Lincolnshire Wolds Walking Festival

Saturday 16 - Sunday 31 May 2015

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 11th Lincolnshire Wolds Walking Festival!

If you’re looking for a lively mix of walking opportunities, from short and relaxed ambles to ambitious leg-stretchers across the length and breadth of the Lincolnshire Wolds, then our Festival is for you! Check out our bike rides if you like a bit more speed, plus you’ll also find lots of interesting events and activities throughout the programme, a great way of getting children of all ages outside and learning something new. Of course, education isn’t only for the kids! Our ‘talking walks’ are guided by experts in history, geology, flora and fauna. Mind-expanding at the same time as raising your heart rate. Can’t be bad!

We are grateful for the support of new sponsors for 2015. Running Imp International (Lincoln) and Style Furniture (Fotherby) are both Partner Sponsors and Stourton Estates (Baumber) has become a Supporter Sponsor. Their investment is hugely appreciated. Thank you too, to everyone who responded to our request for LWWF Donations in 2014. Most of our walks are free and the Festival doesn’t take a penny from walk donations which go straight to the organisation offering the walk. If you would like to directly help 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.

HF Holidays have donated a fabulous three night break to the Festival this year. If you’re reading this brochure then you’re eligible to apply, no walking necessary! See page 53 for details.

Access: 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.
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The Launch
Saturday 16 May 2014 10am - 4pm
Welton-le-Wold Quarry, Welton-le-Wold, near Louth (via A631) LN11 0QT

This incredible Site of Special Scientific Interest is normally closed to the public so we are delighted to be hosting our Festival Launch here for the second time.

Courtesy of the landowners Mr and Mrs Brook, visitors will have the chance to explore this nationally-important geological and archaeological site as part of a packed programme of informative walks and activities in the heart of the Lincolnshire Wolds.

Prehistory will be brought to life by Will Lord, a leading expert on prehistoric survival skills. See how early man may have lived and worked in this very place. Younger children will also enjoy the chance to try pond dipping with the Lincolnshire Chalk Streams Project to discover the life-forms which currently inhabit the quarry site, or digging for ‘artefacts’ in Heritage Lincolnshire’s sand pit. Refreshments will be available on site so you can make a real day of it.

Of course, there are lots of walking opportunities at our Launch! Why not start off the festival by participating in one of this year’s ‘walks to the launch’ from Louth? A vintage bus, courtesy of the Lincolnshire Vintage Vehicle Society, will be on hand to return you to town later in the day. Learn about Welton’s impressive history in a range of walks during the day, led by the Lincolnshire Geodiversity Group / Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Service and Lincolnshire County Council. If you want to really stretch your legs on Day One of the Festival, then catch the vintage bus to Ludford from the Launch, before returning through some stunning Wolds countryside.

Free car parking is available but be aware that this is a field site. We regret that no dogs are allowed on site at any time.

For further information about the Launch take a look at pages 12-14. We look forward to seeing you there!

The Finale
Sunday 31 May 2014 10am - 4pm
Flintwood Farm, Belchford (1 mile north of Belchford crossroads on the A153 between Horncastle and Scamblesby) LN9 5QN

Flintwood Farm, also known as the award-winning Poacher’s Hideaway holiday cottages, hosts this year’s Finale event. With stunning vistas of the rolling Wolds landscape from every viewpoint, we’re delighted to bring you the opportunity to discover this tranquil spot. Our great tradition for the Festival Finale is to offer a wide programme of walks, long and short, that bring everyone back to the venue to share in our celebratory cake. So far we haven’t had many complaints!

We’re delighted that Andrew and Sue Tuxworth, who own and run Flintwood Farm, will be our hosts. The Finale will be supported by Horncastle & District Lions together with Horncastle Walkers Are Welcome group. Refreshments will be served all day, with all funds raised going to the Lions’ charities.

On the day you can choose to undertake one long walk, or select two shorter walks from the programme. We can promise you some great hill-climbing as well as some gentler walks. You can learn about the part played by the Lincolnshire Wolds in the Second World War or about the rich variety of flora currently being reintroduced to this carefully-managed landscape. Visitors will also have the chance to discover more about how Flintwood Farm was transformed from dereliction to a thriving tourism business, or visit the newly-created pottery studio and one of Lincolnshire’s prettiest small churches at nearby Oxcombe Farm.

Parking available at the farm. Dogs allowed on site (outside only) but strictly to be kept on leads at all times.

Finale walks are listed on pages 49-51.
For further information please contact Lincolnshire Wolds Walking Festival on 01529 461499, email lwwf@lincsheritage.org or click onto www.woldswalkingfestival.co.uk

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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.

Don’t

• 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 Walk to Launch from Louth

Saturday 16 May 10am Distance: 5 miles (2½ hrs)
A delightful linear walk from the ‘Capital of the Wolds’ to the Launch Day site at Welton-le-Wold quarry via Hubbard’s Hills, Hallington Top and Welton Vale. A vintage Lincolnshire bus will be available for your return.

OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 330 870 Terrain: Footpaths with gentle climbs, a few stiles Start Point: Cattle Market car park, off Newmarket, Louth LN11 9LU. Pay all day fee at town car parks Leader: Stuart Parker 01522 534655 Organisation: Ramblers - Lincoln Group Cost: Free

2 Second walk to Launch

Saturday 16 May 10.30am Distance: 5 miles (2½ hrs)
Another opportunity to ‘walk to the launch’ via Hubbard’s Hills, Hallington Top and Welton Vale. A vintage Lincolnshire bus will return you to Louth.

OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 330 870 Terrain: Footpaths with gentle climbs, a few stiles Start Point: Cattle Market car park, off Newmarket, Louth LN11 9LU. Pay all day fee at town car parks Leader: Geoff Mullett 07816 543538 Organisation: Ramblers - Grimsby/Louth Group Cost: Free

3 Pondlife!

Saturday 16 May 10.45am Distance: ½ mile (1 hr)
Pond-dipping fun for families! The still water in ponds is often teeming with life. Join us and discover which aquatic creatures make their homes in the pond at Welton quarry. Bring your wellies.

OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 330 870 Terrain: Footpaths with gentle climbs, a few stiles Start Point: Welton-le-Wold quarry, 1 mile NE of village. Accessible from A631 & signposted on the day. LN11 0QT. Parking on site Leader: Louise Niekirk 01507 609740 (Mon-Fri, office hours only) Organisation: Lincolnshire Geodiversity Group Cost: Free

4 Where Elephants Once Roamed I

Saturday 16 May 11am Distance: 1 mile (1½ hrs)
Join the Lincolnshire Geodiversity Group and the Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Service to explore the geological history of this site. We will be looking at and interpreting the impressive quarry face, explaining the processes which brought the sands and gravels and why the site is nationally important for the Ice Age story.

OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 279 882 Terrain: Rough grass and tracks Start Point: Welton-le-Wold quarry, 1 mile NE of village. Accessible from A631 & signposted on the day. LN11 0QT. Parking on site Leader: Helen Gamble 01507 609740 (Mon-Fri, office hours only) Organisation: Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Service Cost: Free

5 Pava, Magna and the Ice Age

Saturday 16 May 11.15am Distance: 7½ miles (4½ hrs)
We’ll catch the vintage bus from the launch at Welton-le-Wold to Ludford, then walk back through the heart of the Lincolnshire Wolds Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. There are great views, rolling hills and lots to see along the way before returning to the old quarry.

OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 279 882 Terrain: Fields, tracks, some hills, some lane walking Start Point: Welton-le-Wold quarry, 1 mile NE of village. Accessible from A631 & signposted on the day. LN11 0QT. Parking on site Leader: Louise Niekirk 01507 609740 (Mon-Fri, office hours only) Organisation: Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Service Cost: Free

6 Glimpses into Welton's Past

Saturday 16 May 1.15pm Distance: 1½ miles (2 hrs)
Join us to explore 4000 years of hidden history in the landscape of Welton-le-Wold, from the Shrunken Medieval Village at its core, to the Iron Age/Roman settlements on the slopes of its chalk valley, to the Prehistoric burial mounds still visible today on the surrounding horizon.

OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 279 882 Terrain: Road, grass and arable edge Start Point: Welton-le-Wold quarry, 1 mile NE of village. Accessible from A631 & signposted on the day. LN11 0QT. Parking on site Leader: Jan Allen jan.allen@lincolnshire.gov.uk Organisation: Lincolnshire County Council Cost: Free
7 Where Elephants Once Roamed II
Saturday 16 May 1.30pm
Distance: 1 mile (1½ hrs)
Join the Lincolnshire Geodiversity Group and the Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Service to explore the geological history of this site. We will visit the Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust reserve – their 1st geological reserve – to continue with the Ice Age story and explain the crucial difference between the two sites.
OS Explorer map: 282
OS Grid Reference: TF 279 882
Terrain: Rough grass and tracks
Start Point: Welton-le-Wold quarry, 1 mile NE of village. Accessible from A631 & signposted on the day. LN11 0QT. Parking on site
Leader: Helen Gamble 01507 609740 (Mon-Fri, office hours only)
Organisation: Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Service
Cost: Free

8 Pondlife!
Saturday 16 May 2pm Distance: ½ mile (1 hr)
Pond-dipping fun for families! The still water in ponds is often teeming with life. Join us and discover which aquatic creatures make their homes in the pond at Welton quarry. Bring your wellies.
OS Explorer map: 282
OS Grid Reference: TF 279 882
Terrain: Rough grass, may be muddy in places
Start Point: Welton-le-Wold quarry, 1 mile NE of village. Accessible from A631 & signposted on the day. LN11 0QT. Parking on site
Leader: Ruth Craig / Will Bartle 01507 609740 (Mon-Fri, office hours only)
Organisation: Lincolnshire Chalk Streams Project
Cost: Free

9 A Night Walk
Saturday 16 May 9pm Distance: 8 miles (4 hrs)
This adventurous walk gives you the opportunity to see the Wolds ‘in a different light.’ Starting before last light enables us to adjust to darkness slowly. Why not eat at the pub before we walk? HEAD TORCHES MANDATORY.
Free soup and a roll at the end of the walk.
OS Explorer map: 273
OS Grid Reference: TF 333 747
Terrain: Tracks, minor roads, footpaths
Start Point: The White Hart Inn, Tetford LN9 6QG Parking at the pub by kind permission of Richard Stockdale and Nikki Darnet
Leader: Geoff Newmarch 07774 870632
Organisation: Ramblers - Lincoln Group
Cost: Free

10 The Big Walk! Lincs Wold Way (Day 1)
Louth to South Ormsby
Sunday 17 May 9am Distance: 13 miles (6 hrs)
This 76 mile walk takes in fabulous villages and views from Somersby in the south to Nettleton in the north. Devised by the walk leader, the walk is split across 5 days during the festival. Join us for the full walk or dates that suit you. See the festival website and www.lincolnswoldwalking.co.uk for more details.
OS Explorer map: N/A
OS Grid Reference: N/A
Terrain: Footpaths, tracks, bridleways, some minor roads
Start Point: Booking essential (for transport). Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking
Leader: Tony Groom 01507 354389 / tony@tonygroom.com
Organisation: Lincs Wolds Walking
Cost: £5 per day contribution to transport costs

11 Well Walk
Sunday 17 May 9.30am Distance: 6½ miles (3½ hrs)
A circular walk to Skendleby Psalter via Well woods, Ulceby and Well Church and back to Alford with grand vistas and big skies. We end the walk at Alford Manor House with its award-winning WWI memorial exhibition and tea rooms.
OS Explorer map: N/A
OS Grid Reference: N/A
Terrain: Tracks, arable fields, minor roads
Start Point: Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking
Leader: Tony Perkins 01507 463237
Organisation: Alford Town Council
Cost: Free
12 Nettleton Valley

Sunday 17 May 10am Distance: 8 miles (3 hrs)
A walk described by the Sunday Times as the 12th best in the country. Starting at the Arts & Heritage Centre featured on BBC’s Village SOS. Through the derelict ironstone mines to the highest point in the county. Back to the Heritage Centre for coffee and delicious cakes.

OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TA 117 012 Terrain: Footpaths (boggy in places), minor roads Start Point: Caistor Arts & Heritage Centre, 28 Plough Hill, Caistor LN7 6LZ. Limited parking in the Market Place. Free parking behind the Town Hall on North Street (LN7 6QU)
Leader: Mike Broster 01472 851096
Parking in the Market Place. Free parking behind the Town Hall on North Street (LN7 6QU)
Donations to Caistor Walkers Are Welcome
Cost: Free - charges for refreshments apply. Donations to Caistor Walkers Are Welcome

13 Coffee and Cakes

Sunday 17 May 10am Distance: 11 miles (2½ hrs)
Enjoy a leisurely bike ride around Grimsby and Cleethorpes with a coffee and cake stop at the Discovery Centre at Cleethorpes Boating Lake. A great ride for families, most of the route is on quieter roads or on paths away from traffic, making it ideal for everyone, even if you've not been on a bike for a while.


14 Walk Around Historic Alford

Sunday 17 May 10.30am Distance: 2 miles (2 hrs)
An easy circular walk around the streets of historic Alford with its wealth of 17th and 18th century buildings and fine 14th century Church. At the end of the walk Alford Manor House tea rooms are open as well as the award-winning First World War exhibition.

OS Explorer map: N/A OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Pavements, tarmac paths Start Point: Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking Leader: John Fulwood 01507 466314 Organisation: Alford Town Council Cost: Free

15 Heritage Market Rasen

Sunday 17 May 11am Distance: 2 miles (1½ hrs)
A relaxed stroll around Market Rasen, exploring the heritage and history of this market town.

OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 106 892 Terrain: Town footpaths Start Point: Market Place, Market Rasen LN8 3HL. Free parking at the Market Place and other local car parks Leader: Brenda Overton & Mal Jones 01673 844408 Organisation: Rase Heritage Society Cost: Donations welcome

16 Secret Stourton

Sunday 17 May 2pm Distance: 3 miles (3½ hrs)
A gentle wander through the magnificent woods and deer parks of the Stourton Estate. Hear of Stourton’s rich history over tea and cakes in the arboretum, before climbing down into the cellars of the ruined hall. Bring a torch!

OS Explorer map: N/A OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Tracks, fields and mown pathways Start Point: Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking Leader: Antony Strawson 01507 578236 (Mon - Fri, Estate Office hours) Organisation: Stourton Estates Ltd Cost: Free

17 A Right Roman Ramble

Sunday 17 May 2pm Distance: 1½ miles (2 hrs)
The Romans return! Join GAUS TITUS MESTRIUS, and his Romano-British ‘lady’ – VEDNICA, to learn about Roman life, military marches and Roman underpants! MESTRIUS, of the LEGIO XIII, will gently lead us 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: Fieldpaths. Gentle hills throughout 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

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18 Heritage Market Rasen

Sunday 17 May 3pm Distance: 2 miles (1½ hrs)
A gentle stroll around Market Rasen, exploring the heritage and history of this market town.
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 106 891 Terrain: Town footpaths
Start Point: Festival Hall, Caistor Road, Market Rasen. LN8 3JA. Free parking at the Market Place and other local car parks Leader: Brenda Overton & Mal Jones 01673 844408
Organisation: Rase Heritage Society Cost: Donations welcome

19 Spilsby, Partney & Hundleby Wander

Monday 18 May 9.30am Distance: 6 miles (3 hrs)
A moderate circular walk from the historic market town of Spilsby. Following footpaths and tracks through fields and farmland, passing to admire the views as we go and visiting the nearby villages of Partney, with its 14th century church, and Hundleby.
OS Explorer map: 274 OS Grid Reference: TF 403 661 Terrain: Paths, tracks, fields, and roads Start Point: Buttercross, Market Place, Spilsby PE23 5JT. Pay and display car park off Post Office Lane, Spilsby Leader: Liam Parker 07958 805525 Organisation: Magna Vitae Cost: Free

20 Chalk Streams in the Lincolnshire Wolds

Monday 18 May 10am Distance: 5 miles (3 hrs)
A gentle stroll round Nettleton taking in breathtaking views from Nettleton Top before dropping down into the valley to follow the Nettleton beck. The walk will be guided by the Lincolnshire Chalk Streams Project Officer who will talk about Lincolnshire chalk streams and wildlife.
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF110 091 Terrain: Path, tracks, some roadside walking. May be muddy. Some slopes and stiles Start Point: Ramblers car park on Normanby Road (between Nettleton and Normanby-le-Wold) LN7 6TA Leader: Ruth Craig 01507 609740 (Mon-Fri, office hours only) Organisation: Lincolnshire Chalk Streams Project Cost: Free

21 Round the Tower Circular

Monday 18 May 10.30am Distance: 9½ miles (5 hrs)
The impressive Belmont TV tower is a landmark visible across the entire Wolds. Using it as our hub, this lovely walk takes in Benniworth Lakes, Burgh-on-Bain and the deserted medieval village of Biscathorpe. At the finish the village hall will be open for tea and possibly cake!
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 236 929 Terrain: Paths, fields, tracks and lanes. Undulating but no steep climbs Start Point: Village Hall, Main Street, Donington-on-Bain LN11 9TJ. Parking available on sports field at southern village outskirts Leader: Gary Beighton 07582 227856 Organisation: Lincoln Footprints Cost: Free - charges for refreshments apply

22 Following in the Footsteps of Tennyson

Monday 18 May 10.30am Distance: 4 miles (3½ hrs)
An informative leisurely walk-and-talk visiting the childhood haunts of Alfred Lord Tennyson in and around Somersby. The countryside that was the inspiration for much of his poetry is little changed. We shall have access to places not usually open to the public including a stop for lunch on Somersby House lawn (formerly the Rectory and home to the Tennyson family).
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 348 721 Terrain: Undulating countryside, not flat but no steep climbs. Start Point: Bag Enderby Church, Bag Enderby PE23 4NP. Parking available in front of the church Leader: Debbie Jenner 01507 534847 Organisation: South Ormsby Group of Parishes Cost: Donations to Somersby Church Restoration Fund appreciated

