

# ALTRINCHAM & DISTRICT RAMBLING CLUB

## FEBRUARY 2006 CIRCULAR

1. Sunday rambles meet in the car park of Oakfield Trading Estate off Oakfield Road, Altrincham. Follow sign for Station car park and take the first right turn. Wednesday rambles meet at the far end of the Altrincham station car park.
2. Decision to cancel or change a ramble is taken at Altrincham.
3. Dogs (on a lead at all times) only taken with prior permission of the leader.
4. Addresses of organisers are in the Membership Card. Cheques to be made out to ALTRINCHAM RAMBLING CLUB.
5. Names of guests on walks should be notified to the leader.
6. The Club will not be responsible for any personal injury or loss or damage to personal property.

### WEDNESDAY 1ST FEBRUARY - GAWSWORTH

Leave 9.30 6 miles Cat.4. Transport £3. Leaders: June Sherry-Brennan [REDACTED] & Di Mills [REDACTED] Park cars: On the road near the Harrington Arms Inn, just passed Gawsworth Church and Hall. GR.886 692.

This walk contains the best ingredients of Cheshire countryside, leafy lanes, field-paths, canal paths, woodlands, lakeside paths and mud! Bring your sticks. There are quite a few stiles on the second half of the walk.

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### SUNDAY 5TH FEBRUARY - ETHEROW

Leave 9.00 11 miles Cat.3/2. Transport £2.10. Leader: Joy Darlington [REDACTED] Park cars: Etherow Country Park, Compstall, off B6104. GR.965 909. (P&D £2 to be shared).

Follow river Goyt through Brabyns Park and on to Strawberry Hill. Across Golf course, Mellor Hall, Smithy Lane, Bothams Hall, Beacom Houses and back into Etherow Country Park.

### - SALE TRANS-PENNINE TRAIL

Leave 9.30 6½ miles Cat.4. Transport 60p. Leader: Pam Mitchell [REDACTED] Park cars: In Sale Water Park Visitor Centre CP. Leave M60 at junction 6 in direction of Jackson's Boat Bridge. Take first left to turn up to car park.

Very easy walk in a lovely area.

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### WEDNESDAY 8TH FEBRUARY - ALDERLEY EDGE

Leave 9.30 7 miles Cat.3. Transport £1.80. Leaders: Viv Addie [REDACTED] and Pam Baxandall [REDACTED] Park cars: Wizard car park, Alderley Edge. GR.869 773. P&D £2 to be shared. NT members free.

From the Edge we take paths and lanes to Harehill and through woods back to the Edge. Good views on a clear day.

### - NORTHWICH

Leave 9.45 6 miles Cat.4. Transport £2.10. Leaders: Brian & Shirley Warburton [REDACTED] Park cars: Town centre car park at rear of Northwich Memorial Hall on A559 (GR.660 739). Take LH turning before Memorial Hall and opposite police station.

Commence walk at front of Memorial Hall. A pleasant walk alongside the river Weaver to Vale Royal Locks, returning to the town centre via the opposite bank.

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### SUNDAY 12TH FEBRUARY - LYME PARK

Leave 9.00 11½ miles Cat. 2/3. Transport £2.20. Leader: David Siddall [REDACTED] Park cars: Higher Poynton (Boars Head) car park, near canal. SJ 944 833.

Boars Head (old Miners Arms), Platt Wood, Parkgate, Cage Hill, Cock Knoll, Hawkshurst Head, Sponds Hill, Bakestonedale Moor, West Parkgate, Hagg Farm, Boars Head. Rtn to cars 3.45 pm.

### - CARRINGTON MOSS

Leave 9.45 6 miles Cat.4. Transport 50p. Leader: Sukumar Ghosh [REDACTED] and Keith Leslie [REDACTED] Park cars: Far end of Woodcote Road, West Timperley. Travelling from Altrincham on Manchester Road, turn left at Park Road traffic lights.

A flat, easy walk over tracks and pathways on Carrington Moss and passing Manchester United's training ground. Virtually no stiles.

### **WEDNESDAY 15TH FEBRUARY - KERRIDGE - RAINOW**

Leave 9.15 10½ miles Cat.2/3. Transport: £3. Leader: Alan Gerrard [REDACTED]  
Park cars: Bollington. In the Middlewood Way car park. Just off the B5090. GR.931 781.

