Walks and Social Events

November 2026 to January 2027

From the Chair **Christine Turner**

Hello

Welcome to the new Winter walking programme. After a blistering summer and early Autumn it seems that we are suddenly plunged into short days, and more temperate conditions, the latter are probably more suited to walking. Let's make the most of things. You will notice that there are several gaps in the programme. Please if you can step up and offer a walk. We understand that the hot weather may have limited opportunities to pre walk, but really, we are happy with re-runs of old walks - there's always something new to see. That's the beauty of walking - changing seasons mean changes in the natural world that we experience on our walk. I always enjoy the warm, earthy autumn colours of coppery browns, reds and ochres…..

Our annual AGM is coming up on Sunday 22 November at Tytherington Village Hall and will be preceded by a short walk. Please join us and add your views and contributions where you feel able. Thank you.

A festive meal has been reserved at the Swan Inn - also in Tytherington on Sunday 13/12/26 at 2pm. This will also be preceded by a short walk. There is a lovely menu from which you can choose including festive fare and alternative options. Celebrate with us.

See you on an autumnal walk soon.

Chris Turner

Severnside Committee Members

Chair – Chris Turner
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Committee Members – Jean Williams, Bob Smyth

Annual General Meeting
Sunday 22 November 2026

Can you help run our group?
Please support our AGM and consider volunteering for one of the committee roles.
Willing volunteers always welcome.

Christmas Lunch
Sunday 13th December
The Swan Tytherington
Pre-lunch walk
Lunch at 14:00
*****Booking essential*****

30 Years of Severnside Ramblers

Our group was formed in May 1997.
We are planning a celebration of 30 years of Severnside Ramblers.
Date for your diary Sunday 13th June 2027.

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Notes:

Please ensure you are **well equipped with suitable footwear and waterproof clothing**: contact the leader well before the walk if you have any doubts. We assume that walkers are aware the countryside can be muddy after rain so we do not put this on the programme. You should assume there is no pub or café stop if none is mentioned, so **please bring food and drink**, but **never** consume these on pub or café premises. **All walkers should carry their own first aid kit** and this is especially important for leaders.

All walk leaders must be **members and over the age of 18.** Leaders are required to carry with them **a copy of the Accident Form** (obtainable from the Severnside website or contact the Secretary) and a **mobile phone** for emergencies.

No leader can be responsible for **anyone who proceeds ahead** without directions. Registered assistance dogs are welcome, but other dog owners should confirm with the walk leader whether it is appropriate to bring them - the decision is entirely at the discretion of the leader and will be based on their observations of terrain and farm livestock during pre walks – if permitted, dogs should be kept on leads at all times.

Some members like to take photographs on the walks. These often appear on our website. Please advise the leader should you not wish to appear in a photograph.

Non-members are welcome **but after three walks** will be expected to join the Ramblers.

Date / Walk Grade	Area	Depart time / place	Walk Length /Time	Map	Suggested Donation	Leader or Contact
Walkers, please book a place on walks where there is a limit on number of walkers. If planning on going direct to the start of a walk please confirm details with the Walk Leader prior to the walk.						
Sun 1 Nov M	**Gordano Valley Circuit** – is a special and varied place for nature. We climb the two dry, limestone ridges which enclose it and twice cross the flat, wet valley floor. Imagine what Iron Age life was like on Cadbury Camp Hill Fort and admire the current "Grand Designs" on nearby "millionaires row". Please inform the leader if going direct to start of the walk.	09:00 AW	10.5 miles	E154	30 miles £3.00	Geoffrey P 07772 584 802
Fri 6 Nov	**Coffee Morning** To be held at Poplars Cafe in Frampton Cotterell, BS36 2AW from 10.00am. Note: New phone number for Jean W.					Jean W **0117 969 4386** 07791 875 730
Sun 8 Nov M	**Meare and Westhay** – a flat walk along lanes, droves and field paths on the Somerset Levels with views of Glastonbury Tor. We walk through Westhay Moor Nature Reserve a wetland reserve with many interesting species. Near the end of the walk we visit the only surviving medieval monastic fishery building in Britain.	08:45 AW	8.5 miles	E141	84 miles £8.40	Helen O 07505 111 753
Fri 13 Nov L	**Saltford and Kelston** – mainly flat over fields and tracks. A few stiles and gates. Walk starts from the Bird in Hand car park at 10:15. Note: New phone number for Jean W.	09:30 Aldi	4 miles 2 hrs	E155	£3.20	Jean W **0117 969 4386** 07791 875 730
Sun 15 Nov						
Sun 22 Nov M Pre Agm Walk	**Tytherington and Inchington -** Following the Jubilee Way to Itchington the route then uses fields & country lanes to return to Tytherington via a wooded area to Itchington Common, and Bristol's Time Gap. **Meet/Starting point** Tytherington Village Hall car park **GL12 8QE**	09:45	4.5 miles	E167	Nil	Jean A 01454 419274 07729957850 – day of walk only please

