Lincolnshire Wolds Walking Festival

Saturday 17 May – Sunday 1 June 2014

Explore the landscape and heritage of the Lincolnshire Wolds
16 days of walking, cycling & family fun in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty

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FREE EVENTS!

A Heritage Lincolnshire & Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Service partnership project
Welcome to the 10th Lincolnshire Wolds Walking Festival!

The Lincolnshire Wolds is a great place for walking. In the past nine years the Walking Festival has more than doubled in size and now attracts around 5,000 participants to explore this fascinating Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. To celebrate our 10th Birthday we’re delighted to offer you a programme of 128 walks, ranging from hour-long town tours to a rigorous ramble taking 4 days!

Taking part in the festival is a great way to discover new places and learn new things. Of course the event is also a great way of meeting people and, for the first time, we are offering a Lincolnshire Speed Dating Walk, led by our festival co-ordinator Nicki Jarvis. There are lots of firsts in this festival: By popular request we are piloting a cycling strand and we invite you to dust down your bike and come out for a spin. We have also commissioned a Geocache trail, as part of our launch event, with beginner’s workshops taking place later in the festival. Look out for lots of family activities, for teenagers as well as tinies, and remember that young people will enjoy getting out there as much as you do!

Of course, the festival is best known for delivering no-nonsense fantastic walks, led by friendly capable guides. Whether you are a regular walker keen to explore new terrain, or want to learn more about the history of this beautiful landscape and the people who have shaped it, or just want to challenge yourself to walk a bit more, then we have a programme for you. Some of our walks are suitable for wheelchairs and pushchairs, our walk symbols identify these accessible walks but please do contact your walk leader if you would like more information.

Although most of our events are free, many walkers say they would happily pay for the pleasure of taking part. To ensure the Lincolnshire Wolds Walking Festival can take place for many years to come, we are launching LWWF Donations for 2014, and invite you (if you wish) to help fund the festival. Please go to our website: www.woldswalkingfestival.co.uk and click on the ‘donate’ button, or look out for further information in your walk evaluation form.

For further information on the Lincolnshire Wolds please contact: Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Service on 01507 609740 or email aonb@lincswolds.org.uk
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Saturday 17 May 10am - 4pm
Healing Manor Hotel, Stallingborough Road, Healing (off B1210), DN41 7QF

The Lincolnshire Wolds Walking Festival is ten years old! We will be celebrating our big birthday in great style, courtesy of hotel owner Mark Brennan and his team.

Built in 1892 for the Portman Family, this country house was transformed into a handsome hotel during 2013, with 36 acres of grounds making it the perfect venue for our festival launch.

An energetic day is in store, with plenty of family-friendly activities as well as great walks. Festival chairman Stuart Parker will be leading the traditional walk to our launch venue from Habrough Railway Station, followed by a range of walks to discover Healing Manor (the site of a moated Scheduled Ancient Monument), the village and surrounding area. Fun for young people includes our first Geocache trail (sponsored by Blak Ice, Louth), a climbing wall, mini fair rides, and the chance to be a knight for a day! Once your walking is over you can relax and listen to live music while you enjoy a hog roast, some light refreshments, local ice cream served from a vintage van or a selection of local beers. Lots of information stalls will give you new ideas for activities over the summer and there will even be the chance to buy local produce at a farmers’ market. Grimsby’s Cycle Hub will be there, so get your bike checked or see the bike smoothie-maker!

Free car parking is available and dogs are welcome (with responsible owners). For more information about Healing Manor Hotel click onto www.healingmanorhotel.co.uk.

For more information about our launch event take a look at pages 12 – 14. We look forward to seeing you there!

The Finale Weekend

Saturday 31 May 10am - 8pm
Sir Joseph Banks Centre, Horncastle LN9 5HZ / Snipe Dales, Winceby PE23 4JB

Sunday 1 June 10am - 4pm
Stanhope Hall, Boston Road (A153), Horncastle LN9 6NF

Bringing the 10th Lincolnshire Wolds Walking Festival to a lively conclusion, our Finale event will consist of not one but TWO days of walks and great activities.

On Saturday there is plenty to choose from; young people can get their hands (and feet) dirty all day at Snipe Dales Country Park by trying out bushcraft, bug-hunting and birdwatching, amongst lots of other activities, with refreshments provided by Spilsby RSPB. In Horncastle the Sir Joseph Banks Centre will play host to its Crafters’ Guild between 10am – 4pm, with a great selection of handmade artworks on display and for sale. Of course we hope you will find time to fit in a Saturday walk, but then please do join us for an evening Charity Barbeque from 6pm – 9pm at the Sir Joseph Banks Centre, hosted by Horncastle Lions.

On Sunday we reconvene to enjoy the last day of the 2014 festival. Horncastle Walkers Are Welcome group is hosting us and we are delighted that our Finale is their official launch event! Refreshments will be served all day from Stanhope Hall, with live music provided by the Steppin’ Stones between 2.30pm – 4.30pm. Select from our wide programme of walks before everyone converges back at the Hall at 3.30pm, ready to celebrate the successful conclusion of our 10th Anniversary festival with the traditional cutting and sharing of the Walking Festival cake.

Finale walks are listed on pages 48 – 51.

For further information please contact Lincolnshire Wolds Walking Festival on 01529 461499, email lwwf@lincsheritage.org or click onto www.woldswalkingfestival.co.uk.
Key to Symbols

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Moderate – a moderate level of fitness is required, some hilly sections

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Family friendly

Bike ride

Light refreshments may be purchased

Bring a packed lunch

Accessible for wheelchair users

Accessible for pushchairs

Dogs are welcome but must be kept on a short lead at all times. Poop scoops and water should be carried

Walk not suitable for dogs

Toilet facilities are available at some point on the walk

Walk is accessible by public transport

 Talking walk – a guided walk where the leader provides information during the walk

Walking walk – a led walk

This walk visits / passes sites of Lincolnshire’s heritage

Walks Information

• A leader will be at the start of every walk, whatever the weather.
• Walk times are approximate, we recommend you overestimate this duration if paying for parking. Check car parking charges and times carefully.
• Unless otherwise stated, you will not be required to register for any of the walks.
• Walks start PROMPTLY at the time stated. Please arrive 10-15 minutes earlier if you wish to change into walking shoes, extra clothing etc.
• Please wear suitable clothing for the weather, including suitable footwear for muddy paths and rough terrain.
• Stay behind the leader and listen to their instructions. Please be aware that the majority of leaders are volunteers and should be treated with respect at all times.
• Any bus fares, car parking or entrance fees need to be paid for, unless otherwise stated.
• We recommend that you bring a drink on all walks for yourself/your family/your dogs.
• Children are very welcome, but under 16s must be accompanied by an adult.
• Dogs may also have to negotiate stiles, as not all walks will include gates or specific access for dogs. Poop scoops must be used.
• Vehicles parked are at the owner’s risk.
• Whilst we make all our walks as safe and enjoyable as possible, any event attended is done so at your own risk.
• In the event of unforeseen circumstances, the Walking Festival partners reserve the right to change or cancel a walk without prior notice.

Walking Close to Cows

The incidents of people being attached or harassed by cattle are very rare, however we suggest you keep in mind the following advice when walking through fields with cattle:

Do • Be prepared for cattle to react to your presence, especially if you have a dog with you.
• Move quickly and quietly, and if possible walk around them.
• Keep your dog close and under proper control.
• If you have a dog and are threatened by cattle, let the dog go as the cow will chase after that.
• Report any problems to the highway authority.
• Get between cows and their calves.
• Put yourself at risk. Find another way round the cows and rejoin the footpath as quickly as possible.
• Panic! Most cows will stop before they reach you. If they follow you just walk on quietly.
1. Railway Walk: Habrough to Healing
A linear walk along public footpaths from Habrough station via Stallingborough to the Festival Launch Day at Healing Manor Hotel. Catch the train to Habrough. Frequent buses return to Grimsby from Healing. Trains depart: Lincoln 08.15, Market Rasen 08.32, Barnetby 08.50, Cleethorpes 08.55, Grimsby 09.01, Healing 09.10 to Habrough.
12.30am Distance: 5½ miles (2½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: TA 214 100 Terrain: Paths, minor roads
Start Point: Railway Station, HABROUGH. DN40 3AB Leader: Stuart Parker 01522 534655 Organisation: Ramblers - Lincoln Group Cost: Free - train fares apply

2. The Healing Manor Geocache! Blak Ice
Be the first to experience Lincolnshire Wolds Walking Festival's very first hi-tech treasure hunt. All you need is a smart phone to start Geocaching! Go to our website www.woldswalkingfestival.co.uk to find out more about how to take part. Generously sponsored by Black Ice, Louth.
10am Distance: Flexible
OS Explorer map: TA 214 100 Terrain: Fields, paths, uneven ground
Start Point: Healing Manor Hotel, Stallingborough Road, Healing (off B1210). DN41 7QF Follow signs for parking. Leader: Steve McGeough 01507 609740 (Mon - Fri, 8am - 4pm)
Organisation: Healing Manor Hotel Cost: Free

3. Healing Village Walk
This gentle walk explores the history and development of Healing village. It includes a look at the village's two moated settlements as well as modern day Healing, created by a Victorian developer.
10.30am Distance: 1½ miles (2 hrs)
OS Explorer map: TA 214 100 Terrain: Pathways, fields
Start Point: Healing Manor Hotel, Stallingborough Road, Healing (off B1210). DN41 7QF Follow signs for parking. Leader: Emma Lingard 07788 865191 (Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm)
Organisation: Healing Manor Hotel Cost: Free

4. Healing Manor Circular
An easy late morning walk suitable for all the family, come and experience the countryside surrounding Healing Manor. Please note the walk will pass through a field with grazing animals.
11am Distance: 1½ mile (1 hr)
OS Explorer map: TA 214 100 Terrain: Fields, roads, footways
Start Point: Healing Manor Hotel, Stallingborough Road, Healing (off B1210). DN41 7QF Follow signs for parking. Leader: Healthy Travel Officer 01472 324489 (Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm)
Organisation: Cofely/North East Lincolnshire Council Cost: Free

