

**BEDFORD RAMBLING
CLUB**
(Affiliated to H.F. Holidays)
Programme of Sunday Walks
May - August 2017

***This Programme is dedicated to Ron, who will be sadly missed
on the many walks he led and his knowledge of the countryside***

Walks with an asterisk (*) meet at **Bedford Bus Station** to get a bus to the start of the walk. Parking is free on Sundays in Greyfriars Car Park. Some walks will have a meeting point at **St. Peter's Church, DePary's Avenue, Bedford** to share lifts to the start, other walks will meet where the walk starts from, so members will have to make their own arrangements.

- ⤴ Leaders' mobile phone numbers, are only to be used on the day of a walk.
- ⤴ Bus times etc. are correct at time of printing but please check prior to departure.
- ⤴ Don't forget to contribute to driver if sharing a lift towards cost of petrol, usually £2.00.
- ⤴ Welcome to new leader Gerry

There are walks on Monday mornings. For these walks you need your own transport to the starting point. See attached programme or contact Bev 01234 768974.

Non-members are welcome to walk with us (at their own risk) but we ask that if you come on more than two or three walks you join for the year.

For further information re subscription etc. and copies of this programme please contact Christine on 01234 360769 or by email brclub75@yahoo.co.uk

MAY 2017

Sunday 7 May - Marston Thrift, starting from Wood End. Travelling on the OLD A421 from Bedford towards MK take the right turn signed WOOD END which is between the Marston and Lidlington turns. Follow this road for about 1 mile to the very end where there is a small car park. Grid SP973 412 **to leave at 10.00am.**

LEADER - Gerry 01234 767729/07902 451123.

***Sunday 14 May** - RSPB, Sandy. **Bus 73 from Bay F at 10.00am** arrives Sandy 10.34am. Return bus leaves at 13.21. If going by car use Market Place car park off High Street opposite the Parish Church ready to **leave car park at 10.45am.**

LEADER - Clare 01767 640965/07754 521841.

Sunday 21 May - Paxton Pits, meet at **The Country Park Centre to leave at 10.00am** for a 5 mile walk around this beautiful reserve.

LEADER - Rachel 01234 764669 (no mobile).

Sunday 28 May - Riverside paths and Priory Country Park. **Meet 9.45am by the Butterfly Bridge on the Embankment to leave at 10.00am.** LEADER - Brenda 01234 363414/07851 385878.

JUNE 2017

Thursday 1 June Evening Walk - Kempston starting from **Green End Lane near the entrance to Kempston Cemetery** for approximately a 3.5 mile walk to **leave at 7.00pm.**

LEADER - Sue 01234 854628/07788193900.

Sunday 4 June - Harrold - an introspective. This walk gives us the opportunity of seeing Harrold from many different aspects, it will be circa 6-7miles. **Meet at Harrold Country Park to leave at 10.00am.** LEADER - Peter 01933 276810/07799 697661.

***Sunday 11 June** - Renhold, **Bus 5 Bay 1 at 9.33am** arrives 9.55 at Go Outdoors, **if going by car use Go Outdoors car park to leave from there at 10.00am.**

LEADER - Gill 01234 261377/07814 851314.

Sunday 18 June - A pleasant circuit of gently undulating country to the north, west and south of the attractive village of Ashwell, a walk of 5.5 miles. **Leave St. Peter's at 9.30am.**

LEADER - John 01234 824959/07944 379668.

***Sunday 25 June** - Longer walk from Coach Way Milton Keynes. **Bus X5 at 10.00am** arriving 10.30am at Coach Way **or park for free at the Coach Way.** The walk into Central Milton Keynes via Willen Lake and canal on good paths about 7.5 miles, bring lunch, snacks and drinks. Bus can be caught from CMK back to Coach Way. LEADER - David 01234 218989/07729 882852.

Monday 26 June Skittles and Buffet evening - Cock Inn, Broom at 7.00pm. See attached form for returning to Mary before 12 June.

JULY 2017

Sunday 2 July - Turvey, about 5.5 miles starting from the layby just over the bridge at Turvey **to leave at from there at 10.00am.**

LEADER - Sue 01234 854628/07788 193900.

Sunday 9 July - Kempston to Bedford approximately 3-4 miles, finishing or starting with coffee at the Golf Club. **Park at Kempston Mill to leave at 10.00am.** LEADER - Bev 01234 768974 (no mobile)

Sunday 16 July - Melchbourne to Yelden. **Meet Melchbourne, park in village on Park Road opposite eight thatched cottages, Grid TL028654, to leave at 10.00am,** be careful not to block church entrance or Melchbourne House. Walk approximately 6.5 miles. Pubs in Melchbourne and Yelden no other facilities on walk. LEADER - Pat 07787 893047. Walk taken from Ivel Valley Favourite Walks in and around Bedfordshire.

Sunday 23 July - Woburn, a 5 mile walk starting from the free car park opposite the church **to leave at 10.15am or meet St. Peter's at 9.30am.**

LEADER - Christine 01234 213501/07790 534546.

Sunday 30 July - Stevington, **meet at St. Peter's at 9.30am or in the car park of the Social Centre, Park Lane, Stevington to leave at 10.00am** for a morning walk. LEADER - Mary 01234 350167/07973 136922.

AUGUST 2017

Sunday 6 August - Three Locks Walk, Stoke Hammond, a 6 mile walk **meet at the picnic site near the Three Locks Inn, the postcode is MK17 9DD to leave at 10.00am.**

LEADER - Liz 01525 713284/079234 01435.

Sunday 13 August - Circular walk Sandy-Beeston-Blunham **meet in Market Place Car Park, Sandy opposite the Parish Church to leave at 10.00am.** LEADER - Brenda 01767 640623/07934 240325.

Sunday 20 August - Great Barford, **park near the Anchor Pub in New Road to leave at 10.00am.** LEADER - Judith 01767 640782/07397007101

Sunday 27 August (Bank Holiday weekend) - Three Churches Walk approximately 6 miles **meet at the Bell in Odell to leave at 10.00am.** LEADER - Sue 01234 822760/07880 531517.



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COMMITTEE 2017

Our long standing committee member Bev has decided to stand down from the committee after giving his time for many years representing the Monday walkers. Thank you Bev for all your contributions which have been much appreciated. Bev will still continue to put the Monday programme together and lead walks on both Sundays and Mondays. His place has been taken by Mike Ward - Welcome to the committee Mike.

Chairman	John Dixon
Vice Chairman	Peter Atkinson
Secretary	Christine Marchant
Treasurer	Scott Geddis
Social Secretary	Mary Backhurst
Programme Secretary	VACANT this is being covered by Brenda Wilde and Christine Marchant
Committee	Maureen Cavanagh, Mike Ward