23 Caistor's Heritage

Monday 18 May 2pm Distance: 1 mile (2 hrs)
A gentle guided walk around the streets of Caistor, pointing out some of the buildings, telling stories of events and happenings from pre-history to the Victorian era. Includes a visit to the Old Vicarage with an opportunity to look round the garden.
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 117 015 Terrain: Town footpaths Start Point: The Lion Pump in the Market Square, Caistor LN7 6TW. Limited parking in the Market Square, free parking behind the Town Hall, North Street (LN7 6QU) Leader: Alan Dennis 01472 852683 Organisation: Caistor Walkers Are Welcome Cost: Caistor Heritage Trust welcomes donations towards future research
24 Utterby Stroll Mark II
Monday 18 May  5.30pm Distance: 4 miles (2 hrs)
A scenic stroll from the church towards Fotherby and over the Wolds. With panoramic views to the Humber and across the Wolds. Complimentary tea/soft drinks available for walkers in the church from 5pm and food/drinks on sale on return to the church.
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 309 933 Terrain: Paths through fields Start Point: St Andrew's Church, Church Lane, Utterby LN11 0TH. Roadside parking, please park considerately Leader: Ray van Spall 01472 840019 Organisation: St Andrew’s DCC Cost: Donations towards the upkeep of St Andrew’s Church appreciated

25 The Big Walk! Lincs Wold Way (Day 2) South Ormsby to Donington-on-Bain
Tuesday 19 May  9am Distance: 15 miles (7 hrs)
The second day of our Big Walk. See Walk 17 above, the festival website and www.lincswoldwalking.co.uk for more details.
OS Explorer map: N/A OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Footpaths, tracks, bridleways, some minor roads Start Point: Booking essential (for transport). Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking Leader: Tony Groom 01507 354389 / tony@tonygroom.com Organisation: Lincs Wolds Walking Cost: £5 per day contribution to transport costs

26 Water, Woods and a Witham Abbey
Tuesday 19 May  10am Distance: 8½ miles (5 hrs)
We’ll head out onto the Water Rail Way before venturing into not one but two woodlands, searching for signs of their ancient origins. For something a little more medieval we’ll visit Topholme Abbey before picking up the Viking Way back to Southrey.
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 138 664 Terrain: Surfaced tracks, woodland rides, field paths and quiet lanes Start Point: Riverside Inn car park, Southrey LN3 5TA. Car park is at the end of the road to Southrey village (1.3 miles from the B1190) Leader: Lincolnshire County Council 01522 782070 (Mon-Fri, office hours only) Organisation: Lincolnshire County Council Cost: Free

27 Visit Canada
Tuesday 19 May  10am Distance: 4 miles (2 hrs)
An easy walk, suitable for all the family. We see the historic part of Caistor, superb views over the Ancholme Valley, the Waterhills with natural springs, the Duck Farm, old hospital, Roman wall, then back to the Arts & Heritage Centre for coffee and delicious cakes.

28 Some Hidden Churches & Manors Around Aby
Tuesday 19 May  10.30am Distance: 7 miles (3½ hrs)
A moderate walk, with views of the coast, visiting a deserted manor house and some churches, including one with a Norman arch. We will finish with tea and cakes at Swaby Village Hall.
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 383 767 Terrain: Fields, paths, some stiles Start Point: Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking Leader: Beth King 01529 461499 Heritage Lincolnshire office (Mon-Fri, office hours only) Organisation: Heritage Lincolnshire Cost: £2.50 to cover tea/coffee and cake. Proceeds to Swaby Village Hall

29 Two Churches and a Canal
Tuesday 19 May 10.30am Distance: 9½ miles (5 hrs)
Enjoy a tranquil walk along the path of the Louth Canal to nearby North Cockerington and Alvingham, where we shall visit two churches in one churchyard. The walk passes the remains of five locks and hopefully we’ll see wildlife along the way.
OS Explorer map: 283 OS Grid Reference: TF 337 880 Terrain: Footpaths and bridleways, some roadside walking. All on level ground Start Point: Navigation Warehouse, Riverhead Road, Louth LN11 0DA. Some roadside parking nearby (please park considerately) and numerous pay and display car parks in Louth Leader: Pat Harrison 01507 533312 Organisation: Ramblers - Skegness and Horncastle Group Cost: Free
30 Walesby Heritage Trail
Tuesday 19 May  2pm Distance: 3 miles (2 hrs)
A fairly hilly walk but at a gentle pace around the beautiful parish of Walesby and Otby. The walk includes some stunning views of the Lincolnshire Wolds and along the way you will find out more about the village. Hot and cold drinks provided at the finish.
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 133 923 Terrain: Mostly footpaths and tracks
Start Point: Walesby Village Hall, Otby Lane, Walesby LN8 3UT Parking available at the Village Hall car park Leader: Peter Starling 07827 812519 (Down Your Wold officer mobile. Mon - Fri, office hours only) Organisation: Heritage Lincolnshire Cost: Free, donations to Friends of the Old Church Walesby appreciated

31 Three Churches
Tuesday 19 May  5pm Distance: 5 miles (2½ hrs)
Enjoy a walk around countryside south of Waltham and visit some of the oldest parish churches in the local area. You’ll pass All Saints in Waltham which dates back to the 13th century, St Helen’s in Brigsley with its 11th century Norman tower and the Grade 1 listed church in Barnoldby-le-Beck.
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TA 260 038 Terrain: Pathways and some tracks
Start Point: Waltham Parish Council Offices, Kirkgate, Waltham DN37 0LS. Car park adjacent to Parish Council offices, on-street parking also available in Waltham village. Please park considerately Leader: Anthony Snell 01472 324489 (Mon-Fri, office hours only) Organisation: Cofely Workplace Limited Cost: Free

32 Coast and Country
Wednesday 20 May  10am Distance: 7 miles (4½ hrs)
Explore nature reserves old and new on this moderate walk in the Lincolnshire Coastal Country Park.
OS Explorer map: 274 OS Grid Reference: TF 541 786 Terrain: Tracks, field paths, quiet lanes, sea wall and beach Start Point: Huttoft Car Terrace LN13 9RT. Accessed from Sea Lane between Sandilands and Anderby Creek. 1¼ miles south of Sandilands and at the southern end of Sandilands golf course Leader: Lincolnshire County Council 01522 762070 (Mon-Fri, office hours only) Organisation: Lincolnshire County Council Cost: Free

33 A Beginner’s Nordic Adventure
Wednesday 20 May  10am Distance: 2½ miles (2½ hrs)
Fancy a go at walking the Nordic way, but not sure where to start? This walk is absolutely for you! Join our qualified instructor for a beginners’ taster session, followed by a Nordic walk around this beautiful farm. Poles provided. Unsuitable for children under 16. Why not lunch in Tracey’s Little Cake Company Tearoom afterwards?
OS Explorer map: N/A OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Gentle hills throughout. Fieldpaths Start Point: Booking essential. Please contact walk leader. Start point will be given and some health questions asked at time of booking Leader: Lesley Julian, with Fiona Anderson. 01754 811169 Organisation: H M & P J Gibson and Nordic Walking UK Cost: Donations to Swaby St Nicholas’ Church.

34 Rothwell Round
Wednesday 20 May  12am Distance: 15 miles (6 hrs)
This energetic walk covers some of the prettiest views of the north west Wolds. We pass through Stanton-le-Vale and Normanby-le-Wold taking in an elevated stretch of the Viking Way passing close to the highest point in Wolds itself. Why not enjoy an evening meal at the pub before you depart?
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 150 996 Terrain: Minor roads, tracks, footpaths Start Point: Blacksmith’s Arms, Rothwell LN7 0AZ. Parking at the pub by kind permission of Simon Burnett Leader: Geoff Newmarch 07774 870632 Organisation: Ramblers Lincoln Group / The Royal Anglian Regiment Cost: Free

35 Chambers Farm Wood
Wednesday 20 May  1pm Distance: 5 miles (3 hrs)
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 along the route.
36 Nettleton Ironstone Mines

Wednesday 20 May  6pm  Distance: 2 miles  (3 hrs)

A fascinating walk around the remaining buildings and entrances of the Nettleton mines, in the former Mines Yard. A rare opportunity to hear the history of the site to which there is normally no public access. Plans of the underground workings will be displayed.

OS Explorer map: N/A  OS Grid Reference: N/A  Terrain: Mainly tracks with some road and some rough ground  Start Point: Booking essential. Please contact walk leader. Start point will be given at time of booking  Leader: Stewart Squires 07827 812519 (Down Your Wold officer mobile. Mon - Fri, office hours only)  Organisation: Society for Lincolnshire History & Archaeology  Cost: Free but donations for the Society for Lincolnshire History and Archaeology will be appreciated

37 The Big Walk! Lincs Wold Way (Day 3)

Donington-on-Bain to Nettleton

Thursday 21 May  9am  Distance: 19 miles  (8½ hrs)

The third day of our Big Walk. See Walk 17 above, the festival website and www.lincswoldwalking.co.uk for more details.

