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Glasgow Ramblers

Programme of Walks

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**Ramblers step out for 2014 – helping to deliver a physical activity legacy for
the Commonwealth Games**

This booklet contains the Glasgow Group Walk Programme, published as part of Ramblers Scotland's aim to get more people in the city out walking. This initiative links to "Walk the Path to 2014", which supports the Scottish Government's Active Nation Plan to encourage Scottish people to be more active in the run up to the 2014 Commonwealth Games.

The Ramblers is the representative body for walkers. For over 75 years we have been campaigning in Great Britain to protect the natural beauty of our countryside, promote walking and safeguard public access to land. There is a network of around 500 Groups (nearly 60 in Scotland), which promote walking through regular Programmes of Walks and also support the other objects of The Ramblers.

More information on Ramblers Scotland is available at:

www.ramblers.org.uk/scotland

Group website

Up to date information can be found on our website www.glasgowramblers.org.uk. Digital photographs of group walks would be welcomed for display on the website. After each walk a short paragraph from any walker would be appreciated for the Glasgow Ramblers' Blog. Ideas – weather, conditions, wildlife seen, views, any features. The blog, Glasgow Rambles, needs to be regularly updated to keep the website up to date. We would also be delighted to have any other suggestions or comments on the website. Please email photographs, blog entries, suggestions and comments to info@glasgowramblers.org.uk.

What You Need to Know

Anyone wishing to take part in any walk must contact the leader by phone or email a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to confirm transport and walk details.

What grade of walk to choose

Please read these notes on walk grades carefully as they contain important advice for those taking part in walks. Each walk in the Programme has a grade, but please also note any extra information provided for individual walks.

- A+** Severe. Arduous walks for the experienced and very fit, involving some or all of the following factors: on high ground with exposure; steep ascents and descents; at a brisk pace; distance over 15 miles. Standard grading for hill walking in winter conditions.
- A** Strenuous. For the fit, involving some or all of the following factors: on high or rough ground; steep ascents and descents; distances over 15 miles.
- B+** Between Moderate and Strenuous. For the reasonably fit. Standard grading for summits taken at a slower pace in summer conditions.
- B** Moderate. Demanding higher standards of fitness and stamina than C+.
- C+** Easy to Moderate. For those with improving fitness, offering some modest challenges.
- C** Easy. Mainly on level ground and often on paths and tracks. The grade of walk is suitable for beginners.

Some walks are designated 'at an easy pace' for those who find the normal pace too fast. This does not mean that the ascents and descents are less steep – they are just taken at a slower pace.

In dubious weather, it is wise to contact the walk leader beforehand for advice.

Inexperienced walkers must check with the leader before going on a grade of walk with which they are unaccustomed. This applies particularly where an inability to cope with the conditions, or to maintain a reasonable walking pace, could cause a problem for the leader and jeopardise the safety of the party.

In winter, if you are inexperienced in any grade of walk, you must contact the walk leader prior to the date of the walk for advice.

In the interests of safety, the leader may refuse to lead anyone whom he/she considers to be not suitably equipped.

Anyone with a health condition, for which there is a possibility that treatment might be required during a walk, must inform the leader, preferably in advance, but certainly at the start of the walk, and must give full details of the treatment which might be required (this is not intended to place any extra responsibility on the leader, but rather to protect the leader against an incident arising for which no prior warning had been given).

Please note that the gradings for walks are intended only as a rough guide. For information on a particular walk, always contact the leader beforehand.

The leader may cancel or change a walk because of adverse weather conditions or for any other good reason. This information will be posted on the website.

What to wear and what to bring

Warm and waterproof clothing should be carried, and strong footwear should be worn for all walks. Walking boots are essential on all A grade walks and on most B grade walks, and are advisable on most C grade walks. Denim jeans are not suitable as they get wet very quickly and are slow to dry out. A packed lunch and small snacks should be carried, and a flask of hot drink is strongly recommended.

All walkers should carry the name and telephone number of someone who can be contacted in the event of an emergency on a walk in any of the Programmes in this booklet.

Members of The Ramblers should carry their membership card on all walks.

OS Map Numbers are given in the Programme for each walk, but this is only for the information of those who wish it; it is not necessary for all walkers to bring a map with them.

Travel to the start of the walk

See Programme for details of the normal meeting place, but please also check the details of the individual walk, in case the meeting place for that walk is different from normal.

