

# Tavistock Ramblers

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## *Summer 2011 Walks Programme*



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# News



## Dogs on Walks

Regular walkers will know that we have had the occasional problem with dogs, or perhaps their owners, on a few walks.

Whilst we have no intention of excluding dogs from our walks we do expect their owners to ensure that they are properly controlled.

We have always said that dogs are welcome but on a clear understanding that they are under complete control at all times and on a lead where there is livestock.

We have drawn up some guidance notes and this has been given to all owners who regularly walk with us. This guidance is on our website [www.tavistockramblers.org.uk](http://www.tavistockramblers.org.uk)

## Emergency SMS

Have you registered your mobile phone?

We all know that it is not possible to get a signal strong enough to make voice calls from many areas in which we walk.

The emergency SMS service was originally developed for the deaf and hard of hearing and is an add on to the usual 999 service.

It means that, if you have registered your mobile phone, you can contact the emergency services by SMS text if you are unable to get a strong enough signal for voice calls.

You **MUST** register your phone at [www.emergencysms.org.uk](http://www.emergencysms.org.uk) to do this.

## Kountry Kit

We are very grateful to Kountry Kit, our local specialist outdoor equipment shop, for their generous help towards the cost of producing our Walks Programme.

Don't forget, Kountry Kit will give 10% discount on production of their discount card (see Rosemary if you haven't already got one) or a current Ramblers membership card.

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## Ramblers

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# Summer 2011 Walks Programme

We welcome all Ramblers members on our walks. Non-members are also welcome to join us on a walk before deciding to join Ramblers.

Our Group encourages car sharing and, except for the shorter evening walks, we meet in Tavistock to share transport. Please note that we do leave the Tavistock meeting point promptly at the time stated in the programme.

Note change

Drivers often appreciate it when passengers make a voluntary contribution. As a guide £1 to £4, according to distance travelled, is considered a reasonable amount.

Those wishing to make their own way to the start point should check with the leader to confirm that there have been no changes in details.

*We ask you to please read the Guidance Notes below for your own safety and enjoyment of our programme.*

## WALKS GUIDANCE NOTES

Walks take place over ground that may be steep, uneven, slippery, muddy or rough and can involve climbing stiles and crossing streams. No liability is accepted by the leader or Tavistock Ramblers in respect of any personal loss, damage or injury that occurs on, or as a consequence of, any walk or event.

Walkers should wear suitable footwear, bring clothing appropriate to the walk and weather conditions and adequate food and drink.

The leader reserves the right to vary the route or cancel the walk to take account of weather or ground conditions. The leader also has the right to exclude from the walk anyone who is felt to be insufficiently fit or equipped for the planned walk.

Dogs are welcome on walks, except where specifically excluded, but on the clear understanding that they are under complete control at all times and on a lead where there is livestock.

### Grading of Walks

**Easy:** Generally over terrain that does not involve much ascent or descent and within the reach of most people of reasonable fitness.

**Moderate:** Walks of greater length, requiring more exertion and including sections of moderate ascent and descent, possibly over more uneven terrain.

**Hard:** Longer walks or over steep and/or rough terrain and requiring a good level of fitness.



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## Social Events Summer 2011 (for details see programme)

*Wednesday 6th July BBQ at Lydford Sports Field*

*Saturday 16th July Tavistock Carnival*

*Thursday 21st July Treasure Hunt*

*Thursday 13th October AGM*

*First Monday in the month 10.30 am Coffee at The Bedford Hotel (except Bank Holidays)  
Holidays*

*Pembrokeshire Week 21st - 28th May 2011*

*Exmoor Weekend 9th -12th September 2011*

Date	Start Time	Start Grid Ref	Description	Miles	Grade	Contact
Wednesday 4th May	19:00	SX451667	Meet at start, Bere Alston Recreation Ground Walk Woottons, Well Farm, Collytown.	3	Mod	Jacky 01822 841676
Saturday 7th May	10:00	SX423681	Start time at Focus. Park Cotehele Quay CP (NT). Walk Cotehele estate paths, footpaths and lanes	7	Mod	Rosemary 01822 615564
Sunday 8th May	09:30	SX446520	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park Deer Park CP behind Maker Church. Walk Cawsand, Rame, Whitsand Bay, Kingsand, Fort Picklecombe. Views.	9	Mod	Rita & Dave 01822 853905
Tuesday 10th May	09:40	SX659914	Start time at Pixon Lane CP. Park at Clannaborough Cross. Walk Shilstone Tor, Gidleigh, Throwleigh.	6.5	Mod	Long John 01822 616481
Thursday 12th May	19:00	SX550680	Meet at start, Burrator Dam. Walk Burrator, Sheepstor, Meavy. Stiles and stepping stones.	4	Mod	Jean 01822 853130
Saturday 14th May	09:30	SX653442	Start time at Focus. Park Bigbury on Sea (car park in field on right before reaching sea front). Walk Kingston, Journey's End - no, keep plodding on! Steep on coast path.	9	Mod	Nina 01822 841846