5. Inside Healing Manor
A chance to discover how Healing Manor is being sensitively transformed from an almost derelict country house to a luxury hotel. Places limited, booking only on the day.
12.30pm Distance: ¼ mile (½ hr)
OS Explorer map: TA 214 100 Terrain: Indoors
Start Point: Healing Manor Hotel, Stallingborough Road, Healing (off B1210). DN41 7QF Follow signs for parking. Leader: Mark Brennan (owner) 01472 884544 Organisation: Healing Manor Hotel Cost: Free

6. Knights of William the Conqueror
Create your swords and shields and find all the hiding Saxons to claim the historic Healing Manor for your own. Defeat Earl Sigvar and Earl Morcar and get your name in the Domesday Book!
1pm Distance: 1 mile max (1½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: TA 214 100 Terrain: Pathways, fields
Start Point: Healing Manor Hotel, Stallingborough Road, Healing (off B1210). DN41 7QF Follow signs for parking. Leader: Katie Green 01529 461499 (Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm)
Organisation: Heritage Lincolnshire Cost: Free

7. Healing / Stallingborough Circular
Join us on a moderate circular walk combining the villages of Healing and Stallingborough passing through open farmland and the pretty countryside surrounding Healing Manor. Please note the walk will pass through a field with grazing animals.
1pm Distance: 5 miles (2½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: TA 214 100 Terrain: Fields, paths, roads, tracks, footways
Start Point: Healing Manor Hotel, Stallingborough Road, Healing (off B1210). DN41 7QF Follow signs for parking. Leader: Healthy Travel Officer 01472 324489 (Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm)
Organisation: Cofely/North East Lincolnshire Council Cost: Free

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8 Inside Healing Manor

A chance to discover how Healing Manor is being sensitively transformed from an almost derelict country house to a luxury hotel. Places limited, booking only on the day.

2pm Distance: ¼ mile (½ hr)
OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: TA 214 100
Terrain: Indoors Start Point: Healing Manor Hotel, Stallingborough Road, Healing (off B1210). DN41 7QF. Follow signs for parking. Leader: Mark Brennan (owner) 01472 884544
Organisation: Healing Manor Hotel Cost: Free

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2pm Distance: 2 miles (2 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: TA 214 100
Terrain: Pathways, fields Start Point: Healing Manor Hotel, Stallingborough Road, Healing (off B1210). DN41 7QF. Follow signs for parking. Leader: Emma Lingard 07788 865191 (Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm)
Organisation: Healing Manor Hotel Cost: Free

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3.30pm Distance: ½ mile (¾ hr)
OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: TA 214 100
Terrain: Indoors Start Point: Healing Manor Hotel, Stallingborough Road, Healing (off B1210). DN41 7QF. Follow signs for parking. Leader: Mark Brennan (owner) 01472 884544
Organisation: Healing Manor Hotel Cost: Free

11 A Canter from Calceby

An energetic walk starting from South Thoresby Warren Nature Reserve, quickly accessing open country and following the course of a Roman road before our lunch stop at Tetford where refreshments can be had at the White Hart Inn. After lunch we pass Ormsby Hall en-route to Calceby and our finish.

10am Distance: 12 miles (5 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 393 762
Terrain: Country roads, tracks, fields and paths
Start Points: Entrance to South Thoresby Warren Local Nature Reserve, Calceby Lane, South Thoresby. LN13 0AU
Leaders: Sandra Foulds 07780 750001 sandra.foulds@jerrygreendogs.org.uk
Organisation: Ministry of Defence Cost: Donations welcome and refreshments available.

12 Dambusters Walk

This strolling walk offers a rare opportunity to explore a working RAF base, including a visit to RAF Scampton Museum. You will see historical buildings on the site and learn something of the history of aviation in Lincolnshire, and the people who served their country during the world wars. For security reasons this is a guided walk.

10am Distance: 2 miles (2 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 272 OS Grid Reference: SK 972 791
Terrain: Flat - tarmac pathways
Start Point: Parking on site. Please bring with you some ID (e.g. driving licence) and wait at the main gate of RAF Scampton, where you will be met. LN1 2ST
Leader: Mervyn Hallam 01522 738361
Organisation: Ministry of Defence Cost: Donations welcome and refreshments available.

13 The Dog Walk

This gentle walk is especially for man’s best friend and owner! A steady walk combining history and wildlife with open space and scenery for all to enjoy. Please bring water and poop-scoops for your dogs. All dogs must be kept on a short lead and under close control please.

10.30am Distance: 4½ miles (3 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: TA 241 059
Terrain: Paths and fields
Start Point: Bradley Woods, Bradley nr Barnoldby-le-Beck Grimsby. DN37 0AL
Leader: Sandra Foulds 07780 750001 sandra.foulds@jerrygreendogs.org.uk
Organisation: Jerry Green Dog Rescue Cost: Donations to Jerry Green Dog Rescue
14 Heritage Market Rasen
A gentle stroll around Market Rasen, exploring the heritage and history of this market town.
11am Distance: under 2 miles (1½ hrs)

15 Hidden Stourton
A moderate stroll through the magnificent deer park and woods of the Stourton Estate which are now in their 6th year of restoration. Hear of Stourton’s rich history over tea and cakes before taking the rare opportunity to climb down into the cellars of Stourton Hall. Bring a torch!
2pm Distance: 4 miles (3½ hrs)

16 Dambusters Walk
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2pm Distance: 2 miles (2 hrs)

17 Ramble to Rigby
A moderate walk into the Lincolnshire Wolds at Rigby, with excellent views of the coast and Alford. We will finish with refreshments at the thatched Alford Manor House Museum to launch the Alford Walks brochures. Why not visit the museum’s WW1 exhibition beforehand (Sunday opening 12 noon - 4pm).
2pm Distance: 5 miles (2½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 274 OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Tracks, pathways, arable fields some road side Start Point: Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking. Free parking available at Alford Manor House or Pay and Display at Millers Way (off East Street, LN13 9DY) or South Street (LN13 9AJ) Leader: Tony Perkins 01507 463237 Organisation: Alford Town Council Cost: Free

18 Around Historic Alford
An easy circular walk for all around the streets of historic Alford, with its wealth of 17th and 18th century buildings and fine 14th century church. We will finish with refreshments at the thatched Alford Manor House Museum to launch the Alford Walks brochures. Why not visit the museum’s WW1 exhibition beforehand (Sunday opening 12 noon - 4pm).
2.30pm Distance: 2 miles (1½ - 2 hrs)

19 Heritage Market Rasen
A gentle stroll around Market Rasen, exploring the heritage and history of this market town.
3pm Distance: under 2 miles (1½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Town footpaths Start Point: Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking. Leader: Mal Jones/ Brenda Overton 01673 844408 Organisation: Rase Heritage Society Cost: Donations welcome to RHS

20 A Right Roman Ramble! The Romans return!
Join GAIUS TITUS MESTRIUS, and his Romano-British ‘lady’ VEDNICA, to learn about Roman life, military marches and Roman underpants! MESTRIUS, of the LEGIO XIII, will march us, in formation, around the Farm. A collection of leather shoes typical to the era, handmade in Swaby, will be on display.
6pm Distance: 1½ miles (2 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 274 OS Grid Reference: TF 388 770 Terrain: Gentle hills throughout. Fieldpaths. Start Point: The Elms Farm, Church Lane, Swaby. LN13 0BQ. Parking by kind permission, in the farm’s main yard. Turn down the farm drive directly north-east of St Nicholas’ Church. Leader: David and Helen Marsden, with Fiona Anderson and Phil Gibson 01507 481451 or 480402 (please leave a message) Organisation: H M & P J Gibson. Cost: Donations to Swaby St Nicholas’ Church
21 Louth Churches Stroll
An opportunity to explore some of the historic religious sites in Louth town centre, and learn about events they have shaped the town. The walk will start at St James and end with a tour of the church itself and refreshments. Walkers are welcome to stay for Evensong at 6pm.

3.30pm Distance: 1 mile (1½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 283 OS Grid Reference: TF 326 874 Terrain: Pavement
Start Point: St James Church, Louth. LN11 9LZ. Parking in long stay town centre car parks (charges will be applicable)
Leader: Stuart Sizer 01507 610247 (Mon - Fri, 9am - 12 noon)
Organisation: Parochial Church Council of Louth
Cost: Donations to the Parish Church of St James are welcome.

22 The Big Walk!
Join us on part, or all, of our epic 4-day walk to celebrate the festival’s 10th Birthday! In total we will traverse the first 60 miles of the Viking Way long-distance route from Barton-upon-Humber down to Woodhall Spa. With overnight stays or return daily transport, walkers will cover between 12½ - 18½ miles per day. For further information about travel, accommodation and how you can take part, go to our website: www.woldswalkingfestival.co.uk. Event sponsored by Treetops Cottages & Spa.

9.30am Distance: 60 miles (4 days)
Start Point: Booking essential. Start point will be given at time of booking
Leader: Alex & Jaffa. Booking through Heritage Lincolnshire 01529 461499 (Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm)
Organisation: Ramblers - Boston Group
Cost: Transport £3 per day if required. Walkers responsible for own accommodation & food (see website for more information).

23 Spilsby, Partney and Hundleby Wander
A moderate circular walk from the historic market town of Spilsby. Following footpaths and tracks through fields and farmland, we will admire the views as we go and visit the nearby village of Partney, and the 14th century church at Hundleby.

9.30am Distance: 7 miles (3 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 274 OS Grid Reference: TF 403 661 Terrain: Fields, tracks, paths Start Point: Buttercross, Market Place, Spilsby. PE23 5JT. Parking available at pay and display car park off Post Office Lane, Spilsby
Leader: Liam Parker 07958 805525 (Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm)
Organisation: East Lindsey Health Walks
Cost: Free

24 Scenic Valleys
An energetic walk through Robert’s Wood, onto North Willingham then up to Sixhills and through a deep valley to Hainton Walk Farm. A scenic lane from Ludford to Kirmond-le-Mire, climbing a wooded valley before descending to Tealby, and the ford at Tealby Thorpe.

10am Distance: 15½ miles (6 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 138 884 Terrain: Road, across fields, hedgerow paths
Start Point: Willingham Woods picnic area on A631 approx 3 km east of Market Rasen. LN8 3RQ
Leader: David Light 07791 934312
Organisation: Ramblers - Grimsby/ Louth Group
Cost: Free

25 Caistor - Town & Countryside
A pleasant, moderate walk through the countryside around Caistor, discovering features ranging from the influence of the Romans to the 1960’s missile base and concluding in the centre of historic Caistor, which gained a Britain in Bloom national award in 2013.