For walks not accessed by public transport, it is expected that those with cars will give lifts to those without. As a guide, 10p per mile per passenger is considered an amount which reasonably covers the costs incurred by the driver. A suitable amount is recommended under the details of each walk in this booklet, except where public transport is to be used. The Walk Leader will collect the money and share it out between drivers who have offered spaces in their cars.

As a trial for this Programme, the Walk Leader will collect all the petrol money and share it out between drivers who have offered walkers a lift in their car.

What happens on the walk

As groups are usually made up of members with varying walking abilities, all walkers should consider those at the back of the party. Leaders especially are reminded that they must set and control the pace of the walk to reflect these differing abilities, and must not allow the pace of the walk to be dictated by a few members of the party who may tend to force the pace. Failure of anyone to observe these considerations may deter members from fully enjoying the walk or from developing onto tackling higher grades of walk.

Who is liable on a walk

Please note that neither The Ramblers nor the leaders of individual walks in this Programme can accept liability for any accident that may occur on any walk. In the interests of enjoyment and safety, all members should stay within sight and earshot of the leader at all times, and should not leave the walk without first informing the leader.

Who can't come on a walk

Dogs are not allowed on any walks in this Programme.

Display of photographs for publicity and/on Group website

Digital photographs of Group walks are welcome, either for publicity or for display on the Group's website www.glasgowramblers.org.uk. Please email photographs to info@glasgowramblers.org.uk.

Anyone participating in a Group walk is assumed to consent to photographs in which they may appear being used for publicity or website purposes. Anyone who does not wish photographs in which they may appear to be used for such purposes, should make this clear to the person taking the photograph. Requests for photographs to be removed from the website should be emailed to info@glasgowramblers.org.uk.

PLEASE LEAVE NO LITTER

Other Ramblers' Groups

As well as the walks in these Programmes, members of The Ramblers are welcome to take part in the walks of any Ramblers' Groups.

The Ramblers is divided into Areas. Glasgow is within North Strathclyde Area in which there are currently seven other Groups:

Bearsden & Milngavie – website: www.bearsdenandmilngavieramblers.org.uk

Cumbernauld & Kilsyth – website: www.ckramblers.org.uk

Glasgow Young Walkers – website: www.glasgowyoungwalkers.org

Helensburgh & West Dunbartonshire – website: www.hwdramblers.me.uk

Mid-Argyll & Kintyre – website:

<http://argyllcommunities.org/midargyllkintyreramblers>

Monklands – website: www.monklandsramblers.org.uk

Strathkelvin – no website at present. Copy of Programme available on request to info@glasgowramblers.org.uk

The following Groups within other Areas are also close to Glasgow:

Renfrewshire, Cowal & Bute Area:

