Waveney Ramblers Bungay 11 Bungay and Geldeston

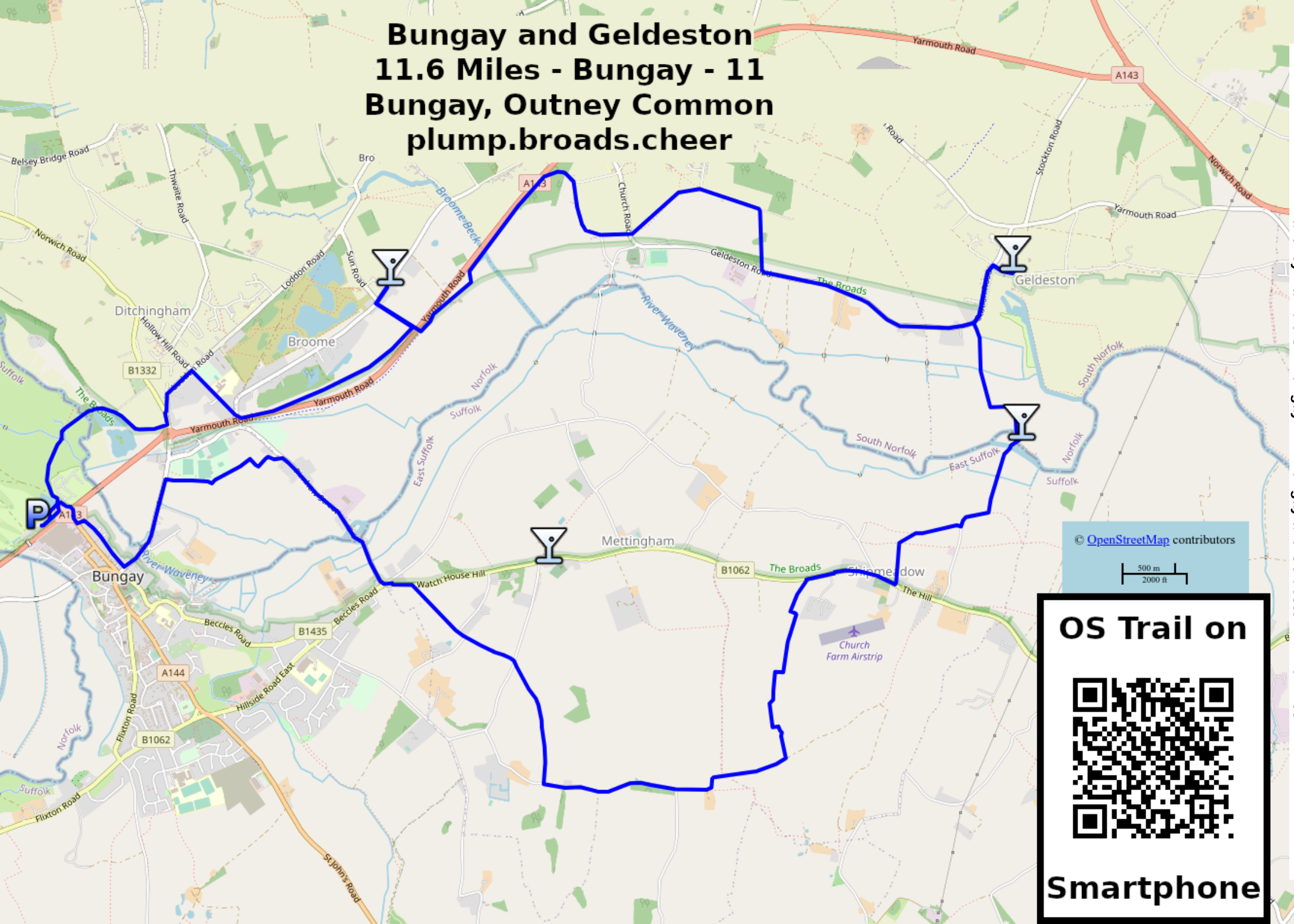
Track: **TM 33151 90085** **GPX for SatNav** 11.6 Miles Updated: 2018

This circular route is 11.6 miles. The Waveney group tends to take picnics. Other walkers who like a pub or three will pass the Locks Inn at Geldeston. Add 0.6 miles if you include the Artichoke at Broom. Add 0.7 miles if you include the Wherry at Geldeston. There are several pubs and cafes in Bungay at the start or finish of the walk.

Meet at the car park near the golf club. Head east and walk south of the pond. Turn north and skirt the perimeter of the Outney caravan park bearing right before reaching a rusty kissing gate. Head NE across the meadow with cattle that ignore the many walkers. Cross three foot bridges into Norfolk. Head SE and then east towards the main road "Chicken Roundabout" sadly no longer with chickens.
Close to the roundabout head north along the B1332 towards Norwich and immediately turn right into Loddon Road.
At the crossroads before the Ditchingham minimarket turn right into Station Road and head SE to the main A143.
Head East along the A143 for 200 metres and bear left onto the cycle and footpath, disused railway.
At the end of the disused railway path you could go left to include the Artichoke pub or right, over the A143.
Cross the main road and head NE, soon rejoining the disused railway, foot and cycle path for 3/4 miles.
Bear right into Station Road heading east and then south. After 250 yards, the road bends east again.
Cross over Church and Station Road staying north of the old track bed and cross the field diagonally heading NE.
The path splits. Take the branch heading east. This leads into Mill Lane.
Turn first right into Braces Lane and head south crossing the old railway line.
At the tee junction turn left into Geldeston road and head east for just under a mile.
Turn right and head south towards the signposted Geldeston Locks Inn -or- go straight on to include the Wherry.
The track to the Locks Inn bends east and then south again.
At the pub, pause or go straight on crossing the Waveney back into Suffolk.
Cross the meadows heading a little west of south turning right at the tee junction to go past the pumping station.
When Locks Lane bends SW, turn right and head west for 300 yards. Cross the stile into a meadow.
Cross the meadow heading SW towards another stile which you don't cross.
Now head due south towards the B1062 Bungay to Beccles road. Follow the main road west for 600 yards.
At the signed footpath, turn SE off the main road heading uphill for 3/4 miles. The field perimeter path wiggles a bit.
Turn right and head west towards Castle Road. The track bends left and right again before joining the tarmac lane.
Follow Castle Road heading west for half a mile. Turn right into a tunnel of trees and head north.
After the tunnel of trees, you could add a diversion to the Tally Ho Tea Rooms by heading north for 0.4 miles.
After the tunnel of trees, cross over Rectory Lane and head NW uphill again.
Continue NW joining and immediately leaving Vicarage Lane. There are fine views over the Waveney Valley.
Head NW down hill and join the B1062, heading west for a few yards.
Cross into Wainford Road taking care as this has some traffic and is narrow. Head north towards the mill.
At the mill, cross back into Norfolk and continue NW for less than half a mile. Look for the footpath on the left.
There is a signpost and a stile. Cross the meadow, west and on the diagonal to another stile or gate if it's open.
Cross into the next meadow and head SW, keeping left close to the hedge.
Cross into the next meadow and head NW, keeping right close to the hedge.
Cross into the next meadow and head SW. Head towards the sports ground perimeter.
In the next meadow, head west still skirting the sports ground.
In the last meadow, head west, on the diagonal to the gate leading into Ditchingham Dam.
Head south to Bungay and turn right, NW, into Nethergate Street. Or go straight for the Bungay attractions!
After Nethergate Street, Turn right, NW, towards the roundabout. Cross over and head back onto Outney Common.
Bear left back to the car park near the golf club.

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