

The Friends of Bracken Hall Guided Walks schedule



The Friends of Bracken Hall have announced their programme of walks for the period 23-01-15 to 20-03-15. Join Chair of the Friends of Bracken Hall and experienced walk leader, John Dallas, to explore Bradford's countryside, all starting opposite Bracken Hall, Glen Road, Baildon, BD17 5EA.

Please come prepared for the weather! We recommend:

- Comfortable waterproof footwear
- Suitable clothing to keep you warm and dry
- A supply of water and a snack
- Hot drink if it's chilly
- Sun screen and a hat if it's hot

Please bring change for the bus/train, where indicated by (*). The nature of the countryside terrain means that most of these walks require a moderate level of agility and some sections have limited accessibility.

Date: Friday 23-01-15

Start time: 1030

Name: To and from Bingley St. Ives

Start location: Opposite Bracken Hall

Walk length: 10.4km/6.5mi

Leader: John Dallas

Details: Through Shipley Glen, passing Crag Hebble Dam, down 'Conker Avenue', Hirst Lock, Hirst Wood and alongside the River Aire to Beck Lane and to St. Ives. We'll be returning through Bingley, over the railway and along the Leeds & Liverpool Canal and River Aire to Trench Meadows and Shipley Glen.

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Date: Friday 20-02-15
Start time: 1030
Name: To Thackley Open Air School
Start location: Opposite Bracken Hall
Walk length: 10.4km/6.5mi
Leader: John Dallas
Details: From Shipley Glen and along Baildon Bank to Browgate and down footpaths to the valley bottom at the Baildon/Thackley boundary bridge. Up through lower Thackley and into the woods to the site of the former school. We'll return through the woods and along the Leeds and Liverpool Canal, through Shipley, Saltaire and Roberts Park and then up the Shipley Glen Tramway bridleway.

Date: Friday 20-03-15
Start time: 1030
Name: To Gilstead and the Prince of Wales Park
Start location: Opposite Bracken Hall
Walk length: 8.8km/5.5mi
Leader: John Dallas
Details: Through Shipley Glen, up and along Sparable Lane, passing and looking into the site of Titus Salts' sons food producing gardens and orchards and along to Gilstead, then Gilstead Moor and across Park Road to the park. We'll return through Gawthorpe, 5-Rise Locks, alongside the Leeds and Liverpool Canal and River Aire and Shipley Glen.