10am Distance: 5 miles (3 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: TF 050 758 Terrain: Fields and footpaths, some hilly sections, some paths may be muddy
Start Point: Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking.
Leader: Elizabeth Jefferson 01472 851468
Organisation: Walkers Are Welcome, Caistor
Cost: Donations would be welcomed by Walkers Are Welcome, Caistor

26 Snipe Dales Round
A guided walk at a gentle pace led by the Wildlife Trust Warden through Snipe Dales Country Park and Nature Reserve. This walk through undulating mixed woodland and open grassland will explore the history, management and the wildlife interest of this diverse and regionally important site.

10am Distance: 3 miles (2½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 331 682 Terrain: Paths and tracks. Some are steep and can be wet.
Start Point: Snipe Dales Country Park. PE23 4JB. Parking at Snipe Dales Country Park car park signed from the B1195 between Lusby and Winceby
Leader: James Forrester 01507 588401 (office/answer machine)
Organisation: Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust
Cost: £1 car parking charge and optional donations to Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust
27 Wildwood, Wild Men & Rebels
Returning to stroll around the Limewoods countryside and hoping for better weather than 2013! Find out about rebels from Barlings Abbey and the wild man of Stainfield before enjoying the more tranquil atmosphere of woodlands old and new.
10am Distance: 5½ miles (4 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 108 732 Terrain: Quiet roads, fields and forest tracks Start Point: Stainfield & Apley Village Hall. LN8 5JJ. Parking at the hall, which is located on Main Road in Stainfield. Leader: Liz Fleuty 01522 782070 Organisation: Lincolnshire County Council Cost: Donations towards parking at Stainfield & Apley Village Hall please

28 Monksthorpe Chapel and the Moat
A relatively easy circular walk around the National Trust’s Gunby Estate. The walk will include a visit to Monksthorpe Chapel, a 17th century Baptist chapel with a rare open air baptistery in its grounds, continuing on to the moated manor site at Bratoft, the original home of the Massingberds, before returning to the tea rooms at Gunby Hall and Gardens.
10.30am Distance: 5 miles (2 hrs)

29 Old Bolingbroke Circular
A lovely walk in the fields and hills surrounding the village of Old Bolingbroke, with views (in good weather) across the fens to Boston. An opportunity to explore the ruins of the 13th century Bolingbroke Castle and learn about Henry IV who was born here.
10.30am Distance: 7 miles (3½ hrs)

30 A Beginners’ Nordic Adventure
Fancy a go at walking the Nordic way, but not sure where to start? This walk is absolutely for you! Join our qualified instructors for a beginners’ taster session, followed by a Nordic walk around this beautiful conservation farm. Poles provided. Unsuitable for children under 16.
2pm Distance: 2½ miles (2½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 274 OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Gentle hills throughout. Fieldpaths. Start Point: Booking essential. Max 12 places. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking. Leader: Lesley Julian and Karen Blanshard, with Phil Gibson 01754 811169 or 07780 578373. Some health questions will need to be answered at the time of booking. Organisation: H M & P J Gibson and Nordic Walking UK. Cost: Donations to St Swaby St Nicholas’ Church.

31 Geocaching for Beginners
A hands-on introduction to geocaching, the international hi-tech treasure trail phenomenon! A 20 minute workshop will give you a basic grounding in how it works, then go and explore Market Rasen and discover the caches that are hidden around the town. You will be surprised at what you find!
5pm Distance: 2 miles (1½ hrs)

32 Utterby Circular
A moderate evening walk from the 14th century St Andrew’s Church, on road and pathways across fields. We will climb gently up and onto the Wolds, from where there are fine views across the countryside to the Humber Estuary. Light refreshments/meals may be purchased at the church before and afterwards.
6pm Distance: 3½ miles (1½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 306 933 Terrain: Road, pathways, field tracks Start Point: Utterby Church, Church Lane, Utterby, LN11 0TH. Roadside parking in Church Lane Leader: Ray van Spall 01472 840702 Organisation: Utterby DCC Cost: Donations to St Andrew’s Church restoration fund much appreciated
33 Alford Circular Walk
A circular walk across fields to Alford Windmill then back through the town to the walk why not advantage of market day, enjoy this busy town and a cuppa in one of the many tea rooms.
10am Distance: 2 miles (1 hr)

34 Barnoldby le Beck Circular
A moderately paced walk in lovely scenery on the edge of the Wolds, visiting the pretty villages of Hatcliffe, East Ravendale and Ashby cum Fenby. There will be an opportunity to purchase ice cream in the afternoon.
10am Distance: 10½ miles (5 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: TA 235 033 Terrain: Footpaths and bridleways and some walking on quiet roads. There are some stiles, ground may be boggy in parts. Start Point: Barnoldby le Beck Walkers’ Car Park beside the Church. DN37 0BD Leader: Joan Johnson 01472 509396 Organisation: Ramblers - Grimsby/Louth Group Cost: Free

35 The Delights of Flintwood
A steady walk from the award-winning Flintwood Farm. Set in a stunning location, and winners of the prestigious Nature Farming and Wildlife Award, the walk takes you through bluebell woods, wildflower meadows, wetlands, the famous Juicetrump and onto Park Hill with breathtaking views over the Wolds.
10.30am Distance: 4 miles (2 hours)
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 282 766 Terrain: Tracks and paths Start Point: Flintwood Farm, Belchford, off the A153. 1 mile north (towards Louth) of Belchford crossroads (Note: sat navs don’t work in this area) Leader: Andrew Tuxworth 01507 533555 Organisation: Poacher’s Hideaway Cost: Free

36 Two Churches & a Disused Railway
A moderate walk through Hubbard’s Hills, across footpaths, quiet country roads and along a disused railway (permissive path). In the lovely village of Withcall see the old railway platform now incorporated into a garden. Refreshments in St James Church at conclusion of walk.
10.30am Distance: 8½ miles (4½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 326 874 Terrain: Road, track, footpaths Start Point: St James Church, Louth. LN11 9LZ. Parking in long stay town centre car parks (charges will be applicable) Leader: Pat Harrison 01507 533312 Organisation: Ramblers - Horncastle Group Cost: Free

37 Wold Newton Circular
Enjoy this moderate walk which passes through beautiful countryside with stunning views over the Humber Estuary. At the end of the walk refreshments may be available at the nearby Clickem Inn (½ miles). Please note livestock may be encountered along the route.
4pm Distance: 6 miles (3 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: TF 243 971 Terrain: Grassy paths and stone tracks Start Point: North Farm, Main Road, Wold Newton. LN8 6BP. Roadside parking at North Farm Leader: Healthy Travel Officer 01472 324489 (Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm) Organisation: Cofely/North East Lincolnshire Council Cost: Free

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5pm Distance: 2 miles (1½ hrs)

39 Highs and Lows
An energetic walk between Wolds villages, from Swaby through Belleau towards Claythorpe, Aby and Haugh. We climb up to a bridleway then follow a permissive path down to South Thoresby along the river to Belleau Bridge and to paths above an Ice Age melt valley.
10am Distance: 13 miles (5 hrs)
40 Hemingby Hike
An energetic walk starting from the award-winning Coach and Horses public house in Hemingby, making our way through Baumber then north through pasture and parkland to a Roman road. Enjoy returning through classic Wolds scenery to Hemingby where refreshments will be available at the pub.
10am Distance: 7¼ miles (3½ hrs)

41 Oh I do like to be beside the seaside!
Try something different on this moderate coastal walk, which explores part of the Lincolnshire Coastal Country Park and Grazing Marshes with their sandy beaches and big skies. If the weather is good we will do some cloud spotting from the unique ‘Cloud Bar’ and admire panoramic views from the purpose-built Round House.
10am Distance: 7½ miles (4½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 274 OS Grid Reference: TF 551 761 Terrain: Field paths, tracks, sandy beach Start Point: Anderby Creek car park, Sea Road, Anderby Creek. PE24 5XW Leader: Debby Braund 01522 552808  (Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm) Organisation: Lincolnshire County Council Cost: Free

42 Caistor Circular
A moderate stroll over public footpaths and parts of the Viking Way around Caistor. Starting and ending at the parish church where complimentary refreshments will be available.
10:30am Distance: 4 miles (2 hrs)

43 Chambers Farm Wood
Join Forester Wally Grice on a moderate stroll through the Forestry Commission’s idyllic Chambers Farm Wood. Learn something of the history and management of this diverse woodland at some of the stops on route.
1pm Distance: 3½-5 miles (2-3 hrs)

44 Family Walk - From Farm to Fork
A visit to a working farm to learn how our food gets from farm to fork, and enjoy some cooking too. Suitable for all the family (by kind permission of Co-operative Farms).
1.30pm Distance: 1½ miles (3 hrs)

45 Pub to Pub
A moderate circular walk from the White Hart Inn, Tetford passing through the picturesque villages of Salmonby, Fulletby and Belchford. The route takes in parts of the Viking Way and an ancient Roman road. Evening meals available at the finish (menu available before departure).
4:45pm Distance: 7½ miles (3 hrs)

46 Horncastle Town Walk
A leisurely walk around the market town of Horncastle, taking in some of the town’s rich history. At the end of the walk why not take advantage of it being market day and visit the town and market.
10am Distance: 1½ miles (1 hr)
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 258 697 Terrain: Pavement Start Point: The Bain car park (Tesco’s), Watermill Road, Horncastle. LN9 5QF Leader: Heather Oldaker 01754 767955 Organisation: East Lindsey Heart Support Group Cost: Donations welcome to ELHSG
47 Two Streams in One
A gentle stroll through Horncastle, Fulletby and Ashby crossing over two of Lincolnshire’s Chalk Streams: the River Waring and the River Bain, where the walk leader will give information on these rare and beautiful chalk stream habitats.
10am Distance: 9 miles (4½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 258 696 Terrain: Paths, tracks, quiet lanes – may be muddy in places Start Point: Horncastle Market Place, Horncastle. LN95BN. Pay & Display parking at St Lawrence Street and The Bain Leader: Ruth Craig 01507 609740 (Mon - Fri, 8am - 4pm) Organisation: Lincolnshire Chalk Streams Project Cost: Free