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Sunday 15th May	10:00	SX507689	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park at Pound Corner. Walk Buckland Monachorum, Berra Tor, Walkham Valley, Grenofen. Drake's Trail, paths and lanes.	7	Mod	Long John 01822 616481
Wednesday 18th May	19:00	SX530751	Meet at start, Pork Hill CP. Walk Cox Tor, Roos Tor, Whitchurch Common.	4	Mod	Bruce 01822 610257
Saturday 21st May	10:00	SX509787	Start time at Focus. Park Mary Tavy church. Walk Blackdown, Hill Bridge, Elephant's Nest.	5.5	Mod	Jean 01822 853130
Sunday 22nd May	10:00	SX682817	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park at Bennetts Cross. Figure of Eight walk, Hookney Tor, Grimspound, Natsworthy Manor, Heathercombe, Lower Hookney, Headland Warren, Challacombe. Moorland paths and tracks.	9	Mod	Paul 01822 820597
Wednesday 25th May	19:00	SX562748	Meet at start, Four Winds CP. Walk Yelowmead farm, Foggintor Quarry, old Princetown railway, Merrivale stone rows. Dartmoor Inn is just down the hill!	4.5	Easy	Judy 01822 820597
Sunday 29th May	10:00	SX451712	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park layby below Toll House on Morwellham road near the Rock. Walk New Quay, Morwellham trails to Chimney Rock, Morwell Barton. Footpaths and woods.	7	Mod	Jacky 01822 841676
Thursday 2nd June	19:00	SX562708	Meet at start, Leedon Tor CP. Walk Walkhampton Common, Lowery Cross, Devonport Leat. Superb views.	4	Easy	Jean 01822 853130

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Saturday 4th June	9:30	SX765771	Start time at Focus. Park Haytor lower CP by DNP Information Office. Walk Templer Way, Yarner Wood. (7.5 miles) Extension on to Medieval Village. (additional 3.5 miles)	7.5 + 3.5	Mod	Jo 01822 618660
Sunday 5th June	9:30	SX422707	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park Drakewalls school CP. Walk Radland Mill, Harrowbarrow, Hingston Down.	10	Mod	Peter A 01579 383298
Tuesday 7th June	9:40	SX493523	Start time at Pixon Lane CP. Park at Jennycliff. Walk Radford, Erme Plym Trail, Bovisand and coast path	7	Mod	Long John 01822 616481
Thursday 9th June	19:00	SX525867	Meet at start, Fox & Hounds CP, Bridestowe. Walk Station Road, Crandford, Southerly Down, King Wall, Nodden Gate. Pub afterwards for drink/food optional.	3.5	Mod	Paul 01822 820597
Saturday 11th June	9:30	SX525867	Start time at Focus. Park Duckpool. Walk Northcote Mouth, Stowe Barton, Coombe Valley, Eastaway Manor, Steeple Point. Coastal paths and farmland.	10	Hard	Ernest 01822 833132
Sunday 12th June	9:30	SX547475	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park tennis court CP, Noss Mayo. (Limited parking, car share essential). Walk Ferry Wood, Warren Cottage, Stoke, Brookings Down Wood. Cream tea en route.	7.5	Mod	Carol 01822 610436
Thursday 16th June	19:00	SX555647	Meet at start, Cadover Lakes. Walk Wigmore Down and Dewerstone. Lovely views.	3.5	Easy	Jean 01822 853130
Saturday 18th June	9:30	SX315672	Start time at Focus. Park at St Ive Cross CP. Walk Cadsonbury Fort, Quethiock. Paths and lanes.	11	Mod	Peter A 01579 383298

