Meet at Riverside North car park, Ropery Lane (DH3 3SJ) Pay and Display	NZ282509	11	Sue Patterson	01207 290822 07714 501386
<b>Dec 6</b>	Corbridge-Aydon Castle. Meet at free car park over the bridge. (NE45 5AR)	NY988640	9.5	Jim Birkett	07474 666119
<b>2016</b>					
<b>Jan 3</b>	Bishop Auckland. Meet at the Market Place (DL14 7NU)	NZ211301	7.5	Eric Patterson	01207 290822 07714 501386
Jan 17	Stapelton. Meet outside the Bridge Inn. (DL2 2QH)	NZ263121	8	Vaughan Davidson	0191 3894659 07548 229036
Jan 31	Cornsay village. Meet at the village green parking with consideration (DH7 9EJ)	NZ143435	11	Jo Davies	01207 237488 07970 057912

Please note that the walks on September 6th and 20th are not in our usual sequence.

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Unless otherwise stated, all Sunday and Wednesday walks start at 10.30am and Monday walks at 6.00pm. Short (4-5 mile) Wednesday walks will be followed by an optional pub lunch.

Date	Venue	OS Ref	Miles	Leader	Phone
<b>2015</b>					
Mon <b>Aug 3</b>	Up and down the Browney. Meet Broompark picnic area	NZ251415 Exp 308	4.5 Leis	Richard Dennis	0191 3868453
Wed Aug 5	St John's Chapel Meet St John's Chapel car park (east end)	NY885379 OL 31	8 Mod	Neil Alvey	01388 526928
Sun Aug 9	Bowlees and Coldberry Gutter Meet Bowlees picnic site (DL12 0XE)	NY908283 OL 31	10 Mod	Rachel Orange	07890 761963
Mon Aug 17	Croxdale and Hett Mill Meet Old Sunderland Br. over River Wear	NZ266378 Exp 305	4 Leis	Rachel Orange	07890 761963
Wed Aug 19	Witton le Wear and Low Barns Meet at Witton le Wear (DL14 0AZ)	NZ147313 Exp 305	4 Leis.	John Hillier	01388 765589 07900 054353
Sun Aug 23	Wolsingham and Pikestone Fell Meet Demesne Mill car park Wolsingham (DL13 3DG)	NZ076375 OL 31	13 Mod	Neil Alvey	01388 526928
Mon Aug 31	Cliffs, caves and curious rocks Meet Noses Point, Seaham (SR7 7PS)	NZ436478 Exp 308	4 Mod	Roger Carpenter	0191 3864511 07754 718386
Wed <b>Sep 2</b>	Milkwell Burn and Chopwell Woods Meet Blackhall Mill by bridge (NE17 7BF)	NZ121568 Exp 307	10 Mod	Sue Goddard	0191 3845308
Sun Sep 6	Slaley, Dipton Wood and March Burn Meet Rose and Crown, Slaley (NE47 0AA)	NY975576 OL 43	9.5 Mod	Roger Carpenter	0191 3864511 07754 718386
Mon Sep 14	Frankland and Aykley Heads Meet St Bede's church car park (DH1 5LB)	NZ271449 Exp 308	4 Leis	Richard Dennis	0191 3868453
Wed Sep 16	Middleton in Teesdale to Grassholme Meet Middleton fountain (DL12 0SH)	NY948254 OL 31	8.5 Mod	Tony Royston	0191 3832295 07776 261749
Sun Sep 20	Dufton and High Cup Nick Meet Dufton village green (CA16 6DB)	NY689251 OL 19	10 Mod	Tony Royston	0191 3832295 07776 261749
Wed Sep 30	Barningham Meet Barningham village (DL11 7DW)	NZ085103 OL 31	7 Mod	Brian McK. Brown	01388 607943 07763 155817

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Sun <b>Oct 4</b>	Kibblesworth to Causey Meet Millenium Centre, Kibblesworth (NE11 0XR)	NZ242565 Exp 308	9 Mod	Phil Angus	0191 4213986 07952 240830
Wed Oct 14	Dipton Woods Meet Dipton car park (DH9 9DA)	NZ154536 Exp 307	7 Mod	Roger Carpenter	0191 3864511 07754 718386
Wed Oct 14	Walks Planning meeting 19.00				
Sun Oct 18	Bardon Mill and Allen Banks Meet Bardon Mill (NE47 7HU)	NY779646 OL 43	8.5 Mod	Richard Fletcher	0191 3843193 07974 352372
Wed Oct 28	Bishop Auckland Loop Meet Bishop Auckland Market Place (DL14 7NU)	NZ211301 Exp 305	9 Mod	Alastair and Elaine Simpson	01388 607323
Sun <b>Nov 1</b>	Causey Arch and Beamish Woods Meet Causey Arch picnic area (NE16 5EJ)	NZ205562 Exp 308	9 Mod	Sue Goddard	0191 3845308
Wed Nov 11	Wolsingham – Sunnyside farm and Towdy Potts. Meet at Wolsingham Railway Station (DL13 3BL)	NZ076368 OL 31	4 Mod	John Hillier	01388 765589 07900 054353
Sun Nov 15	Healey, High Plains and Eastwood House Meet Rose and Crown, Slaley (NE47 0AA)	NY975576 OL 43	7 Mod	Richard Fletcher	0191 3843193 07974 352391
Wed Nov 25	Shincliffe Woods (DH1 2PF) Meet north end High Shincliffe followed by Wed. walkers Xmas lunch at The Avenue	NZ295401 Exp 308	5 Mod	Sue Goddard	0191 3845308
Sun Nov 29	Stanhope Denes and Crawley Edge Meet Grey Bull, Stanhope (DL13 2PB)	NY992393 Exp 307	8 Mod	Roger Thomas	07896 04949
Monday <b>Dec 7</b>	<b>AGM</b> Alington House 19.00				
Wed Dec 9	Cassop Vale and Thornley Hall Meet Cassop PO (DH6 4RG)  Xmas Dinner in evening	NZ344383 Exp 305	7 Mod	Roger Carpenter  Rachel Orange	0191 3864511 07754 718386
Sun Dec 13	Barnard Castle and Cotherstone Meet Barnard Castle P.O. (DL12 8BA)	NZ049166 OL 31	7 Mod	Roger Thomas	07896 04949
<b>2016</b>					
Wed <b>Jan 6</b>	Fish and Chip walk Meet Barnard Castle P.O. (DL12 8BA)	NZ049166 OL 31	4 Leis.	Alastair and Elaine Simpson	01388 607323
Sun Jan 16	Rowley and Allensford Meet Rowley Picnic Area (DH8 9AQ)	NZ086478 Exp 307	6 Mod	Tony Royston	0191 3832295 07776 261749
Wed Jan 20	East Hedley Hope Meet at East Hedley Hope (DL13 4PT)	NZ157403 Exp 307	4 Mod	John Hillier	01388 765589 07900 054353
Sun Jan 24	Gateshead Metro centre, River Derwent and Whickham Meet M and S entrance Green car park	NZ217624 Exp 316	7.5 Leis.	Richard Fletcher	0191 3843193 07974 352372

