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**Greater
Manchester
& High Peak**

Programme of Area Walks
and
Local Group Contacts

**AUTUMN/WINTER
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The Area Executive meets four times a year at the Friends Meeting House, Mount Street, Manchester. All members are welcome to attend as observers. Please contact Alan Manning, General Secretary for details.

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GROUPS

The Area has the following 13 Groups. You are welcome to walk with any of the Groups listed in this booklet. You will receive the walks programme of your local Group. Please contact Group secretaries below for further information.

Note: The Coach Rambles Group, The MAD Walkers and Manchester Weekend Walkers cover the whole Area.

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AREA WALKS

Important information

Non members are welcome to join the Ramblers as guests on up to three occasions, though if they walk with a Group regularly they will be expected to join the Ramblers Association

Sunday Walks:

0161 766 4683

Wednesday Walks:

Longer walk:

07813241766

Public Transport

Walks will NOT take place if for any reason the intended transport is cancelled.

Please always check the transport times near the date of the walk.

www.tfgm.com

www.nationalrail.co.uk

Dogs

Only guide dogs are allowed
On coaches

Dogs may be taken on Area walks but must always be on a short lead. Some landowners forbid dogs during the bird breeding season, usually March to July. Please check with the leader before bringing a dog on any walk.

Please be aware that cows with calves can become aggressive when they see a dog.

Other notes

Members of walking parties are asked to walk responsibly

AREA SUNDAY WALKS

Please use public transport if possible.

See notes on Page 6 regarding public transport

BUSES AND TRAMS 0161 228 7811

TRAINS 08457 484950

2nd November

Short

TBA

16th November

Moderate

TBA

23rd November

Chinley to Edale

Strenuous

9.31 train Piccadilly

Mary Hill (07549 233786)

30th November

TBA (incl. grade)

7th December

Short walk

TBA

21st December

Cheadle Hulme to Disley

Moderate

9.57 train Piccadilly

Jeff Lewis (0161 766 4683)

28th December

TBA (possibly no walk)

2026

4th January

Short

TBA

18th January

Moderate

TBA

25th January

Strenuous

TBA

AREA SUNDAY WALKS

Cont'd

1st February

Short

TBA

15th February

Marple circular

Moderate

9.31 train Piccadilly

Roger Jubb (07729 168545)

22nd February

Marple circular

Strenuous

9.31 train Piccadilly

Roger Jubb (07729 168545)

1st March

Short

TBA

15th March

Moderate

TBA

22nd March

Marsden circular

Strenuous

10.02 train Victoria

Sean Dunne (07855 086460)

29th March

Mytholmroyd to Hebden Bridge

Strenuous

10.20 train Victoria

Imelda Carr (07763 984664)

5th April

Short

TBA

19th April

Appley Bridge circular

Moderate

9.45 train Victoria

Frank Heywood (0161 881 6935)

26th April

Grindleford circular

Strenuous

Mary Carr (07940 205855)

WEDNESDAY WALKS

There are short and long walks weekly. Short walks are moderate grade and do not exceed 8 miles. Long walks may be more strenuous and longer than 10 miles, where stated. **Please check transport times near the date of the walk. Please note that train times are provisional and should be checked on our website.** If in doubt or have any queries, please check with John Rattray (07813 241766).

