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## NEWSLETTER No. 125 - DECEMBER 2017

Welcome to the December Newsletter. The Editors and Committee wish you a

**Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.**

We hope you are enjoying the new form of the newsletter, which is prepared and distributed using MailChimp. Please let us know if you have any problems receiving or reading the newsletter or if you have any comments. Our contact details are at the end of the newsletter.

We would like to reassure members who receive a printed copy of the newsletter that we will continue to send the printed copy to any member who would like to receive it this way. However, in the interests of economy we encourage members to receive the Newsletter and Walks programme by email. This saves the East Berks Ramblers group printing and postage costs.

If you would like to receive future newsletters by email instead of the printed version, please send an email to our Membership Secretary, Neil Adamson, [membership@eastberksramblers.org](mailto:membership@eastberksramblers.org).

The [Walks Programme](#) for January to April 2018 is distributed with the printed newsletter.



### NEW MEMBERS

**A very warm welcome to our new Members**

#### Full Members

Sonja Antell	Paul Baker	Linda Berridge	Lorna Bowry
Linda Cassidy	Sonia Chandler	Wendy Field	Julia Goddard
Tandi Clausen May	Jill Munro	Jane and Roger Pryor	Mark Savill

You have joined a very friendly and sociable Group and we look forward to welcoming you on our walks. We hope you will enjoy your membership on walks, at our social events, and by volunteering. But even if you play a more passive role thank you for giving your support to the Ramblers, the national Association for walkers and for the protection of our rights of way heritage.

For membership enquiries contact Neil Adamson Email: [membership@eastberksramblers.org](mailto:membership@eastberksramblers.org)

## New Chairman for EBR

We are very pleased that a volunteer has come forward to join the Committee and assume the Chairmanship. **Phil Smith**, whom most of you will know, has stepped up and the Committee co-opted him to the Committee and the Chairmanship at its meeting held this week. Phil has agreed to serve as Chairman until the AGM in November 2018 at which time he will decide whether or not he wishes to offer himself to EBR members for election to the role of Chairman. We are delighted to have Phil on board and we are sure he will prove a valuable addition to your Committee. We know that we can rely on you all to give him every support in his role as our Chairman.

## EBR Annual General Meeting

*writes Liz Richardson, Group Secretary*

The 47<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Group was held at Claires Court School on Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> November 2017. This year 67 members attended and 9 members sent their apologies. The Committee is very grateful to all who attended or who sent in their apologies.

There are some changes to the Committee. Eileen Dorney resigned from the Committee in February. David Bailey, Frank Bush and Pauline Thompson did not offer themselves for re-election at the AGM and retired from the Committee. Your Committee for 2017/18 is therefore, as follows:

Chairman (co-opted by Committee 13 December 2017)	<b>Phil Smith</b>	01628-633803
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Reports were presented by David Bailey, Chairman, Alan Harding, Group Treasurer, and Steve Gillions, Footpath Secretary. These reports are attached as an appendix to this newsletter, and can also be found along with the full minutes of the meeting on the EBR website at [www.eastberksramblers.org/members/AGM%20Minutes%202017.pdf](http://www.eastberksramblers.org/members/AGM%20Minutes%202017.pdf),

## Countryside Matters *writes Gordon MARRS*

### Path Warden Activity

My team of path wardens has been busy carrying out the Autumn Footpath Survey on behalf of the Royal Borough. I have received the completed forms from most of the wardens, there are about four outstanding. I have had to cover some myself and am finding paths I have never walked before! After the forms have all been checked I will write a summary report for the Rights of Way team. I should like to thank all of the path wardens for their support and wish them all a happy Christmas and peaceful New Year.

### Path Improvements

We are providing funds to other Groups in Berkshire for path improvement works and some of the initial £5K has been spent. The stile replacement programme with RBWM has been successful, and will continue as new projects arise. Plaques to be put on the new structures to acknowledge our efforts have been ordered and should arrive in a matter of weeks.

### Planning Issues

The new footbridge over the Cut on the new footpath to Green Lane has suffered a slight delay, due to

modifications required by DEFRA. The plaque to go on the bridge to commemorate Margaret Bowdery is being forged by a brass foundry in Sheffield. If all goes to plan there will be a grand opening ceremony next Spring.

The NT have submitted a planning application, 17/02765, to install a Pay and Display machine on the car park on Cookham Moor. This is part of a nationwide initiative to raise funds for local improvements.