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**Group Website:** [www.northumbriaramblers.org.uk/gateshead](http://www.northumbriaramblers.org.uk/gateshead)

Walks start 10.00am. If there is doubt about the weather or starting point please phone the leader. Dogs not permitted(except guide dogs). Additional information on walks is available on new groups page on the national Ramblers website [www.ramblers.org.uk/Gateshead](http://www.ramblers.org.uk/Gateshead)

Date	Venue	OS Ref	Miles	Leader	Phone
<b>2015</b>					
Aug 1	Seaham Harbour and Tommy.CAR PARK opp. Seaham Hall hotel.	NZ422507 Exp 308	10.5	Sheila and Keith Smith	0191 3884958
Aug 8	Northumberland coastal path in three easy stages. <b>Stage 1</b> Meet Alnmouth beach by Lifeboat station return by public transport.		9	Beth Smith	0191 4881631
Aug 15	Snods Edge. DH8 9TJ. Linear walk, arrangements will be made to leave some cars at Wheelbirks.	NZ064525 Exp 307	11	Doug Moffatt	07812 377521
Aug 22	Middleton in Teesdale. DL12 0QG	NY949253 OL31	11	Alan Barber	07887 912012
Aug 29	Northumberland coastal path. <b>Stage 2</b> Meet Craster information centre CAR PARK Return by public transport		8.5	Beth Smith	0191 4881631
Sep 5	“Wall Watch Walk” Steel Rigg CAR PARK(charge). NE47 7AW	NY751676	10-12 mod	J andA Emslie	07989 765351
Sep 12	Northumberland coastal path. <b>Stage 3</b> Meet at Seahouses main car park. Return by public transport.		8	Beth Smith	0191 4881631
Sep 19	Group holiday to Portugal				
Sep 26	Group holiday				
Oct 3	Kirkwhelpington. Park on A 696 just before turn off to village.	NY994843	10.5	Brenda Wilson	07939 164033
Oct 10	Allenheads.	NY860453	9.5	David Mottershead	0191 4820173
Oct 17	Westgate. DL13 1JJ	NY906380 Exp 307	10	Doug Moffatt	07812 377521
Oct 24	Gibbs Hill -Greenlee Lough-Wark forest. NE47 7AP	NY748689	10	Jim Birkett	07474 666119
Oct 31	Red Kite trail. Park Lintzford lay-by	NZ146569 Exp 307	11	Anne Heffernan	07761 711722

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<b>Nov 7</b>	Allensford	NZ077502	10	Keith Bradley	0191 3867128
Nov 14	<b>AGM</b> St Mary's church hall Whickham at 1pm. There will be a short walk before, meet at church green.			Brenda Nunn	0191 4884677
Nov 21	Bowlee's visitor centre CAR PARK DL12 0XF	NY907283 LR 92	10	Peter Blacklock	07791 866915
Nov 28	Featherstone Rowfoot-South Tyne trail. Park at Featherstone on trail.NE49 0JP	NY681607	10	Jim Birkett	07474 666119
<b>Dec 5</b>	Mountsett. Park old road near Plough PH NE16 6BA	NZ166550 Exp 307	11	Peter Blacklock	07791 966915
Dec 12	Angel of the North going West. Park in Angel car park	NZ263554	8	Dave Marshall	0191 4104922
Dec 19	Raylees Common Raving. Park track junction with A696	NY945893 OL42	10	H and V Horsler	07918 604953
Dec 31 (Thurs)	Cross Fell. End the year on a high point! Start at Kirkland CA10 1RN (if weather bad an alternative will be found)	NY647325 OL31	8	Doug Moffatt	07812 377521
<b>2015</b>					
<b>Jan 2</b>	Wannie Line. Scots Gap car park behind NT centre <b>10.30</b> start.	NZ038864 OL42	7	Hilary Clark	0191 4143643
Jan 9	Causey Arch	NZ205561	10	Colin Goodfellow	0191 4692948
Jan 16	New Year meal. Venue TBA. Deposits to Ann.			Ann Mottershead	0191 4820173
Jan 23	"Wash out the old" Wansbeck riverside CAR PARK. NE63 8TX	NZ259864	9 easy	J and A Emslie	07989 765351
Jan 30	Area AGM. Venue TBA please check group website for further information or phone.			John and Alison Emslie	07989 765351



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Walks start at 10.15 am, at OS ref. point, on Map OL43, unless otherwise indicated. We encourage car-sharing so please ring walk leader for more walk details or help with transport.

