



# South Cheshire Group

## News Update – November 2013

Website: <http://www.ramblerssouthcheshire.org.uk>

Please let us know if you have an **e-mail address**. Send an e-mail to:

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The Newsletter and Walks Programme are published on the website. We'll e-mail to let you know when they are available to download. We will also keep you informed about changes to the Walks Programme and group activities that you might need to book.

Your help to improve communication and reduce printing and postage costs is appreciated.

### Annual Dinner

All places for the Annual Dinner are booked.

### Group Spring Holiday 2014

We have a provisional booking for our group spring holiday with HF. It is on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2014 for 3 nights at their house in Haytor, Dartmoor. HF will lead the walks.

The price per person is £289 and includes, breakfast, packed lunch and dinner. All accommodation is en-suite, a supplement of £8 per night is required for a single room.

Please advise Phil Guest at [philpguest1@sky.com](mailto:philpguest1@sky.com) if you wish to take part no later than 20th December 2013.

Bookings will be allocated on a first come first served basis and for group members only as there is limited accommodation.

A deposit of £75, payable to our group, will be required by the end of January 2014, the final balance by the 1<sup>st</sup> March.

### Try a Walk Day – Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2014

Please keep Sunday the 19th of January free so that you can be part of our first Try A Walk Day, aimed at encouraging more people to enjoy walking.

This is the plan. We have agreed to lead four walks on the day - two starting from Haslington village car park and two from Nantwich Lake. The walks, of about three miles, will start at 10am and 1.30pm, and the morning routes will be repeated in the afternoon. We already have some leaders and back markers but, in order to cover all eventualities, we really do need more. If you can help out please let Kevin know by e-mailing: [secretarysouthcheshireramblers@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:secretarysouthcheshireramblers@yahoo.co.uk).

We're also hoping many of our regular walkers will turn out on the day to socialise with the newcomers and chat generally about the group. We'll be handing out copies of our programme and asking people to fill in a short questionnaire at the end of the walks so that we can gauge the success or otherwise of the day. Please make a note of the date in your diary NOW !

### Sandstone Trail Weekend – 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> May 2014

Hi Everybody

I'm pleased to announce that I intend to lead the Sandstone Trail on the weekend 3rd and 4th of May 2014 - this is approximately a 35 mile walk over 2 days from Frodsham to Whitchurch. As you will remember our long distance walk the year before last, on the Gritstone Trail, was quite a success with much help from Dave Holly on the transport, and Eileen arranging and leading the 2 shorter walks.

David Smith is intending to offer a circular walk on Saturday 3rd May to coincide with the finish of the first half, so everybody can enjoy a few beers and a meal together.

As you will appreciate it will be 2 x 17 mile walks, if there are people that would like to do the Sandstone Trail and spread it over 3 days, they could discuss this with me, I'm happy to work out a schedule where a third of this walk can be achieved on Friday 2nd. I am planning the weather to be far better than on our Gritstone walk! I will start organising the logistics for this walk at the end of January 2014, so if anyone has any special requests, ideas or suggestions please could they get them to me by the end of January that would be a great help

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of Lesley and I to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year !

Best regards

Phillip Keogh

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## Ramblers Routes

The Ramblers Association are keen to create a resource of rambling routes, easily accessible from their website, for use by members, and also, in the case of some shorter routes, by members of the public.

Over the years the South Cheshire Ramblers bramble bashers have explored and documented circular walks in 27 of our local parishes, from Acton to Wrenbury.

These walks have often proved a revelation, and sometimes a challenge, but what is clear is that we have a lot to offer the stay at home ramblers.

The more often these routes are walked the more open they will become. "Use it or lose it".

We, and other local groups, have begun uploading these walks. Go to the RA website and click Go Walking/Find a route/Crewe/15 miles and up pops our recent walks at Marbury and Alraham (see a taster below).

If you register on the RA website as a member you can open it, thank you Rob.  
Shortly to be followed with our Alraham walk, thank you Eileen.

Tim, our Footpath Secretary, is proposing to re-walk the parish routes documenting them as we go. They can be any of your favourite local walks of course. Register a different username and password with <http://www.ramblersroutes.org>, sit a noddy multi-choice exam and see how easy it is. Want any help contact Graham at [graham.richard.taylor@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:graham.richard.taylor@hotmail.co.uk).

You are viewing a summary of the full route-card. For full access please login / register on this site or join as a member.  
Please note that if you have just joined as a member, it may take up to 24 hours for your account to be activated and in that time you will not be able to login to the site.

### South Cheshire Marbury

Difficulty **Moderate** Walking time **3 hours** Length **7.7km / 4.8mi**

Route developer: **graham taylor**

Route checker: **robert spowage**

Start location  
The Swan Inn Marbury Green CW5 7NA

Route Summary  
A walk over fields, along a canal and around Marbury BigMere taking in Marbury Church. The undulating country and opens up views over Cheshire and Staffordshire to Wales. Particularly attractive is the view down over the mere to Marbury



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### South Cheshire - Alraham figure of eight

Difficulty **Moderate** Walking time **3 hours** Length **9.3km / 5.8mi**

Route developer: **graham taylor**

Route checker: **Eileen Dorman**

Start location  
Bunbury Lane, Cheshire. SJ58145 59340

Route Summary  
An exploration of the parish of Alraham. It is a figure of eight returning to the starting point half way through the walk after 3 miles, this is a popular option for the undecided. The more energetic can continue for a further 3 miles