Eastwood – website: www.eastwood-ramblers.org.uk

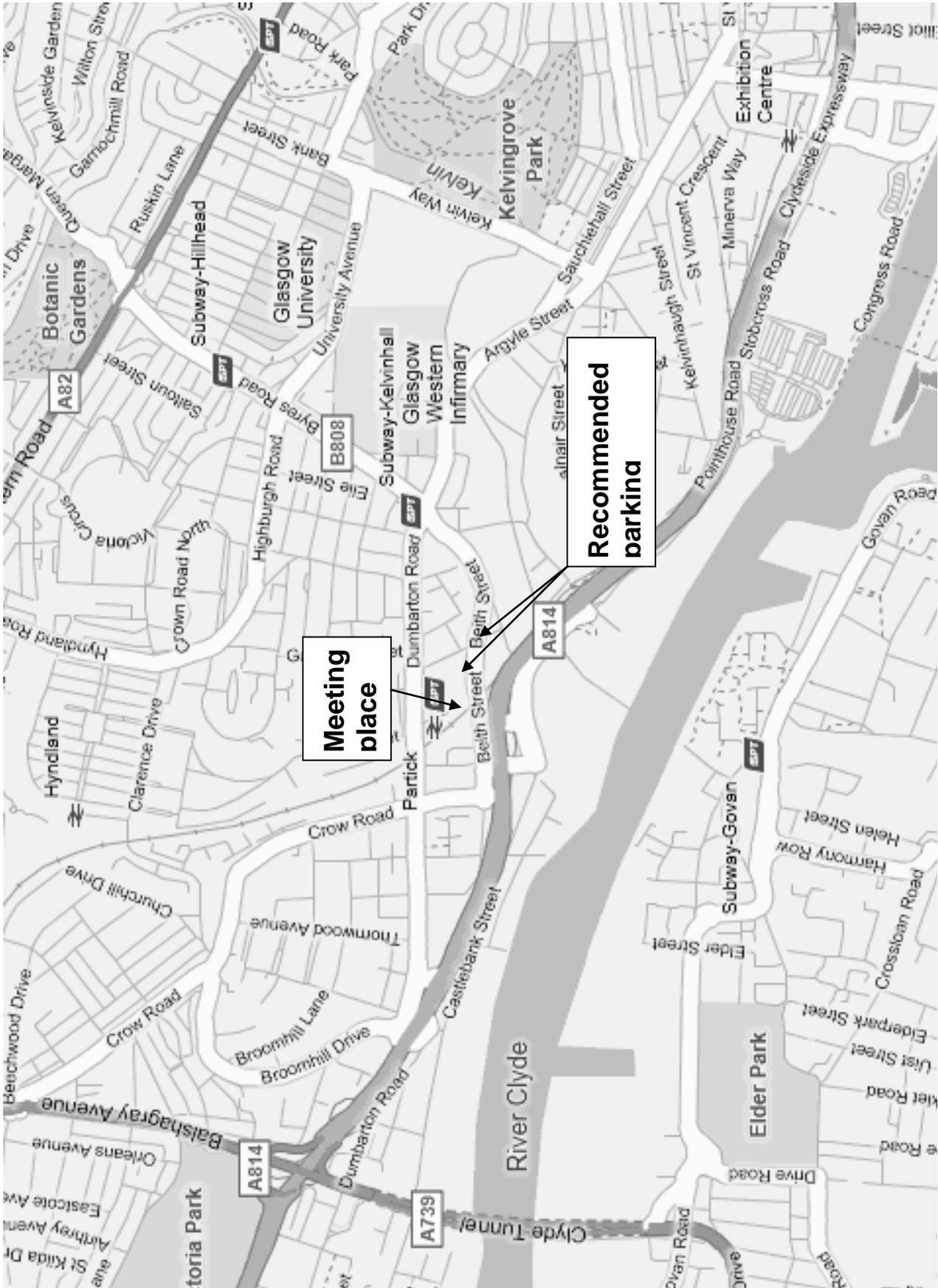
Paisley – website www.paisleyramblers.co.uk

Clydesdale to Solway Area:

Clyde Valley (based in Hamilton) – website: www.clydevalleyramblers.org

Anyone without internet access who wishes a copy of the Programme of any of the above Groups, please write to:

Barry Pottle,
c/o 15 Newton Terrace,
Glasgow, G3 7PJ.



PROGRAMME

The normal meeting place, for walks not accessed by public transport, is outside the entrance to Partick Station (see location map on Page 7). Cars will be taken from here to the start of the walk. Recommended car parking is in Beith Street. For afternoon walks, when parking space near the station may be limited, parking may be found at the short link between Beith Street and Castlebank Street.

As indicated on Page 3 of this booklet, anyone wishing to take part in any walk must contact the leader by phone or email a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to confirm transport and walk details.

October Weekend

Glasgow Ramblers are organising a walking weekend based in Ballater, Royal Deeside from 5th to 7th or 8th October 2012. There are extensive possibilities for walks from gentle half day strolls through Balmoral, flattish but scenic circular walks, say round Loch Muick, to mountain tops like Lochnagar.

Members will have to organise their own accommodation but we'll arrange to meet together in the evenings. Ballater has a bunkhouse, campsite and numerous B and Bs. Braemar has a Youth Hostel. Phone or email Catherine if you want suggestions of where to stay. If you have a non-walking partner who would like to come, there are lots of interesting places in the area to explore.

It would be useful if members could indicate an interest in coming by 30th June and also say what type of walks they would like to see planned and if they would like a walk arranged for the Monday.

Please contact Catherine phone or text 07711 268 312 or email catherine@cawatt.com

Possible joint walk(s) with Glasgow Young Walkers

Glasgow Young Walkers were good enough to offer some of their walks over the past year as joint walks with Glasgow Group, so we thought we would return the favour by inviting GYW to join one or more of the walks in this Programme.

Unfortunately, they were not able to confirm suitable walk(s) in time for noting in the Programme but, once joint walks are agreed, these will be notified on the website www.glasgowramblers.org.uk or phone Barry on 0141-772 2263.

