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Annual subscription is £15 (£5 January to March) All meetings are at Higham Memorial Hall, School Lane, Higham – unless stated otherwise

# **Monthly Meetings**

General meetings are normally held on the fourth Friday each month from 2pm to 4pm. Doors open at 1.35pm

Entry (including refreshments):

Members free, waiting list £1.50, guests £2

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July
I Bought and Sold It at Auction
Speaker Jean Surrey

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> August Social Afternoon

# **Activity Sessions**

Entry (including refreshments) Members £1, Waiting list £1.50, Guests £2

Sessions are held Fridays between 1.30 to 4.00pm On dates below

July

Fridays 4<sup>th</sup>, 11th and 18<sup>th</sup>

Art Group/Cards Games/Craft/Short Mat Bowls

August

Fridays 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 15<sup>th</sup>

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August 29th

Quiz

## **Rambles**

Our walk at Mote Park was most enjoyable. The weather kept us on our toes as one minute the sky was black and then the next blue. Rod led our walk around the lake and then we descended on the café for lunch.

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June – Leybourne Lakes

Meet in the car park at 11.00pm – fee payable. Walk around the lake, back to cars and on to The Rose and Crown, Shorne for lunch around 12.30pm

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – Mid Summer Walk – Teston Lock/Wateringbury

Meet in Teston Lock car park at 5pm for a walk towards Wateringbury and back. Dinner at The Red Start, Barming.

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July – Local Walk-Lower Higham Meet at the junction of Taylors Lane and Mountbatten Avenue for a walk down Taylors Lane, over the railway

bridge and up the Landway towards Upper Higham. Lunch at Joe's cafe

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July - Riverside Country Park

Meet in the car park of Riverside Country Park (fee payable) at 11 am. Walk towards the Strand. Back to cars and on to The Rose and Crown for lunch at around 1pm

Wednesday 6th August – Hythe to Folkestone

This is our annual seaside ramble from Hythe to Folkestone Meet on the promenade at the back of the Imperial Hotel at 11am for a walk towards Folkestone. Lunch at The British Lion, The Bayle, Folkestone at around 1pm. We return to Hythe on the bus – remember to bring your bus passes please. (Warning: There is quite a climb on a zig zag path from the promenade up to the Leas. Unfortunately although the lift is being refurbished it will not be working in time for our walk).

Non-walkers are very welcome to meet up with walkers for the pub lunch and prior notice would be appreciated. Please note that all ramblers walk at their own risk and non-members are reminded they are not covered by HiARA's third party insurance. If you have any queries about the walks please do not hesitate to give Janet a call on 01474 824221 or 07849884563.

## **Upcoming Events**

#Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	A fish and chip adventure	£67		
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Race Night	£10 Bring your own drink and		
		nibbles		

#This is a trip on the Mid Norfolk Railway between Dereham to Wymondham a delightful journey through the heart of Norfolk. Trip depends on how many members would like to do the trip. Full details are on the notice board.

### **Chairman's June Report**

Well I hope everyone is enjoying the good weather now that it has finally returned. Remember to take care in the heat and stay hydrated.

We are fast approaching the middle of the year – where did that disappear to when I wasn't looking? Your club is continuing to attract new members, so we must be doing something right. That said your committee will continue to do everything it can to further the club on your behalf.

#### Rod

This was the Ramblers' annual holiday at Warners Cricket St Thomas Somerset. We had lovely weather and visited Longleat and Bath for day trips. A very enjoyable holiday and arranged by Janet Topp



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