## Meeting with the National Trust *writes Steve Gillions*

Gordon Marrs and I recently met with the National Trust at Cliveden to talk through how we might work more closely together. We found the meeting very positive and hope it will be the start of a productive working relationship with the Trust.

We met with Owen Hibben, the Lead Ranger for Maidenhead and Cookham Commons, which are managed by the Trust, and Ian Wilson. Ian has drawn up a development programme for the commons which he presented to the November meeting of the Local Access Forum. The plan, which is dependent on the Trust obtaining the necessary funding, was well-received by the LAF and we think it makes good sense. The areas covered are Maidenhead Thicket, Pinkneys Common, Winter Hill and Cookham Dean. Although there are public rights of way on the commons, the majority of paths are unofficial permissive paths and one major problem the Trust has is in balancing the needs of the various user groups. A key feature of the plans is the re-design of the bridleway network through better signage and surfacing which will in turn mean that footpaths will be less open to horse traffic.

The Trust also intends to explore the possibility of introducing a 'traffic light' system for dog walkers, making it clear where dogs can run free and where they should be on leads. This system is used in Hampshire.

We did talk about car parking on Winter Hill and made it clear that we thought the new lower car park should be enlarged to provide the same capacity as the one that was closed at the end of 2016. If, as we move through 2018, you find there is insufficient parking on Winter Hill please let us know.

Finally, you will appreciate that the Trust depends heavily on volunteers to keep its land in good order. If you would like to help out, get in touch with them at Cliveden.

## Emergency Information Keyrings

*writes Peter Griffiths*

Following Pera's request in the April Newsletter, the Committee has purchased a large number of Emergency Information Keyrings, which were made available to members at the recent Annual General Meeting. Each keyring contains a slip on which a member can provide personal details that may be useful to helpers and medics in the unlikely event of an emergency. The keyring can be attached to or placed inside a rucksack where it can be easily found.

Emergency keyrings can be obtained from Liz Richardson, Group Secretary, [groupsecretary@eastbersramblers.org](mailto:groupsecretary@eastbersramblers.org) or from Viv Williams, Short Walks Coordinator, [shorterwalks@eastbersramblers.org](mailto:shorterwalks@eastbersramblers.org)

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## Monthly Coach Walks in 2018

### The Great Stones Way and on to The Ridgeway!

*write Chris and Nigel Roper*

As those who joined us over the past four months will know, we certainly experienced the most extreme of 'summer weather' for our introduction to organising the long distance footpath walks. However, we were thankfully rewarded in October by perfect weather for our discovery of Avebury and its surrounding pre-historic monuments! For those who were unable to join us on these adventures please do visit the [website](#), which Nigel put together, and enjoy some of our experiences and photographs from the comfort of your armchair over the forthcoming winter months. We thoroughly enjoyed our first experience of organising these walks; the discussions, planning walks and even the daunting task of looking after 45 plus keen walkers on each leg and ensuring we didn't lose anyone or the coach!!!



We are now looking towards the next stage of our adventure - The Ridgeway - and will be heading off from Avebury on Wednesday 7th March 2018! We hope to complete the walk to Ivinghoe Beacon in Hertfordshire by October next year. If you would like to join us, taking in more of the archaeological monuments en route, then please do contact us. We are looking forward to our next round of walks along the Ridgeway with, no doubt, more unpredictable weather. It will certainly be entertaining we are sure!!!

Do hope you can join us ....

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As a footnote for those who might be interested: Nigel and I attended the National Trust AGM in October where a Member's Resolution was tabled and discussed on the plans for the A303 at Stonehenge. A very interesting debate, particularly in the light of new archaeological discoveries - Blick Mead Mesolithic site. If you would like to hear this debate then please visit the NT web site, scroll down the home page to AGM, click the link 'More about our AGM', whereupon you can choose the discussion as one of the options. [www.nationaltrust.org.uk](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk)

## **Strollerthons** *writes John Vint*

End of second year, like the curate's egg - good in parts. 6 only on a lovely walk in Langley Park, 28 for Taplow Court.

Thanks to the leaders for all their efforts and the faithful who turn up for anything! In summer it would be great if we could have two walks a month, but leaders are few, even if you can still walk 20 miles a day, think about putting on Strollerthon. You might enjoy the company and wisdom of the 'Golden Oldies' or think of yourself as a branch of the NHS.

Seriously now, I have started the movement but have to back off through age. We all want these walks to flourish, but only people can make it happen.

