



Reviewed Programme of walks for February 2026

Sunday 1 February 2026 10:00

Sun 1 Feb 2026 6 miles/ 9.7 Km (Starting at 10:00 Finishes 13:00 approx.)
Starting from Car park behind the King and Queen East Malling ME19 6DD, TQ 703573

Grade Leisurely, Research Station Barming Allington

Booking Not Required Assistance Dogs Only. Optional Lunch Stop after walk at King and Queen East Malling Park in public car park not the pub car park. It is advised to make your own booking if refreshments required

Circular Walk, Pace Leisurely

Contact: Joan Jenner 07530 948372 01622 764637

walks@maidstoneramblers.org.uk

Wednesday 4 February 2026 10:00

Wed 4 Feb 2026 6 miles/ 9.7 Km (Starting at 10:00 Finishes 13:00 approx.)

Starting from Old Teston Road Red Hill, Wateringbury ME18 5BJ, TQ699548

Grade Leisurely, Oaken Wood, Kiln Barn Farm, The Rocks, Sweets Lane

Text Leader to Book 07711 605067 Assistance Dogs Only. Optional Lunch Stop after walk at North Pole Please park in Old Teston Road opposite North Pole NOT in pub car park. If food required please inform leader when booking at least 48h before walk

Circular Walk, Pace Leisurely

Contact: Bob Buist 07711 605067 rj.buist@gmail.com

Wednesday 4 February 2026 10:00

Wed 4 Feb 2026 10 miles/ 16.1 Km (Starting at 10:00 Finishes 15:30 approx.)

Starting from Approach Road Hollingbourne Station ME17 1TX, TQ836549

Grade Moderate, Thurnham - Bearsted - Leeds Castle

Booking Not Required Assistance Dogs Only. Lunch Stop at Choice of two pubs on the Green Bearsted, Food Available

Circular Walk, Pace Moderate

Contact: Ray and Carol Golland 07880 727619 golland14@yahoo.com

Sunday 8 February 2026 10:00

Sun 8 Feb 2026 6 miles/ 9.7 Km (Starting at 10:00 Finishes 13:00 approx.)
[Starting from Penenden Heath Car Park ME14 2DQ, TQ773573](#)
Grade Leisurely, Boxley, Cuckoo Woods
Booking Not Required Well Behaved Dogs Only. Optional Lunch Stop after walk at The Bull, Penenden Heath
Circular Walk, Pace Leisurely
Contact: Amy Hider 07805 307611 01622 663063 amymonky@hotmail.co.uk

~~Cancelled Sunday 8 February 2026 10:00 Cancelled~~

~~Sun 8 Feb 2026 7 miles/ 11.2 Km (Starting at 10:00 Finishes 13:30 approx.)
[Starting from Public car park behind Dog and Bear, Lenham ME17 2PG, TQ897523](#)
Grade Moderate, NDW, Hog Barn Lane, Ringlestone, Deans Hill
Text Leader to Book 07724 143509 Well Behaved Dogs Only. Optional Lunch Stop after walk at Red Lion Lenham. Inform leader when booking, if lunch required
Circular Walk, Pace Moderate
Contact: Sue B 07724 143509 suebennett643@gmail.com~~

Wednesday 11 February 2026 10:00

Wed 11 Feb 2026 10 miles/ 16.1 Km (Starting at 10:00 Finishes 16:00 approx.)
[Starting from King George V Playing Field, Sittingbourne. ME10 1QX, TQ900624](#)
Grade Moderate, Tunstall, Borden, Oad Street, Bredgar, Science Park Woodstock.
Text Leader to Book 07720 820266 Well Behaved Dogs Only. Lunch Stop at Sun at Bredgar Bredgar, Food Available Parking and Public toilets at start. Cafe open from 10am to 4pm. Good Menu at Pub. Advise leader by Monday before if Lunch required.
Circular Walk, Pace Leisurely
Contact: Chris Spicer 07720 820266 abbagail.spicer@btopenworld.com

Wednesday 11 February 2026 10:00

Wed 11 Feb 2026 8.9 miles/ 14.5 Km (Starting at 10:00 Finishes 15:00 approx.)
[Starting from Penenden Heath car park, Sandy Lane Maidstone ME14 2DQ, TQ772574](#)
Grade Moderate, Boxley and North Downs
Booking Not Required Well Behaved Dogs Only. Ascent up on to north downs 290 meters
Circular Walk, Pace Leisurely
Contact: Des Relf 07729 584260 desmond.relf@btinternet.com

Wednesday 11 February 2026 9:30

Wed 11 Feb 2026 5.5 miles/ 8.9 Km (Starting at 9:30 Finishes 13:30 approx.)