OS Explorer map: N/A  OS Grid Reference: N/A  Terrain: Footpaths, tracks, bridleways, some minor roads  Start Point: Booking essential (for transport). Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking  Leader: Tony Groom 01507 354389 / tony@tonygroom.com  Organisation: Lincs Wolds Walking  Cost: £5 per day contribution to transport costs

38 Horncastle Town Walk

Thursday 21 May  10am  Distance: 1½ miles  (1 hr)

A leisurely circular 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?


39 Meander to the Medieval Moat of Bratoft

Thursday 21 May  10am  Distance: 3½ miles  (2 hrs)

Explore the wider estate of Gunby and take in the lumps and bumps of the former medieval village, thriving in 1563 but deserted by the time the house was built in 1700. Cross the former East Lincolnshire Line and discover the medieval moated manor site, the former home of the Massingberds.

OS Explorer map: 274  OS Grid Reference: TF 465 669  Terrain: Tracks and fields, with a couple of stiles  Start Point: Gunby Hall & Gardens, off the A158 Gunby roundabout between Spilsby and Skegness PE23 5SS  Leader: Rachel Marriott 01754 890102 (please leave a message if we don’t answer the phone)  Organisation: National Trust  Cost: Free
40 Wander Through Rimac Reserve & Beyond
Thursday 21 May 10am Distance: 7½ miles (4 hrs)
Experience the delights of the Reserve at Rimac, on this leisurely stroll winding through the Reserve, with the expert eye of Roger Briggs, retired Reserve Manager. We take in the neighbouring footpaths to Paradise and the Haven at Saltfleet, with a well-earned picnic stop along the way.
OS Explorer map: N/A OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Footpaths, easy access trail, meadow, salt marsh and dunes Start Point: Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking Leader: Roger Briggs 07825 989418 (Mon - Fri, office hours only) Organisation: Magna Vitae Cost: Free

41 The Pub in the Wood
Thursday 21 May 2pm Distance: 5 miles (2½ hrs)
A gentle walk, suitable for all the family. Past the old Roman Wall, down the road towards the canal that never was, through woodland to the pub in the wood. Then back over the fields to Caistor Arts & Heritage Centre for coffee and delicious cakes.
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TA 117 012 Terrain: Flat footpaths and tracks, country roads Start Point: Caistor Arts & Heritage Centre, 28 Plough Hill, Caistor LN7 6LZ. Limited parking in the Market Place. Free parking behind the Town Hall on North Street (LN7 6QU) Leader: Mike Broster 01472 851096 Organisation: Caistor Walkers Are Welcome Cost: Free - charges for refreshments apply. Donations to Caistor Walkers Are Welcome appreciated

42 Louth Cycle Centre Ride
Thursday 21 May 6pm Distance: 17 miles (1 hr)
Join us for a group road cycle ride, taking in a loop of local Louth countryside reaching Manby and Alvingham. Led by a Level 3 Cycling coach, we'll go at a brisk pace for intermediate riders, but this is also a very social ride.
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 333 880 Terrain: Roads throughout, some narrow, some main roads Start Point: Louth Cycle Centre, Station Estate, Newbridge Hill, Louth LN11 0JT. Parking available Leader: Richard Rollinson 01507 607447 (Louth Cycle Centre, shop hours only) Organisation: CPT Cycling Cost: Free

43 Miller’s Loop
Thursday 21 May 6.30pm Distance: 8 miles (1½ hrs)
A popular local bike ride that starts at the Windmill in Waltham which dates back to the 1600s. We use quiet countryside roads so relax and enjoy the scenery from the comfort of your bike.
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TA 059 033 Terrain: Quiet roads Start Point: Waltham Windmill Centre, Brigsley Road, Waltham, Grimsby DN37 0JZ. There is a car park in the grounds of the windmill. Please park considerately Leader: John Pearson 01472 324489 (Mon-Fri, office hours only) Organisation: Cofely Workplace Limited Cost: Free

44 Lincs Wold Way (Day 4) Nettleton to Wold Newton
Friday 22 May 9am Distance: 13 miles (6 hrs)
The fourth day of our Big Walk. See Walk 17 above, the festival website and www.lincswoldwalking.co.uk for more details.
OS Explorer map: N/A OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Footpaths, tracks, bridleways, some minor roads Start Point: Booking essential (for transport). Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking Leader: Tony Groom 01507 354389 / tony@tonygroom.com Organisation: Lincs Wolds Walking Cost: £5 per day contribution to transport costs

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45 Wander Through The Woods
Friday 22 May 9.30am Distance: 8 miles (4 hrs)
This challenging walk starts and finishes at the popular Louth attraction, Hubbard’s Hills. Striking out into the Wolds via South Elkington, through woodlands and rolling fields, we’ll enjoy some wonderful views along the way.
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 315 867 Terrain: Tracks, fields, paths and woodland Start Point: Hubbard’s Hills Café car park, Louth LN11 0QW. Pay & display parking, from the direction of Crowtree Lane, Louth Leader: Tracey Richardson 07825 989418 (Mon - Fri, office hours only) Organisation: Magna Vitae Cost: Free

46 Belchford Bluebird Walk
Friday 22 May 10am Distance: 5 miles (2 hrs)
A scenic ramble which starts and finishes in Belchford, we follow parts of the Viking Way, heading to the hilltop village of Fulletby, taking in distant views of Lincoln Cathedral as we go.
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 291 756 Terrain: Footpaths, fields, tracks and roads. Some stiles, with steep climbs and rough ground Start Point: The Bluebell Inn, Belchford LN9 6LQ. Parking at the pub by kind permission of Darren Jackson. Considerate parking also in the village Leader: Holly Arrowsmith 01522 873581 (Mon-Fri, office hours only) Organisation: Activ8 Lincoln and West Lindsey Led Walks Cost: Free

47 Sun, Sea & Sand
Friday 22 May 10am Distance: 7 miles (4½ hrs)
Sea and sand we can promise…and we have our fingers crossed for sun! Join us on a walk which will explore the Lincolnshire Coastal Country Park’s landscape, history, wildlife and art installations!
OS Explorer map: 274 OS Grid Reference: TF 561 732 Terrain: Field paths, quiet lanes and beach Start Point: Chapel Point car park, St Leonards Drive, Chapel St Leonards PE24 5UX. Car park charges apply Leader: Lincolnshire County Council Countryside Access Team 01522 782070 (Mon-Fri, office hours) Organisation: Lincolnshire County Council Cost: Free

48 Garden Walk
Friday 22 May 10.30am Distance: 4½ miles (2 hrs walking + garden tours. Ends 5pm)
This easy walk travels between two strikingly distinct, but equally beautiful, English gardens at Gunby Hall and Willow Cottage. Gunby Hall Head Gardener, Clive, will conduct a tour whilst Robert and Karen Ward will be in attendance to describe Willow Cottage. Refreshments available at both gardens.
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 121 903 Terrain: Paths, woodland tracks Start Point: Sunnyside Up /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

49 Sunnyside Up
Friday 22 May 1.30pm Distance: 3½ miles (2½ hrs)
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!
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF121 903 Terrain: Paths, woodland tracks Start Point: Sunnyside Up /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

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Sat 16 - Sun 31 May 2015
50 Utterby Circular Heritage Walk
Saturday 23 May 10am Distance: 12 miles (5½ hrs)
An energetic walk, visiting the villages of Utterby, Little Grimsby, Fotherby and North Elkington. Along the way we will discover heritage sites and points of interest which will feature in a fun quiz sheet (with prizes!) after the walk. Complimentary drinks for walkers in the church from 9.30 - 10am. Afternoon teas on sale from 3pm. Entertainment from Louth Silver Band from 4pm.
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 309 933 Terrain: Footpaths through fields, some roads. Start Point: St. Andrew’s Church, Church Lane, Utterby LN11 0TH. Roadside parking, please park considerately Leader: Ray van Spall 01472 840919 Organisation: St Andrew’s DCC Cost: Donations towards upkeep of St Andrew’s Church will be appreciated

51 The Coalesce Ride! For Road Bikes
Saturday 23 May 10.30am Distance: 30 miles (3½ hrs)
Try your hand at a moderate mountain bike OR road ride. Take to the off-road tracks or the slick tarmac, either way, there’s a ride for everyone. In this unique ride we split up at the start, meet in the middle (with an hour break for lunch) and then finish together. Spectacular views guaranteed.
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 121 903 Terrain: Mainly back roads with some hills. Start Point: Sunnyside Up / Poplar Farm, Tealby Road, Market Rasen (off B1203 road) LN8 3UL Leader: Jonny Snowball /Keith Whitelam 07879 364477 (9am to 4pm) Organisation: Rasen Riders Cost: £5.00 per person with 50% going to charity. Charges for refreshments also apply

52 The Coalesce Ride! For Mountain Bikes
Saturday 23 May 10.30am Distance: 20 miles (3½ hrs)
See Ride 51 for details
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 121 903 Terrain: Mainly tracks, bridleways and paths. Start Point/Leader/Organisation/Cost: as above