Check <http://www.ramblers.org.uk/go-walking/group-finder/areas/northumbria/groups/hexham.aspx> for any late changes, or ring walk leader.

Registered assistance dogs only.

Date	Venue	OS Ref	Miles	Leader	Phone
<b>2015</b>					
Aug 2	Amble. Walk to Low Hauxley and return and/or boat trip to Coquet Island to see puffins before they leave. Details from Mavis	Exp 332		Mavis Harris	01661 852229
Aug 9	Lake District by coach. Either a strenuous high level walk or a low level moderate lakeside walk. More details from Josie or Cath.			Cath.Chaytor Josie Bennington	01661 842293 07791 102781
Aug 16	Kingslaw Plantation Whitley Chapel	NY 903544	8-9	Ros Blaylock	01434 604639
Aug 23	Lordenshaws car park near Rothbury.	NZ 053988 OL42	11	Alison Watson	01434 606535
Aug 30	Ladycross Quarry, Slaley	NY954551	7	Carole Byron	01434 688223
Sep 6	Allendale	NY835557	10-11	Carol Sanderson	01434 602431 07718 248502
Sep 13	Alwinton Car Park	NT919064 Exp OL16	8	Jenny Harrington	01434 681619 07747 801491
Sep 20	Fontburn Reservoir	NZ047938 OL42	10	Josie Lowden	07891 784933
Sep 27	Slaley	NY970577	7	Julia Forster	0191 4131724 07982 013423
Oct 4	Colwell	NY954754	10.4	Jill Bungay	01830 540173
Oct 11	Haltwhistle	NY709643	8	Cathy Chaytor	01661 842293
Oct 18	Alnham	NT991109 OL16	9	Josie Lowden	07891 784933
Oct 25	Elks Head pub car park Whitfield	NY781570	8.4	Cliff Wood	0191 4139827
Nov 1	Fontburn Reservoir	NZ047939 OL42	8	Jill Bungay	01830 540173
Nov 8	<b>AGM</b> at Hexham Community Centre Gilesgate, NE46 3NP. Meet at <b>10.00 am</b> for short walk.			Ken Hughes	01434 608661
Nov 15	Allen Banks car park (charge if not member of NT)	NY798641	10	Brigitte Armstrong	0191 4133416
Nov 22	Allensford	NZ078503	7	Julia Forster	0191 4131724 07982 013423
Nov 29	Whitley Chapel	NY928578	10-11	Carol Sanderson	01434 602431

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>OS Ref</b>	<b>Miles</b>	<b>Leader</b>	<b>Phone</b>
<b>Dec 6</b>	Bardon Mill	NY782645	7	Cliff Wood	0191 4139827
Dec 13	Catton	NY825575	6	Carole Byron	01434 688223
Dec 20	Allendale	NY835557	8	Iain Stedman	01434 683291
Dec 27	Simonburn	NY875735	4-5	Margaret Brough	01434 689353
<b>2016</b>					
<b>Jan 3</b>	Barrasford Xmas meal + short walk	NY915735		Jill Bungay	01830 540173
Jan 10	Hexham. Tyne Green Car Park	NY937647	9	Carol Sanderson	01434 602431
Jan 17	Beaufront, near Hexham	NY957664	5-6	Ros Blaylock	01434 604639
Jan 24	Prudhoe Country Park	NZ086634 Exp 316	9	Ruth Robards	01434 600574
Jan 31	The Bridge ( library ) next to Haydon Bridge Station	NY842645	7	Ann Nicholson	01434 684639

**Secretary:** Vicky Ludbrook. **T:** 01670 511570

**Meeting Place:** Car Park next to Morpeth Library at 9.00 am unless otherwise indicated

<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>OS Ref</b>	<b>Miles</b>	<b>Leader</b>	<b>Phone</b>
<b>2015</b>					
<b>Aug 9</b>	Ovingham Circular	NZ054613	10	Jenny Ellis	01670 512322
Aug 23	Hartside/High Cantle Circular	NT975162	8	Bill Siggins	01670 518032
<b>Sep 13</b>	Ingram Circular	NU018163	10	Neil Allender	0191 2743930
Sep 27	Once Brewed/Vindolanda Circular	NY753669	8	Jenny Ellis Vicky Ludbrook	01670 512322 01670 511570
<b>Oct 11</b>	Padon Hill Circular	NY824917	7	Pat Rathbone	01670 519977
Oct 25	Hepple Circular	NT982003	9	Diana Aynsley	0191 2376079
<b>Nov 8</b>	Felton Circular	NU184010	8	Derek Gander	01670 787443
Nov 22	Stamfordham Circular	NZ079721	8	Bill Siggins	01670 518032
<b>Dec 13</b>	Jesmond Dene Circular <b>10 am start from Regents Centre</b>	NZ243687	8	Jenny Ellis Julia Birchall	01670 512322 01670 852358
<b>2016</b>					
<b>Jan 10</b>	Causey Park Circular	NZ189945	5	Julia Birchall	01670 852358
Jan 24	Saltwell Park Circular <b>10 am start from Haymarket Metro</b>	NZ248649	7½	Vicky Ludbrook	01670 511570

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Walks start at 10.30 a.m. and are circular unless stated otherwise.