## **Group Spring 2018 Holiday in Sedbergh** *writes Arthur Holland*

This is just a short note re the spring break to Sedburgh which is now fully booked, to remind participants that the holiday begins on 30<sup>th</sup> April and is for four nights and that final payments are due before 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018. Should you need to contact me my e-mail address is [committee2@eastberksramblers.org](mailto:committee2@eastberksramblers.org).

## **Group Autumn 2018 Holiday on the Gower** *writes David Bailey.*

Arrangements have been made for the Group's Autumn break in 2018 to be based on the Gower Peninsula, South Wales, staying at the King's Head Hotel, Llangennith. This holiday is being organised for us by Secret Hills Walking and will be a four-night break, Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September.

Leaders will be provided for a short, local walk, on the Sunday afternoon for those able to get there in time, and then three leaders on each of the following days so that on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday there will be a choice of three walks. Two of these will be similar in length and pace to the Group's usual UK holidays, ie. one of between about 9 and 10 miles taken at a moderate pace and the other of about 6 or 7 miles and at a slightly easier pace. The third option will be a walk of about 3 - 4 miles on easier terrain and allowing more time for sightseeing or exploring. Areas visited are likely to include Rhossili Bay, The Mumbles, Worms Head, and Oxwich Bay.

The cost of the four night, en-suite accommodation, dinner, bed and breakfast, the services of the leaders, and transport costs to and from the start/finish points of the walks where appropriate, on the three full days will be £384 pp., plus £10 per night single supplement. Lunches are not included in the cost but the hotel can provide a packed lunch. Other options are also being investigated, but there are no local shops.

Those members wishing to reserve a place should complete the booking form at the end of this Newsletter and return it, as soon as possible, to the address on the form together with a cheque for £80pp made out to East Berks Ramblers as a deposit. The balance will be required by 1<sup>st</sup> August at the very latest, again by cheque to East Berks Ramblers (a reminder will appear in the April Newsletter). If there are any further questions please contact me on 01628-634561 or e-mail at [autumnbreak@eastberksramblers.org](mailto:autumnbreak@eastberksramblers.org)

## **EBR Overseas Holiday to the Picos de Europa, Spain: 30 June - 7 July 2018**

*write Liz Richardson and Rosemary Davies*

The overseas holiday to Picos de Europa in Spain is now booked, flights confirmed and deposits paid. If you would like to join us please contact Rosemary Davies on 01344 422707, [committee1@eastberksramblers.org](mailto:committee1@eastberksramblers.org) or Liz Richardson on 01628 625171, [groupsecretary@eastberksramblers.org](mailto:groupsecretary@eastberksramblers.org) and we will be pleased to check to see if there is any availability.

## **2017 Group Autumn break in Llangollen, 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> September**

*reports Eleanor Griffiths*

To quote from the report on the Brecon Beacons break, “what do you think of when someone mentions Wales?” Well, unlike the Spring group, we did have rain, but not enough to dampen our enjoyment of the programme of walks that Secret Hills had provided for us. The thirty-one of us who had travelled to Llangollen were able to choose from three different walks on each of Monday to Wednesday, with a choice of two shorter walks on the Sunday afternoon for those who had arrived in time and wished to get going straight away.

We appreciated the picturesque landscape - high hills, with grazing sheep and woodland on the lower slopes and open moorland higher up. Longer walks took us up and over from one valley to the next, giving far-reaching views, and on two of the days coach transport was provided to take us to our start points for more variety in the walking. Most of us had the opportunity to visit the famous Pontcysyllte aqueduct, and to walk across it beside the Llangollen canal if we wished – a distance of just over 1,000 ft, with the highest point 126 ft above the River Dee below. Some of the group felt part-way across was far enough! The aqueduct was designed by Thomas Telford, as was the weir on the Dee known as the Horseshoe Falls (because of its unusual curved shape), which is the point where the canal begins.

Also of interest, in the town or nearby, are the ruins of Dinas Bran castle and of Valle Crucis abbey, Plas Newydd (home of ‘the Ladies of Llangollen’) and the Llangollen steam railway, which meant that we were not short of things to do if we decided not to walk at any point.

Our hotel, The Hand, was comfortable and friendly, with a good choice of food, and our guides were knowledgeable and accommodating. An altogether satisfying few days away.

### **DO YOU WALK WITH THE GROUP?**

#### **DO YOU LEAD WALKS?**

#### **COULD YOU LEAD A WALK?**

*write Pera Marris and Viv Williams*

We are finding it increasingly difficult to find people to lead our group walks, especially the shorter walks and longer Sunday walks. We are relying on a few people to do more than their share of the leading.