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Sunday 19th June	9:30	SW921749	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park at Padstow Quay CP (furthest from town). Walk Stepper Point and Trevone.	8	Mod	Jo 01822 618660
Wednesday 22nd June	19:00	SX495851	Meet at start, Lydford Forest CP. Walk forest tracks and trails, Cakepiece Farm, River Lyd. Fine views across Lyd valley. Pub afterwards.	3.5	Easy	Paul 01822 820597
Saturday 25th June	<b>9.00</b>	SX888570	Early start time at Focus. Park Windy Corner, near War Memorial. Catch 10.45 steam train to Kingswear. (Fare £4.50). Walk to Brixham via Brownstone and coast path from Scabbacombe to St Mary's Bay. Tea in Brixham and bus back to cars. Bring bus pass.	8	Mod	Long John 01822 616481
Sunday 26th June	9:30	SX700666	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park near Cross Furzes on roadside. Walk Lambs Down, Moor Cross, Avon reservoir, Huntingdon Cross, Ludgate.	9	Mod	Rosemary 01822 615564
Thursday 30th June	19:00	SX498694	Meet at start, Long Ash CP. Circular walk around Buckland Monachorum.	4	Easy	Jean 01822 853130
Saturday 2nd July	10:00	SX550751	Start time at Focus. Park at Merrivale near Dartmoor Inn. Walk Merrivale to Horrbridge and return. Good moorland tracks and footpaths.	12	Mod	Rosemary 01822 615564
Sunday 3rd July	9:30	SS216037	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park Helebridge CP. Walk Widemouth Bay, coast path to Bude, then Bude Canal to tea shop.	7	Easy	Pauline 01822 616481

**Two Months to the Walks List Deadline.** *Time to start planning your next season's walks.*

Date	Start Time	Start Grid Ref	Description	Miles	Grade	Contact
Wednesday 6th July	18:30	SX513853	Annual BBQ at new venue, Lydford Sports Field and Pavillion whatever the weather. Fun and games. Bring your own food for communal BBQ plus cold drinks. Tea and coffee provided.			Judy & Paul 01822 820597
Saturday 9th July	9:30	SX462539	Start time at Focus. Park at Admiral's Hard, Plymouth near Cremyll Ferry. Use nearby CP. Cremyll Ferry (Fare £1.20 each way) to Mt Edgcumbe. Walk Cremyll, Kingsand, Empacombe.	6.5	Mod	Margaret 01822 855711
Sunday 10th July	9:30	SS222247	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park at Hartland Quay. Walk Blegberry, Stoke, Wargery, Speke's Mill Mouth. Mostly coast path and bridleways.	9	Hard	Ernest 01822 833132
Tuesday 12th July	9:40	SX259711	Start time at Pixon Lane CP. Park at Minions (Hurlers CP). Walk Minions, Gimble, Sibleyback Lake, Tregarrick Tor	7.5	Mod	Long John 01822 616481
Thursday 14th July	19:00	SX515897	Meet at start, near Bridestowe village hall (side road dead end of old A30 at edge of village). Walk Sourton quarry, Lake, back via Cleave. Lanes, moor and fields. Pub afterwards.	4.5	Mod	Paul 01822 820597
Saturday 16th July	10:00	SX555647	Start time at Focus. Park at Cadover Bridge. Walk River Plym, Giant's Basin, Plym Steps, Eylesbarrow, Gutter and Legis Tors. Open moorland and paths.	10	Mod	Keith 01822 810626

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Sunday 17th July	10:00	SX493523	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park at Jennycliff CP. Walk Mt Batten, Plymouth waterfront you may not know, Erme Plym Trail to Bovisand and back on coast path. Tea shop.	7	Mod	Long John 01822 616481
Thursday 21st July	18:30		Treasure Hunt on foot in Tavistock town centre. Local knowledge not necessary. Meet Bedford Square at around 6.30pm. Finish and eat at Café Liason afterwards.			Long John 01822 616481
Saturday 23rd July	10:00	SX452636	Start time at Focus. Park at Bere Ferrers Station. Walk Liphill Quay, Weir Quay, Hewton, Cotts, Birch Lane, Ley Farm.	8	Mod	Anne S 01822 841141
Sunday 24th July	9:30	SX621938	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park at Belstone CP. Walk Belstone Tors, Oke Tor, Steeperton Tor, Little Hound Tor, Cosdon.	13	Hard	Ian 01822 611304
Wednesday 27th July	19:00	SX441674	Meet at start, Bere Alston Station. Walk Braunder, Lockeridge, Bere Alston village.	3	Mod	Jacky 01822 841676
Saturday 30th July	09:15	SX589735	Start time at Focus. Park Princetown CP. Catch 09.51 bus to Postbridge. Walk back via Archerton, Higher White Tor, Prince Hall, Bull Park.	10	Mod	Janice 01752 779786
Sunday 31st July	9:15	SX562917	Celebrating Sixty Years of Dartmoor National Park. Join Devon Ramblers Groups celebratory walks. Tavistock Group is 10.00am from Meldon Reservoir CP. Walk Yes Tor, Dinger Tor, Kitty Tor, Sourton Tors. Steep climbs and river crossing.	8.5	Hard	Bruce 01822 610257