**Registered Assistance Dogs only are allowed on our walks, but we recommend that owners check in advance with the leader or co-ordinator about the suitability of the walk e.g. stiles, livestock, etc.**

Date	Venue	OS Ref	Miles	Leader	Phone
<b>2015</b>					
Aug 1	<b>Allensford and Shotley Bridge</b> Park at Allensford Country Park (SW of Consett and just off the A680) We follow the river as it flows NE and we can expect an abundance of fauna and flora. We turn west to return through fields and farms. No steep gradients and no stiles.	NZ076503 DH8 9BA	5.5	Thelma Stelfox and Eileen Devine	0191 4386938
Aug 15	<b>Flodden Field.</b> A tour of the battlefield and its history, and a walk through the surrounding countryside. Meet at 10.30 am at car park at top end of Wooler, then to site in convoy.	NT989282 NE71 6EQ	6.5	Neville Dickinson	01670 517303
Aug 29	<b>Washington /Sunderland Riverside.</b> Meet at Wetlands car park This is a riverside walk with a couple of gentle climbs up to a ridge and a disused railway footpath..	NZ330562 NE38 8QU	6.25	Marion Marriot and friends	0191 4168613
Sept 12	<b>Barnard Castle/Egglestone Abbey.</b> We start with a tour of "Old Barny" then follow the river as it leads to the ruined Egglestone Abbey.Park at Bowes Museum.	NZ055163 DL12 8NP	5	Owen and Pat Oliver	07932 671311
Sept 26	<b>Annual Away Day at Reeth</b> (Yorkshire) A walk in the Dales followed by a meal together at the Buck Inn. Booking essential, contact Anne Thompson. <b>By coach, leave 0930. Regent's Centre</b> The walk is a "sampler" of Dales variety. It begins with an excursion north into a valley which gives a glimpse of the wild upper reaches, before turning south and heading for the meadows of Swaledale.	NZ243687 NE3 2JZ	6	Neville Dickinson	01670 517303
Oct 10	<b>Druridge Bay Country park.</b> A day at the seaside with plenty of ponds and bird life...the fresh air is free. Likelihood of kites and windsurfing From the A1068 take turning E, about 3 miles S of Amble, opposite Hadston Jctn.	NZ271998 NE61 5BX	6	David Moore and friends	0191 2852925
Oct 24	<b>Allenbanks.</b> An old favourite taking in Plankey Mill and Staward Pele. Some steep/tricky sections as we climb out of the valley near Staward Pele. National Trust car park near Ridley Hall.	NY798640 NE47 7BP	5.5	Derek Coleman	0191 2670890

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Nov 7	<b>East Rainton and Pitlington.</b> An easy walk through the pleasant Durham countryside, with panoramic views over Low Pitlington --and beyond. Meet adjacent to St. Cuthbert's Church, Quarry House Lane, East Rainton on A690	NZ335477 DH5 9SB	5	Edna Hunter and friends	0191 3889570
Nov 21	<b>Witton/Langley Park and Ushaw College.</b> Exploring the mining villages of Durham and a monastic site. Includes a couple of steepish ascents but then flat or downhill as we approach Esh village. From A167 turn west at Framwellgate Moor onto A691. At roundabout signed Langley Park turn left to village. As you enter it turn immediately left after crossing small bridge over the river, and car park is 100 yds on right near the old station.	NZ216462 DH7 6TW	5.3	Stan Smith	07591 824746
Dec 5	<b>Ponteland, High Callerton and Airport</b> A triangular walk from Ponteland towards High Callerton, then we head towards the airport. The track of an earlier form of mass transport provides the route back to base. Start/park at Memorial Hall, Darras Road.	NZ163727 NE20 9PU	5	David Moore And friends	0191 2852925
Dec 19	<b>Blaydon Burn, Stargate and Pathhead.</b> Following Blaydon Burn we reach Stargate ponds, observing the remnants of its industrial past. At Pathhead we find a restored Watermill, then descend to the town....possibly Pomfret's Coffee Shop. Park at main Blaydon car park, train and bus stations nearby. Meet outside McDonalds.	NZ185635 NE21 5BY	4	David Armstrong	0191 4604994
<b>2016</b>					
Jan 9	<b>Newcastle Quayside to South Gosforth.</b> A linear walk from the Millenium Bridge following the Ouseburn to South Gosforth. Car users advised to use Metro and Park and Ride CAR PARK.	NZ257641 NE1 3DX	5.75	Lillian Shearing and friends	0191 2189323
Jan 23	<b>Rising Sun Country Park.</b> Easy walking with minimum climbs through farmland, some woods and ponds. Off the A191 to the north of Wallsend. Meet/park at Visitors' Centre, NE of Asda .	NZ303695 NE12 9SZ	5.5	Pauline Sewell	0191 4207604

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**Secretary** Stephen Edwards, T: 01661 886310**Footpaths Officer** Colin Braithwaite, T: 01661 822929**Meeting Place** Thornhill Road Car Park Ponteland  
Walks are mainly circular by car pool to start point**Sunday Walks** meet at 10:00 am unless otherwise indicated on the programme.