Longer walk

5th November

Bamford to Hathersage
9.48 train Piccadilly
Simon Hopper

12th November

Greenfield circular
10.00 train Piccadilly
Lesley Doyle

19th November

Walsden to Littleborough
9.36 train Victoria
Simon Cleverley

26th November

Littleborough circular
9.36 train Victoria
Imelda Carr

3rd December

East Didsbury to Hazel Grove
Meet 10.30 East Didsbury Metro
Mary Hill

10th December

Alderley Edge circular
9.36 train Piccadilly
Linda Park

Shorter walk

5th November

Alderley Edge circular
10.06 train Piccadilly
Linda Park

12th November

Hebden Bridge
10.21 train Victoria
Frank Heywood

19th November

Prestwich circular
Meet 10.45 Prestwich Metro
Janet Costello

26th November

East Didsbury to Sale Water Park
Meet 10.30 East Didsbury Metro
Brendan Molloy

3rd December

Radcliffe circular
Meet 10.30 Radcliffe Metro
Kevin Murphy

10th December

Littleborough
10.04 train Victoria
Geoff Rudd

WEDNESDAY WALKS cont'd

Longer walk

17th December

Chapel-en-le-Frith to Whaley Bridge
9.51 train Piccadilly
John Ratray

7th January

Glossop circular
10.03 train Piccadilly
Nobby Towse

14th January

Navigation Rd Metro to Knutsford
Meet 10.30 Navigation Rd Metro
Clive Bishop

21st January

Whaley Bridge circular
9.51 train Piccadilly
Steve Slater

28th January

Marple circular
9.48 train Piccadilly
Jane Slater

4th February

Todmorden circular
9.36 train Victoria
John Ratray

11th February

Edale circular
9.48 train Piccadilly
Rosie Warburton

Shorter walk

17th December

Liverpool Surprise Xmas special
TBA
Alyson Smith

7th January

Warrington circular
9.37 train Piccadilly
Jim Reddihough

14th January

Disley circular
9.51 train Piccadilly
Don Bradley

21st January

Marple circular
10.18 train Piccadilly
Brendan Molloy

28th January

TBA

4th February

Newhey to Littleborough
Meet 10.30 Newhey Metro
Brendan Molloy

11th February

Newhey circular
Meet 10.30 Newhey Metro
Jane Reeves

WEDNESDAY WALKS cont'd

Longer walk

18th February

Disley to Macclesfield
9.51 train Piccadilly
Mike Crawshaw

25th February

Ashton under Lyne circular
Meet 10.30 Ashton-u-Lyne Metro
Peter Capon

4th March

Hebden Bridge circular
9.55 train Victoria
Kathryn Fletcher

11th March

Disley circular
9.51 train Piccadilly
Mary Carr

18th March

Greenfield circular
10.00 train Piccadilly
Howard Brierley

25th March

Edale to Hayfield
9.48 train Piccadilly
Lesley Doyle

1st April

Hathersage circular
9.48 train Piccadilly
Simon Hopper

Shorter walk

18th February

Greenfield circular
9.58 train Piccadilly
Geoff Rudd

25th February

Romiley to Marple
TBA train Piccadilly
Dorothy Latham

4th March

Greenfield to Delph circular
9.58 train Piccadilly
Margaret Betts

11th March

Kearsley to Hall I'th'Wood
10.09 train Victoria
Alan Talbot

18th March

TBA
Alyson Smith

25th March

Bromley Cross circular
10.15 train Victoria
Don Bradley

1st April

Grindleford circular
9.48 train Piccadilly
Frank Heywood

WEDNESDAY WALKS cont'd

Longer walk

8th April

Chinley circular
9.48 train Piccadilly
Hilary Lowe

15th April

Marsden circular
10.00 train Piccadilly
Imelda Carr

22nd April

Edale to Whaley Bridge
9.48 train Piccadilly
Sean Dunne

29th April

Adlington (Cheshire) to Poynton
9.46 train Piccadilly
Mary Hill

Shorter walk

8th April

Glossop to Hadfield
10.03 train Piccadilly
Rosemary Snowling

15th April

Greenfield circular
9.58 train Piccadilly
Imelda Wood

22nd April

Hindley circular
10.09 train Victoria
Lesley Kenworthy

29th April

Hebden Bridge to Todmorden
10.21 train Victoria
Joyce Davenport

Manchester and District 20s & 30s Walking Group MAD Walkers



We are a large and very active group aimed at (but not exclusive to) the 20s and 30s.

Our walks programme has at least two walks per week in the areas surrounding Greater Manchester, including the Yorkshire Dales, Lake District, Peak District and the South Pennines.

