



Rambles/Events Programme 2011

All participants take part at their own risk.

Dates and venues may be changed or cancelled
at the organisers' discretion.

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Rambles/Events

Wednesday 26 October - New Forest for autumn colours, nr Ringwood

Please book with Disabled Ramblers

Hampshire RoamAbility are putting on this ramble for **DR**. Enquiries to **Di or Val** but please book with **Disabled Ramblers**. A ramble to see the varied autumn hues of the trees. Open heathland, deciduous woodland and brilliant views. Even a chance for the larger scooters to try out a ford! **Cat 2+**, due to possibility of mud, 6 miles.

Thursday 27 October - Manor Farm Country Pk, Nr Southampton

Please book with Di

A **Cat 2** ramble of about **5 miles** around the woodland of the country park, hopefully looking for fungus - there is usually lots around at this venue. Lunch at viewpoint overlooking the river. **10.30am for 11.00am** start. Toilets at start/finish and near lunch venue.

Directions: M27 Junction 8, follow the brown signs. From the west, first exit at roundabout below the M27. From the east, 3rd exit. Then take 2nd right just a few yards after the roundabout, into Pylands Lane. Continue to the very end, over 1 mile, beyond the Visitor Centre car park towards the farm. Address: **Pylands Lane, Bursledon, Southampton, SO31 1BH**

Wednesday 9 November - Steamer Point, Nr. Mundeford

Please book with Di

CAT 2 ramble through Steamer Point Nature Reserve to Highcliffe Castle and then on alongside the beach to Highcliffe & back to Mundeford. It is dependent on weather as to how much time is spent on sea front and how much in the Nature Reserve! About **6 miles**. Meet at **10.30am for 11.00am** start. Loos nr start and en route.

Directions: As you approach Christchurch on A35 at 1st roundabout take 1st exit onto A337 (probably signed Highcliffe or Barton on Sea). At next roundabout go straight on - ignore "Steamer Point" sign, it'll get you lost! Turn next right where it says "no right turn" - here you need to turn around so that you can turn left into it. Steamer Point car park is then signed - there will be a left turn.

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Wednesday 23 November - Fort Nelson Ramble, Portsmouth

Please book with Mave

Cat 1 or 2 short ramble at Fort Nelson. 10.30am for 11.00am start. Not dependent on weather, but if fine we can explore some of the views of Portsdown Hill too. Fort Nelson is free of charge and disabled friendly. Either bring your own lunch, or there is an excellent cafe available. Lots to see and scoot around and perhaps even go underground in the tunnels there! **Address: Royal Armouries Museum, Fort Nelson, Portsdown Hill Road, Fareham, PO17 6AN.**

Directions: Exit the M27 at J11. Take exit signposted Gosport/Fareham, stay in left-hand lane, this will take you down a slip road to a roundabout. **LANDMARK: Railway viaduct on your left.** At this roundabout take the first left signposted A27/Portchester. **LANDMARK: Delme Arms Public house on left.** Stay in left-hand lane, through the first set of traffic lights, at the second set take a left-hand turn into Down End Road. Follow this up and around for approx half a mile, Fort Nelson will appear on your left-hand side. **There are also brown Tourist signs for Royal Armouries on this route.**

Sunday 4 December - Beaulieu to Bucklers Hard

Please book with Di

Ramble along the river, part of which is on board walk avoiding the muddy stretches. There are toilets, shops and café's at the start/finish. There is a pub and café at Bucklers Hard and museums to visit at extra cost. Also, riverside picnic area for those who prefer self catering. Arrive **10:30 for 11am** start for a **Category 2** ramble of about **5 miles** in total, there and back. After the ramble, afternoon tea in the café at Fairweather's garden centre.

Directions: Meet in main village car park in Beaulieu (free with blue badge) off Palace Lane (the main through road). **Grid reference SU382020. Nearest post code SO42 7UW.**

Thursday 15 December - Christmas Lunch, White Hart Cadnam

Please book with Val

Our Christmas Lunch is once again at The White Hart, Old Romsey Road Cadnam, SO40 2NP. **12.30pm for 1.00pm** The Christmas Menu (2 course/£17.95. 3 course/£22.95) has been sent out, but can be obtained from Val or their website given at the end of this notice. You can also order from the day to day menu, but this needs to be pre-booked if possible. Please contact me if you require any more information. The

Please send details of your ramble to valerie@rawlings-family.org.uk
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White Hart is just off J1 of the M27 at Cadnam. Website:
www.whiteharthamp.hcpr.co.uk

Saturday 17 December - Victorian Cemetery & Southampton Common

Please book with Lin Clarke

A **Cat 1** ramble of approx **4 miles** round the old Victorian Cemetery on Southampton Common and then around the 3 lakes and footpaths. **Meet 10.30am for 11.00am.start**. Bring packed lunch. May be rather long for small scooters, so could be done in 2 loops of: Cemetery a.m. and lunch at the Hawthorns Centre, facilities here and a small cafe which sells drinks and cakes, then the footpaths & lakes p.m. Suggest parking in Cemetery Road car park, off Northlands Road. **Postcode: SO15 7NN**. From the north the best approach is from the A33, (The Avenue, leading into Southampton), at "The Cowherds" pub turn right into Northlands Road and then immediately right into Cemetery Road.

Wednesday 11 January - Hill Head Chalet

Please Book with Mave

If rambling this is a **Cat 1** ramble. We have booked the Wheelhouse Chalet at Hill Head, this has heating, a kitchen area and its own disabled toilet, a great place to ramble from or even just to enjoy the views if weather is not good. It is in the middle of a car park where parking is free. Salterns Road Car Park, Hill Head, **PO14 3LR**

Saturday 21 January - Burley Ramble

Please book with Val

A winter ramble round the pretty village and surrounding area of Burley. No longer than **5 miles**. **Meet 11.00 am for 11.30 am**. **Cat 2**. Bring packed lunch but plenty of cafes etc. Loos at start/finish.

Directions: Meet in village centre car park, **Postcode: BH24 4AB**.

Burley is in the heart of the New Forest but can be reached either via the A31, J1/M27, turning left at the second petrol station after joining the A31, approx 9 miles, it is signposted at this point. OR via Lyndhurst taking the A 35 to Christchurch, and turning left at Holmsley junction, signposted here, prettier route.

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Ramble Categories

Category 1 - is fine for all wheel/powerchairs and scooters

Category 2 - may include natural surfaces and hills up to 1 in 8 and is suitable for scooters only

Category 3 - means stretches of rough surfaces &/or steep hills, and is for heavier scooters.

Category 4 - involves exploration of difficult, even impassable trails, and is only suitable for experienced riders on heavy duty scooters.

If you require more in-depth detail on the categories please contact the programme secretary.

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Sussex RoamAbility

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Note: Hampshire RoamAbility has a reciprocal arrangement with Sussex RoamAbility; members of either group can ramble with the other group at the ramble member charge.

30 October - Several suggestions including Bentley Wild Fowl to be confirmed.

20 November - 12.30 for 1.00 Xmas Lunch The Drove Newhaven.

Disabled Ramblers

Wed 26 Oct Linwood, New Forest
www.disabledramblers.co.uk

Walking Friends Portsmouth

Not all of their walks are barrier free, please check before attending.
Their walks are listed on their web site www.walkingfriends.org.uk
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