**The Ramblers - St Andrews & N.E. Fife Group**

St Andrews and NE Fife Ramblers ventured out recently on a rainy November morning for a leisurely walk around Falkland Estate. The good turnout of members prepared to brave the elements was further enhanced by a ‘heap’ of fellow Ramblers from Perth, who had opted for our low-level walk in the relative shelter of the trees instead of their planned ascent of East Lomond with no prospect of any view whatsoever. Despite the inclement, weather we enjoyed our ramble in the rain via Maspie Den and Chancefield, and not least the welcome stop for refreshments at a conveniently-located cafe on the homeward stretch.

The following Saturday an equally large group set off from the car park at Cameron Reservoir for a varied 6-mile walk by the reservoir itself and the open countryside beyond. The group consisted of 20 members along with 2 from other groups and 2 guests. The weather being overcast, but fair, we made good progress to the far end of the reservoir, where we had a deserved coffee stop. Although there was plenty of seating available at the water’s edge, most decided to make their way down the embankment and out of the chilly wind. Overhead we observed a remaining skein of geese as they made their way to feeding pastures.

After refreshments we followed a track through open fields via Blackwalls to Greigston House. Passing through the farmyard we made our way along the long drive to Bankhead Moss Wildlife Reserve. As there was shelter among the trees and a ready-made seating area on the edge of the boardwalk, we elected for an early lunch, while some members went to the hide to study the bird life in the area. A lane then took us to Peat Inn, where we had to take a short walk along the busy road to Radernie. There we were able to pick up an old overgrown drovers’ road which took us back to the reservoir and our starting point. All in all a good day’s walking with plenty of variety, and the rain stayed off - what more could you ask for?

Tomorrow (Saturday) we have our popular Christmas lunch, preceded by a short walk around the Springfield area for those who wish to work up an appetite beforehand.

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Come and try your first walk with us to see if Ramblers is for you!