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<b>One Month to the Walks List Deadline.</b> <i>Walks to Rosemary as soon as possible, in writing please.</i>						
Thursday 4th August	19:00	SX569694	Meet at start, Norsworthy Bridge. Walk Deancombe and Sheepstor. Pub afterwards.	3.5	Mod	Long John 01822 616481
Saturday 6th August	10:00	SX513699	Start time at Focus. Park at Leaping Salmon, Horrabridge. Walk Sampford Spiney, Huckworthy Bridge, Knowle Down.	6	Mod	Jean 01822 853130
Sunday 7th August	9:30	SX625611	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park New Waste CP. Walk Stall Down, Erme Plains, Erme Pound, Leftlake Pit, Downings House. Open moorland.	9	Mod	Peter W 01822 840020
Tuesday 9th August	9:40	SX695731	Start time at Pixon Lane CP. Park at Bel Tor Corner. Walk Ponsworthy, Jordan, Sherwell, Yar Tor.	6.5	Mod	Long John 01822 616481
Thursday 11th August	19:00	SX531751	Meet at start, Pork Hill CP. Walk Windy Post, Feather Tor, Pew Tor, Heckwood Tor, Vixen Tor wall.	3.5	Easy	Stephen & Lawrence 01822 855896
Sunday 14th August	10:00	SX546805	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park at end of Wapsworthy lane. Walk Sandy Ford, Rattlebrook, Fur Tor, Tavy Cleave, Lane End, Higher Willsworthy, Standon Steps, Baggator. Rough moorland.	9	Hard	Ernest 01822 833132
Thursday 18th August	19:00	SX609750	Meet at start, Two Bridges quarry CP. Walk Wistman's Wood, Longaford Tor, Crockern Tor. Pub afterwards.	3.5	Easy	Long John 01822 616481

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Saturday 20th August	10:15	SX479742	Meet at Tavistock Bus Station to catch 118 bus at 10.30 to White Lady NT car park, Lydford. Walk back to Tavistock. Footpaths and lanes. Bring bus pass.	10	Mod	Rosemary 01822 615564
Sunday 21st August	10:00	SX569694	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park at Norswothy Bridge. Walk Down Tor stone row, Eylesbarrow, Drizzlecombe, Ditsworthy, Sheepstor. Some rough bits.	8	Mod	Stephen & Lawrence 01822 855896
Thursday 25th August	19:00	SX518677	Meet at start, bomb bays at Yelverton aerodrome. Circular walk via Clearbrook.	4	Easy	Jean 01822 853130
Saturday 27th August	9:30	SX541684	Start time at Focus. Park Iron Mine Lane. Walk Lowery, Stanlake Plantation, Hart Tor, Princetown, South Hessary Tor, Leather Tor bridge.	11.5	Mod	Ian 01822 611304
Sunday 28th August	9:30	SX749812	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park Manaton CP. Walk North Bovey, Lustleigh, Manaton. Paths and lanes.	9.5	Mod	Nina 01822 841846

### Walks List Deadline

*All walks in writing please to Rosemary Clarke, 39 Anderton Court, Whitchurch, Tavistock. PL19 9EX  
or email [rosemary.clarke@anderton39.co.uk](mailto:rosemary.clarke@anderton39.co.uk)*