Date	Venue	OS Ref	Miles	Leader	Phone
<b>2015</b>					
Aug 2	High Shincliffe		7	Dara Dastur	0191 3881279
Aug 16	Belsay/Bolam		8	Colin Braithwaite	01661 822929
Aug 30	South Middleton		8.5	Marjorie Scarlett	01661 824801
Sep 13	Cresswell	NZ289938	9	Alan Mitcham	01661 823960
Sep 27	Wolsingham	NZ076376	7.5	Don Marshall	01207 560323
Oct 11	Elsdon	NY936932	7	Hazel Walker	01670 717745
Oct 25	T.B.C.			Jean Trimble	01661 823515
Nov 8	Broompark		7	Dara Dastur	0191 3881279
Nov 22	Longframlington Area		8.5	Marjorie Scarlett	01661 824801
Dec 6	Bolam	NZ093826	7	Jill Bungay	01830 540173
Dec 20	Stamfordham – Mince Pie Walk	NZ078721	7.5	Steve Edwards	01661 886310
<b>2016</b>					
Jan 3	Lowgate	NY896639	6.5	Steve Edwards	01661 886310
Jan 17	T.B.C.			Colin Braithwaite	01661 822929
Jan 31	T.B.C.			Jean Finch	01661 823453

**Wednesday Walks: The second and fourth Wednesday in every month.** Meet at 9.30 am prompt. Usually half day local walks followed by an optional pub lunch. Occasionally half or full day walks travelling further afield.

For further information contact John Le Rolland Tel 01661 825408

**Ponteland Group AGM**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2015 at 7.30pm in St Mary's Church Hall, Ponteland

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**Footpath Officer:** Mr. C. Bittlestone

All walks start at 10.30am, unless otherwise stated. In cases of bad weather, CONTACT LEADER

**Sunday Walks**

Date	Venue	OS Ref	Miles	Leader	Phone
<b>2015</b>					
<b>Aug 2</b>	Hamsterley. Meet at W.M.C.	NZ115310	9	John Todd Celia Donaldson	0191 5171935 0191 5265294
Aug 16	Cresswell Circular. Meet North of village on sea road	NZ287938 Exp325	8.5	Dennis Borley	0191 4920029
Aug 30	Longhorsley. Meet at Football Ground	NZ146946	9	David Marshall	0191 4104922
<b>Sept 13</b>	Thornley Meet in village	NZ116372	9	John Todd Celia Donaldson	0191 5171935 0191 5265294
Sept 27	Blanchland. Meet in Carpark	NY965504	8.75	David Hann	0191 5120567
<b>Oct 11</b>	Newburn - Tyne Riverside Country Park. Lunch at Big Lamp?	NZ158654	6	Gordon Lindsley	0191 5202152
Oct 25	Wall. North-East of Hexham	NY918694	8.5	David Hann	0191 5120567
<b>Nov 8</b>	Rainton Meadows	NZ325486	8	Mel Brown	0191 4165560
Nov 22	Watergate Park, near Lobley Hill and Whickham. Meet at playing fields near park	NZ229607	~8	John Routledge	0191 5286966
<b>Dec 6</b>	Sunderland Bridge	NZ265378	7	David Hann	0191 5120567
Dec 20	No walk planned				
Dec 23	No walk planned				
Dec 30	No walk planned				
<b>2016</b>					
<b>Jan 3</b>	No walk planned				
Jan 17	Herrington Park. Meet top carpark	NZ334539	~8	John Routledge	0191 5286966
Jan 31	Ushaw Moor. Meet picnic area between Ushaw Moor and Esh Winning	NZ219428 Exp306	8-9	Dennis Borley	0191 4920029

**Wednesday Walks**

Date	Venue	OS Ref	Miles	Leader	Phone
<b>2015</b>					
<b>Aug 5</b>	Low and High Coniscliffe. Meet at lay-by near.Baydale Beck Public House on A67	NZ 252141 Exp304	8	Dennis Borley	0191 4920029
Aug 12	Slaley, via Dukesfield, Devil's Water and Slaley Forest. Park with care in village	NY977577	8	Jim Birkett	07474 666119
Aug 19	Witton-le-Wear Circular. Meet Witton le Wear	NZ147313 Exp305	10.5	Brian Myers	01642 313446
Aug 26	Eggleston Circular. Meet in village. Park with care	NY997235	9	John Todd Celia Donaldson	0191 5171935 0191 5265294

