

Saturday, December 13th The Irwell Valley

Alight Bolton & return Salford Crescent

11 miles MODERATE (C)

Bolton Sta, Manchester Rd, Darcy Lever, Moses Gate Country Park, Nob End Nature Reserve, Bolton-Bury-M/cr Canal, Irwell Sculpture Trail, Salford Crescent Sta. Leader: Roger Fairclough

Alight Farnworth & return Salford Crescent

8 miles EASY (E)

Farnworth Sta, Nob End Nature Reserve, Ringley, Clifton Country Park, The Salford Trail, Charlestown, Peel Park, Salford Crescent Sta. Leader: Graham McLeod

Travel Arrangements: Meet at Bolton Sta at 0920 to catch the 0925 train to Farnworth or start C walk at 0930. Connections from Preston 0849, B'burn 0848, Accrington 0823, Wigan Wallgate 0905 (Direct to Farnworth). Frequent return trains from Salford Crescent.

Ticket Details: Book a Day Return to Salford Crescent

Map: OS Explorer 277 Manchester

Saturday, January 10th 2026 Hebden Bridge

Alight & return Hebden Bridge

12 miles MODERATELY STRENUOUS

Hebden Bridge Sta, Mytholm, Colden Clough, Calderdale Way, Hippings Bridge, Matthew Lane, Lobb Mill, Mankinholes, Stoodley Pike, Hebden Bridge Sta. Leader: John Haworth

7 miles EASY (E)

Bus to Blackshaw Head, Hippings, Staups Moor, Chisley Stones, Great Rock, Delph, Dill Scout's Wood, Colden Clough, Canal Towpath, Hebden Bridge. Leader: Chris Thornley

Travel Arrangements: 0844 train from Preston to Hebden bridge calling at B'burn 0904, Accrington 0913, Burnley M/r Rd 0922. Connecting train from M/cr Vic. at 0921 and to Mc/r Vic at 24, 31 & 59 min past each hour

Ticket Details: Book a Day Return to Hebden Bridge

Map: OS Explorer OL21 South Pennines

For latest train times from other stations see National Rail website: www.nationalrail.co.uk.

LANCASHIRE RAIL RAMBLERS

We are a diverse and friendly group of people that use public transport and we will reach our 50th anniversary in 2025. For more information, visit us on Facebook (Lancashire Rail Ramblers) or contact us on railramblers.wordpress.com. We look forward to seeing you on one of our walks.

Walks start and finish at the rail stations named. Some of our supporters are regulars, some are occasional and all who turn up are made to feel welcome. No membership or fees are involved.

Our walks leaders are all members of the Ramblers Association. Walks vary in length and difficulty to suit all needs and are graded as below:

B (Moderately Strenuous) & C (Moderate)	These walks require a good level of fitness. Walks may be through rough moorland with steep or strenuous climbs. Boots essential. B walks may be against the clock.
D (Moderately Easy) & E (Easy)	Reasonable levels of fitness required as walks may cover uneven ground, streams, inclines and stiles.
F & G Strolling	Suitable for all

PACE The grade of the walk is a guide only. The pace depends on numbers and fitness of the group and weather conditions. Should you have any doubts about your capabilities then choose a lower graded walk.

CLOTHING & REFRESHMENT Suitable footwear and waterproofs are advisable on all walks. Jeans are inappropriate. On most walks stops are made for lunch or tea, so remember to bring your own food and enough to drink.

PLEASE NOTE Walk leaders may refuse permission to join a walk if the leader judges the person is not fit or adequately clothed. Leaders may vary the walk if the conditions are judged to be unsuitable. Walkers' safety is their own responsibility.

No liability or claim can be accepted by Rail Ramblers Committee or leaders for any loss damage, accident or personal injury howsoever caused.



GUIDED WALKS PROGRAMME

October 2025 to January 2026



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Saturday, October 11th Chester

Alight and return Chester

11 miles MODERATE (C)

Shropshire Union Canal – Christleton - Stamford Bridge –Disused Railway - Chester. Leader: Ken Hall

7.5 miles EASY (E)

Shropshire Union Canal - City Walls to Chester Castle - Dee Bridge then by Queens Park and beside the River Dee to Eaton Hall and Aldford – Bus to Chester. Leader: Janice Ward

Travel Arrangements: 0906 from Man Vic to Chester. Connecting trains from Preston 0749, Blackburn 0747, Bolton 0826, Wigan Wallgate 0805

Return trains from Chester at 27 min past each hour.

Ticket Details: Book a Day Return to Chester or Explorer 55

Map: OS Explorer 266 Wirral & Chester



Saturday, October 25th Carnforth

Alight Wennington & return Carnforth

12 miles MODERATE (C)

Wennington Sta, Lodge Lane, Park House, Castle Stede, Lune Valley Ramble, Aughton Barns, Chapel Wood, Swarthdale, Kirk House, Kellet Rd, Carnforth. Leader: Nik Grounds

Alight Carnforth & Return Arnside

9 miles MODERATELY EASY (D)

Carnforth Sta, Warton, Strickland Wood, Quaker's Stang, Scout Wood, Silverdale, Cove Well, Priory Cott, Arnside Knott, Arnside Leader: Chris Dibbs

Travel Arrangements: 0945 from Preston to Lancaster and change for the 1014 to Carnforth or the 1046 train to Wennington. Return trains from Arnside at 1432, 1527 & 1630. Frequent trains from Lancaster to Preston.

Ticket Details: Book a Day return to either Arnside or Wennington or Explorer 55 at £19.20 (for use on Northern trains only).

Map: OS OL7 English Lakes SE

Saturday, November 8th Kendal

Alight Oxenholme & return Kendal

11 miles MODERATE (C)

Oxenholme Sta, the Helm, Natland, Low Sizergh, Sizergh Castle, Holeslack, Barrowfield, Bradley Field, Kendal Sta. Leader: Hilary Bell

Alight Burneside & return Kendal

8 miles MODERATELY EASY(E)

Burneside Sta, Hollins Lane, Hallhead Nab, Cunswick Scar, Underbarrow Rd, Hodgson's Leap, Helsington Barrows, Scroggs Wood, Romney Bridge, Kendal, Kendal Sta. Leader: Craig Ward

Travel Arrangements: 0945 from Preston to Windermere. Connections from B'burn at 0836, Accrington 0823, Burnley Cen. 0805, Bolton 0909(Direct), Wigan NW 0910 (change at Preston)

Ticket Details: Book a Day return to Kendal or Burneside or consider an Explorer 55 at £19.20.

Map: OS OL7 English Lakes SE



Saturday, November 22nd Broadbottom

Alight Broadbottom & return Glossop

11 miles MODERATE (C)

Broadbottom Sta, Leylands Fm, Bothams Hall, Higher Chisworth, Pistol Fm, Rowarth, Nr Slack, Coombs Tor, Whitley Nab, Glossop. Leader: Chris Dibbs

Alight Dinting & return Broadbottom

7.5 miles MODERATELY EASY (D)

Dinting Sta, Dinting Vale, Bankwood Gate, Coombs Edge Way, Botham's Hall, Lumms, Tameside Trail, Werneth Low War Memorial, Hodgefold, Broadbottom Sta. Leader: David Pryer

Travel Arrangements: 1003 from Man Picc to Broadbottom/Dinting. Connections from Preston 0851, B'burn 0848 (change at Salford Cresc), Bolton 0921, Wigan Wallgate 0849. Return trains from Broadbottom at 00 and 30 min past each hour

Ticket Details: Book a Day Return to either Broadbottom or Dinting

Map: OS Explorer OL1 Peak District (Dark Peak)