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Sun 22 Nov	**AGM - Tytherington Village Hall** Prior to the meeting a buffet lunch will be provided at approximately 12.30. The meeting will commence at 13:30.					
Fri 27 Nov L	**Bradley Stoke & Nature Reserve -** Circular walk around Bradley Stoke.	09:45 Aldi	3.5 miles 2 hrs	E155	Nil	Cathy H 07836 520 303
Sun 29 Nov M	Walton and Weston-in Gordano - coastal path, field tracks and woodland. Some steep climbs and descents. Rocky paths and may be muddy in wood; walking poles advised.	09:30 AW	7.5 miles	E154	35 miles £3.50	Kathy S 07890 113 179
Fri 4 Dec	**Coffee Morning** To be held at Poplars Cafe in Frampton Cotterell, BS36 2AW from 10.00am. Note: New phone number for Jean W.					Jean W **0117 969 4386** 07791 875 730
Sun 6 Dec						
Sun 13 Dec	**Xmas Lunch – The Swan Tytherington** **See flyer for details**					Gill K 01454 601 180
Sun 20 Dec						
Sun 27 Dec M	**Combes and hills around Wotton -** Burn off a few Christmas calories and take in some classic Cotswold scenery around the historic wool town of Wotton-under-Edge. We skirt sleepy villages on our way to Ozleworth Park and Newark Park before returning via Holywell.	09:30 AW	8 miles	E167	28 miles £2.80	Geoffrey P 07772 584 802
Sun 3 Jan						
Sun 10 Jan M	**Badminton and Luckington -** relatively flat; tracks, lanes and fields. May be muddy. Several stiles. Return via the Badminton estate.	09:30 AW	7 miles	E168	35 miles £3.50	Kathy S 07791 875 730
Sun 17 Jan						
Sun 24 Jan						
Sun 31 Jan						

Key: AW – Aztec West Blue Zone, **Aldi** – Aldi car park

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Meeting points: Weekend walks meet at the Aztec West Management Centre, Blue Zone, Park Avenue, Aztec West, BS32 4TD. Friday Ambles continue to meet at the Aldi car park, Brook Way Bradley Stoke, BS32 9DA. We operate a car-share policy: drivers appreciate a voluntary donation towards petrol costs – suggested amount for this programme is 10p per mile plus a share of any toll or parking charges. A suggested donation for each walk is given in the programme.

Times given are departure times from meeting point.

Friday Ambles: A morning sociable stroll for about 2 hours (4 miles), within easy driving distance. Lifts available from Aldi meeting point. Usually, optional pub or café stop at end of walk.

Grading of Walks – Definitions

Leisurely (L): Walks for reasonably fit people with at least a little country walking experience. May include un-surfaced rural paths. Walking boots and warm, waterproof clothing are recommended.

Moderate (M): Walks for people with country walking experience and a good level of fitness. May include some climbs on steep paths, open hillsides or moorland and maybe at a brisk pace. Walking boots and warm, waterproof clothing are essential.

Strenuous (S): Walks for experienced country walkers with above average fitness levels. May include hills, rough countryside and at a brisk pace. Walking boots and warm, waterproof clothing are essential.

If in doubt about your fitness please contact the Walk Leader in advance.

Walk Leaders: Please submit walks to fill gaps in this programme either via our website at www.severnside-ramblers.org.uk or contact Ken kenmill5515@gmail.com for Sunday walks or Jean on 01454 419274 or jeanaellen@talktalk.net for Friday ambles.

NEW LEADERS ALWAYS WELCOME!!

Walk leadership online training.
Grow your skills and confidence in leading group walks.
See Ramblers website - https://www.ramblers.org.uk/go-walking-hub/walk-leadership-online-training

Do Ramblers have your up-to-date contact details? If not, update them at membership@ramblers.org.uk or ring 020 7339 8595

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