53 Walk with Style
Saturday 23 May 11am Distance: 9½ miles (3½ hrs)
This delightful walk takes us along a disused railway line, through the village of Utterby then up the eastern slopes of the Wolds. We cross the site of the medieval village of North Elkington taking in the superb views of the coastal plain before dropping back downhill to Fotherby
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 315 909 Terrain: Minor roads, tracks, footpaths Start Point: Style Furniture, Main Road, Fotherby LN11 0TD Leader: Geoff Newmarch 07774 870632 Organisation: Ramblers - Lincoln Group Cost: Free

54 Cleethorpes Beachcombing
Saturday 23 May 2pm Distance: 1¾ miles (1½ hrs)
A family-friendly stroll along the edge of the Humber Estuary, to discover the plants and wildlife inhabiting the beach and sand dunes. At the finish we’ll return to Cleethorpes Discovery Centre for refreshments and ice-creams. Bus services from Waltham via Grimsby town centre to North Sea Lane (Services 9 &10) stop on Kings Road, a short walk from the walk start point.
OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: TA 317 074 Terrain: Beach walking and paths Start Point: Cleethorpes Discovery Centre, Lakeside, Kings Road, Cleethorpes DN35 0AG. Pay and display car park next to the Centre. Leader: Anthony Snell 01472 324489 (Mon-Fri, office hours only) Organisation: Cofely Workplace Limited Cost: Free

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55 A Turn Around Tathwell
Saturday 23 May 2pm Distance: 2½ miles (2 hrs)
An easy walk around the former Chaplin estate village to view landscape features, architecture and the county’s best group of round barrows. Special access arranged to some private grounds. Route begins and ends at the church where the Annual Art Exhibition will be taking place. Scrumptious home-made cakes before and hot soup at the end will be available.
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

56 Keelby Further Away Day - A Hike to Holton
Saturday 23 May 2.30pm Distance: 6½ miles (2¾ hrs)
Just off the western edge of the Wolds, this is a circular route mainly through a variety of crops in an arable area. It follows paths not regularly walked and is in the Festival for the first time. Food and toilets are available before the start, see www.whitehartlincs.co.uk / 01673 885205

57 The Big Walk! Lincs Wold Way (Day 5)
Wold Newton to Louth
Sunday 24 May 9am Distance: 16 miles (7½ hrs)
The fifth and final day of our Big Walk. See Walk 17 above, the festival website and www.lincswoldwalking.co.uk for more details.
OS Explorer map: N/A OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Footpaths, tracks, bridleways, some minor roads Start Point: Booking essential (for transport). Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking Leader: Tony Groom 01507 354389 / tony@tonygroom.com Organisation: Lincs Wolds Walking Cost: £5 per day contribution to transport costs

58 Food & Farming - Gunby Estate Today
Sunday 24 May 10am Distance: 5 miles (3 hrs)
Explore the wider Gunby Estate with National Trust Food and Farming Advisor Charles Bradfield, as he takes you through the parkland and around the tenanted farm land, discussing the history of the working estate and modern farming in Britain today.
OS Explorer map: 274 OS Grid Reference: TF 465 669 Terrain: Tracks, fields and some stiles Start Point: Gunby Hall & Gardens, off the A158 Gunby roundabout between Spilsby and Skegness. PE23 5SS Leader: Rachel Marriott 01754 890102 (please leave a message if we don’t answer the phone) Organisation: National Trust Cost: Free
60 Through Woods and Over Hills
Sunday 24 May  10.30am Distance: 11½ miles (6 hrs)
A steady walk following paths alongside the railway line and through woodland. Then a steep climb into the hills at Claxby, to take in some great views along the Viking Way before dropping back down into Willingham Woods for our return to Market Rasen

61 In Henry Winn’s Footsteps
Sunday 24 May  2pm Distance: 3 miles (2 hrs)
An interesting walk around Henry Winn’s parish of Fulbeck, encompassing streams, valleys and fantastic views from How Hill, accompanied by Henry Winn’s words and poems. The walk will finish at St Andrew’s church with an exhibition of Winn memorabilia and tea and cakes.
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 297 733 Terrain: Footpaths, hills and valleys, fields Start Point: Manor Farm, High Street, Fulbeck LN8 6JY. Parking available by kind permission of Manor Farm Leader: Paul Morris 07939 297774 Organisation: Fulbeck VCC Cost: Free - charges for refreshments apply

62 Gas Lamp Singles Walk
Sunday 24 May  5pm Distance: 4½ miles (2 hrs)
A sociable afternoon stroll following public footpaths around the east side of Louth, ending back at the Gas Lamp pub for a relaxed pint or two of Fulstow Ales. No speed-dating malarkey here, just a chance for anyone who’s single to meet new friends!
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 339 881 Terrain: Paths and tracks, with some road walking Start Point: The Gas Lamp Lounge, 13 Thames Street, Louth (off Riverhead Road) LN11 7AD. Parking available adjacent to the pub Leader: Nicki Jarvis 01507 609740 (Mon - Fri, office hours only) Organisation: Heritage Lincolnshire Cost: Free - charges for refreshments apply

63 Circling the Southern Wolds
Monday 25 May 10am Distance: 15 miles (7 hrs)
An energetic walk around the southern edge of the Wolds, passing through tiny hamlets and impressive estates, and visiting the historic town of Spilsby for lunch. Along the way we’ll look at the architecture and history of some of the buildings.

64 Hemingby’s Horrible History
Monday 25 May 11am Distance: 1 mile (1 hr, plus optional lunch)
Aargh! Ooer! Violent village Victorians! An easy walk (with a costumed cast) 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? Calm down afterwards with historical grub where his trial took place.
OS Explorer map: N/A OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Village roads, some paths. Mostly flat 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 - charges for refreshments apply

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65 Caistor Town Trail  25 May 2pm Distance: 1¼ miles (2 hrs)
A fascinating walk 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 (1631), Home Guard Cottage and much more.

66 Market Rasen Heritage Walk  25 May 2pm Distance: 2 miles (1½ hrs)
Join us for a sociable stroll around Market Rasen town centre to look at some of its historic buildings and hear of its fascinating history and rich culture. There will be time for questions as we walk around the town.
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 106 892 Terrain: Pavements, mainly level. Some narrow, some high kerbs Start Point: Market Place, Market Rasen LN8 3HL. Free parking at the Market Place and other local car parks Leader: Lynda Bowen Ly05nda@yahoo.com Organisation: Market Rasen Walkers Are Welcome Cost: Donations to Rase Heritage Society and Market Rasen Walkers Are Welcome appreciated

67 The Elms Farm - Conservation in Action  25 May 6.30pm Distance: 2½ miles (2½ hrs)
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 farmed environment and the impressive diversity of wildlife it supports, also the practical management needed to maintain it.
OS Explorer map: 274 OS Grid Reference: TF 388 Terrain: Fieldpaths. Gentle hills throughout 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

68 Silver Lincs Way  26 May 10am Distance: 25 miles (10 hrs)
This strenuous linear walk was created to celebrate the Silver Jubilee of the Ramblers Grimsby/Louth Group. The biggest day-long walk in the festival, it starts in Grimsby and ends in Louth. 51 Interconnect bus runs between Louth and Scartho. Check bus times in advance.
OS Explorer map: 282/284 OS Grid Reference: TA 264 062 Terrain: Roads, bridleways, fieldpaths and tracks Start Point: Waltham Road car park, Scartho DN33 2LX. All day parking at Kiln Lane, Louth (LN11 0EH), catch bus from Louth Bus Station (LN11 9BW) Leader: Alex Russell 01507 609740 (Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Service office. Mon - Fri, office hours only) Organisation: Ramblers - Boston Group Cost: Free
69 Wild Food & Medicine  
**Tuesday 26 May 10am** Distance: 2½ miles (3 hrs)

A gentle walk, suitable for all ages, to learn about herbal medicine, wild food foraging and how to use the plants you discover to support your health and wellbeing. The walk starts and ends at Green Futures Grimsby, a social enterprise with a wholefoods health shop offering local vegetable boxes.

**OS Explorer map:** 284  **OS Grid Reference:** TA 243 069  **Terrain:** Pathways, quiet roads, woodland paths (can be muddy with occasional tree roots)  **Start Point:** The Vanson Centre, Bradley Road, Grimsby DN37 0AA. Free parking at The Vanson Centre or at the football centre on Bradley Road  **Leader:** Emma Warrener 07885 983854  **Organisation:** Herbs for Health and Wellbeing Ltd  **Cost:** £2.50 per person, under 16s are free

70 Hunt for the Water Bugs  
**Tuesday 26 May 10am** Distance: ½ mile (2 hrs)

Come and experience stream dipping with the Lincolnshire Chalk Streams Monitoring Officer. Our walk will start in Hubbards Hills at Half Penny Lane and we’ll go hunting through the Hills, stopping at points along the River Lud to find out what aquatic bugs are living in this chalk stream. Bring your wellies.

**OS Explorer map:** N/A  **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:** Will Bartle 01507 609740 (Mon-Fri, office hours only)  **Organisation:** Lincolnshire Chalk Streams Project  **Cost:** Free

71 Farm to Fork  
**Tuesday 26 May 1pm** Distance: 1½ miles (3 hrs)

A visit to a working farm to learn about how our food gets from farm to fork. A short farm walk will be followed by some easy and fun cooking participation! Suitable for all the family. (By kind permission of Farmcare Ltd).