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>OS Ref</b>	<b>Miles</b>	<b>Leader</b>	<b>Phone</b>
<b>Sept 2</b>	Cold Heseldon. Meet Pemberton Arms	NZ411 466	TBA	David Hann	0191 5120567
Sept 9	Elwick. Meet Spotted Cow P/H.	NZ455322	8.5	Gordon Lindsley	0191 5202152
Sept 16	Wingate Quarry to Old Cassop Meet Wingate Quarry Nature Reserve in Carpark	NZ371373 Exp 305	10.5	Brian Myers	01642 313446
Sept 23	Brussleton Circular. Meet Royal Oak Car Park	NZ205239 Exp 305	9	David Strong	07837 171719 01325 314586
Sept 30	Roker Blockyard. Walk to South Shields and catch Bus back. Bring your Bus pass This is a linear walk	NZ409585	7.5	John Gouge	0191 5842034
<b>Oct 7</b>	No walk planned				
Oct 14	Escomb Walkabout. Meet in village near church	NZ188303	8	Dennis Borley	0191 4920029
Oct 21	New Kyo. Meet Fry Inn Fish Shop	NZ177516	8	David Marshall	0191 4104922
Oct 28	A.G.M. Houghton Rugby Club Rainton Meadows shortwalk	NZ337497	4-5	John Gouge	0191 5842034
<b>Nov 4</b>	Wolsingham to the West. Demesne Picnic Area.	NZ076375 OL31	8.5	Brian Myers	01642 313446
Nov 11	Tudhoe village. Meet in village	NZ258357	~8	John Routledge	0191 5286966
Nov 18	Pittington. Park with care in village	NZ327448	8.5	Jim Birkett	07474 666119
Nov 25	Ryhope. Parking in village	NZ411528	7.5	Jim Birkett	07474 666119
<b>Dec 2</b>	Rainton Meadows	NZ325486	~8	John Routledge	0191 5286966
Dec 9	Langley Park. Meet outside Diggerland	NZ213452	~8	John Routledge	0191 5286966
Dec 16	Christmas Walk. Biddick Club	NZ309 538	4-5	Gillian and Bill Darbyshire	0191 4172797
Dec 23	No walk planned				
Dec 30	No walk planned				
<b>2016</b>					
<b>Jan 6</b>	Sunderland Ski Slope. Meet main carpark in front of reception	NZ377541	~8	Gordon Lindsley	0191 5202152
Jan 13	Hetton Lyons Park. Meet carpark off B1285	NZ362470	~8	John Routledge	0191 5286966
Jan 20	Hurbuck Cottages near Lanchester	NZ134485	TBA	John Todd Celia Donaldson	0191 5171935 0191 5265294
Jan 27	Bishop Auckland. A689 North side of Newton Cap Viaduct	NZ205306	TBA	Jim Birkett	07474 666119

**For further information or last minute changes** in the program, please use the Ramblers Association: Local Groups Website to view the Walkfinder list of walks or contact  
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The Tyneside Group will be delighted to welcome new walkers at any or all of its four sub-Groups. Every week, on Sundays and Wednesdays, there are organised walks based on coach transport. It's best to book in advance to ensure a seat because it is not unknown for the coaches to be full. Payment is usually made a week in advance but, for those making a late booking, there are arrangements for payment on the coach. New walkers with us should contact the relevant Coach Organiser by telephone in the first instance. Details are shown in the following pages. Coach Organisers will happily advise you about administrative arrangements concerning advance bookings and cancellations. There is a choice of several walks on each outing. These usually start from different points en route but converge to meet the coaches for the return journey. Walks invariably end at a pub for refreshments and socialising. The return times given are from the departure point, not the arrival in Newcastle. For safety reasons, walkers must stay with the organised ramble that they have chosen.

There is also a variety of Social Activities to join in. Non-members are welcome.

### **'Bit of a Do'**

The **Tyneside Group Sunday Ramblers** is having a 'Bit of a Do' on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November.

The event will take place at **Gilsland Spa** and after the day's walking, there will be dining and dancing. Changing facilities will be provided and you will get all this for.....- the price has yet to be negotiated but last year it was £21 (including coach fare).

Please contact Margaret Pattinson (tel. 0191 2845513) or Myra Wiseman (tel. 01661 852832) for more details or to reserve a place on a coach.

### **'New Year 'Bit of a Do'**

The **Tyneside Group Sunday 9.30 am Start Ramblers** are having a 'Bit of a Do' on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> January.

The event will take place at the Coquetvale Hotel in Rothbury and after the days walking, there will be dining and dancing. Changing facilities will be available. We are awaiting final details on price but it will be about £22.50 (including the coach fare). Please contact Margaret Pattinson for more details or to reserve a place.

### **Tyneside Group AGM**

**Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> January 2016 at Brunswick Methodist Church Hall**

**Meeting starts at 19:30. Registration from 19:00**

All proposals and nominations for the Committee to be sent to  
the Secretary by the beginning of December 2015

**Sunday Walks - 09.30 am Start, Earlier Return****Coach Organiser:** Myra Wiseman, T: 01661 852732**E:** [myrawiseman@gmail.com](mailto:myrawiseman@gmail.com)**Walks Coordinator:** Ron Robinson T: 01661 825726**Fares:** Approximately £.10.00 Children (Under 16) £4.00 and they must be accompanied by an adult. Coach pick-up point at the lay-by adjacent to the Hancock Museum on Claremont Road, Newcastle, NZ 248 650.

