

RICKINGHALL RAMBLERS

REPORT FOR RICKINGHALL PARISH COUNCIL

Th Rickinghall Ramblers has had a successful year with a full programme of walks which have been both local and further afield to a number of other villages, including Homersfield, East Harling, Thelnetham, Gislingham, and Great Livermere. Walks happen on Mondays or Fridays, every 10 or 11 days. They tend to be 4 to 6 miles in length. Members of the group take responsibility for leading walks and so there is a rich and varied programme. They are advertised on notice boards in Botesdale and Rickinghall.

Walks have been well attended. Most have had 14-18 people and a local walk in early January had 20. There are currently about 50 people on the group's database. There is no membership fee. Anyone wishing to go on a walk just needs to be at Rickinghall Village Hall on the walk day. The group leaves promptly at 9.15am. New members are very welcome.

Last July we enjoyed an annual lunch at the Starwing Brewery. This was the first opportunity that we have had to reinstate this long-standing tradition since the pandemic. In March we celebrated the 100th birthday of Charles Francis who has belonged to the Rickinghall Ramblers since its founding over 30 years ago. Charles was walking regularly with the group into his mid 90s.