

Solihull Ramblers Annual Report 2022 – 2023.

This year has I feel been largely a repeat of the previous year. We have continued to do our best to recover from the effects of Covid but we are still feeling the effect of the loss of some of our former long serving leaders which has meant that we are currently only able to offer one weekend walk on Saturdays rather than walks on both Saturdays and Sundays. However, we continue to provide 2 walks on Tuesdays and these along with the Saturday walks are well supported. Thanks in this respect are due to those of our members who continue to lead walks for the group and particularly to those new leaders who have come forward during the last 12 months in support of this our core activity.

We have enjoyed 2 weekends away this year, at Hartington in the Peak District in the Spring and at Paignton in Devon in the Autumn. Both were well supported and in particular the trip to Paignton for which we travelled by coach which was something which we have not previously done, was a great success. Many thanks are due to the committee members who organised these events and to those who lead the walks.

Thanks are also due to our footpath maintenance team which continues to undertake work to help keep our local footpaths in a reasonably good condition in conjunction with both Solihull and Warwickshire Councils. I don't think we will ever run out of work in this respect!

Finally, I would express my sincere thanks to all our committee members for the help and support they have continued to provide for the group and myself during the past year.

Les Harrison.