48 Tealby 2 Walesby
An energetic walk over footpaths and grassy fields, stopping at the Rambler’s Church to view the stained glass window depicting walkers and cyclists donated by local ramblers in 1951. Look out and you may catch a glimpse of the local deer.
10.30am Distance: 5 miles (2½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 157 907 Terrain: Footpaths, fields and slopes. Not a novice walk. Start Point: King’s Head car park Tealby, by kind permission. LN76UG. Lunch available, must be pre-booked on 01673 839347 Leader: Jackie Brown 07778 622925 Organisation: West Lindsey Health Walks Cost: Free

49 Beside the Seaside
Why not spend an extended lunch break taking an easy walk to the sea wall. Enjoy your packed lunch whilst watching the ships arriving and leaving our local docks & listen to the curlew amongst many other wildfowl searching the mudflats. Refreshments may be available at the Origin Way restaurant on your return. 12 noon Distance: 2½ miles (1½ hrs)

50 Brocklesby Park - A Totally Unique Landscape
A unique opportunity to explore part of one of Lincolnshire’s finest parkland landscapes. Join Farm Manager, Graham Chester, and the Estate’s historian, Mick Toyn, as they guide you around this Capability Brown-designed parkland. Be warned, there is so much to see, this gentle walk might overrun if numbers are high.
2pm Distance: 4 miles (3½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: TA 121 839 Terrain: Tracks, woodland paths Start Point: Farm track 1 mile east of the memorial arch by Brocklesby Park Cricket Club entrance, on the B1210 between Kirmington and Brocklesby. DN37 8LH (sat nav unreliable). Parking by kind permission of the Brocklesby Estate. Leader: Graham Chester, Mick Toyn and Phil Gibson 03000 604713 Organisation: Natural England and the Brocklesby Estate Cost: Free

51 The Delights of Brackenborough & Little Grimsby
A pleasant evening walk from Brackenborough Hall, taking in the deserted medieval village, the farm environmental schemes and the church at Little Grimsby, returning to Brackenborough Hall Coach House, learning about wildlife, history and farming along the way.
6pm Distance: 4 miles (2½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 330 907 Terrain: Fields, tracks, paths Start Point: Brackenborough Hall Coach House Holidays car park, situated 2 miles from Louth off the Brackenborough Road. LN110NS Leader: Paul Bennett 01507 603193 Organisation: Brackenborough Hall Coach House Holidays Cost: Donations welcome to Little Grimsby Church

52 Healing Manor Estate Walk
This gentle walk explores the history of the Healing Manor estate. Walking around the former estate, we’ll learn about the people who lived there and built the house standing today. There has been a house here since Domesday.
6.30pm Distance: 2 miles (2 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: TA 214 100 Terrain: Pathways, fields Start Point: Healing Manor Hotel, Stallingborough Road, Healing (off B1210). DN417QF. Leader: Emma Lingard 07788 865191 (Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm) Organisation: Healing Manor Hotel Cost: Free
53 Wolds Woodlands Wander
A moderately energetic walk into the Wolds, with woodlands, rolling fields and wonderful views along the way. The circular walk starts and finishes at the popular Louth attraction of Hubbard’s Hills, taking in South Elkington village and beyond.
9.30am Distance: 7 miles (2½-3 hrs) OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 315 867 Terrain: Tracks, fields, woodland and pathways. Start Point: Hubbard’s Hills Café car park, Louth. LN11 0QW. Pay and display car park at Hubbard’s Hills from the direction of Crowtree Lane in Louth. Leader: Tracey Richardson 07825 989418 (Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm) Organisation: East Lindsey Health Walks Cost: Free

54 The Caistor Wolds Walk
An energetic walk up the beautiful Nettleton Valley, past the old ironstone mines and towards the highest part of the Wolds. Descend into the pretty village of Rothwell before ascending the ridge again and returning back down to Nettleton, where a welcome drink can be taken at the Salutation Inn. In good visibility both Lincoln Cathedral and the Humber Bridge can be seen on this walk.
10am Distance: 10 miles (5 hrs) OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TA 110 002 Terrain: Fields, hilly, some stiles, some sections may be muddy Start Point: Salutation Inn, Nettleton, LN7 6NP. Parking at the pub by kind permission of the landlord. Parking also available at Ramblers Car Park through the village on Normanby Road Leader: Elizabeth Jefferson 01472 851468 Organisation: Walkers Are Welcome, Caistor Cost: Donations to Walkers Are Welcome, Caistor appreciated.

55 Chocolate Walk
An energetic walk – with a treat at the end. We cross Risby Moor, climb to Risby Manor then follow field paths, the Viking Way and some permissive paths around Tealby. We visit Tealby Thorpe before stopping for a drink and an opportunity to taste and purchase Special Edition Chocolates.

56 Tales on the Trail of Tennyson
If you’re interested in Tennyson’s formative years in Lincolnshire, then this is the walk for you. A pleasantly paced informative circular walk taking in many of the locations and landscape that inspired his most lyrical works. Along the way there will be local tales and several poetry readings, with a lunch stop in the garden of Tennyson’s birthplace and youth in Somersby.
10am Distance: 7 miles (4½ hrs) OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Bridlepaths, footpaths (both can be very muddy), fields, part road. Start Point: Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking. Leader: Debbie Jenner 01507 534847; info@tennysonsbirthplace.co.uk Organisation: South Ormsby Group of Parishes Cost: £3 to St Margaret’s Somersby Fabric Fund.

57 Bus Walk - Viking Way: Burgh-on-Bain to Horncastle
Take the bus to Burgh-on-Bain for a linear walk along the Viking Way through delightful rolling Wolds countryside to finish at Horncastle. From Wragby catch the No.10 bus to Burgh-on-Bain and return to Wragby on the Connect 6 bus from Horncastle. Stagecoach No.10 bus departs: Lincoln 08.40, Wragby 09.09 to Burgh-on-Bain.
9am Distance: 15 miles (8 hrs) OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 131 780 Terrain: Paths, tracks, minor roads, some stiles Start Point: Bus stop at Wragby, LN8 5ND. Car parking available at the Town Hall or on Silver Street in Wragby Leader: Stuart Parker 01522 534655 Organisation: Ramblers - Lincoln Group Cost: Free - bus fares apply.

58 Walk for ALZHEIMERS
This moderate walk is part of Binbrook’s fete in aid of Alzheimer’s; a charge of £2.50 per walker includes refreshments at the finish in the village hall where there is ample parking. Afterwards why not join us and enjoy a typical village fete of craft/food stalls, games and refreshments.
10am Distance: 6½ miles (2½ hrs) OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 208 943 Terrain: Tracks Start Point: Queen’s Hall, Binbrook. LN8 6DS. Free parking at the Queen’s Hall. Leader: Ian Brace 07748 400160 Organisation: West Lindsey Health Walks Cost: £2.50 with all monies going to the Alzheimer’s Society NB Walk to take place on 24th & 25th May, Fete is on Sunday 25th May only.

MAIN EVENTS
Sun 18th - Sat 24th May
59 Dambusters Walk
See 12
10am Distance: 2 miles (2 hrs)

60 Willoughby Round
This energetic walk will explore some of the hills, secluded valleys and wooded countryside on the eastern edge of the Wolds between Willoughby and Alford, with some beautiful views over Lincolnshire’s coastal plain. An evening meal can be taken at the Willoughby Arms at the end of the walk (menu available before we start).
10.30am Distance: 11¾ miles (5 hrs)

61 A Turn Around Tathwell
An easy walk around the former Chaplin estate village to view landscape features, architecture and the county’s best group of round barrows. Route begins and ends at the church where the Annual Art Exhibition will be taking place. Scrumptious home-made cakes, quiches and sandwiches will be available before and after the walk.
11.30am Distance: 2½ miles (2 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 321 829 Terrain: Paths and quiet roads Start Point: St Vedast’s church, Tathwell. LN11 9SR. Parking in yard of Home Farm. Both parking place and church will be signposted Leader: Jean Howard 01507 604717 Organisation: Blue Badge Guides Cost: £3.50 (inclusive of entry to the Art Exh.) to Tathwell church

62 Walk Through the Ages of Langton
This moderate walk starts next to Langton’s Grade 1 listed Georgian church, visits the medieval Langton village and proceeds across ancient rig & furrow fields to a 19th century pump house. Climbing to the top of the Sheep Walks (down which Dr Samuel Johnson famously rolled) we return to the village past the site of the partially restored 19th century Langton Hall. Refreshments available in Village Hall afterwards.
2pm Distance: 3½ miles (2½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 390 703 Terrain: Mainly fields and paths Start Point: America Farmyard, Langton-by-Spilsby. PE23 4PU Leader: David Douglas 01790 753649/07809 619401 Organisation: Langton Estate Cost: Donations (preferably GiftAided) to the church will be welcome

63 Dambusters Walk
See 12
2pm Distance: 2 miles (2 hrs)

64 Tennyson 20
The longest one-day walk in the festival! Join David on this robust route which takes in the settlements of Teford, Ruckland, Burwell, South Thoresby, Calceby, Driby, Brinkhill, Bag Enderby, Hagworthingham and finally on to Somersby passing the house where Poet Laureate Alfred, Lord Tennyson was born.
9am Distance: 20¼ miles (8 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 333 747 Terrain: Some road, cross field, grass paths and tracks Start Point: Teford Village Hall (Hamilton Hall), East Road, Teford. LN9 6QQ Leader: David Light 07791 934312 Organisation: Ramblers - Grimsby/Louth Group Cost: Free

65 Irby in the Ice Age
A gentle morning stroll reveals how Ice Age torrents created rapid landscape changes. After lunch a moderately-paced walk follows melt water channels and has views of villages built on debris left by ice.
10am Distance: 5 miles (4 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Tracks, fields, paths, roads, some stiles Start Point: Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking. Leader: Martin Pask 01472 822399 Organisation: Ramblers - Grimsby/Louth Group Cost: Free

66 Dambusters Walk
See 12
10am Distance: 2 miles (2 hrs)
67 Folk and Cider Festival

This is an easy walk to be enjoyed by all the family. Starting at the Discovery Centre at the Boating Lake where there is lots for the children to experience, the route will pass through chalet and caravan parks and alongside RSPB ponds where a variety of ducks and swans can be seen. Continuing back along the beach to the finish at the Light Railway station where the adults can enjoy the Folk and Cider Festival and maybe sample some of the produce on offer.