If you walk regularly with the group please consider taking your turn. You do not need to be an outdoor expert, just use your common-sense. Being able to read a map is useful, but not essential when you are walking locally. If you choose a walk from one of our books, it is simply a matter of following the instructions. There will always be someone on the walk to help if you get stuck. We have useful crib sheets to help you plan and execute your walk, and we can arrange for an experienced leader to help you plan and to walk round with you the first time.

If you think it would help we could arrange another map reading and leadership course which usually takes a couple of 2 hour sessions, followed by a 5 mile practice walk. The winter is upon us, so it is just the right time to brush up on some new skills.

### **PLEASE HELP OR THE NEXT PROGRAMME WILL HAVE MORE DAYS WITH NO WALKS.**

If you are interested or willing to volunteer please contact

Pera Marris [longerwalks@eastberksramblers.org](mailto:longerwalks@eastberksramblers.org) or

Viv Williams [shorterwalks@eastberksramblers.org](mailto:shorterwalks@eastberksramblers.org)

## NEW YEAR LUNCH - 14th January 2018 - Winter Hill Golf Club

*writes Alma Richardson*

The New Year lunch is now **fully booked** and we look forward to another delicious lunch and very enjoyable social occasion. The lunch will be preceded by a 4/5 mile walk led by Gordon and Pera Marrs starting at 10.15 am from the club car park (far end).

As last year the dining room will be open seating. Name place cards will be set on a table at the entrance to the dining area and so should be picked up and taken with you to your seat. This then enables the waiting staff to see at a glance your menu choice (indicated on the back of your name card). Changing rooms will be available to wash and brush up after the morning walk. Drinks can be purchased from the bar beforehand but please be aware that Golf club members will also be using the bar area.



## First Aid Course

The next First Aid course for walks leaders of Berkshire Ramblers Groups will be on **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2018** in Theale from 6.00pm to 9.00pm.

These courses, run by St Johns Ambulance, are geared especially to the needs of Ramblers, and cover CPR and how to deal with chest pains, choking, severe bleeding, sprains and strains, bites and stings, foreign objects, asthma, etc. etc. If you would like to attend the above course (and this can include those needing a "refresher" if they have already attended one over three years ago) please get in touch with David Turner of Loddon Valley Group on 0118 977 4184 or by e-mail at [turnerd2@btinternet.com](mailto:turnerd2@btinternet.com) The cost of EBR members attending will be covered by the East Berks Group.

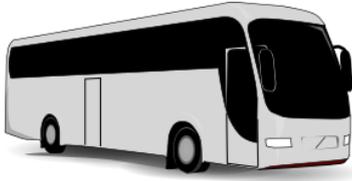
## Shows 2017 and 2018 *writes Arthur Holland*

This year we set up our stall 8 times, 6 times were to publicise the work done by Ramblers in keeping open our footpaths and to attract new members, and to offer our walking publications for sale. In May we were at Nicholsons Walk in Maidenhead, in July at Datchet Village Fete, in August at Littlewick Show, in September at Cookham Regatta and Eton Charities Fair and in November at Maidenhead Charities Fair. In November we also set up our stall at our own AGM. and the Area AGM.

We had much interest from a wide range of people at all these events including Mrs. May and her husband at the Maidenhead Charities Fair. I would like to thank all those people who helped and especially David Bailey who stepped in at very short notice to cover two of the events.

Our intention is to attend the same list of events in 2018 although the only dates confirmed so far are the Datchet Village Fete on 7<sup>th</sup> July and the Eton Charities Fair on 15<sup>th</sup> September.

If anyone has any suggestions for possible places or events that might be suitable please let me know on [committee2@eastberksramblers.org](mailto:committee2@eastberksramblers.org)



## SATURDAY COACH TRIPS - 2017 and 2018

*write John Sainsbury & Juliet Witcher*

The first 2017 trip took place on a glorious June day and 35 members and guests travelled to Chartwell, the family home of Sir Winston Churchill. In the morning 19 of us went on a hilly 5 mile circular walk from Chartwell while the rest of the group were taken to see the nearby Emmetts Garden. Both parties returned to Chartwell at lunchtime and had plenty of time to enjoy the house, gardens and grounds across the lakes.