Meeting for Potential Walk Leaders

We have a dedicated group of members prepared to lead walks but we are always looking for more leaders. Even offering one walk per programme makes a big difference. We shall be planning our next programme November 2012 to April 2013 on **Wed 26th September** at 7.30 p.m. in the Rainbow Room, Friends Meeting House, 38 Elmbank Crescent, Glasgow (close to Charing Cross rail station) and would welcome any member considering offering a walk, or wishing to understudy an existing leader, to attend. See the website www.glasgowramblers.org.uk or email info@glasgowramblers.org.uk for more details

Ramblers Scotland organise a Walk Leaders' Training Day every November and if you would like more information email info@glasgowramblers.org.uk

Saturday, 5th May Heads of Ayr Full day Grade C+ OS Map 70
Leader: Barry Pottle (0141 772 2263 or luckydollar@btinternet.com – email enquiries preferred)
A 12 mile (19km walk), starting along the promenade and seashore towards the foot of impressive cliffs, then turning inland along line of disused railway and returning via woodland paths and public parks. Height gained is negligible but graded C+ because of the length and some rough walking along seashore.
Meet at **Glasgow Central Station** outside Marks & Spencer Simply Food at 8.45 am after purchasing a return ticket for the 9 am train to Ayr,.
Walkers must contact the leader in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Thursday 10th May White Cart Half Day C OS Map 64
Leader: Catherine Watt (catherine@cawatt.com or 07711268312)
An 8 mile walk from Shields Road Underground through Pollock Park, past Pollock House along the White Cart to Holmwood House via Newlands, Millbrae and Snuffmill . Return from Cathcart by train or bus. It would be possible to shorten the walk at several points along the route. The last section of the walk is steep in places and potentially muddy.
Meet outside **Partick Station** at 9.30 am having purchased a single underground ticket
Walkers must contact the leader in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Sunday 13th May Cochno Hill Circular Half Day C+ OS Map Ex 347
Leader: Greg Robertson (07716994026 or 0141 588 0255)
A 6.2 mile walk including waterfalls, lochs and a short hill. The walk is mainly on hill tracks and tarmac roads which are sometimes muddy.
Meet at **Partick Station** at 9 am
Walkers must contact the leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.
Recommended passenger contribution £2.80 (28 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Sunday 20th May Auldmurroch Falls Full day Grade B OS Map 64/ Ex 348
Leaders: Tony and Moira Stevens (0141 942 4777 or antonyrosslyn51@yahoo.co.uk)
An 8 to 9 mile walk from Carbeth Inn along the West Highland Way to Craigallian Bridge, then via public roads/tracks past Craigton School to Trig Point 356m and then moorland walking to Auldmurroch Falls and return to Carbeth Inn.
Meet at **Partick Station** at 9 am.
Walkers must contact leaders a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.
Recommended passenger contribution £2 (20 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Saturday, 26th May Parkhill Bluebell Woods Half Day Grade C OS Map 63
Leader: Sally McKendrick (j.mckendrick@sky.com)
A circular walk from Lochwinnoch Station through Parkhill Woods
Meet at **Glasgow Central Station** outside Marks & Spencer Simply Food at 9 05 am after purchasing a return ticket to Lochwinnoch to catch the 9.15 am Ardrossan train to Lochwinnoch. The leader will meet the train at Lochwinnoch at 9 40 am
Walkers must contact the leader in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Sunday 3rd June Greenock Cut Circular Full day Grade C+ OS Map Ex 341

Leader: Greg Robertson (07716994026 or 0141 588 0255)

A 7 ml walk on good tracks with great views over Greenock, Gourock and Cowal Peninsula

Meet at Partick Station at 9 am

Walkers must contact the leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution £6.60 (66 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Saturday 9th June Olympic Torch Relay

At 7.03 a.m., the Olympic Torch Relay will leave the Riverside Museum, passing along Stobcross Street, Beith Street, Byres Road, and Queen Margaret Drive. Why not watch the relay, and then go on to the Partick meeting place at 9.a.m. to join our walk?

Saturday 9th June Spectacle E'e Falls Half day Grade C+ OS Map 71

Leader: Barry Pottle (0141 772 2263 or luckydollar@btinternet.com – email enquiries preferred)

A 3 mile(5km) walk from Strathaven, past a spectacular waterfall.

Graded C+ because of short steep section but there are steps and a handrail.

Meet at Partick Station at 9 am Please note that, although the Olympic Torch Relay will have passed Beith Street well before 9 am, parking restrictions may still be in force.