1pm Distance: 4½ miles (2½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: TA 318 072 Terrain: Beach, grassy paths, footway Start Point: Discovery Centre, Lakeside, Kings Road, Cleethorpes. DN35 0AG. Parking at Kings Road car park Leader: Healthy Travel Officer 01472 324489 (Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm)
Organisation: Cofély/North East Lincolnshire Council Cost: Free

68 Discover Scrivelsby Estate

This is a easy walk for all members of the family. The route passes through medieval parkland and farm tracks not normally open to the public. The walk includes the walled garden, moat and church of the Scrivelsby Estate, historic home of the Dymoke family. The route starts and finishes at Scrivelsby Grange, where there is ample car parking, and teas will be served at the end of the walk to raise funds for St Benedict’s Church, Scrivelsby.

2pm Distance: 5 miles (3 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 261 650 Terrain: Tracks, fields and parkland Start Point: Scrivelsby Grange, Scrivelsby, nr Horncastle. LN9 6JL. Parking will be signposted in the field adjacent to the house. Leader: Francis & Gail Dymoke. 01507 522337 (Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm). Organisation: Scrivelsby Estate Cost: Donations to St Benedict’s Church are very welcome.

69 Dambusters Walk

See 12

2pm Distance: 2 miles (2 hrs)

70 Healing Manor Estate Walk

This gentle walk explores the history of the Healing Manor estate. Walking around the former estate, we’ll learn about the people who lived there and built the house standing today. There has been a house here since Domesday.

2.30pm Distance: 2 miles (2 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: TA 214 100 Terrain: Pathways, fields Start Point: Healing Manor Hotel, Stallingsborough Road, Healing (off B1210). DN41 7QF. Leader: Emma Lingard 07788 865191 (Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm) Organisation: Healing Manor Hotel Cost: Free

71 A Turn Around Tathwell

An easy walk around the former Chaplin estate village to view landscape features, architecture and the county’s best group of round barrows. Route begins and ends at the church where the Annual Art Exhibition will be taking place. Scrumptious homemade cakes before and hot soup at the end will be available.

5pm Distance: 2½ miles (2 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 321 829 Terrain: Paths and quiet roads Start Point: St Vedast’s church, Tathwell. LN11 9SR. Parking in yard of Home Farm. Both parking place and church will be signposted Leader: Jean Howard 01507 604717 Organisation: Society for Lincolnshire History & Archaeology Cost: £3 to Tathwell church

72 The Hidden Churches and Farmsteads in the Valleys of the Lincolnshire Wolds

An energetic walk crossing the ridge of the Wolds twice giving magnificent views. A chance to imagine the Wolds as they were in the 19th century; sheeplands and sporting estates. Mainly on footpaths and farm tracks, the walk is through sparsely populated Wold farmland visiting remote hamlets with farms and small churches.

10am Distance: 13 miles (5 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 761 285 Terrain: Farm tracks, footpaths, some minor roads. Start Point: Flintwood Farm, Belchford, off the A153. 1 mile north (towards Louth) of Belchford crossroads (Note: sat navs don’t work in this area) Leader: Bob Wayne 01507 527366 Organisation: Horncastle Lions Club Cost: Donation min £1 per car for Cancer Research UK

73 Horsing around the Wolds

A moderate walk with some hills, following the Viking Way through Goulceby to Donington-on-Bain. A steep hill to the Bluestone Heath Road gives excellent views before returning to Goulceby via Red Hill. The Three Horses and Black Horse pubs are en route. Refreshments available at both pubs.

10.30am Distance: 8 miles (4½ hrs)
74 Caistor Town Trail
A fascinating tour through the town’s Conservation Area. Learn about the secret of the Tower of Caistor. Walk down Lucy’s Lane, see the Roman Wall, Old Grammar School, Home Guard Cottage and much more.
2pm Distance: ½ miles (2 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 284/282 OS Grid Reference: TA 118 013 Terrain: Footpaths, roads, tracks Start Point: Market Place, Caistor. LN7 6TG. Parking available at Market Place, Buttermarket, Cornhill, Multi-use Centre and Town Hall Leader: Civic Society Guides 01472 851740 Organisation: Caistor Goes/Walking for Health in West Lindsey Cost: Donations welcome to Caistor Civic Society

75 Keelby Awayday
For 2014 the Keelby Walking Group goes walkabout to Swallow for a moderate undulating route passing Irby Dale, Washing Dales and Swallow Vale. Start and finish is on the old A46 at the Swallow Inn with food/drink available before and after the walk. The Lincoln/Grimsby Interconnect bus 3 stops on the A46, half a mile from the start, but check Bank Holiday running.
2pm Distance: 6 miles (2½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: TA 172 030 Terrain: Initially tarmac then mainly paths & tracks Start Point: Caistor Road (old A46) at Swallow Inn. LN7 6DL. Parking on roadside beyond the pub; those eating may use the pub car park. Leader: Geoff Hirst 01469 560867 Organisation: Keelby Walking Group Cost: Free

76 The Elms Farm - Conservation in Action
Set in the heart of a landscape sculpted by glaciation, this family conservation farm offers history, habitats and stunning views. This gentle farm walk will explore the farmland environment and the impressive diversity of wildlife it supports, also the practical management needed to maintain it.
6.30pm Distance: 2½ miles (2½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 274 OS Grid Reference: TF 388 770 Terrain: Gentle hills throughout. Fieldpaths. Start Point: The Elms Farm, Church Lane, Swaby. LN13 0BQ. Parking by kind permission, in the farm’s main yard. Turn down the farm drive directly north-east of St Nicholas’ Church. Leader: Fiona Anderson and Phil Gibson 01507 480402 (please leave a message) Organisation: H M & P J Gibson. Cost: Donations to Swaby St Nicholas’ Church.

77 Wild Food & Medicine
Discover wild foods and medicine as you explore woodland which has been around since the last ice age. This is a gentle morning walk, suitable for all the family where you will learn about herbal medicine, foraging for wild food and how to use the plants you discover in the kitchen and to support your health and wellbeing.
10am Distance: 3 miles (3 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: TA 243 069 Terrain: Path, road, woodland Start Point: The Vanson Centre, Bradley Road, Grimsby. DN37 0AA. Free parking is available at the Football centre opposite. Leader: Emma Warrener 07885 983854 Organisation: Herbs for Health and Wellbeing Ltd Cost: Free. Emails will be requested to share information and recipes discussed on the walk.

78 Medieval landscapes in Swaby, Calceby and South Ormsby
A moderate walk around the villages of Swaby, South Ormsby and Calceby, looking at how medieval settlement has left its marks on the landscape. We will stop to look at the sites of two deserted medieval villages and a fine church. Tea and cakes in the village hall afterwards for £2.
10am Distance: 7½ miles (4 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 274 OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Some road walking. Field paths and tracks Start Point: Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking Leader: Dave Start & Beth King. Booking through Heritage Lincolnshire 01529 461499 (Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm) Organisation: Heritage Lincolnshire Cost: Optional charge of £2 for tea and cakes at the end – all proceeds to the Village Hall

79 Ascents and Descents
An energetic walk with around 1,000 feet of ascent, climbing past Ink Well Cottage and curving round Hagworthingham to the church, dropping down to the ford, walking through Snipe Dales Country Park then on to Ashby Puerrorum, using a permissive path, then back to the lay-by.
10.30am Distance: 10 miles (5 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 334 696 Terrain: Some hilly tracks and paths, a little road walking Start Point: Old Main Road lay-by, west of Hagworthingham off the A158. PE23 4LX Leader: David Light 07791 934312 Organisation: Ramblers - Grimsby/Louth Group Cost: Free
**80 Binbrook Circular**

A moderate walk through lovely countryside with outstanding Wolds views. We pass the site of the medieval village of Orford and have lunch by the picturesque fishing ponds at Thorpe-le-Vale.

10.30am **Distance:** 10 miles (5 hrs)

**OS Explorer map:** 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 209 940

**Terrain:** Field paths and tracks

**Start Point:** Queen’s Hall, Kirmond Road, Binbrook. LN8 6DS. Parking available at the hall.

**Leader:** Alex Killen

07517 392527

Organisation: Scunthorpe & District Ramblers

**Cost:** Voluntary donations for parking at Queen’s Hall

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**81 Hemingby’s Horrible History**

Aagh! Ooo! Violent village Victorians! An easy walk to see where the village constable was battered to death, and why. See where he is buried. William Marwood (the executioner) was all ready to hang his killer—but what happened?

11am **Distance:** 1 mile (1 hr - optional lunch)

**OS Explorer map:** 273 OS Grid Reference: N/A

**Terrain:** Mostly flat – village roads, some paths

**Start Point:** Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking.

**Leader:** Alison Fairchild 01507 578539

Organisation: Hemingby Parish Council

**Cost:** Free, but bring some money for lunch if wished.

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**82 The Ebrington Arms Walk**

A brisk evening walk in a figure of eight from Kirkby-on-Bain to Roughton along village footpaths and the River Bain, returning to the 16th century and Select Lincolnshire-accredited Ebrington Arms to enjoy a drink or a meal if you wish. Please book food ahead, by phoning 01526 354560.

6pm **Distance:** 5 miles (2½ hrs)

**OS Explorer map:** 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 240 627

**Terrain:** Footpaths, riverbanks, with a busy main road section

**Start Point:** The Ebrington Arms, Main Street, Kirkby on Bain. LN10 6YT. Parking available by kind permission of Ronnie & Cathy Moncrieff

**Leader:** Alex & Jaffa 07930 054604

**Organisation:** Ramblers - Boston Group

**Cost:** Free - charges for refreshments apply.

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**83 Louth Ghost Walk**

Louth’s Ghost Walk is a gentle stroll through the town, stopping at various ghostly locations to hear their stories. Previous walks have seen the ghost of an old lady, so you never know what might happen on Louth’s Ghost Walk! We end at Louth Museum with refreshments.