For the second trip, 46 of us made the journey to Stratford-upon-Avon on another fine day in August. 26 chose to make the 6.5 mile walk into the town from the west, much of it following the picturesque River Avon, arriving at lunchtime. The rest of the party had the whole day to enjoy the many attractions on offer, including the various Shakespeare Birthplace Trust properties.

### **Trips for 2018**

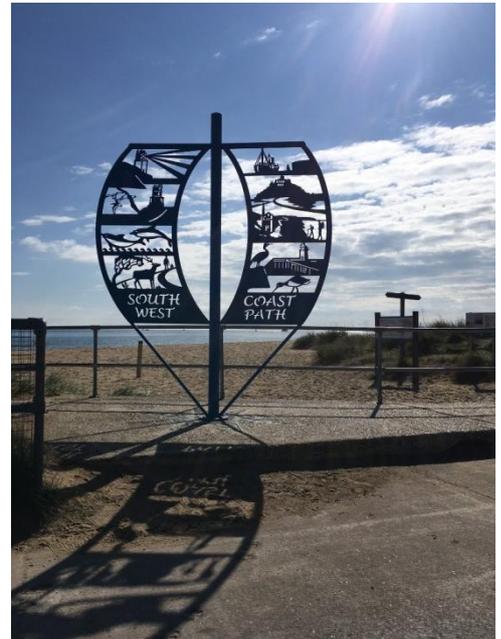
There will again be two trips in 2018, to Swanage on Saturday, 23 June and to Salisbury on Saturday, 11 August. There will be organised walks or you can simply spend the whole day exploring at your own pace.

The trip to the coastal resort of Swanage in Dorset will involve the coach crossing the mouth of Poole Harbour on the chain ferry to Studland Bay, the start point for the optional walk to Swanage. We will follow the first 7.0 miles of the South West Coastal Path as it heads off on its 630 miles to Minehead via Lands End. This superb section starts with several miles along the sandy beach (paddle all the way if you wish), climbs gradually to the cliff tops by the spectacular Old Harry Rocks and eventually descends steeply (on footpath steps) towards Swanage. There are no stiles. On this occasion we will stop for lunch during the walk so please bring food and drink; it would be a very late lunch if we wait until reaching Swanage. The walkers will still get a couple of hours to explore the town.

Those not walking will get a short but pretty drive into Swanage through the Isle of Purbeck countryside. The bustling town has many seaside attractions including its splendid sandy beaches and the seafront, plus reminders of a long industrial heritage.

The Swanage Heritage Railway starts in the heart of the town and steam-hauled trains make a twelve mile round trip (£12.50 return) through an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty to the dramatic ruins of Corfe Castle sitting above Corfe village and now in the hands of the National Trust.

The second trip is to the medieval city of Salisbury in Wiltshire. Its 13<sup>th</sup> century cathedral, immortalised by Constable's landscapes and boasting Britain's tallest spire, sits in the country's most extensive Cathedral Close. The Close contains several museums and notable properties including a perfectly-formed Queen Anne townhouse (Mompesson House – NT). We will offer a 6.5 mile linear walk into the city. The first part of the walk is moderately hilly, with one steep (but short) climb in particular. The route goes through woods and across open country to Old Sarum, originally a huge Iron Age hill fort and later the original site of Salisbury, and then follows the River Avon into the heart of the city, including a stretch on a new boardwalk above restored water meadows. There are 3 stiles. Again, we will stop for lunch during the walk (at Old Sarum) to avoid a rather late lunch after an early start so please bring a picnic, but the walkers will still arrive in Salisbury by early afternoon, giving them time to enjoy the city.



You can reserve a place on either trip by completing the relevant form at the end of this newsletter and sending it with a cheque for £14 per person (made payable to East Berks Ramblers) to: John Sainsbury, 9 Ribstone Road, Maidenhead SL6 3HJ. Alternatively, please e-mail [johnposthaste@gmail.com](mailto:johnposthaste@gmail.com) to reserve your seat, with payment on the day. If you e-mail please provide all of the information requested on the booking form. All bookings will be acknowledged by e-mail.

The meeting point, as in previous years, will be the Braywick car park in front of Stafferton Lodge (free parking at weekends, at time of writing), with access from Braywick Road (A308), Maidenhead. The departure time is 8.00 am. The trips will be shown in the EBR summer walks programme.

## Social Events in 2018

No social events have been arranged for 2018, as the position of Social Secretary became vacant at the AGM with the resignation of Pauline Thompson from the committee. If any member would like to organise a social event (eg. party, theatre trip, picnic, skittles evening, visit, etc.) for members of the Group, please apply to a member of the Committee for approval and support. We will advertise approved events in the newsletter and on the group website.

