



RAMBLERS WEST HERTS GROUP

Walk Coordinators Report 2025

We have run a full programme of walks this year with walks on most Sundays, most Tuesdays and an Amble on the first Thursday of each month. We held a coach walk in Ely, the London Monopoly walks and a walk to the 3 Brewers Festival. Our walks continue to be well attended. Several walks were cancelled towards the end of 2024 due to storms, bad weather and flooding.

Walk statistics for year Oct 24 – Sept 25:

Total number of walks:	111
Sunday walks:	45
Tuesday walks:	52
Ambles	12
Other days:	2
Average number on walk:	15 (includes leaders)
Number of people who have walked with us:	161
Number who joined only 1 walk:	54
Number who booked but never walked:	7
Number who have led a walk:	18

We are frequently joined by fellow Ramblers from other groups and this is reflected in the number who have only joined us for 1 walk. We have had walks from 18 leaders with some of our more recent leaders making a significant contribution to the programme.

Ramblers have changed their Walk Leader Guidance policy and now insist that our leaders either certify that they have a defined level of experience leading Ramblers walks or complete the Ramblers training course. This will be enforced on the 31st December and leaders who do not comply will be unable to lead walks for us. This is likely to reduce our pool of available leaders but we hope that the majority of our active leaders will qualify by the end of the year.

We continue to need to encourage both new leaders and existing leaders to keep the programme full during the coming winter months. To help walk leaders we've added a web page listing some of our experienced walk leaders who are willing to help with recce's.

Our OS app training course is still available to new and existing leaders. A First Aid course for leaders is planned for the new year.