**OS Explorer map:** N/A  **OS Grid Reference:** N/A  **Terrain:** Fields, tracks, paths  **Start Point:** Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking  **Leader:** Stuart Parker 01522 534655  **Organisation:** Ramblers – Lincoln Group  **Cost:** Free

72 Along the Top of the Wolds  
**Wednesday 27 May 9.30am** Distance: 13½ miles (7 hrs)

From Market Rasen we’ll be catching the No.53 bus to Caistor. From there, we follow the Viking Way along the top of the Wolds, passing through lovely villages then back to Market Rasen. Stagecoach bus No.53 departs Lincoln 08:40, Market Rasen 09:30. Return buses back to Lincoln if required. Please check bus times before the day or phone leader.

**OS Explorer map:** 282  **OS Grid Reference:** TF 106  **Terrain:** Quiet roads, footpaths, woodland tracks. Some climbs  **Start Point:** Market Place, Market Rasen LN8 3HR. Free parking at Festival Hall car park, Caistor Road. LN8 3HT  **Leader:** Geoff Mullett 07816 543538  **Organisation:** Ramblers - Grimsby/Louth Group  **Cost:** Free. Bus fares apply

73 Hubbard’s Hills Louth  
**Wednesday 27 May 10am** Distance: 2½ miles (1¾ hrs)

This is an easy walk from St James’ Church to Hubbard’s Hills. The group can choose to go either over the ridge (weather permitting) or along the side of the river where both paths meet up again. At the end of the walk why not take advantage of market day in Louth?

**OS Explorer map:** 282  **OS Grid Reference:** TF 326 874  **Terrain:** Pavement, earth and gravel tracks, mainly level  **Start Point:** St James’ Church, Upgate, Louth LN11 0DP. Pay & display parking at Klin Lane, Newmarket & Bridge Street  **Leader:** Carol Wilkinson 01507 327084  **Organisation:** East Lindsey Heart Support Group  **Cost:** Donations welcome to ELHSG

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74 Caistor’s Countryside Wednesday 27 May 10am Distance: 4 miles (3 hrs)
An interesting walk through the countryside around Caistor, discovering features ranging from the influence of the Romans to the 1960s missile base and concluding in the centre of historic Caistor.
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TA 117 012 Terrain: Fields and footpaths (some muddy), some hilly sections Start Point: Caistor Arts & Heritage Centre, 28 Plough Hill, Caistor. LN7 6LZ. Limited parking in the Market Place. Free parking behind the Town Hall on North Street (LN7 6QU) Leader: Elizabeth Jefferson 01472 851468 / 07599 006314 Organisation: Caistor Walkers Are Welcome Cost: Donations to Caistor Walkers Are Welcome appreciated

75 Fun for All the Family Wednesday 27 May 2pm Distance: ½ mile (2 hrs)
Join in the fun at Tetford church as we explore the wildlife of the churchyard. Using 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.
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 334 748 Terrain: Grassed churchyard, level but uneven with gravel paths Start Point: St Mary’s Church, East Road, Tetford LN9 6QQ. Parking available near the church Leader: Helen Gamble 01507 609740 (Mon-Fri, office hours only) Organisation: Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Service Cost: Free - charges for refreshments apply

76 Roman to Tudor Caistor Wednesday 27 May 2pm Distance: 1 mile (1½ hrs)
A gentle guided walk around Caistor’s streets, visiting sites which show the town’s historic connections, from the Romans through to the Tudor period.
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TA 117 015 Terrain: Town centre footpaths Start Point: The Lion Pump in the Market Place, Caistor LN7 6TW. Limited parking in the Market Place. Free parking also behind the Town Hall on North Street (LN7 6QU) Leader: Alan Dennis 01472 852693 Organisation: Caistor Walkers Are Welcome Cost: Caistor Heritage Trust welcomes donations towards future research

77 Ice Cream Heaven Wednesday 27 May 2pm Distance: 2½ miles (2 hrs)
A short stroll with the farmer around a working farm, ending at this Select Lincolnshire Ice Cream Parlour for tea and homemade ices. An enjoyable walk for all the family.

78 Horncastle Circular Wednesday 27 May 6.30pm Distance: 5½ miles (2½ hrs)
This is an enjoyable walk around the outskirts of Horncastle, taking in the small villages of Low Toynton and West Ashby. We return to Horncastle passing the picturesque Thimbleby Mill, with lovely views over the edge of the Wolds.
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 258 696 Terrain: Fields, tracks, quiet lanes and minor roads Start Point: Market Place, Horncastle LN9 5JQ. Pay & display parking at St Lawrence Street and The Bain car parks Leader: Julian Millington 07985 372871 Organisation: Horncastle Walkers Are Welcome Cost: Donations welcome for Royal British Legion (Horncastle Branch)
79 The Bishop Langton Trail
Tuesday 26 May 9am
Distance: 16½ miles (8 hrs)
The trail has been launched this year, to commemorate
the 800th anniversary of the signing of the Magna Carta in 1215. Join us on this strenuous ‘talking walk’ from Stephen Langton’s birthplace to Lincoln Castle, home of the new Magna Carta vault.
All participants receive a half-price voucher for an all-inclusive ticket for future use, courtesy of
Lincoln Castle, as the walk reaches the Castle after opening-hours on the day.
OS Explorer map: N/A OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Fieldpaths, tracks, roads Start Point: Booking essential, places limited. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking. Leader: Liz Bates / Penny Ward 01529 461499 (Mon - Fri, office hours only)
Organisation: Heritage Lincolnshire Cost: Free

80 Woodland & Trails
Thursday 28 May 10am Distance: 8 miles (4½ hrs)
An easy walk along paths and lanes to join Woodhall Spa Trail. Through the golf course and a beautiful rhododendron-lined path to our lunch break in Jubilee Park, where refreshments and toilets are available, before returning via woodland paths and maybe hearing a cuckoo call.
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 216 631 Terrain: Level but uneven footpaths and quiet lanes Start Point: Cotter’s Plantation car park, Kirkby Lane, Woodhall Spa LN10 6UZ. Parking at the Plantation Leader: Pat Budge 01205 361841 (Mon-Fri, office hours only)
Organisation: Ramblers - Boston Group Cost: Free

81 Immingham
Mayflower Woods
Thursday 28 May 6pm
Distance: 3 miles (1½ hrs)
Discover the countryside on your doorstep with this gentle wander in the countryside to the north of Immingham. The walk follows well-established local paths and goes through Mayflower Woods, home to a variety of plants and wildlife.
OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: TA 176 151 Terrain: Tracks and field paths Start Point: St Andrew’s Church, Church Lane, Immingham DN40 2EU. On-street parking available. Please park considerately Leader: Anthony Snell 01472 324489 (Mon-Fri, office hours only)
Organisation: Cofely Workplace Limited Cost: Free

82 Louth Centre Cycle Ride
Thursday 28 May 6pm Distance: 17 miles (1 hr)
Join us for a group road cycle ride, taking in a loop of local Louth countryside reaching Manby and Alvingham. Led by a Level 3 Cycling coach, we’ll go at a brisk pace for intermediate riders, but this is also a very social ride.
OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 333 880 Terrain: Roads throughout, some narrow, some main roads Start Point: Louth Cycle Centre, Station Estate, Newbridge Hill, Louth LN11 0JT. Parking available Leader: Richard Rollinson 01507 607447 (Louth Cycle Centre, shop hours only)
Organisation: CPT Cycling Cost: Free

83 Alvingham - North Cockerington Walk
Thursday 28 May 6.30pm Distance: 4½ miles (2½ hrs)
An easy walk around the villages of Alvingham and North Cockerington.
With opportunities to see Alvingham Water Mill, the unique features of Louth Navigation, Alvingham’s two churches and the site of Alvingham Priory. Note: access to view the Mill and two churches available from 5.30pm.
OS Explorer map: 283 OS Grid Reference: TF 366 913 Terrain: Footpaths, some road Start Point: Alvingham Mill, Church Lane, Alvingham LN11 0QD. Parking available at the Mill Leader: Roger Subden 01507 605496
Organisation: Louth Navigation Trust Cost: Donations to Louth Navigation Trust please

84 Goldilocks (ages 2-6)
Friday 29 May 9.15am Distance: 1 mile (1½ hrs)
That porridge is just too hot hot hot, so the bears decide to go on a disastrous walk. Meanwhile a very naughty girl called Goldilocks is about to make a bad day even worse for the bears – can you help? Rhubarb Theatre gives this traditional tale a humorous twist and tweak – full of music, acting out and lots of fun!
All children must be accompanied by an adult and it’s out in the woods so dress appropriately.
OS Explorer map: N/A OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Compacted stone tracks and some rough grassland Start Point: Booking essential, places limited. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking Leader: Matthew Davey. Booking via Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Service on 01507 609740 (Mon - Fri, office hours only)
Organisation: Lincolnshire County Council Cost: Free

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85 France on the Prom  
**Friday 29 May 10am Distance: 8½ (4 hrs)**

A comfortable walk along the Acre Gap and Railway Walk to Huttoft, with a
welcome visit to Farmer Brown’s for light refreshments. We’ll return along the
Promenade back to Sutton-on-Sea.