Most of our walks make use of the rail network, making the final pub stop much more enjoyable! For non-public transport walks, we encourage car-sharing.

We also have a busy social side to the group with trips to the theatre, weekends away and explorations of Manchester's thriving food and drink scene!

So if you want to meet like minded people and keep fit in beautiful surroundings, check out our website for the latest walks and socials!

Website - www.madwalkers.org.uk

Email - info@madwalkers.org.uk

Instagram - [@madwalkers](https://www.instagram.com/madwalkers)

Facebook - MAD Walkers

MANCHESTER WEEKEND WALKERS

Manchester Weekend Walkers are listed as a 40+ group with the Ramblers but everyone is welcome to come on our walks, which are planned around using public transport and take place at weekends, as you might guess.

Discover the joy of exploring the great outdoors with a welcoming community of fellow walkers. Whether you're a seasoned hiker or new to countryside rambles, our group offers something for everyone: scenic routes, lively conversation, and plenty of fresh air.

- We have members from all around Greater Manchester and surrounding areas.
- There's at least one walk every weekend, all year round
- You can join us on regular weekday evening socials.
- Several times a year we organise weekend trips away to walk somewhere in England, Scotland or Wales

For all the latest information and details for our walks, socials and weekends away, please visit our website at www.mwwwalkers.org.uk

MANCHESTER & SALFORD GROUP

The Manchester and Salford Group organised walks are on the second Tuesday and last Saturday of every month, generally walking no more than 8 miles. Walks on Mondays are up to 4.5 miles. In the summer months, we have longer walks and monthly evening walks. We have also introduced monthly short, slow walks for members who are new to group walking and members who may find distance or speed too challenging. We have two weekends away per year which are always very popular and great fun.

We are a friendly group and offer a varied programme of urban walks and also take advantage of the excellent countryside in and around Greater Manchester, using public transport where possible and car share where not. We also have regular socials, taking in some local interest. The Salford Trail and The Manchester Green Trail are both available with some great short and long walks. You can get more information for both trails on our website. For more information and details of our current walks programme see our Facebook page or visit : www.manchesterandsalfordramblers.org.uk

MANCHESTER COACH RAMBLES GROUP (MCRG)

We run a coach on the 2nd Sunday of each month and on each trip we normally have three led walks, ranging from 6 to 14 miles. Tickets must be booked in advance from Mary Carr by email on Manchestercoachrambles@gmail.com or on 07940 205855 where you can leave a voicemail or text. All tickets cost £20. Coaches start in Chorlton Street, Mcr, or Prestwich and pick up in Sedgley Park, then Stockport, Hazel Grove and Buxton, or Stretford, Sale and Altrincham, depending on the route to the destination. Departure time November – March 5.30 pm April 6.00 pm. Further information on our website www.manchestercoachrambles.org.uk or Facebook Manchestercoachramblesgroup

9th November

Gargrave (N Yorkshire)

Via Prestwich

Starts 8.50 Chorlton St, picking up in Sedgley Park and Prestwich

8th February

Ilkley (West Yorkshire)

Via Prestwich

Starts 8.50 Chorlton St, picking up in Sedgley Park and Prestwich

14th December

Bakewell (Derbyshire)

via Stockport

Starts 8.20 Prestwich, picking up in Sedgley Park, Chorlton Street 8.50 then Stockport and Hazel Grove & Buxton

8th March

Llangollen (N Wales)

Via Altrincham

Starts 8.20 Prestwich, picking up in Sedgley Park, Chorlton Street 8.50, then Stretford, Sale and Altrincham

11th January

Grassington (N Yorkshire)

Via Prestwich

Starts 8.50 Chorlton St, picking up in Sedgley Park and Prestwich

12th April

Grasmere (Cumbria)

Via Prestwich

Starts 8.50 Chorlton St, picking up in Sedgley Park and Prestwich

In addition, we run local public transport walks which will be held on the 4th Sunday of each month. These are free. For further information, contact Don Bradley (07789 550499, or email donbradley80@yahoo.co.uk) or Frank Heywood 0161 881 6935 Please also see our Facebook page or website