7pm **Distance:** 1 mile (1¾ hrs)

**OS Explorer map:** 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 326 874

**Terrain:** Pavement, earth and gravel tracks. Mainly flat

**Start Point:** St James Church, Louth LN11 9LZ. Parking in long-stay town centre car parks (charges will be applicable)

**Leader:** Carol Wilkinson 01507 327084

Organisation: East Lindsey Heart Support

**Group Cost:** Donations welcome to ELHSG

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**84 Hubbard’s Hills, Louth**

This is an easy walk from St James church and through Westgate Fields to Hubbard’s Hills. The group will have a choice to go either over the ridge or along the side of the river where both paths meet up again. At the end of the walk why not take advantage of it being market day and visit Louth’s outdoor market.

10am **Distance:** 2½ miles (1¾ hrs)

**OS Explorer map:** 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 326 874

**Terrain:** Mainly flat

**Start Point:** St James Church, Louth LN11 9LZ. Parking in long-stay town centre car parks

**Leader:** Stuart Sizer 01507 604624

Organisation: Louth Museum

**Cost:** £5 donation (includes refreshments) to Louth Museum

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**85 NCT Pushchair Walk**

A very gentle stroll around Weelsby Woods suitable for bumpy, babies, toddlers, parents and carers with the Louth, Grimsby & District NCT branch. Get some fresh air and have a chat.

We will then visit the café in Weelsby Woods for light refreshments.

10am **Distance:** 1 mile (1 hour)

**OS Explorer map:** 284 OS Grid Reference: TA 280 079

**Terrain:** Paths and grass

**Start Point:** Weelsby Woods car park, just off the A46 Weelsby Road, Grimsby.

**Leader:** Isabel Turkington 08442 436194

Organisation: NCT Louth, Grimsby & District

**Cost:** Free
86 Another Beginners’ Nordic Adventure

Fancy a go at walking the Nordic way, but not sure where to start? This walk is absolutely for you! Join our two qualified instructors for a beginners’ taster session, followed by a Nordic walk around this beautiful conservation farm. Poles will be provided. Unsuitable for children under 16. Why not lunch in Swaby’s new tearoom afterwards?

10.30am Distance: 2½ miles (2½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 274 OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Gentle hills throughout. Fieldpaths.
Start Point: Booking essential. Max 12 places. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking. Leader: Lesley Julian and Karen Blanshard, with Phil Gibson 01754 811169 or 07780 578373. Some health questions will need to be answered at this time. Organisation: H M & P J Gibson and Nordic Walking UK. Cost: Donations to Swaby St Nicholas’ Church.

87 Civil War Battlefield

Our energetic walk will feature a tour and talk by ’English Heritage’ of Old Bolingbroke Castle and Winceby battlefield describing the link between the two sites and the battle of 1643. Following the tour we complete our walk through Snipe Dales Country Park, Mavis Enderby back to the start. An evening meal can be taken at the Hundleby Inn. (Menus available before the start).

10.30am Distance: 12½ miles (6-7 hrs)
Start Point: Hundleby Inn, Hundleby, Spilsby. PE23 5LZ. Parking at the pub by kind permission of Angela Morgan-Knight. Leader: Geoff Newmarch 07774 870632 Organisation: Ramblers - Lincoln Group Cost: Free

88 Caistor Wander

An energetic circular walk over footpaths and grassy fields walking on the Viking Way to Nettleton and back to Caistor

10.30am Distance: 5 miles (2 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TA 117 013 Terrain: Footpaths, fields and steep slopes
Start Point: Caistor Arts and Heritage Centre, 28 Plough Hill, Caistor. LN7 6LZ. Free parking in Caistor Market Square LN7 BUG Leader: Jackie Brown 07778 622925 Organisation: West Lindsey Health Walks Cost: Free

89 The Bug Walk - Weelsby Woods

A nature and wildlife walk around Weelsby Woods in the heart of Grimsby. This is a great family activity where you’ll be able to learn more about the creepy-crawlies that live on your doorstep.

1pm Distance: 2 miles (1½ hrs)

90 Ice Cream Heaven

A short afternoon stroll with the farmer around a working farm, ending at the parlour for tea and home-made ices. An enjoyable walk for all the family.

2pm Distance: 2½ miles (2 hrs)

91 Historic Louth Springs

A short walk around the historic Gatherums and Springside area in Louth, currently undergoing regeneration. This site has been hugely important to the town and local historian Stuart Sizer will introduce you to the various industries and occupations which have taken place there. Part of a family-friendly Wool Walking event. See www.gatherumsandspringside.org.uk for more info.

2pm Distance: ½ mile (1 hr)
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 330 872 Terrain: Pathways Start Point: The Gatherums, accessed between 23-25 Aswell Street, from the Queen Street car park or Church Lane. LN11 9BT. Leader: Stuart Sizer 01507 610247 (Mon - Fri, 9am - 12 noon) Organisation: Gatherums & Springside Regeneration Group Cost: Free

92 Fun for All the Family

Join in the fun at Fotherby church as we explore the wildlife of the churchyard. Using the God’s Acre Activity Sheets, magnifying glasses and bug pots, we’ll be finding out lots of interesting things about trees, minibeasts, archaeology, geology and lichens. The church will be open and there will be a quiz and light refreshments.

2pm - 3pm Distance: ½ mile (2 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 316 916 Terrain: Grassed churchyard – level but uneven with gravel paths Start Point: St Mary’s Church, Church Lane, Fotherby. LN11 0UG. Limited parking in Church Lane, Fotherby – signposted on the day Leader: Helen Gamble 01507 609740 (Mon - Fri, 8am - 4pm) Organisation: Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Service Cost: Free - charges for refreshments apply

MAIN EVENTS

Sun 18th – Sat 31st May
93 Mayflower Woods Walk
An easy evening walk for all the family starting at St Andrew’s Church. The route will take you across the golf course and on through Mayflower Woods where there will be plenty of wildlife to experience. You may even be lucky and spot the deer that frequent the area.
6pm Distance: 2½ miles (1½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: TA 175 150 Terrain: Grassy paths and roads Start Point: St Andrew’s Church, Church Lane, Immingham, DN40 2EU. On road parking at Church Lane Leader: Healthy Travel Officer 01472 325994 (Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm) Organisation: Cofely/ North East Lincolnshire Council Cost: Free

94 Healing Village Walk
This gentle walk explores the history and development of Healing village. It includes a look at the village’s moated settlements – of which there are two. Modern day Healing was started by Henry Marrows, a Victorian developer.
6.30pm Distance: 1½ miles (2 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: TA 214 100 Terrain: Pathways, fields Start Point: Healing Manor Hotel, Stallingborough Road, Healing (off B1210), DN41 7QF. Follow signs for parking. Leader: Emma Lingard 07788 865191 (Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm) Organisation: Healing Manor Hotel Cost: Free

95 Wildlife Wander Through The Reserve
A wonderful opportunity to explore the delights of the Reserve at Saltfleetby-Theddlethorpe. A leisurely walk along the Reserve with a guided tour by Roger Briggs the Reserve Manager, with a well-earned picnic stop along the way, finishing with a stroll through to Saltfleetby and beyond.
10am Distance: 6½ miles (4 hours)
OS Explorer map: 283 OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Mixed terrain: Public Footpaths, easy access trail, meadow and some dunes Start Point: Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking Leader: Tracey Richardson & Roger Briggs 07825 989418 (Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm) Organisation: East Lindsey Health Walks Cost: Free

96 Market Rasen Wander
A moderate walk over footpaths and fields around Market Rasen. Walking to Willingham Lane, crossing the railway and back to Market Rasen via Linwood Road.
10.30am Distance: 5 miles (2½ hrs)

97 Gruffalo (2-6 years old)
Join the mouse for a stroll in the deep dark wood. Try not to get eaten by the fox, owl, snake and Gruffalo! This children’s walk is based around the classic book and is full of action. All children must be accompanied by an adult and it’s out in the woods so please wear appropriate clothing.
9.15am OR 1pm Distance: 1 mile (1½ hrs)

98 Horrible Histories (7-11 years old)
Join us for a Horrible Histories style romp in a nature reserve. Packed full of fun role play and action, we will take you back in time to discover just how vile, terrible and revolting you had to be in the past – so come prepared for the worst!!! All children must be accompanied by an adult and it’s out in the woods so please wear appropriate clothing.
11am Distance: 1 mile (1½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 274 OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Compacted stone paths Start Point: Booking essential. Start point will be given at time of booking Leader: Matthew Davey. Booking via Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Service 01507 609740 (Mon – Fri, 8am – 4pm) Organisation: Lincolnshire County Council Cost: Free

Thursday 29th May
99 Four Churches
A moderate late afternoon walk taking in the four churches of Waltham, Brigsley, Ashby cum Fenby and Barnoldby. Whilst there is some road walking there is also plenty of pretty countryside and woodland to enjoy. We hope to spend a short time at each church although access inside is not guaranteed. Refreshments may be purchased prior to the start of the walk in Waltham Village and afterwards at the nearby King’s Head Public House. Please note a short section of the walk will pass through grazing land.

4pm Distance: 7½ miles (4½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: TA 261 038
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Terrain: Grass paths, fields, tracks and footways. Some areas may be boggy
Start Point: All Saints Church, High Street, Waltham.
Public car park in Kirkgate off High Street Leader: Healthy Travel Officer 01472 324489
Organisation: Cofeby/North East Lincolnshire Council Cost: Free

100 In the Wake of the Louth Flood
An easy walk following the course of the deluge that claimed 23 lives as it swept along the river valley and nearby streets. This occurred at teatime on Saturday 29 May 1920. Your guide will recount stories of destruction, death and heroism – and one birth – that accompanied the event.

5pm Distance: 4 miles (2-2½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 321 872
Terrain: Pavements Start Point: Love Lane entrance to Westgate Fields. LN11 9YN. From Louth bypass take B1200 into Westgate, Love Lane is first on right. Parking in Love Lane or Crowtree Lane Leader: Jean Howard 01507 604717
Organisation: Louth Museum Cost: £3 to Louth Museum

101 Alvingham – North Cockerington Walk
An easy evening walk on mainly footpaths but with some road walking around the villages of Alvingham and North Cockerington. Including a look at Alvingham water mill, the unique canal features, Alvingham’s two churches and the site of Alvingham Priory.