Starting from Boughton Aluph Village Green (Wye Road) TN25 4HH, TR022473

Grade Moderate, Challock - Boughton Aluph

Booking Not Required NB EARLY START Assistance Dogs Only. Optional Lunch

Stop after walk at Flying Horse Boughton Aluph Roadside Parking - Bus to Challock

Leaving at 9:47

Linear Walk, Pace Moderate

Contact: Wendy Manser 07745 276900 walks@maidstoneramblers.org.uk

Thursday 12 February 2026 10:30

Thu 12 Feb 2026 3.5 miles/ 6 Km (Starting at 10:30 Finishes 12:30 approx.)

Starting from The Bull, Barming ME16 HB9, TQ 723545

Grade Easy, Barming Heath - Allington

Booking Not Required Assistance Dogs Only. Optional Lunch Stop after walk at The Bull Barming Only park in Pub Car park if having refreshments other wise use local roads

Circular Walk, Pace Slow

Contact: Joan Jenner 07530 948372 01622 764637

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Sunday 15 February 2026 10:00

Sun 15 Feb 2026 6 miles/ 9.7 Km (Starting at 10:00 Finishes 13:15 approx.)

Starting from Filson Lane, CP Shoreham TN14 7SR, TQ518614

Grade Moderate, Lullingstone - Shoreham Cross - Home farm

Booking Not Required Assistance Dogs Only. Moderately hilly

Circular Walk, Pace Moderate

Contact: Tony 07990 619446 01474 706984 tony.bushe@btinternet.com

Wednesday 18 February 2026 10:00

Wed 18 Feb 2026 9 miles/ 14.5 Km (Starting at 10:00 Finishes 16:00 approx.)

Starting from Toys Hill National Trust Car Park TN16 1QG, TQ470517

Grade Moderate, Emmetts, Brasted Chart, French Street

Email Leader to Book vahughes227@gmail.com Assistance Dogs Only. Lunch Stop at The White Hart Brasted, Food Available Please advise leader by 9pm, 9 Feb if pub lunch is required

Circular Walk, Pace Moderate

Contact: Anne Hughes 07473 909692 vahughes227@gmail.com

_____ Wednesday 18 February 2026 10:00 _____

Wed 18 Feb 2026 6 miles/ 9.7 Km (Starting at 10:00 Finishes 13:30 approx.)

Starting from Trossley Country Park - by kiosk DA13 0SG, TQ632610

Grade Moderate, Pilgrims' Way, Ryarsh

Booking Not Required Assistance Dogs Only. Optional Lunch Stop after walk

Optional lunch stop at cafe at end. Some steep hills. Parking £2.50

Circular Walk, Pace Moderate

Contact: Colin Philpott 07986 131021 colinjphilpott88@gmail.com

_____ Sunday 22 February 2026 10:00 _____

Sun 22 Feb 2026 7 miles/ 11 Km (Starting at 10:00 Finishes 13:30 approx.)

Starting from End of Lapwing Close, Lower Halstow ME9 7DZ, TQ859675

Grade Moderate, River Medway - Upchurch - Breach - Lower Newington

Booking Not Required Well Behaved Dogs Only. Optional Lunch Stop after walk at

Three Tuns Lower Halstow. Drinks and lunch at end of walk. Book own lunch.

Circular Walk, Pace Moderate

Contact: Ian Tandy 07929 241 435 ianj.tandy@gmail.com

_____ Wednesday 25 February 2026 10:00 _____

Wed 25 Feb 2026 9 miles/ 14.5 Km (Starting at 10:00 Finishes 16:00 approx.)