Walkers must contact the leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution £2.90 (29 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Sunday 17th June Duncolm and Brown Hill Full day Grade B+ OS Map 64

Leader: Alan Watt (alan@cawatt.com or 0772 084 3353)

A 12 mile walk from Kilpatrick Railway Station over the Kilpatrick Braes to the top of Duncolm Hill (401m) returning via Loch Humphrey and Brown Hill to Milton, then back to Old Kilpatrick

Meet at **Partick Station** at 9.10 am, having purchased a return ticket to Kilpatrick, to catch the 9.22 am. Balloch train to Kilpatrick. Walkers could catch this train at Glasgow Central Low Level at 9.14 am

Walkers must contact the leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Thursday 21st June Bowling to Stockingfield Full day C+ OS Map 64

Leader: Catherine Watt (07711 268312 or catherine@cawatt.com)

A walk of 9.5 miles along the Forth Clyde Canal. The walk can be shortened by catching a bus or train at several points on Maryhill Road.

Meet at **Partick Station** at 9 20 am after purchasing a single ticket to Bowling to catch the 9.29 am Balloch train to Bowling. Walkers could catch this train at Glasgow Queen Street Low Level at 9 23 am.

Walkers must contact the leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Saturday 23rd June The Cobbler Full Day A OS Map 64

Leader: Alan Watt (alan@cawatt.com or 0772 084 3353)

A 6 mile (10km) challenging walk from the shores of Loch Long at Arrochar. The Cobbler is a distinctive Corbett 890 m high.

Meet at Partick Station at 9 am

Walkers must contact the leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution £6.80 (68 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Sunday 1st July Aberlady Bay and Yellow Craig Full day Grade B OS Map 66

Leader: John McNulty (0141 773 0409 or squareloaf@talktalk.net)

A 12 mile circular walk with some road walking

Meet at Partick Station at 9 am

Walkers must contact the leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution £12 (120 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Saturday 7th July Around Kirkintilloch Half day C OS Map 64

Leader: Jeanette Somerville (0141 762 1183 or 07752322727)

An easy level walk suitable for beginners of about 7 miles along the canal from The Stables.

Then on the old railway route out to Campsie Glen.

Meet at Buchanan bus station, entrance opposite John Lewis at 9.30am. We will catch the

No 24 Stirling bus which leaves at 9.45 am. The leader will join the bus at Bishopbriggs. Get

off at The Stables, between Bishopbriggs and Kirkintilloch. For those coming by car, the walk will start at 10.30 am from The Stables. There is a large layby on the A803 close to The Stables.

Walkers must contact the leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place.

Sunday 15th July Ben Cleuch via Andrew Gannel Hill Full day Grade B+ OS Map 58

Leader: John Ballingall (0141 647 8371)

Meet outside Partick Station at 9am or meet leader in Tillicoultry - park at top of Upper Mill St

Walkers must contact the leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution £7.60 (76 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Thursday 19th July Inverkip to Wemyss Bay Full Day Grade C+ OS Map 63

Leader: Catherine Watt (07711 268312 or catherine@cawatt.com)

A walk of 9 miles, with some initial steep ascent, from Inverkip to Cornalees following the Kelly Cut back to Wemyss Bay. Meet at **Glasgow Central Station** outside Simply Foods at **9.25 am** having purchased a return ticket for the 9.50am train to Wemyss Bay.

Walkers must contact the leader in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Saturday 21st July Cairn Table, Muirkirk Full day Grade B+ OS Map 71

Leader: Ian Brooke (0141 557 2553 or ic.brooke@virgin.net)

An approx. 15 mile walk taking in Cairn Table (593m). Mainly on good paths and tracks with good views over Ayrshire to Arran and Galloway. Meet outside Partick Station at 9 am.

Walkers must contact the leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution £8.20 (82 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Sunday 29th July Covenanter's Grave, West Linton Full day Grade B+ OS Map 72

Leader: Ian Brooke (0141 557 2553 or ic.brooke@virgin.net)

An approx. 15 mile walk in the Scottish Borders to a Covenanter's Grave in the Pentland Hills. The route is mainly on good paths and tracks. Meet outside Partick Station at 9 am

Walkers must contact the leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution £9.20 (92 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Saturday 4th August Rothesay Full day Grade C+ OS Map 63

Leader: Linda Aitchison (0788 401 6681)

A walk of 8 miles from Rothesay to Ettrick Bay and Port Bannatyne on quiet roads, over moor and on paths. A bus will be used from Port Bannatyne (or from Ettrick Bay) back to Rothesay

Meet at **Glasgow Central Station** outside Simply Foods at 8.35am having purchased a return ticket for the 8.50 am train to Wemyss Bay. The leader will meet the group off the 10.15am ferry from Wemyss Bay on Rothesay Pier at 11.00 am.