23rd November

Whaley Bridge circular

10.47 train Piccadilly

Mike Bergin

28th December

Hadfield circular

10.33 train Piccadilly

Frank Heywood

25th January 2026

Disley circular
10.47 train Picadilly
Don Bradley

22nd February

Tandle Hill circular
10.00 train Victoria (to Mills Hill)
Jane Reeves

22nd March

Marple circular
9.31 train Piccadilly
John Devaney

26th April

Mytholmroyd circular
9.54 train Victoria
Alan Talbot

BOLTON GROUP

We have a varied programme of walks.

WEEKEND WALKS include – Coach Rambles organised for the first Saturday of each month. Shorter Local Footpath Walks, 4-5 miles, using the wealth of footpaths in the Bolton area, are organised on the second Sunday of each month.

Longer local walks of between 9-12 miles on the third weekend of the month.

MID-WEEK WALKS - each Thursday starting from Horwich Leisure Centre, 4-5 mile walks. On the third Thursday of the month a car ramble. Monday/Tuesday Walks using public transport, 6-7 miles and summer evening walks, 5 miles

LOCAL FOOTPATH WORK

Our Footpath Secretary works with Bolton MBC to scrutinize all planning applications to which there are issues with the local Rights of Way. The Bolton Group organise a monthly maintenance programme for footpaths in the Bolton area.

Full details of all our activities can be found on our website :
www.boltonramblers.org.uk

Bolton Ramblers Facebook

Walk details are also displayed on the Ramblers Walksfinder page at
www.ramblers.org.uk.

Correspondence should be sent to our e-mail address:
boltonramblers@hotmail.co.uk

BURY GROUP

The group organises walks on most Sundays throughout the year. These are mainly within the range 7 – 15 miles. Destinations for most of our walks lie within the Greater Manchester, Lancashire, West Yorkshire, Cheshire and Derbyshire. We occasionally organise walks in the Peak District, Yorkshire Dales and the Lake District national parks.

Full details of our walks are published on:

- www.buryramblers.com
- In the walk finders page on the main Ramblers website:
www.ramblers.org.uk and most contact is via our Group email address:
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HIGH PEAK RAMBLERS

The Group offers a wide variety of walks in terms of distance and terrain, mainly in the Peak District. We organise longer walks on Sundays and shorter walks on two Wednesdays a month plus an occasional Saturday walk and summer evening walk. Car share is available and we occasionally offer walks that are accessible by public transport. Details of all our walks are shown on our website www.highpeakramblers.org.uk

The Group also provides a programme of social events including talks and meals out. Each Spring and Autumn we organise a short break away in country locations that offer something for both non walkers and walkers of all abilities.

Contact: Lesley Robertson

Email highpeakramblers@gmail.com.

OLDHAM GROUP

We offer walks on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays. Mileages range from 3 to 10 miles, full details will be found on Ramblers Website.

Regular social events, including themed walks.

Coach excursions

Liaison with local authorities on footpaths and matters concerning walkers.

A very active footpath clearance team.

Non members are very welcome on our walks and full details of walks and more information about the group can be found on our webpage at www.ramblers.org.uk

ROCHDALE GROUP

Normally we organise walks on weekends and Thursdays. Most of the walks are in and around the South Pennine area and are off road in rural areas.

Thursday walks are about 7 miles and of a moderate grade on alternate Thursdays and 5 miles leisurely grade on other Thursdays.

Weekend walks are on alternate Saturdays and Sundays, normally moderate grade and between 7.5 and 12 miles. We also organise leisurely Saturday walks once a month of about 5 miles.

During the summer months we occasionally organise coach trips and other events to walk further afield. There is a charge for these trips and places must be booked with the walk leader, see the walks programme.

We have occasional social events.

Further information about the Group is available on the website www.rochdaleramblers.org.uk or contact

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Email - secretaryrochdaleramblers@gmail.com

Mobile 07779 119 850

STOCKPORT GROUP

We have a range of walks in our programme to suit most abilities. We often walk in the Peak District, but also in other locations within an hour and a half driving distance from Stockport.

