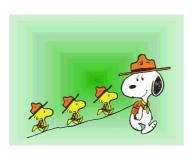
## The Rambling Walkers

A friendly & informal group of motivated walkers.

Newsletter May 2019 -Part One



## Lorcha Circuit

<u>THURSDAY 2nd May</u> <u>9.45 for 10.00</u>

<u>Led by:-Gary Regan & Joan Howard</u> <u>Alt led by:- Bruno Van der Velde &</u> <u>John Howard</u>

Members are expected to provide themselves with suitable walking boots, sticks and clothing including sunhats and plenty of water or sugary drinks to avoid dehydration.

How to get there

## GPS Ref:- Degrees 38° 50' 37.71"N 0° 18' 32.42" W Decimal. 38.843810, -0.309007

Drive north on N332 to Pego, then take the CV-700; at the roundabout as you enter Pego turn right, then straight over the next two roundabouts. At the T junction turn left then at the next roundabout turn right-signpost CV-700 Adsubia. Follow this road all the way to Patro and as you exit the village turn right on to CV-714. After 1km fork right at the 40km sign. This is a narrow road which after 800m crosses a barranco on a concrete section of road; above, you can see the tree lined road zig zag up the hill.

After the road levels off, turn left onto the CV-701, you only see the signpost for Lorcha as you turn left and you look back the the way you came. Follow this road to Lorcha. As you enter the town turn right and continue along this road. As it bears to the left turn left into Carrer de la Safor. Park on either side of this road. Bar Les Columnes is on the right, its opens at 9.00am if anyone wishes to arrive early for a coffee.

Main Walk led by Joan & Gary

The main walk is 9km in length and will take us 3 to 3.5hours. There is an altitude difference of 295m although we will have a total climb of 377m.

We head out of town for a short distance before dropping down into the barranco. We then walk on mostly single file tracks along the barranco before making our way up the valley passing Cova Del Gorigor, continuing up to Font dels Olbits where we will take a well earned break.

We make our return back to Lorcha on Forrest tracks and road, stopping briefly at Mirador Serpis to take in the view. The Alternative Walk is approximately 7km in length and has a total climb of 118m.

Alternate Walk led by John & Bruno

We walk through the narrow streets of Lorcha - along the main road, keeping to the pavement where possible, before turning off onto a quiet tarmac road. We continue on this road (passing an old paper mill) until we reach our break point, perched on top of an old bridge.

We set off back to Lorcha on a farm track, cross the main road and then make our way down through an abandoned allotment. We then come out on a new gravel track and we cross the Rio Serpis at a unusual crossing point (see photo).



Once we have made it across the Serpis we continue, first along the gravel track then campo road back into Lorcha.

PLEASE NOTE THAT IF THE WALK IS RAINED OFF EVERYONE WILL BE NOTIFIED BY EMAIL AT 8AM ON THE DAY; THE ALTERNATIVE WALK MAY TAKE PLACE IF FEASIBLE. THE **LUNCH WILL GO AHEAD** AND YOU WILL BE CHARGED FOR MEALS ORDERED IF YOU DO NOT ATTEND.

Lunch -Bar Les Columnes

Lunch is at **Bar Les Columnes** Carrer de la Safor, 15, 03860 Lorcha, Alicante

Menu €14:50 per person <u>Primero Plata/Starters</u> Bread with Tomato and Ali Oli/Albondigas Carne/Salad shared between 4



<u>Segundo Plata/Mains</u> Chicken in the oven or Hake or Pork

<u>Postre</u> Desert of the day <mark>O/or</mark> Coffee

(Includes a half bottle of house wine OR a beer OR a beer without alcohol OR a soft drink per person). Water available on the table. All additional drinks/coffee must be paid for separately.

Please contact Elinor Hagger/Dora Reed <u>ramblingwalkerslunch@gmail.com</u> by <u>8pm on</u> <u>Sunday 28 April</u> with your lunch choices if you wish to attend.

Messages from Your Committee

AGM A Newsletter with all details regarding AGM will be sent out beginning of May. Please keep the date free; <u>30th May</u>

Walking Holiday Final preparations are being made for RW Holiday 2019 in Morella. All those booked on the holiday will receive final details shortly.

Happy Rambling