Walkers must contact the leader in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Saturday 11th August Carman Muir Full day Grade B OS Map 63/347

Leader: Tony and Moira Stevens (0141 942 4777 or antonyrosslyn51@yahoo.co.uk)

An 8-9 mile walk along the River Leven and then climbing Carman Hill and Trig Point at 304m and returning to Balloch by Stoneymollan Road.

Meet at **Glasgow Central Station** outside Simply Foods at 9 am having purchased a return ticket to Balloch for train departing at 9.14 am arriving Balloch at 10 01 am

Walkers must contact leaders in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Thursday 16th August Chatelherault and the Avon Gorge Half day Grade C OS Map 64

Leader: David Lowrie (0141 423 2139 or davidandgertraute@talk21.com)

A Country Park circular woodland walk from impressive Visitor Centre (cafe/toilets): about 5 miles(8km) and 2 to3 hrs on short quiet road/good paths. Easy ups and downs plus one moderate descent: missing steps - possibly slippery. Interesting places - Cadzow Castle, Duke's Bridge, ancient oaks, Celtic remains.

Meet outside Partick Station at 9 am

Walkers must contact the leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution £4 (40 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Sunday, 19th August Loch Ordie Full day Grade B OS Map 52

Leader: John McNulty (0141 773 0409 or squareloaf@talktalk.net)

A 10 mile circular walk round Loch Ordie near Dunkeld

Meet outside Partick Station at 9 am

Walkers must contact the leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution to driver £10 (100 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Saturday, 25th August River Avon and Union Canal Full day Grade C+ OS Map 65

Leader: Anne Thomson (0141 573 2254 or 07977635467 or athomson555@gmail.com)

This pleasant circular 12km walk from Muiravonside Country Park linking river and canal on good paths. We will cross the Avon Aqueduct which is the highest and tallest in Scotland.

Meet outside Partick Station at 9 am

Walkers must contact the leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution £7 (70 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Saturday, 1st September Circular round Moffat Full day Grade C OS Map 78

Leader: Lindsay and Sheila Bowman (07901 980880 or bandgproperties@hotmail.com)

A 6 miles circular walk from the Ram on roads, tracks, farmland and woodlands partly on the Southern Upland Way.

Meet at **Buchanan Bus Station** at 8 50 am at the X74 stance for the Dumfries bus to Moffat at 9 am. If coming by car exit A74 M at Junction 15 and park in High Street, Moffat near Ram Monument where the leader will meet walkers at 10 25 am

Walkers must contact leaders to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

**Sunday, 9th September Fiddler's Gill and Craignethan Castle
Half or Full day choice Grade B OS Map 72**

Leader: Barry Pottle (0141 772 2263 or luckydollar@btinternet.com – email enquiries preferred)

Two walks on opposite sides of River Clyde, both starting at Crossford, South Lanarkshire.

Walkers can take part in either or both walks, but anyone wishing to come on the Craignethan Castle walk only must contact the leader at least two days in advance to agree time in the afternoon to meet at Crossford and should make their own way there. Fiddler's Gill walk is 6 miles (9.10km) with 525ft (160m) ascent. Craignethan Castle walk is 4 miles (6 km) with 500 ft (140m) of ascent and goes past the castle but, if the majority of walkers wish, and if time allows, we can go in and visit the castle (admission charge for those not members of Historic Scotland)

Meet outside Partick Station at 9 am

Walkers must contact the leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution £5.20 (52 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Thursday, 13th September Meikle Bin Full day C+ OS Map 57

Leader: David Lowrie (0141 423 2139 or davidandgertraute@talk21.com)

Meikle Bin is the second highest of the Campsie Fells at 570m or 1870ft. We will walk from Todholes Car Park (at 180m) at the N end of Carron Reservoir along forestry tracks and possibly muddy hill paths. The walk is 14.5km (9miles) - 3.5 to 4 hour walk.