Date	Venue	OL/Exp	Return
<b>2015</b>			
Aug 2	Ridsdale via Knowesgate and Bellingham	OL42/43	18:00
Aug 9	Kettlewell via West Burton (Scarecrow Comp.)	OL2/30	18:30
Aug 16	Grasmere via Vale of St. John	OL4/5/6/7	18:30
Aug 23	Holy Island and Beal via A1 and Berwick	Ex332/340	18:00
Aug 30	Osmotherly via Stokesley	OL26	18:00
<b>Sept 6</b>	Tebay via Kirkby Stephen	OL7/19	18:30
Sept 13	Duns via Coldstream and Greenlaw	Ex339/346	18:00
Sept 20	Feethams via Reeth and Muker	OL30	18:30
Sept 27	Skelwith Bridge via Grasmere	OL6/7	18:30
<b>Oct 4</b>	Etal via Belford	Ex 339/340	18:00
Oct 11	Thornton-le-Dale via Hole of Horcum (World War 2)	OL27	18.30
Oct 18	Kirkby Stephen via Brough	OL19	18:00
Oct 25	Bamburgh via Craster and Seahouses	Ex332/340	17:30
<b>Nov 1</b>	Middleham via West Burton	OL30	17:30
Nov 8	Gilsland Spa via Roman Wall and Lanercost Priory (Joint Ceildhi)	OL43 Ex315	20:00
Nov 15	Rothbury via Cambo	OL16/42	17:30
Nov 22	Hart via Seaham	Ex306/308	17:00
Nov 29	St. John's Chapel via Allenheads	OL31	17:00
<b>Dec 6</b>	Alnwick via Longframlington	Ex332	17:00
Dec 13	Richmond via Greta Bridge	OL30/31Ex304	17:00
Dec 20	Barnard Castle via Eggleston (Bowes Christmas Market)	OL31	17:00
Dec 27	Allendale via Hexham and Bardon Mill	OL43	17:00
<b>2016</b>			
<b>Jan 3</b>	Woolsingham via Bishop Auckland and West Auckland	Ex305/307	17:00
Jan 10	Blanchland via Hexham and Corbridge	OL31/43	17:00
Jan 17	Bellingham via Otterburn	OL42	17:00
Jan 24	Ripon via Brimham Rocks and Studley Royal	OL26	17:00
Jan 31	Gilsland Spa via Roman Wall and Lanercost Priory (Annual Dinner)	OL43 Ex315	19:30

**Sunday Walks - 9.30 am Start****Coach Organiser:** Andrew White **T:** 0191 2301247, **E:** [tyneandwalk@yahoo.com](mailto:tyneandwalk@yahoo.com)**Walks Co-ordinator:** David Morley **T:** 0191 2849196**Fares:** £10.00 (subject to change at Coach Organiser's discretion).

Children under 16 - £5.00 and they must be accompanied by an adult

Bookings should be made with full payment in advance, either on a previous outing, or at the pick-up point at St James Street off Strawberry Place (next to St. James Park), Newcastle, on Sundays prior to the coach departure. New participants may contact the Coach Organiser by telephone or email for their first trip.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Going to</b>	<b>Map</b>	<b>Return</b>
<b>2015</b>			
<b>Aug 2</b>	Reeth via Stang Top	X030	19:00
Aug 9	Sedburgh via Kirkby Stephen	X002/007/019	19:00
Aug 16	Wooler via Ingram	X016	19:00
Aug 23	Helmsley via Sutton Bank	X026/27	19:00
Aug 3	Cockermouth via Bassenthwaite	X004	19:00
<b>Sept 6</b>	Eyemouth via Cockburnspath	X346OL67/75	19:00
Sept 13	Masham via Middleham	X030/302	19:00
Sept 20	Glenridding via Dockray	X005	19:00
Sept 27	Thornton-le-Dale via Hole of Horcum	X026/027	19:00
<b>Oct 4</b>	Alnmouth via Seahouses	X340	19:00
Oct 11	Keswick via Borrowdale	X004/05	19:00
Oct 18	Grosmont via Eskdale	X026/027	19:00
Oct 25	Kirk Yetholm via Akeld	X016	18:00
<b>Nov 1</b>	Barnard Castle via Piercebridge	X031/304	18:00
Nov 8	Gilsland via Roman Wall (Bit of a Do)	X043	20:00
Nov 15	Coldstream via Wooler	X016/339	18:00
Nov 22	Leyburn via Bedale	X030	18:00
Nov 29	Alston via South Tyne	X031/43	18:00
<b>Dec 6</b>	Berwick via Norham	X339/340/346	18:00
Dec 13	Guisborough via Stokesley	X026	18:00
Dec 20	Allendale via Hexham	X043	18:00
Dec 27	Durham via Willington	X305/308	18:00
<b>2016</b>			
<b>Jan 3</b>	Stanhope via Wolsingham	X031/307	18:00
Jan 10	Rothbury via New Moor House	X016/042/325	20:00
Jan 17	Alnwick via Warkworth	X325/332	18:00
Jan 24	Bishop Auckland via Crook	X031/305/307	18:00
Jan 31	Hexham via Haltwhistle	X043/316	18:00