We generally have walks on Saturdays, Sundays and Tuesdays. In Summer we also aim to have a mid-week evening walk. This may change from time to time and details can be found on our website in the WalksFinder section

Saturdays walks are usually moderate, 10-12 miles. Sunday walks are usually leisurely, 6-8 miles.

On Tuesdays we aim to alternate between a moderate (full-day) walk and a shorter morning walk, ending with an optional pub lunch.

Weekends away are arranged through the year with walks and social activities.

Our Social Team organize a range of events, all of which are emailed to members and can be found on our website.

We also have footpaths officers who regularly inspect and report on footpaths and Rights of Way.

We welcome new members and new ideas for activities

For more information please see our website for contact details
www.stockportramblers.org.uk or email
Stockportramblerssecretary@gmail.com

TAMESIDE GROUP

Our group was formed in 2013. Our walks vary in length and degree of difficulty and take place on Wednesdays and Saturdays throughout the year, plus occasional evening walks in the summertime.

In addition to several social events, we also have two walking weekends away each year in Spring and Autumn.

You can follow us on Facebook.

Details of all walks, contact details of leaders and our current newsletter, can be found on our website : www.tamesideramblers.org.uk

Grade A - strenuous 14 – 17 miles

Grade B - moderate 10 –12 miles

Grade C - leisurely 5 - 8 miles

Grade D - fairly easy 4 – 5 miles

TRAFFORD GROUP

The Trafford Group has a varied programme of walks throughout the year, always with a warm and friendly welcome. Our walks are usually between 7 and 11 miles, mainly on Thursdays, but also occasional Mondays, and range from leisurely to moderate with a few of them more challenging. They include walks from the Peak District to the Cheshire Plain, from Lancashire to North Wales. The programme is produced quarterly with details of all walks (including extra “pop up” walks at short notice) available on our website.

Stroller walks are on alternate Saturdays. They are more local and approximately 5 miles – the aim being to encourage new members to join the Ramblers and to offer a range of easy walks for people of all fitness levels.

For information please contact :

Web page www.ramblers-trafford.co.uk

Email - kathsmith@ntlworld.com (membership secretary)

WIGAN AND DISTRICT GROUP

Coach Rambles : First Saturday of each month departing around 9 am and returning between 5 pm and 6 pm : There are two walks available, one of approx. 8 miles and one of approx. 4 miles.

Local Walks: Third Saturday of each month : 4 – 4.5 mile walk using local footpaths.

Special Walks: Three annual walks varying between 11 miles and 15 miles staged between Easter and November

For information and bookings on Coach Rambles, Local Walks and Special Walks Contact Geoff Stanley 01257 482799 before 9.00 p.m.

Web: www.wigananddistrictramblers.org.uk

Copy of programme available from Membership Secretary:

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Telephone no. 01257 482799.



Greater Manchester & High Peak Area

**ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING**

will be held on

Saturday 29th November 2025

at

**CROSS STREET CHAPEL
Cross Street
Manchester M2 1NL**

at 2.00 – 4.00 p.m.

(with hot drinks to be served from 1.00 p.m)

**NB – Before the AGM there will be a
a walk – details to be arranged**

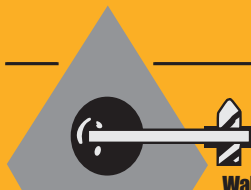


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Manchester
& High Peak**

Greater Manchester and High Peak Area

The Ramblers are at the heart of walking in Britain. If you walk, the Ramblers are for you. They work to make it easy for everyone to walk, whether in countryside, cities, hills, coasts and on or off the beaten track.

The Ramblers comprise a grass roots network of over 12,000 volunteers who work tirelessly for a walking Britain. For 75 years the Ramblers helped build and protect Britain's 150,000 mile long path network. They run over 28,000 walks a year, and campaign for better walking routes and more walking opportunities.



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