Saturday 3rd Sept	10:00	SX590769	Start time at Focus. Park at Holming Beam CP. Walk Conies Down Tor, Devils Tor, Brown's House, Higher White Tor, Beardown Tors.	7	Hard	Peter W 01822 840020
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Sunday 4th Sept	9:30	SX765771	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park Haytor lower CP (by DNP Information Centre). Walk Haytor Down, Yarner Wood, Lower Down, Templer Way.	7.5	Easy	Long John 01822 616481
Sunday 11th Sept	10:00	SX406792	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park Milton Abbot, near church. Walk Horsebridge, Sydenham Damerel, Tuell.	6.5	Mod	Jacky 01822 841676
Tuesday 13th Sept	9:40	SX518484	Meet at Pixon Lane CP. Park at Wembury beach CP (NT). Walk Wembury, Erme Plym Trail, Down Thomas, Heybrook Bay and coast path.	6.5	Mod	Long John 01822 616481
Saturday 17th Sept	9:30	SX669838	Start time Focus. Park at Fernworthy reservoir main CP. Walk Fernworthy, Gidleigh, Wonson, Tolmen.	12	Mod	Nina 01822 841846
Sunday 18th Sept	10:00	SX695731	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park at Bel Tor Corner. Walk Ponsworthy, West Shallowford, Sherwell, Sharp Tor. River, wooded valley and moorland.	6.5	Mod	Paul 01822 820597
Saturday 24th Sept	10:00	SX523587	Start time at Focus. Park at Plym Bridge (west side). Walk Plym Bridge to Saltram Park and return. No hills!	5	Easy	Jean 01822 853130
Sunday 25th Sept	9:30	SS252114	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park at Kilkhampton church. Walk Cross Cottage, Houndapitt Farm, Sandy Mouth, coast path to Duckpool, Coombe Valley, Kilkhampton.	9	Mod	Fred 01288 361087
Sunday 25th Sept			Annual Lych Way walk in aid of Dartmoor Search and Rescue. Enquiries to Paul			Paul 01822 820597

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Saturday 1st Oct	10:00	SX550724	Start time at Focus. Park at Criptor, Walkham valley. Walk Criptor, King Tor, Merrivale, Daveytown.	5.5	Easy	Jean 01822 853130
Sunday 2nd Oct	10:00	SX509848	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park Lydford CP. Walk Fernworthy Down, Granite Way. Lake, Lake viaduct, Sourton, Cleave, Bridestowe.	9.5	Mod	Martin 01822 860285
Saturday 8th Oct	10:00	SX589735	Start time at Focus. Park Princetown CP Walk North Hessary, Great Mis Tor, Holming Beam, Batchelor's Hall. Moorland walk.	8.5	Mod	Bruce 01822 610257
Sunday 9th Oct	9:30	SX719768	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park at Widecombe CP. Walk Hamel Down, Natsworthy, Honeybag Tor, Chinkwell Tor, Bell Tor, Bonehill Rocks. Steep in parts.	8	Mod	Rosemary 01822 615564
Thursday 13th Oct			Tavistock Ramblers AGM. 7.00pm for 7.30pm. Whitchurch Community Hall. Bring food to share and photos. Guest Speaker is Ray Heale			Judy 01822 820597
Saturday 15th Oct	10:00	SX518835	Start time at Focus. Park at Willsworthy range CP. Walk Nattor Down, Tavy Cleave, Rattlebrook, Sharp Tor, Hare Tor, White Hill. Open moorland and uneven rocky paths.	10	Hard	Keith 01822 810626
Sunday 16th Oct	10:00	SX531751	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park Pork Hill CP. Walk Cox Tor, Peter Tavy Combe, Smeardon Down, White Tor, Langstone Moor, Roos and Staple Tors.	8	Mod	Stephen & Lawrence 01822 855896

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Saturday 22nd Oct	10:00	SX609750	Start time at Focus. Park at Two Bridges quarry CP. Walk Beardown Tors, Lydford Tor, Beardown Man, Rough Tor, Wistmans Wood. Open moorland, harder if wet.	7.5	Mod	Ernest 01822 833132
Sunday 23rd Oct	9:30	SX646789	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park at Postbridge CP. Walk Ringhill, Assycombe Hill, Fernworthy Forest, Teignhead Farm, Grey Wethers, Hartland Tor. Moorland and forest.	10	Mod	Rosemary 01822 615564
Saturday 29th Oct	10:00	SX579673	Start time at Focus. Park at Nattor Scout Hut (near Sheepstor). Walk Eylesbarrow tin mine, Nun's Cross, Plym Ford, Plym Steps, Ditsworthy.	7	Mod	Peter W 01822 840020
Sunday 30th Oct	9:30	SX600920	Start time at Abbey Rise. Park behind Okehampton Camp, at junction to Cullever Steps beyond Moorgate. Walk Cullever Steps, Winter Tor, Oke Tor, New Bridge, Row Tor. Moorland but good tracks.	9.5	Mod	Paul 01822 820597

**Advance notice:**

Sunday  
18th Dec

Christmas Tea Party

Lydford Nicholls Hall