Starting from Egerton PCP. TN27 9DS, TQ906473

Grade Moderate, Grafty Green - Fairbourne Heath - Greensand Way - Liverton Street - Boughton Malherbe

Text Leader to Book 07704 437737 Assistance Dogs Only. Lunch Stop at The Pepperbox Inn FAIRBOURNE HEATH, Food Available If requiring a pub lunch, notify Leader WHEN BOOKING, no later than 48 hours prior to walk, thank you.

Circular Walk, Pace Moderate

Contact: Denis M. 07704 437737 walks@maidstoneramblers.org.uk

_____ Wednesday 25 February 2026 10:00 _____

Wed 25 Feb 2026 5 miles/ 8 Km (Starting at 10:00 Finishes 12:30 approx.)

Starting from Grovewood Drive South (by Crown Fields cul-de-sac), Grove Green ME14 5TH, TQ786557

Grade Moderate, Mote Park

Booking Not Required Assistance Dogs Only. Optional Lunch Stop after walk

Circular Walk, Pace Moderate

Contact: Wendy Manser 07745 276900 walks@maidstoneramblers.org.uk

Thursday 26 February 2026 10:30

Thu 26 Feb 2026 4 miles/ 6.4 Km (Starting at 10:30 Finishes 12:45 approx.)

Starting from Cobham public car park DA12 3BZ, TQ671685

Grade Moderate, Lodge Farm - Cobham Park - Ashenbank Wood

Booking Not Required Assistance Dogs Only. Optional Lunch Stop after walk at various Cobham Fairly level

Circular Walk, Pace Leisurely

Contact: Tony 07990 619446 01474 706984 tony.bushe@btinternet.com

Finding the start of your walk

Start and meeting points include nearest postcode and an Ordnance Survey grid reference accurate to 100m.

Use postcodes with care: in rural areas the nearest postcode may be some distance from the actual start point.

See OS maps for an explanation of how to use grid references.

Grades

- Easy Access - walks for everyone, including people with conventional wheelchairs and pushchairs, using easy access paths. Comfortable shoes or trainers can be worn. Assistance may be needed to push wheelchairs on some sections.
- Easy - walks for anyone who does not have a mobility difficulty, a specific health problem or is seriously unfit. Suitable for pushchairs if they can be lifted over occasional obstructions. Comfortable shoes or trainers can be worn.
- Leisurely - walks for reasonably fit people with at least a little country walking experience. May include unsurfaced rural paths. Walking boots and warm, waterproof clothing are recommended.
- Moderate - walks for people with country walking experience and a good level of fitness. May include some steep paths and open country and may be at a brisk pace. Walking boots and warm, waterproof clothing are essential.
- Strenuous - walks for experienced country walkers with an above average fitness level. May include hills and rough country and may be at a brisk pace. Walking boots and warm, waterproof clothing are essential. People in doubt about their fitness should contact the organiser or leader in advance.
- Technical - walks for experienced and very fit walkers with additional technical skills. May require scrambling and use of ropes, ice axes and crampons. You must contact the organiser or leader in advance for further details.

Notes

- Walk gradings are provided as a general guide only. If you have any doubt about your fitness for a particular walk, please contact the organiser or leader in advance.
- Bear in mind the distance of the walk, regional differences in terrain and the possibility of bad weather, which can make a walk more difficult than planned.
- Please remember it is the responsibility of each walker to advise the leader if they intend to leave the walk at any time between the start and end. The walker must at least ask the back-marker or other group member to pass a message to the leader that they do not intend to continue on the walk but in most cases this should be to the leader in person.
- If you're unsure of your fitness level, try a short and easy walk first - it's much better to find a walk a little too slow and easy than to make yourself miserable and exhausted.
- Leaders may refuse to accept participants who in their opinion are inadequately equipped or unfit.

Ticks can be found in dense vegetation or long grass. It is quite rare to get a tick on you but if not removed they can cause Lyme disease which can be very serious. For more details see [Maidstone Ramblers Walking Group](#)