Meet outside Partick Station at 9 am

Walkers must contact the leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution £4.80 (48 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Saturday, 15th September Fereneze Braes Full day Grade C+ OS Map 64

Leaders: Greg Robertson (07716994026 or 0141 588 0255)

A circular walk of 5 miles on hill tracks with views over Glasgow to the Campsie Fells, Dumgoyne, Ben Lomond going past two reservoirs, a waterfall and through Killoch Glen.

Meet at **Glasgow Central Station** at 9 30am outside Simply Foods having purchased a return ticket to Barrhead to catch the 9.42 am train

Walkers must contact the leader in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Sunday, 23rd September Birnam Hill Full day Grade B OS Map 52

Leader: Barry Pottle (0141 772 2263 or luckydollar@btinternet.com – email enquiries preferred)

We will climb the 1,325ft (404m) Birnam Hill, then carry on down to walk along the banks of the River Tay, past the 1,000 year old Birnam Oak and under Telford's Dunkeld Bridge, and continue to the wooded Hermitage of Braan, visiting the 18th Century "Ossian's Hall" overlooking the Black Linn falls. Total walk 9 miles (15km)

Meet outside Partick Station at 9 am.

Walkers must contact the leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution £14.60(146 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Wednesday, 26th September Meeting for Potential Walk Leaders

We shall be planning our next programme November 2012 to April 2013 on Wed 26th September at 7.30 p.m. in the Rainbow Room, Friends Meeting House, 38 Elmbank Crescent, Glasgow (close to Charing Cross rail station) and would welcome any member considering offering a walk, or wishing to understudy an existing leader, to attend. See the website www.glasgowramblers.org.uk or email info@glasgowramblers.org.uk or phone Barry on 0141-772 2263 for more details

Saturday 29th September Largs Full day Grade C+ OS Map 63

Leader: Denise Connell (0141 632 0832)

A 5 mile circular walk from Largs Station at an easy pace

Meet at **Glasgow Central Station** at 9 35 am outside Simply foods having purchased a return ticket to Largs to catch the 9.45am train or meet at Largs Station at 10.46am

Walkers must contact the leader in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Saturday, 5th October to 7th or 8th October Walking Weekend in Ballater, Royal Deeside

Leaders: Alan and Catherine Watt (catherine@cawatt.com or 07711 268 312)

In the Ballater area, there are extensive possibilities for walks from gentle half day strolls through Balmoral, flattish but scenic circular walks, say round Loch Muick, to top of Lochnagar. Members will have to organise their own accommodation but we'll arrange to meet together in the evenings. Ballater has a bunkhouse, campsite and numerous B and Bs. Braemar has a Youth Hostel. Phone or email Catherine if you want suggestions of where to stay. If you have a non-walking partner who would like to come, there are many interesting places to explore.

It would be useful if members could indicate an interest in coming by 30th June and also say what type of walks they would like to see planned and if they would like a walk arranged for the Monday.

Sunday 14th October Baron's Haugh and Dalzell Estate Half day Grade C OS Map 64

Leader: Barry Pottle (0141 772 2263 or luckydollar@btinternet.com – email enquiries preferred)

A 5 mile (9 km) walk, starting along the Clyde walkway, past |Baron's Haugh Nature Reserve, then returning through the historic Dalzell Estate.

Meet at **Glasgow Central Station at 9.15 am** outside Simply Foods after purchasing a return ticket to Airbles, to catch the 9.24 am Lanark train to Airbles.

Walkers must contact the leader in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Thursday, 18th October Milngavie to Glasgow Full day Grade C+ OS Map 64

Leader: Catherine Watt (07711 268312 or catherine@cawatt.com)

The walk follows the Kelvin Way from Milngavie to Kelvingrove. This is a 10 mile level walk which can be shortened by catching a bus when we reach Maryhill Road.

Meet at **Partick Station** at 9.40 am after purchasing single ticket to Milngavie, to catch 9.50am train. Alternatively walkers can join the train at Glasgow Queen Street Low Level at 9.43am, or any of the intervening stops to Milngavie, or meet at Milngavie Station at 10.06 am

Walkers must contact the leader in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Saturday, 20th October Circular from Kilsyth Full day Grade B OS Map 64

Leader: Moira Henderson (01236 630 602 or 0775 246 1521)

A 7.5 mile (12 km) circular walk from Kilsyth to Bar Hill to Croy Hill to Colzium and back to Kilsyth. The walk goes along the Antonine Wall, past hill forts, and then through the grounds of Colzium House. The walk will start at the car park at Kilsyth Swimming Pool, 1 Airdrie Road, Kilsyth, G65 9JE at 10 15 am. The leader will meet walkers here. Meet at the stance for the No. 27 Falkirk bus leaving Glasgow Buchanan Bus Station at 9.15am which gets to Kilsyth at 10.02am. Buses back to Glasgow leave Kilsyth at 26 minutes past the hour.