**Wednesday Walks - 9.30 am Start****Coach Organiser:** Gordon Lumsden **T:** 0191 4882251**Walks Co-ordinator:** Bob Copeland **T:** 0191 2668380**Fares:** Fares will be approximately £10. Children under 16 welcome but they must be accompanied by an adult. Pick up point The Coach Station, St. James Boulevard, Newcastle.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>		<b>Map</b>	<b>Return</b>
<b>2015</b>				
<b>Aug 5</b>	Ambleside via Grasmere	<b>9:00 am start</b>	OL5/7 LR90	18:00
Aug 12	Blanchland via Weardale	<b>(Pie and Peas Do)</b>	OL31 X307 LR87	19:00
Aug 19	Morebattle via Jedburgh		OL16 LR74/80	18:00
Aug 26	Alston via Hartside		OL31 LR86	18:00
<b>Sept 2</b>	Kettlewell via Wensleydale	<b>9:00 am start</b>	OL30 LR98	18:00
Sept 9	Holy Island via Berwick		X340/346 LR75	18:00
Sept 16	Dockray via Glenridding	<b>9:00 am start</b>	OL5 LR90	18:00
Sept 23	Whitby via Loftus		OL27 LR94	18:00
Sept 30	Coldstream via Wooler		X339 LR74	18:00
<b>Oct 7</b>	Caldbeck via Threlkeld	<b>9:00 am start</b>	OL4/5 LR90	18:00
Oct 14	Kirkbymoorside via Castleton		OL26 LR94/100	18:00
Oct 21	Melrose via Lauder	<b>9:00 am start</b>	X338 LR73	18:00
Oct 28	Haltwhistle via Roman Wall and Brampton		OL43 X315 LR86	17:00
<b>Nov 4</b>	Ripon via Brimham Rocks		X298 LR99	17:00
Nov 11	Felton via New Moor House		Ex325/332 LR81	17:00
Nov 18	Wolsingham via Castleside		OL31X307LR88/92	17:00
Nov 25	Richmond via Stang Top		X304OL30 LR92	17:00
<b>Dec 2</b>	Dyke Neuk via Belsay		OL42X316/325LR88	17:00
Dec 9	Hexham via Blanchland		OL43 X307 LR87	17:00
Dec 16	Eglington via Wooler	<b>(Christmas Dinner)</b>	OL16X332 LR75/81	19:30
Dec 23	Durham via Crook		X305/308LR88/92/93	17:00
Dec 30	Warkworth via Craster		Ex325/332 LR81	17:00
<b>2016</b>				
<b>Jan 6</b>	Gilsland Spa via Brampton	<b>(New Year Party)</b>	OL43 X315 LR86	20:30
Jan 13	Seaham via Hart		X306/308 LR88/93	17:00
Jan 20	Alnwick via Wooperton		X332 LR81	17:00
Jan 27	Edmundbyers via Blanchland		X307 LR87/88	17:00

**Wednesday Walks - 10.00 am Start****Coach Organiser:** Ruth Sides **T:** 0191 2840357**Walks Co-ordinator:** Dr Kenneth Wright **T:** 0191 2921302

**Fares:** Fares will be approximately £7.00/£9.00. Children under 16, who must be accompanied by an adult, £4.00. Coach pick-up point at the lay-by adjacent to the Hancock Museum on Claremont Road, Newcastle.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Map</b>	<b>Return</b>	
<b>2015</b>				
<b>Aug 5</b>	Kettlewell	(9:30 start)	OL30	18:00
Aug 12	Falstone		OL42	18:00
Aug 19	Shap		OL5	18:00
Aug 26	Middleham		OL30	18:00
<b>Sept 2</b>	Kelso		Ex339	18:00
Sept 9	Keswick	(9:30 start)	OL4	18:00
Sept 16	Chop Gate		OL26	18:00
Sept 23	Chatton		Ex340	18:00
Sept 30	Dufton		OL19	18:00
<b>Oct 7</b>	Reeth		OL30	18:00
Oct 14	Ridsdale		OL42	18:00
Oct 21	Ousby		OL31	18:00
Oct 28	Middleton in Teesdale		OL31	17:30
<b>Nov 4</b>	Rothbury via Scots Gap		OL16/42	17:00
Nov 11	Whitfield		OL43	17:00
Nov 18	Great Ayton		OL26	17:00
Nov 25	Elsdon		OL42	17:00
<b>Dec 2</b>	Allendale		OL43	17:00
Dec 9	Bishop Auckland		Ex305	17:00
Dec 16	Craster		Ex332	17:00
Dec 22	Corbridge	(Tuesday)	OL43	17:00
Dec 30	Durham		Ex308	17:00
<b>2016</b>				
<b>Jan 6</b>	Belford		Ex340	17:00
Jan 13	Edmundbyers		Ex307	17:00
Jan 20	Guisborough		OL26	17:00
Jan 27	Eglington		Ex340	17:00
<b>Feb 3</b>	Haltwhistle		OL43	17:00

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## Grading of Walks

Walks on the Group Walks Finder ([http://www.ramblers.org.uk/areas\\_groups/groupswalksfinder](http://www.ramblers.org.uk/areas_groups/groupswalksfinder)) are graded for difficulty as follows:

- **Easy Access** Walks for everyone, including people with conventional wheelchairs and pushchairs, using easy access paths. Comfortable shoes or trainers can be worn. Assistance may be needed to push wheelchairs on some sections: please enquire.
- **Easy** Walks for anyone who does not have a mobility difficulty or a specific health problem or is seriously unfit. Suitable for pushchairs if they can be lifted over occasional obstructions. Comfortable shoes or trainers can be worn.
- **Leisurely** Walks for reasonably fit people with at least a little country walking experience. May include unsurfaced rural paths. Walking boots and warm, waterproof clothing are recommended.
- **Moderate** Walks for people with country walking experience and a good level of fitness. May include some steep paths and open country, and may be at a brisk pace. Walking boots and warm, waterproof clothing are essential.
- **Strenuous** Walks for experienced country walkers with an above average fitness level. May include hills and rough country, and may be at a brisk pace. Walking boots and warm, waterproof clothing are essential. People in doubt about their fitness are advised to contact the organiser or leader in advance.
- **Technical** Walks for experienced and very fit walkers with additional technical skills. May require scrambling and use of ropes, ice axes and crampons. You must contact the organiser or leader in advance for further details.

**Important.** Grades are provided as a general guide only: if you have any doubt about your fitness for a particular walk please contact the organiser or leader in advance. You should also bear in mind the distance of the walk, regional differences in terrain and the possibility of bad weather, which can make a walk more difficult than planned. 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. Leaders may refuse to accept participants who in their opinion are inadequately equipped or unfit.

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