Waveney Ramblers Oulton Broad and Flixton Lowestoft 5

OS Map: X 231, OL 40 Track: **TM 52410 93156 GPX for SatNav** 5 Miles Updated: 2018

Start at Oulton Broad North Railway Station taking Commodore Road past the signal box. After 100m pass through the subway and take the narrow road straight ahead to the T' junction with Hall Road. Cross and turn left. After a few metres, take the footpath on your right through woodland to Sands Lane (#). Cross and take the footpath almost opposite. Follow the path in the same direction throughout via new houses, commercial premises on the right, 2 estate service roads and a school on the left. Continue ahead where the path becomes a track in open country to the B1074 Blundeston road. Turn left, then right at the 'T' junction and proceed to another sharp bend to the left (care needed due to busy traffic and blind corners).

Go through the gate at the bend and take the path half right alongside the hedge. Pass into the next field. Follow the path along the hedge to the bottom of the field and round to the opposite corner at the end of the wood. Continue forward with the wood on your left, followed by an open field, also on the left. Turn right on reaching a clear track, passing the site of St Andrew's Church, to the drive in front of Old Flixton Hall. Turn left into the drive and follow it down to the road. Cross and turn left for about 400m to join a clear track straight ahead where the road turns off to the left. Follow this track for its entire length to crossroads and follow the road straight ahead. Near the bottom of the hill, ignore a road to the right, but take a signposted track on the right where the road bends sharply left.

Follow this track to St Michael's Church, then take the footpath opposite the lychgate to Prospect Road. There turn right over the narrow railway bridge. Continue along Borrow (*) Road, ignoring a right fork into Romany Road (*) until a T' junction is reached. Turn left and shortly right to follow Caldecott Road, past Oulton Broad on your right (nice view), until you reach the station.

- (#) If the footpath is temporarily closed off by engineering works, continue westwards to Chestnut Avenue. Go to the end of the Avenue and then turn right until you reach the opposite end of the blocked footpath.
- (*) These roads are named after the author George Borrow, who wrote Romany Rye and Lavengro and lived for some time in his wife's house facing Oulton Broad.