**OS Explorer map:** 283  
**OS Grid Reference:** TF 521 819  
**Terrain:** Tracks, fields, some pathways

**Start Point:** Broadway car park, Sutton-on-Sea LN12 2JN. Pay & display parking available (next
to Marisco Medical Practice, off A52 Huttoft Road)  
**Leader:** Tracey Richardson 07825 989418

(Mon - Fri, office hours only)  
**Organisation:** Magna Vitae  
**Cost:** Free

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86 The Nettleton-Rothwell Wolds Walk  
**Friday 29 May 10am Distance: 9½ (4 hrs)**

An energetic walk up the beautiful Nettleton valley, past the old ironstone
mines and towards the highest part of the Wolds. Descend into Rothwell before
ascending the ridge again and returning down to Nettleton, where refreshments,
if you wish, can be taken at the Salutation Inn. If visibility is good you should be
able to see both Lincoln Cathedral and the Humber Bridge on this walk.

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

**Terrain:** Compacted stone tracks and some rough grassland  
**Start Point:** Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at
time of booking.  
**Leader:** Elizabeth Jefferson 01472 851468 / 07599 006314

**Organisation:** Caistor Walkers Are Welcome  
**Cost:** Donations to Caistor Walkers Are Welcome appreciated

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87 The Odyssey (ages 7-11)  
**Friday 29 May 11am Distance: 1 mile (1½ hrs)**

Monsters, mysterious islands, angry gods and a dangerous
voyage. Dare you join Rhubarb Theatre for a journey back in time,
navigating our way around a walk of adventure you’ll never forget?

All children must be accompanied by an adult and it’s out in the woods so dress
appropriately.

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

**Terrain:** Compacted stone tracks and some rough grassland  
**Start Point:** Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at
time of booking.  
**Leader:** Matthew Davey. Booking via Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Service

on 01507 609740 (Mon - Fri, office hours only)  
**Organisation:** Lincolnshire County Council  
**Cost:** Free

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88 Goldilocks (ages 2-6)  
**Friday 29 May 1pm Distance: 1 mile (1½ hrs)**

That porridge is just too hot hot hot, so the bears decide to go on a disastrous walk. Meanwhile
a very naughty girl called Goldilocks is about
to make a bad day even worse for the bears – can you help?

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tweak – full of music, acting out and lots of fun!

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

**Terrain:** Compacted stone tracks and some rough grassland  
**Start Point:** Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at
time of booking.  
**Leader:** Matthew Davey. Booking via Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Service

on 01507 609740 (Mon - Fri, office hours only)  
**Organisation:** Lincolnshire County Council  
**Cost:** Free

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89 Pub to Pub  
**Friday 29 May 4.45pm Distance: 7 miles (4 hrs)**

A walk from the ‘Wheel’ pub at Welton-le-Marsh via Gunby Hall parkland to the
‘Royal Oak’ in Candlesby, thence back to Welton. This moderate walk covers
attractive countryside and some fine views. Dogs welcome but not inside the
‘Wheel.’ Have a meal at the end, menus available before we set off.

**OS Explorer map:** 274  
**OS Grid Reference:** TF 472 687

**Terrain:** Tracks, fields, minor roads, footpaths  
**Start Point:** The Wheel Public House, Welton-le-Marsh PE23 5TA. Parking at
the pub by kind permission of Pete and Ann Levitt  
**Leader:** Geoff Newmarch 07774 870632

**Organisation:** Ramblers - Lincoln Group  
**Cost:** Free

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90 In the Wake of the Louth Flood  
**Friday 29 May 5pm Distance: 4 miles (2 hrs)**

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.

**OS Explorer map:** 282  
**OS Grid Reference:** TF 321 872

**Terrain:** Pavements  
**Start Point:** Love Lane entrance to Westgate Fields. Louth LN11 5YN. From Louth bypass take
B1200 into Westgate; Love Lane is first on right. Considerate parking in Love Lane or Crowtree
Lane  
**Leader:** Jean Howard 01507 604717  
**Organisation:** Louth Museum  
**Cost:** £3 to Louth Museum

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91 Cupcake Tracey’s Speed Dating Walk
Friday 29 May 6pm Distance: 4 miles (2¼ hrs)
Fancy making some new friends? This walk-with-a-difference around Elm Farm in Swaby will ensure you meet lots of people and definitely have a few laughs! We will finish up at Tracey’s Little Cake Company Tearoom to enjoy homemade cakes and a cuppa!
OS Explorer map: N/A OS Grid Reference: N/A Terrain: Fieldpaths. Gentle hills throughout
Start Point: Booking essential. Please contact leader. Start point will be given at time of booking.
Leader: Nicki Jarvis 01507 609740 (Mon - Fri, office hours only) Organisation: Heritage Lincolnshire Cost: Free - charges for refreshments apply

92 Public Transport Walk - Viking Way
Saturday 30 May 9am Distance: 8½ miles (5 hrs)
Take the train to Barnetby for a linear walk along the Viking Way to Caistor, then Saturday 30 May 9am Distance: 8½ miles (5 hrs)
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93 Alford Circular Walk
Saturday 30 May 10am Distance: 2 miles (1 hr)
A circular walk through the town and across fields to Alford Windmill where we can stop for a cuppa, before heading back to the Market Place.
OS Explorer map: 274 OS Grid Reference: TF 455 760 Terrain: Paths, tracks and fields with stiles
Start Point: South Market Place car park, Alford LN13 9EB. South Market Place pay & display car park Leader: Chris Padley 01754 890610 Organisation: East Lindsey Heart Support Group Cost: Donations welcome to ELHSG

94 Following in the Footsteps of Tennyson (Again!)
Saturday 30 May 10am Distance: 4 miles (3 hrs)
An informative leisurely walk-and-talk visiting the childhood haunts of Alfred Lord Tennyson in and around Somersby. The countryside that was the inspiration for much of his poetry is little changed. We shall have access to places not usually open to the public including a stop for lunch on Somersby House lawn (formerly the Rectory and home to the Tennyson family).
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 348 721 Terrain: Undulating countryside, not flat but no steep climbs. Start Point: Bag Enderby Church, Bag Enderby PE23 4NP. Parking available in front of the church Leader: Debbie Jenner 01507 534847 Organisation: South Ormsby Group of Parishes Cost: Donations to Somersby Church Restoration Fund appreciated

95 Snipe Dales Open Day
Saturday 30 May 10am - 3.30pm Distance: Optional
Why not join in the fun at this popular, family-friendly event! From woodland walks and storytime for small children at 11am through to craft activities, face painting, bat-box making, cake and refreshment stand and a 2½ mile walk to the reserve by the Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust Warden at 1.30pm. Don’t forget your binoculars but sorry, no dogs in the nature reserve.
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 331 682 Terrain: Paths and tracks, some are steep and the ground can be wet and uneven Start Point: Visitor Centre, Snipe Dales Country Park (signed from the B1195 between Lusby and Winceby) PE23 4JB. Parking fee applies Leader: James Forrester 01507 588401 (office / answer machine) Organisation: Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust Cost: Optional donations to Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust

96 The Louth Canal Walk
Saturday 30 May 12.30pm Distance: 10 miles (4½ hrs)
Starting at Tetney Lock, the site of the old sea lock, we follow the original towpath upstream, at a steady pace, to Navigation Warehouse at the Riverhead, Louth. Transport can be arranged from Navigation Warehouse to Tetney Lock for the start. If required please contact LNT in advance.
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. Parking by kind permission of the landlord Leader: Roger Subden 01507 605496 Organisation: Louth Navigation Trust Cost: Donations to Louth Navigation Trust please

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97 Discover Scrivelsby Estate
Sat 30 May 2pm Distance: 4½ miles (3 hrs)
This is an 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, home of Francis and Gail Dymoke, where there is ample car parking. Teas will be served at the end of the walk in order to raise funds for St Benedict’s Church, Scrivelsby. There is ample car parking. Teas will be served at the end of the walk in order to raise funds for St Benedict’s Church, Scrivelsby.
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 261 650 Terrain: Tracks, fields and parkland Start Point: Scrivelsby Grange, Scrivelsby, Horncastle LN9 6JL. Ample car parking adjacent to start. Leader: Gail, Francis and Philip Dymoke 01507 522337 (Mon - Fri, office hours only) Organisation: Scrivelsby Estate Cost: Free – but donations to St Benedict’s roof appeal welcome