5.30pm Distance: 4½ miles (2½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 283 OS Grid Reference: TF 366 913
Terrain: Footpaths, some road Start Point: Alvingham Mill, Church Lane, Alvingham. DN37 0EN. Public car park in Kirkgate off High Street Leader: Subden 01507 605496
Organisation: Louth Navigation Trust Cost: Donations to Louth Navigation Trust please

102 The Splash Circular
This is a moderate walk around open countryside and wooded areas of Lincolnshire
10am Distance: 9½ miles (4 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: TF 358 840
Terrain: Road, field paths, woods, farm tracks. Start Point: Royal Oak Inn (The Splash), Little Cawthorpe. LN11 8LZ. Parking at the pub by kind permission Leader: Tony Hand 01472 822281
Organisation: Scunthorpe & District Ramblers Cost: Free

103 Chocolate Walk
An energetic walk – with a treat at the end. We cross Risby Moor, climb to Risby Manor then follow field paths, the Viking Way and some permissive paths around Tealby. We visit Tealby Thorpe before stopping for a drink and an opportunity to taste and purchase Special Edition Chocolates.
10am Distance: 10 miles (5 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF138 884
Organisation: Ramblers - Grimsby/Louth Group Cost: Free - charges for refreshments apply

104 Dragon Hunting at Bolingbroke Castle
Bolingbroke Castle has been invaded by dragons! Hunt down all the dragons to find out about the history of the castle and the kings who lived here in medieval times. Defeat the dragons and win a prize!
11am Distance: 1 mile (1½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 349 650
Terrain: Castle ruins, grass paths Start Point: Bolingbroke Castle. On road parking in Old Bolingbroke village (please park considerately). Leader: Katie Green 01529 461499
Organisation: Heritage Lincolnshire Cost: Free
105 Storytime in People’s Park

Storytime in the park, enjoy a stroll around People’s Park and listen to a specially created story based on the creatures who inhabit the bushes around the park. There will be time for coffee and a cake at the café after the walk.

1pm Distance: 2 miles (1½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: TA 269 083 Terrain: Paths Start Point: People’s Park café, Grimsby, DN32 0LL. On-road parking is available around the perimeter of the park. Leader: Anthony Snell 01472 324489 (Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm) Organisation: Cofely/North East Lincolnshire Council Cost: Free

106 Family Walk – Sunnyside Up, Market Rasen

A gentle afternoon stroll in woodland along paths and tracks with a visit to award-winning Sunnyside Farm Shop and Tea Room at the end of the walk. Suitable for all the family!

1.30pm Distance: 3½ miles (2½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 122 Terrain: Paths, woodland tracks Start Point: Poplar Farm, Tealby Road, Market Rasen (off B1203 road) LN8 3UL Leader: Stuart Parker 01522 534655 Organisation: Ramblers - Lincoln Group Cost: Free - charges for refreshments apply

107 Chalk Stream
Biodiversity Bingo

A family activity that includes pond dipping. Walking through the hills we will have to look out for plants and animals along the river to tick off the bingo list. The walk will end with getting in the stream to look for aquatic plants and animals, so bring your wellies.

1pm Distance: ½ mile (2½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Paths, grassy areas– may be muddy in places Start Point: Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking. Leader: Ruth Craig 01507 609740 (Mon - Fri, 8am - 4pm) Organisation: Lincolnshire Chalk Streams Project Cost: Free

108 Speed Dating Walk

Fancy making some new friends? While enjoying an easy guided walk around Elm Farm in Swaby, our lively walk quiz will ensure you meet lots of people and definitely have a few laughs! We will finish up at Tracey’s Little Cupcake Tearoom to enjoy celebratory cupcakes and a cuppa!

6pm Distance: 4 miles (2½ hrs)
OS Explorer map: 274 OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Gentle hills throughout. Fieldpaths. Start Point: Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking. Closing date 27 May. Leader: Nicki Jarvis 01507 609740 (Mon - Fri, 8am - 4pm) Organisation: Heritage Lincolnshire Cost: Free - charges for refreshments apply
112 The Louth Canal Walk
Starting at Tetney Lock, the site of the old sea lock, we follow the original towpath upstream, at a steady pace, to the Navigation Warehouse at the Riverhead, Louth. Transport can be arranged from Navigation Warehouse, Louth to Tetney Lock for the start, if transport is required please contact LNT in advance. (Further details on the accompanying walk leaflet ‘To the Sea with LNT’ can be found at www.louthcanal.org.uk).

OS Explorer map: 283 OS Grid Reference: TA 342 022 Terrain: Towpath, mainly flat but uneven in places, a few stiles Start Point: Crown and Anchor pub, The Wharf, Tetney Lock. DN36 5UW. By kind permission of the landlord. Parking available. Leader: Roger Subden 01507 605496
Organisation: Louth Navigation Trust Cost: Donations to Louth Navigation Trust please

Distance: 10 miles (4½ hrs) 12.30pm

113 Laceby Circular
Enjoy a moderate walk along grassy paths and stone tracks and experience our wonderful countryside. See if you can spot the beautiful kingfishers patrolling Laceby Beck along with lots of other wildlife. Refreshments may be available at the start of the walk at the Tea Rooms in Laceby Square and you may want to visit the adjacent pub at the end of the walk.

OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: TA 214 064 Terrain: Paths, tracks, fields and roads Start Point: The Village Square, Laceby. DN37 7HX. Public car park at the rear of the Nag’s Head Public House or in the Village Square. Leader: Healthy Travel Officer 01472 324489 (Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm) 
Organisation: Cofely/North East Lincolnshire Council Cost: Free

Distance: 7 miles (4 hrs) 1pm

114 Market Rasen Heritage Walk
An interactive walk around Market Rasen town centre looking at some of its historic buildings. Hear about the fascinating history and rich culture of the town, with time for comments and questions.

OS Explorer map: 274 OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Level, predominantly pavements, some narrow. Some high kerbs Start Point: Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking Leader: Lynda Bowen Ly05nda@yahoo.com
Organisation: Walkers Are Welcome, Market Rasen Cost: Voluntary donations to Rase Heritage Society/Walkers are Welcome in Market Rasen would be appreciated

Distance: 2 miles (1½ hrs) 2pm

115 Dambusters Walk
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116 Another Right Roman Ramble!
Join GAIUS TITUS MESTRIUS, and his Romano-British ‘lady’ VEDNICA, to learn about Roman life, military marches and Roman underpants! MESTRIUS, of the LEGIO XIII, will march us, in formation, around the Farm. A collection of leather shoes typical to the era, handmade in Swaby, will be on display.

OS Explorer map: 274 OS Grid Reference: TF 388 770 Terrain: Gentle hills throughout. Fieldpaths. Start Point: The Elms Farm, Church Lane, Swaby. LN13 0BQ. Parking by kind permission, in the farm’s main yard. Turn down the farm drive directly north-east of St Nicholas’ Church. Leader: David and Helen Marsden, with Fiona Anderson and Phil Gibson 01507 481451 or 480402 (please leave a message) 

Distance: 1½ miles (2 hrs) 2pm

Keep walking!
The Lincolnshire Wolds Walking Festival is for everyone, whether you already walk on a regular basis or need some inspiration to get out there and stretch your legs. If you have tried some of our shorter festival walks and want to start walking on a regular basis, the good news is that there is a great range of friendly walking schemes across Lincolnshire, North East Lincolnshire and North Lincolnshire.

The Walking for Health initiative is run jointly by Ramblers and Macmillan Cancer Support, working in partnership with local councils. Free walks take place every week, led by trained walk leaders, and take around 45 minutes to 1 hour. It’s a great way of meeting people whilst increasing your fitness levels, so you can enjoy some our more challenging festival walks next year.

For more information about Walking for Health programmes, go to www.walkingforhealth.org.uk to find a walk scheme near you.
117 Family Bushcraft
This is an event for children (aged 7-14) each to be accompanied by an enthusiastic adult. A short walk to a hidden woodland glade will lead you to activities including shelter building. Please wear suitable, tough, outdoor clothing and bring gloves if you have them. It may be necessary to limit numbers on the day.
10.30am Distance ½ mile (1½ hrs)
Leader: James Forrester & Jennifer Morpeth 01507 588401 (office/answer machine)

118 Mini-beast Hunt
This activity is suitable for children of all ages, accompanied by an enthusiastic adult. Wildlife Trust experts will lead a gentle walk in the Country Park to find and identify some of the fascinating but less obvious wildlife of the site. We will range a short distance from the main tracks in our search for these creatures. Please wear appropriate outdoor clothing.
12.30pm Distance 1 mile (1 hr)
Leader: Mary Porter, Jennifer Morpeth & James Forrester 01507 588401 (office/answer machine)

119 Bird Walk
A guided walk suitable for all, led by a local expert to identify some of the many interesting birds, both summer visitors and year-round residents, to be found in this wildlife-rich site. This will be a gentle walk with many stops to watch and listen – binoculars would be an advantage (a few pairs will be available to borrow).
2pm Distance 1½ miles (1 hr)
Leader: Denis Chandler & James Forrester 01507 588401 (office/answer machine)

120 Horncastle Canal and Spa Trail
A gentle stroll along level ground, following a section of the Viking Way from Horncastle to Woodhall Spa, taking in the Horncastle Canal and the dismantled railway (Spa Trail). A brief tour of Woodhall Spa, opportunity for refreshments and some free time before a coach return to Horncastle.
12 noon Distance: 6½ miles (4 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Canal Path, and dismantled railway line along a section of the Viking Way Start Point: Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking. Closing date 24 May. Leader: Julian Millington 07985 372871 Organisation: Ramblers - Horncastle Group Cost: Charge for return coach journey from Woodhall Spa to Horncastle (advised on booking)

121 Horncastle’s Heritage
This is a gentle walk looking at the history and archaeology around Horncastle. People have lived and worked around Horncastle since before the Roman period and they have left traces which still survive in the architecture and layout of the present town.
3pm Distance: 1½ miles (2 hrs)
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Pavement Start Point: Horncastle Market Place, Horncastle. LN9 5BN. Pay & Display parking at St Lawrence Street and The Bain Leader: Jan Allen jan.allen@lincolnshire.gov.uk Organisation: Lincolnshire County Council Cost: Free

122 Horrible Horncastle
Horncastle is well known as a gateway to the Lincolnshire Wolds and receives many visitors throughout the year. Perhaps less well known are the more macabre events that have occurred in the town over its long history. From Marwood’s ‘long drop’ to murder on The Wong. A pleasant stroll through the town followed by a charity barbeque in the gardens of the Sir Joseph Banks Centre where the walk will end.
6pm Distance: 1½ miles (1 hr)
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 259 693 Terrain: Pavement Start Point: The Wong, Horncastle. LN9 6EF. Parking at The Wong, Boston Road (A153) Turn into the car park near the Black Swan public house. Leader: Paul Scott & Peter Harness 01507 526065 (Mon - Sat, 10am - 4pm) Organisation: Sir Joseph Banks Society Cost: Donations are welcome
**123 Horncastle Round & About**

A hearty walk out of Horncastle and into the surrounding countryside. We will head along the Horncastle Canal, then across to Langton, Thimbleby and thence over towards West Ashby, before following the line of the Viking Way back to the centre of town.