## East Berks Ramblers Golf Society

*writes Meg Knight*

Our EBR Golf Society held 4 meetings this year, all well attended and, as far as I remember, without a drop of rain! At all but one of our meetings, we played team competitions, which members seem to enjoy, and are suitable for all abilities

In April, we had a turnout of 20 at Farnham Park. In June, Hilde & Stan Jackson very kindly organised a day for us at Datchet. This was the only individual competition we had this year and the day was won by Jon White, with Helen London winning the ladies prize and Ian lent was best Rumbler on his first outing with us!

In August, 17 of us played at Hennerton, and in September there were 16 playing at Wycombe Heights.

I am hoping to book similar dates for 2018, and the suggested courses are Bird Hills, Billingbear, Downshire, and Stockley Pines. None booked yet, so I am open to suggestion

Numbers from our rambling group have declined in the last few years and most golf clubs have a minimum booking of 12 for societies, which I am unable to guarantee. Therefore, in order to keep the society going I have invited a few who are friends of current members to join us. I would be interested in feedback on this or alternative suggestions as to whether we can keep going.

As always, all are welcome, we are a very mixed ability group and we always have fun!



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## National Young Ramblers 2018 - NYR2018

NYR2018 will be hosted by Berkshire Walkers in Reading, June 15th-17th 2018.

The event will include:

- Meet'n'Greet social on Friday night
- Loads of walks to choose from on Saturday
- Barn dance on Saturday night
- Workshops or a short walk on Sunday

Accommodation will be available.

For full details see

[www.berkshirewalkers.co.uk/nyr2018/](http://www.berkshirewalkers.co.uk/nyr2018/)



National Young Ramblers for 2018 is being hosted by Berkshire Walkers, a walking group based in and around Reading, Berkshire.

**National Young Ramblers 2018**

**15<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

To book your place for NYR2018 go to:  
[www.berkshirewalkers.co.uk/NYR2018](http://www.berkshirewalkers.co.uk/NYR2018)

NYR2018 will be a great opportunity to meet old and new young Ramblers from all over the country.

**NYR2018 Pricing Options:**

Option 1:	Option 2:
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Please add £1.25 per copy P&P for *The Secrets of Countryside Access*, £1.00 per copy for guidebooks and 50p per copy for footpath maps. Please make cheques payable to **EBR** or **East Berks Ramblers**. Parish maps can now be downloaded from the internet.

**Books:** *The Secrets of Countryside Access* £2; *The Three Castles Path* £7.99; *In East Berkshire* £7.99; *Along the Thames*; *Around Reading Series 1* and *Series 2*; *Kennet Valley and Watership Down* (at £4.95 each).

**Maps:** Windsor and the Great Park (£1.50); Hurley and District (£1.00); Cookham and District (50p).

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**EBR Coach Trip To SWANAGE - Saturday 23 June 2018**

To: John Sainsbury, 9 Ribstone Road, Maidenhead SL6 3HJ

I/We enclose a cheque for £ \_\_\_\_\_ (£14 per person) to East Berks Ramblers for the coach fare

Name (1): \_\_\_\_\_

Name (2): \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**EBR Coach Trip To SALISBURY - Saturday 11 August 2018**

To: John Sainsbury, 9 Ribstone Road, Maidenhead SL6 3HJ

I/We enclose a cheque for £ \_\_\_\_\_ (£14 per person) to East Berks Ramblers for the coach fare

Name (1): \_\_\_\_\_

Name (2): \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**EAST BERKS GROUP AUTUMN BREAK 2018, GOWER  
Sunday 9 September – Wednesday 12 September 2018 (4 nights)**

To: David Bailey, 1 Fernley Court, Maidenhead, Berks, SL6 7NZ

**I/We** would like to join the Group Break and enclose a cheque for £\_\_\_\_\_ (made out to EBR) at the rate of £80 per person as a deposit for a **Twin/Double/Single** en-suite room.

Singles only: In the event of a single room being unavailable I **am/am not** prepared to share a twin room.

**I would prefer to share a twin room with** \_\_\_\_\_

From \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Postcode \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**I am/We are/not** Full members of East Berkshire Ramblers

**I am/We are Associate members of EBR and understand that I/We may initially be put on a reserve list.**

**Please complete/delete where applicable.**

Date received by David Bailey \_\_\_\_\_