98 Healing to Stallingborough Loop
Sat 30 May 2pm Distance: 5 miles (3 hrs)
A walk between the villages of Healing and Stallingborough. We will go past Healing’s Grade II listed church and the earthworks of the ancient village of Stalinburg (modern day Stallingborough). At the end of the walk there’s an opportunity to stop off at Healing Manor for refreshments. Bus service 5 (Immingham and Cleethorpes) runs every 30 mins and stops on Stallingborough Road outside the school, a short walk away from the start of the walk.
OS Explorer map: 284 OS Grid Reference: TA 215 103 Terrain: Tracks and pathways Start Point: Healing Cenotaph, junction of The Avenue and Low Road, Healing DN41 7QD. On-street parking in the village. Please park considerately Leader: Anthony Snell 01472 324489 (Mon-Fri, office hours only) Organisation: Cofely Workplace Limited Cost: Free

99 Novia Scotia Circular
Sat 30 May 2pm Distance: 5 miles (3 hrs)
A mostly flat walk along well-defined footpaths through fields and woodland. Suitable for dogs on a lead. Footpath crosses over railway track in places. Small incline up to Hamilton Hill, with good views of the surrounding area, then back down into Market Rasen. OS Explorer map: 282 OS Grid Reference: TF 106 892 Terrain: Footpaths, tracks and roads Start Point: Market Place, Market Rasen LN8 3HL. Free parking at the Market Place and other local car parks Leader: Lynda Bowen Ly05nda@yahoo.com Organisation: Market Rasen Walkers Are Welcome Cost: Donations to Market Rasen Walkers Are Welcome appreciated

100 The Wildflowers of the Wolds
Sun 31 May 10am Distance: 2 miles (2½ hrs)
A rare opportunity to discover and identify the wild plants characteristic of the Wolds. This informative walk will include lakesides, woodland and chalk hill slopes. Walkers receive a free colour wildflower identification booklet.
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 282 766 Terrain: Grassland, steep slopes, may be muddy. Includes gates and stiles Start Point: Flintwood Farm, Belchford, off the A153. 1 mile north (towards Louth) of Belchford crossroads. LN9 5QN (Note: sat navs don’t work in this area). Parking available at the farm Leader: Mark Schofield 07825 970930 (Mon - Fri, office hours only) Organisation: Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust Cost: Free

101 Wolds Scramble
Sun 31 May 10.15am Distance: 13 miles (5 hrs)
Mainly off-road, with magnificent views from the ridge of the Wolds. This energetic walk takes us through sparsely populated farmland and remote hamlets, dotted with farms and small churches. A chance to imagine the Wolds as they were in the 19th century, with sheeplands and sporting estates.
OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 282 766 Terrain: Farm tracks, footpaths, some minor roads Start Point: Flintwood Farm, Belchford, off the A153. 1 mile north (towards Louth) of Belchford crossroads. LN9 5QN (Note: sat navs don’t work in this area). Parking available at the farm Leader: Bob Wayne 01507 527366 Organisation: Horncastle Lions Club Cost: Free

102 Creating Poacher’s Hideaway
Sun 31 May 10.30am Distance: 1 mile (1½ hrs)
This once-derelict Wolds farmstead has been transformed into a thriving tourism business with five star-rated holiday cottages in a conservation landscape. Find out more on this tour of Flintwood Farm OS Explorer map: 273 OS Grid Reference: TF 282 766 Terrain: Gravel paths, tracks Start Point: Flintwood Farm, Belchford, off the A153. 1 mile north (towards Louth) of Belchford crossroads. LN9 5QN (Note: sat navs don’t work in this area). Parking available at the farm Leader: Andrew Tuxworth 01507 533555 Organisation: Poacher’s Hideaway Cost: Free

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103 **WW2 in the Wolds**  Sunday 31 May 11am Distance: 6½ miles (4½ hrs)
Discover how even remote parts of the Lincolnshire Wolds played a part in World War II. This walk takes in sections of the Viking Way and is suitable for everyone. With fabulous views, we'll see across to Norfolk on a clear day.

**OS Explorer map:** 273  **OS Grid Reference:** TF 282 766  **Terrain:** Grass tracks, fields, some road. Moderate hills  **Start Point:** Flintwood Farm, Belchford, off the A153. 1 mile north (towards Louth) of Belchford crossroads. LN9 5QN (Note: sat navs don't work in this area). Parking available at the farm  **Leader:** Julian Millington 07985 372871  **Organisation:** Royal British Legion

**Cost:** Free, donations to Royal British Legion appreciated

104 **A Potter to Oxcombe**
**Sunday 31 May 12.30pm Distance: 5 miles (2½ hrs plus visits)**
Heading across the rolling Wolds landscape, we'll cross private land farmed by the walk leaders, then down the historic Bluestone Heath Road to Oxcombe Manor. A chance to visit Oxcombe Pottery (offering ceramic courses in a converted barn) and discover one of Lincolnshire's tiny churches. Refreshments at the pottery.

**OS Explorer map:** 273  **OS Grid Reference:** TF 282 766  **Terrain:** Footpaths, fields and minor roads  **Start Point:** Flintwood Farm, Belchford, off the A153. 1 mile north (towards Louth) of Belchford crossroads. LN9 5QN (Note: sat navs don't work in this area). Parking available at the farm  **Leader:** John Smith / Susanna Gorst 01507 5333227 / 07977 467334 (Mon - Fri, office hours only)

**Organisation:** Oxcombe Farm  **Cost:** Free

105 **Lincolnshire Three Peaks Challenge**
**Sunday 31 May 1pm Distance: 5 miles (2½ hrs)**
Your challenge, should you choose to accept it, is to complete the ascent of the summits of three 'high peaks' in Lincolnshire: Juicetrump Hill (124,000mm) Park Hill (139,000mm) and Gaumer Hill (129,000mm) all in one afternoon.

**OS Explorer map:** 273  **OS Grid Reference:** TF 282 766  **Terrain:** Fields and grassland. Some steep ascents and descents  **Start Point:** Flintwood Farm, Belchford, off the A153. 1 mile north (towards Louth) of Belchford crossroads. LN9 5QN (Note: sat navs don't work in this area). Parking available at the farm  **Leader:** Gail Dymoke 01507 522337 (Mon - Fri, office hours only)

**Organisation:** Horncastle Walkers Are Welcome  **Cost:** Free

106 **The Wildflowers of the Wolds**
**Sunday 31 May 1.30pm Distance: 2 miles (2½ hrs)**
A rare opportunity to discover and identify the wild plants characteristic of the Wolds. This informative walk will include lakesides, woodland and chalk hill slopes. Walkers receive a free colour wildflower identification booklet.

**OS Explorer map:** 273  **OS Grid Reference:** TF 282 766  **Terrain:** Grassy, steep slopes, may be muddy. Includes gates and stiles  **Start Point:** Flintwood Farm, Belchford, off the A153. 1 mile north (towards Louth) of Belchford crossroads. LN9 5QN (Note: sat navs don't work in this area). Parking available at the farm  **Leader:** Mark Schofield 07825 970930 (Mon - Fri, office hours only)

**Organisation:** Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust  **Cost:** Free

107 **The Delights of Flintwood**
**Sunday 31 May 1.30pm Distance: 4 miles (2 hrs)**
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.

**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. LN9 5QN (Note: sat navs don't work in this area). Parking available at the farm  **Leader:** Andrew Tuxworth 01507 533555

**Organisation:** Poacher’s Hideaway  **Cost:** Free

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**FINALE**
Sun 31 May 2015
Win a three-night Walking Weekend for two!

Award-winning HF Holidays are offering a 3 night UK break for Lincolnshire Wolds Walking Festival brochure readers. Choose from 19 walker-friendly Country Houses located in National Parks and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty. The prize includes Full Board accommodation and a daily choice of up to three guided walks.

To enter the prize draw, please provide the following information.

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Tear off and send your completed entry to: HF Holidays’ Competition, Lincolnshire Wolds Walking Festival, Heritage Trust of Lincolnshire, The Old School, Cameron Street, Heckington, SLEAFORD NG34 9RW. Competition entrants agree to receive future offers and opportunities from HF Holidays Ltd. Your details will not be made available to third parties. The winning entry will be drawn at the Festival Finale on Sunday 31 May. Further information about this offer, plus terms and conditions, can be found on our website www.woldswalkingfestival.co.uk
Enjoy yourself.....

The Lincolnshire Wolds is richly endowed with cafés 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 15 June will be entered into a prize draw to win a fantastic hamper of ‘Love Local’ produce kindly donated by Lincolnshire Co-operative Ltd.

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 region. 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!

People have shaped and influenced the landscape we see today. In medieval times the Lincolnshire Wolds was particularly thriving, and we can still see the evidence of former populations in the lumps and bumps liberally patterning the fields. Many of these are deserted medieval villages, where busy communities lived and worked before these settlements were deserted due to climate change, famine, changes in farming and the Black Death. Today farming still plays a crucial part in our landscape; the Wolds market town of Louth still holds the last remaining livestock market in the county.

The Walking Festival is a big team effort, with many individuals and organisations giving their time, vision and energy to deliver this great event alongside the project’s lead partners: Heritage Lincolnshire and the Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Service.

Heritage Lincolnshire has a countywide role in conserving and enhancing the historic local environment, with activities ranging from community education to repair and management of historic properties. 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. To discover more about the Lincolnshire Wolds, walk and information leaflets are available from www.lincswolds.org.uk.
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