10am Distance: 10 miles (5 hrs)

**124 Horncastle, Fulletby & West Ashby**

This energetic guided walk strikes out into the countryside north of Horncastle, taking walkers along the Viking Way and up towards the village of Fulletby. With steep climbs along the way you should enjoy some extensive views, before passing Farthorpe Deserted Medieval Village and West Ashby on your return. Bring a packed lunch.

10.30am Distance: 9 miles (5 hrs)

**125 Sir Joseph Banks's Town Walk**

Walk round the historic town of Horncastle. Much of the town is still largely the famous explorer and botanist Joseph Banks would have remembered it. See his town house, visit the Bull Hotel where he did business, walk down Wharf Road where canal boats unloaded on his canal.

11am Distance: 2 miles (1 hr)

**126 Where the Vikings Wandered**

An afternoon stroll leaving the historic town of Horncastle and heading out towards Fulletby. Winding along the Viking Way to take in some of the wonderful views of the Wolds on the way. Returning back to Stanhope Hall for an opportunity to celebrate the finale of the Wolds Walking Festival 2014.

12.30pm Distance: 7½ miles (2½ hrs)

**127 Horncastle Amble**

An easy circular walk going through the market place then out towards Thimbleby via quiet roads, then up a track to the busy A158 which we cross before following Green Lane to the Durham Ox public house at Thimbleby. Taking rural roads, we will follow Mill Lane to Langton Hill, then finally walk alongside the canal back to Stanhope Hall.

1.45pm Distance: 4 miles (1½ hrs)

**128 Sir Joseph Banks's Town Walk**

Walk round the historic town of Horncastle. See the 18th century warehouses and pubs, hear their fascinating history. Find the houses of the famous explorer and botanist Joseph Banks and infamous hangman Marwood. Walk along the banks of the River Bain and River Waring, once the canal into the commercial centre.

2pm Distance: 2 miles (1½ hrs)
Get on your bike

At the Lincolnshire Wolds Walking Festival

A touch of speed can be exhilarating, and our 10th birthday seems like a good moment to try out new things. If you want to take part, make sure that you are equipped with safety gear and that your bike is in good working order. For more information and advice about safe cycling go to www.goskyride.com. Under 16s should be accompanied by an adult.

A couple of rides are part of the women-only Breeze programme. Go to www.goskyride/breeze to find out more.

1 Skyride: Fishermen & Travellers
Saturday 17 May
1pm Distance: 10 miles (2 hrs)
Level: Steady 6+
Part of the Festival Launch. From Healing to the Humber Estuary via Great Cotes, with a short stop for refreshments at Stallingborough. Bikes available to hire from The Cycle Hub, phone Janine Walker on 01472 354986
Terrain: Mostly flat with shallow inclines
Start Point: Healing Manor Leader: Dave Evans 01472 324489 (Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm)
Organisation: British Cycling Cost: Free
Details?eventid=36213 Free parking available
Go to http://www.goskyride.com/Search/

3 ABC: Ancholme-Brigg-Cadney
Sunday 25 May
10am Distance: 9 miles (1 hr)
Level: Steady 6+
Ideal for families, this steady ride is suitable for all ages and bikes. We’ll ride out of Brigg to Cadney Bridge and Cadney with time to stop for a drink and snack, but bring your own!
Terrain: Quiet country lanes, mostly flat

2 Skyride: Ploughshares, Carts & Manor Houses
Sunday 18 May
10am Distance: 16 miles (1 ½ hrs)
Level: Steady 11+
Suitable for all ages and bikes, we will cycle from Bradley through countryside towards Waltham and back, after a rest stop.
Terrain: Mostly flat but slightly hilly in parts
Leader: Roy Saxby 01472 324489 (Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm) Organisation: British Cycling Cost: Free
Details?eventid=36214 Free parking available
Go to http://www.goskyride.com/Search/

4 Breeze Around Louth - The Shorter One
Tuesday 27 May
6.30pm Distance: 9½ miles (1 hr)
Level: Steady
A WOMEN ONLY ride from Louth towards the village of Alvingham. Heading towards Yarburgh we return back to Louth via Brackenborough. Refreshments can be purchased in the Aqua Vita café at our finish.

5 Breeze Around Louth - The Longer One
Thursday 29 May
6pm Distance: 17 miles (2½ hrs)
Level: Steady/Challenging
A WOMEN ONLY ride from Louth on country lanes through picturesque villages. Calling for refreshments at the ‘Splash’ Little Cathorpe, before heading back to Louth.

6 Finale Ride: The Toynton Trail
Sunday 1 June
1.30pm Distance: 8-10 miles (1 hr)
Level: Steady 6+
A relaxed cycle ride suitable for all the family, exploring the lanes and bridleways on the outskirts of Horncastle. It will be adapted to suit participants.
Terrain: Sections of roadway, country lanes and bridleways Start Point: Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point given at time of booking Leader: John Norman 07918 165752 Organisation: Lincolnshire Wolds Cycle and Walking Tours Cost: Free

Heritage Trust of Lincolnshire & Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Service

The Lincolnshire Wolds Walking Festival is a great way to explore the natural landscape and heritage of the Lincolnshire Wolds, the only Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) in the East Midlands. Formed under tropical seas between 150 and 90 million years ago, then shaped by glaciers, the Lincolnshire Wolds contains the highest point between Kent and Yorkshire, dispelling the myth that Lincolnshire is flat!

Man has shaped and influenced the landscape we see today and the archaeology of the area is of national significance. In medieval times the Lincolnshire Wolds was densely populated and evidence of this can still be seen. Many of these sites are deserted medieval villages, where communities lived and worked over several centuries. The settlements were eventually deserted due to climate change, famine, changes in farming and the Black Death. Today farming still plays a crucial part in this complex environment.

The Walking Festival is a big team effort, with many individuals and organisations working alongside the project’s lead partners: Heritage Trust of Lincolnshire and the Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Service. Heritage Lincolnshire has a county-wide role in conserving and enhancing the historic environment for the benefit of local people and visitors to the area. They offer opportunities for learning about and enjoying the County’s rich and varied heritage through a range of activities. The Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Service works with organisations, landowners and communities to protect and enhance the AONB, ensuring that this historic environment continues to flourish as a great place to live and work.

To find out more about the work of Heritage Lincolnshire go to www.lincsheritage.org or visit www.lincswolds.org.uk to discover more about the Lincolnshire Wolds.
Enjoy yourself.....

The Lincolnshire Wolds is richly endowed with cafes and restaurants, overnight accommodation, visitor attractions and shopping experiences which will make your visit memorable. Whether you are new to the Wolds, or taking the opportunity to get out and about in your local area, we hope that your walk is just the beginning!

Look out for the Love Food Select Lincolnshire marque (www.selectlincolnshire.com/food) where you can be sure of locally-sourced high quality food experiences. Why not organise a few days getaway and stay in a fabulous B&B, self-catering apartment or country hotel? A host of visitor attractions, from working mills to farm parks will ensure that the whole family has a great time.

Visit www.woldswalkingfestival.co.uk to get easy links to lots of great opportunities, or for more general information about what Lincolnshire has to offer go to www.visitlincolnshire.com

…and tell us about it!

The Lincolnshire Wolds Walking Festival is one of the biggest in the UK. We are also dedicated to making it one of the best!

We really appreciate you taking the time to tell us about your experience, and we make sure that all of your comments, good and bad, go to the people who need to know. To help us to continually improve what we do we would be grateful if you could take the time to fill out the questionnaire that your walk leader supplies at the end of each walk. Alternatively you can download the form from our website at www.woldswalkingfestival.co.uk or post it to us using the freepost address at the end of the form and it won’t cost you a penny!

Win a Lincolnshire Produce Hamper!

All completed questionnaires received by Monday 16 June will be entered into a prize draw to win a fantastic hamper of ‘Love Local’ produce kindly donated by Lincolnshire Co-operative Ltd.

The historic landscape of the Wolds has two popular National Trust properties nearby

Tattershall Castle
A unique 15th Century red-brick castle rising dramatically above the Lincolnshire countryside

Discover 800 years of the castle’s history from palatial dwelling to cattle shed; romantic ruin to restoration. You can explore all six floors of this imposing building from basement to battlements, climb all 149 steps of its spiral staircase and marvel at the views of the beautiful Lincolnshire countryside from the roof. Make sure you view the magnificent fireplaces and follow the stained glass window timeline.

Free audio guides will transform your visit, sending you back to the castle’s medieval heyday to imagine the hustle and bustle of castle life. After you have climbed to the top why not return to the Guard House for tea and cake. Relax in our lovely seating area; sit in front of the fire and take a rest from all those steps.

Gunby Hall & Gardens
A homely country house set in Victorian walled gardens

Modest-sized rooms full of character and charm make it easy to imagine living at Gunby Hall. With links to Tennyson, Darwin and Vaughan-Williams there is much to discover in the family home of the Massingberd family.

Explore three floors of the hall full of interesting collection pieces amassed over generations from 1700 until 1963 and chat to our room guides to discover Gunby’s interesting past. Commemorating the centenary of WWI a ‘Poppy trail’ through the house and exhibitions tells of the role of the Massingberds during the Great War.

Stroll through our eight-acre gardens and enjoy sweeping formal lawns, flower borders, vegetable gardens and wildflower corners. Try our new walk to the Ice House Pond set in the Gunby parkland or have a go at Nordic Walking in the grounds with one of our associated instructors before completing your visit with a stop in our charming tearoom to enjoy some home-baked cake and a cuppa.

Both properties open from February until 2nd November 2014
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