By canal and field paths to Higher Hurdsfield. Steady climb via Cliff Hill and Grove Farm to Tegg's Nose Visitor Centre. Return by the Gritstone Trail, Thornset farm, and Oakenbank.

### **- SALE & CHORLTON WATER PARKS**

Leave 10.00 5½ miles Cat.4. Transport 70p. Leaders: Joan Smyllie [REDACTED] & Betty Hollinshead [REDACTED]  
Park cars: Visitor's centre CP, Sale Water Park (Trafford Water-sports Centre), Rifle Road. GR. 805 928.

An easy walk alongside Sale Marina, Broad Ees Dole Nature Reserve and Chorlton Ees to Jackson's Boat. Continue along the river Mersey, round Chorlton Marina and back by the river.

### **SATURDAY 18TH FEBRUARY - SQUARE DANCE AND HOEDOWN**

7.30 to 11.00 pm. Larkhill Centre, Thorley Lane, Timperley. Host - Doreen Aldridge.  
Caller - Fred Lloyd. Meal at 7.30 pm prompt. Please bring knife, fork and spoon.  
Tickets: £6.00 from Ron Howarth ([REDACTED]), Robert Fysh ([REDACTED]), Joan Holmes ([REDACTED])  
Members welcome to bring guests. Please note: Tickets must be paid for at time of purchase.  
Please send cheque made payable to 'Altrincham Rambling Club' with a stamped addressed envelope if ordering by 'phone.

### **SUNDAY 19TH FEBRUARY - WILDBOARCLOUGH**

Leave 8.30 12 miles Cat.3/2. Transport £3.45 Leader: Alan Macdonald [REDACTED]  
Park cars: Clough House, Wildboarclough. GR.987 698.

Cumberland Cottage, Three Shires Head, Cut Thorn, Gradbach, Hanging Stone, Dane Bridge, Wincle, Hammerton Farm, Hammerton Knowl Farm, then back to the cars.

### **WEDNESDAY 22ND FEBRUARY - DELAMERE FOREST**

Leave 9.15 8½ miles Cat.3. Transport £3.60 Leaders: Colin & Hazel Baldwin [REDACTED]  
Park cars: Barnsbridge Gats Car Park. GR.542 716. Follow A556 to Oakmere / Delamere. Turn right onto B5152. Turn left at Hatchmere (1 mile beyond Delamere station) into Ashton Road. Car park is then 0.9 miles on left)

A walk mainly on tracks through Delamere Forest along the Sandstone Trail and Delamere Way to Eddisbury Lodge and Pale Heights, returning to the cars by Hart Hill and Hatchmere. Views extending over seven counties if the weather is good. One steepish climb.

### **- ACTON BRIDGE**

Leave 10.00 6 miles Cat.4. Transport: £2.70. Leader: David White [REDACTED]  
Park cars: The Leigh Arms, Warrington Rd, Little Leigh (nr. Acton Bridge). Take M56 towards Chester - leave at junction 10. Take A49 towards Whitchurch. Pub is on LHS just before Swing Bridge. SJ. 602 760.

Trent & Mersey canal - River Weaver, Dutton Locks, Cliff Lane, Crowton, Acton Brook, Acton Bridge. (New boots for Christmas? Now is the time to get them dirty !!).

### **SUNDAY 26TH FEBRUARY - BOLLINGTON, TEGGS NOSE, RAINOW CIRCULAR**

Leave 9.00 10½ miles, Cat.3/2. Transport: TBA. Leaders: Brian Billington [REDACTED] & Alan Gerrard [REDACTED]  
980 7508. Park cars: Middlewood Way CP. GR. SJ 931 781. Turn off B5090 onto Sugar Lane, Bollington car park on left.

Higher Hurdsfield, Marsh farm, Teggs Nose, Gunshaw Hollow, Thornset farm, Rainow, High Cliff, Oakenbank, Kerridge.

### **- ASTBURY**

Leave 9.30 6½ miles Cat.4. Transport £3.60. Leader: Heather Wykes [REDACTED]  
Park cars: In layby opposite Little Moreton Hall on A34 where leader will meet. GR.831 589.

Lovely easy walk by fields and paths to Astbury church via Alcumlow Hall Farm, then short road walk to join the Macclesfield canal, along towpath to Little Moreton Hall via paths and fields to cars.