

## Blockley Rambler

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There are just two Blockley Ramblers' walks this month. The first is on Tuesday 7 June and is a round trip to Batsford. The distance is 4.5 miles and the walk moderate. Meet at Blockley Shop & café at 10.00.

The second, on Sunday 19 June, takes us through the villages of Adlestrop, Daylesford, Cornwell and Chastleton before returning to Adlestrop. Distance is 6.5 miles and the going moderate. Meet at Adlestrop Village Hall (trust the motorist) @ 14.30. OS Explorer Map 243/271

Local Cotswold Warden walks in June, which start at 10.00 unless otherwise stated, include the following:

- Orchids, Redstarts and Belted Galloways - Saturday June 04. Easy, 2 miles. A farm walk with a difference on the Snowhill Hill estate. Farm manager, Carl Willn, takes us through his working woodland onto rare flower, bird and butterfly sites and past the best preserved dewpond in the north Cotswolds. Finish with free coffee and biscuits in the granary. Meet at Snowhill Hill Farm on the high lanes between Snowhill near Broadway and Trooper's Lodge (A44/A424). OS OL Map 45/122 330
- Macmillan Way - Stage 6 - Wednesday June 08 – Moderate, 11 miles. Continuing the linear walks along the Macmillan Way to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support, we walk from Chedworth to Sapperton via Rendcomb, Woodmancote and Pinbury Park. A minibus will take walkers from the meeting point at Sapperton to the start at Chedworth airfield. To book your place on the bus, please phone 01453 836221 by May 30th at the latest. Please bring a packed lunch. Meet at Sapperton church. OS Explorer Map 163/947 034
- Villages of the Vale - Saturday June 11. Moderate, 9 miles. Only one slope on this walk which is mainly in the Vale of Evesham bordering the Cotswold escarpment. Pub lunch available. 5.5 hours,. Meet at Stanton, village hall car park. OS OL Map 45/067 343
- The Disappeared Hamlets of the Past - Thursday June 16. Moderate, 12 miles. Encompassing a number of secluded valleys, high features and woodlands, we look at Cotswolds past through the missing villages and medieval churches. Please bring a packed lunch. Possibility of a pub stop mid afternoon. Meet at 9.30 am at Guiting Power village hall car park (Trust the Motorist). OS OL Map 45/096 245
- An Evening overlooking the Evenlode - Thursday June 23. Easy, 3.5 miles. As well as fine views, there is time to ponder the history of the tiny hamlet of Sarsden and look at how inhabitants over the generations have influenced the landscape. Optional meal at The Chequers, Churchill afterwards. Please book independently on 01608 659393. **Meet at 6.00 pm Sarsden Cross, nr Churchill.** OS OL Map 45/291 232

The North Cotswold Ramblers have two walks in June:

Saturday 11/06/2011 A Snowhill Stroll - This Figure of 8 walk is moderate with a small number of steady climbs but very few stiles. Approximately 6 miles in the morning and 4 in the afternoon. Lunch at The Snowhill Arms, Meet at Snowhill Village Car park at 10.00. OL45 Path1043 SP 097340

Sunday 26/06/2011 Fossick around Ford - for a morning only walk. The 7 mile route takes us from Ford via Slade Barn Farm, Campden Lane, Stumps Cross, Taddington and Cutsdean before returning to Ford for a pub lunch at the Plough Inn. Meet at 10.00 at The Plough Inn car Park at Ford OL 45 SP 087294

Further details of Blockley Ramblers' activities will be found on [www.blockleyramblers.org.uk](http://www.blockleyramblers.org.uk), with more information on Cotswold Warden walks available on [www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk](http://www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk). For details of the North Cotswold Ramblers' Association programme, go to [www.ramblers.org.uk](http://www.ramblers.org.uk) or contact Sue Salmon on 01386 700847.