

Essex Federation Summer Walks 2019

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The programme is listed below. Please note that all walks MUST be booked in advance as places are limited and can only be booked with the booking form. It is recommended to book early! Please note the length of each walk. Sensible footwear is recommended especially for the Wildlife walk.

Tuesday 9th April – Long Melford

Long Melford is one of the beautiful Suffolk Wool Towns, famous for its mile-long High Street which is lined with timber-framed buildings and its links to Beatrice Potter, plus the glorious Holy Trinity Church, built with money from the Medieval Wool Trade. Meet at 10.30am outside The Bull. Parking along the High Street. Length of walk 1½ -2hrs.

Cost £5

Thursday 9th May – Alresford Creek and Wivenhoe

The tour will start at the Wivenhoe Sailing Club (there is parking in the town, by the Sailing Club and Train Station) at 10.30am. We will walk along the estuary wall looking for a range of ducks and wading birds, plus reed dwelling species in the nearby reedbed. We then continue through the woodland (along the old Crab and Winkle Line), listening for Nightingales and other woodland birds before reaching Alresford Creek, overlooking Brightlingsea and Fingringhoe Wick EWT Reserve. Here we will explore the creek and edges of the wick for other wading birds and duck. We will then walk along the creek, through the woods and re-trace our steps back to the Sailing Club. Approx. finish 1pm.

Cost £8

Thursday 23rd May – Halstead

Please meet in the Queens Hall car park, where the Museum is. The walk will take in the High Street (quite steep) and look at the commerce, the site of Courtaulds and Portways industry, and also both the Gothic revival church of Holy Trinity and St. Andrews church circa 1320. Length 1 ½-2 hrs.

Start time 2pm. Cost £5

Tuesday 4th June – Manningtree & Mistley

Explore the villages and walk by the beautiful River Stour to uncover the terrible tale of Matthew Hopkins, the notorious Witchfinder General. Walkers should meet at The Walls, at the junction with Manningtree High Street, at 10.30am. The walk will last approximately 1 ½ - 2hrs. There is a small car park close to the meeting point on The Walls.

Cost £5

Wednesday 19th June – Tollesbury

A circular walk of historical interest and quaintness in and around Tollesbury village. Meet at 10am in Tollesbury Square (turn right at the Kings Head). Length 1 ½ -2hours

Cost £5

Wednesday 10th July – Harwich

There are over 200 listed buildings in the small area that comprised old Harwich. The circular guided walk is less than a mile in total, about 1½ hrs. It takes in the Quay area, the Electric Palace Cinema (1911), the Ancient Treadmill Crane (1667) and Christopher Jones' House. There is also an option to meet again in the afternoon and visit the Redoubt (included in the cost). Meet at 10.30 a.m. at the Harwich Society Visitor Centre on the Ha'penny Pier, on Harwich Quay, directly opposite the Pier Hotel. There is meter parking on the Quay and there is a paying car park in Wellington Road near the Electric Palace Cinema.

Cost £6

Tuesday 3rd September – Coggeshall

Explore the wool town of Coggeshall, which has over 200 listed buildings, including one of Europe's oldest timber framed buildings, a magnificent wool church and Paycockes, the home of a wealthy wool merchant. Meet at the Clock Tower in Market Square at 10.30am. Length of walk 1 ½ - 2hrs.

Cost £5



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Booking Form

To book a place on any of the walks, please complete the form below and send with cheque (payable to **Essex Federation WEA**) to:

Joan Black, 23 Highfield Road, Chelmsford, CM1 2NF.

Confirmation will be by email unless a SAE is enclosed

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Phone number.....

Have attended WEA course during current academic year-- yes/no

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