Walkers must contact the leader in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Saturday 27th October Brig of Turk Full Day Grade C+ OS Map 57

Leader: Linda Aitchison (0141 647 8371 or laitchison138@btinternet.com)

A 7 mile walk on tracks and paths

Meet outside Partick Station at 9 am

Walkers must contact the leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution £7 (70 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Saturday 3rd November Seafar Woods Half day C OS Map 64

Leader: Barry Pottle (0141 772 2263 or luckydollar@btinternet.com – email enquiries preferred)

A 4 mile (6km) walk through woodland and mainly off-road paths

Meet at **Buchanan Bus Station** at 9 am at the stance for the 9 15 am X39 Stirling Bus to Cumbernauld.

Walkers must contact the leader in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Thursday 8th November The Mouse Water Full Day Grade C OS Map 72

Leader: Catherine Watt (07711 268312 or catherine@cawatt.com)

A low level 6.5 mile (11km) circular ramble from Lanark Station to Cleghorn Bridge over the Mouse Water.

Meet at **Glasgow Central Station** at 9.05 am, having purchased a return ticket to Lanark, to catch the 9.18 am train

Walkers must contact the leader in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Saturday 10th November Dumgoyne Full day Grade B OS Map 64

Leader: Alan Watt (07720 843 353 or alan@cawatt.com)

Starting at Campsie Dene in Blanefield, a 6 mile (10km) walk, steep in places, to the top of Dumgoyne, a volcanic plug.

Meet at Partick Station at 9 am.

Walkers must contact the leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution £2.40 (24 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

SUMMARY OF ALL WALKS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Walk</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Sat 5 th May	Heads of Ayr	Full day Grade C+
Thurs 10 th May	White Cart	Half Day C
Sun 13 th May	Cochno Hill Circular	Half Day C+
Sun 20 th May	Auldmurroch Falls	Full day Grade B
Sat 26 th May	Parkhill Bluebell Wood	Half Day Grade C
Sun 3 rd June	Greenock Cut Circular	Full day Grade C+
Sat 9 th June	Olympic Torch Relay	
Sat 9 th June	Spectacle E'e Falls	Half day Grade C+
Sun 17 th June	Duncolm and Brown Hill	Full day Grade B+
Thurs 21 st June	Bowling to Stockingfield	Full day C+
Sat 23 rd June	The Cobbler	Full Day A
Sun 1 st July	Aberlady Bay and Yellow Craig	Full day Grade B
Sat 7 th July	Around Kirkintilloch	Half day C
Sun 15 th July	Ben Cleuch via Andrew Gannel Hill	Full day Grade B+
Thurs 19 th July	Inverkip to Wemyss Bay	Full Day Grade C+
Sat 21 st July	Cairn Table, Muirkirk	Full day Grade B+
Sun 29 th July	Covenanter's Grave, West Linton	Full day Grade B+
Sat 4 th Aug	Rothesay	Full day Grade C+
Sat 11 th Aug	Carman Muir	Full day Grade B
Thurs 16 th Aug	Chatelherault and the Avon Gorge	Half day Grade C
Sun 19 th Aug	Loch Ordie	Full day Grade B
Sat 25 th Aug	River Avon and Union Canal	Full day Grade C+
Sat 1 st Sept	Circular round Moffat	Full day Grade C
Sun 9 th Sept	Fiddler's Gill and Craignethan Castle	Half/Full day Grade B
Thurs 13 th Sept	Meikle Bin	Full day C+
Sat 15 th Sept	Fereneze Braes	Full day Grade C+
Sun 23 rd Sep	Birnam Hil	Full day Grade B
Wed 26 th Sept	Walk Leaders' meeting	
Sat 29 th Sept	Largs	Full day C+ (easy pace)
5 TH to 7 th Oct	Walking Weekend based in Ballater	Mixed walks
Sun 14 th Oct	Baron's Haugh and Dalzell Estate	Half day C
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Sat 3 rd Nov	Seafar Woods	Half day C
Thurs 8 th Nov	The Mouse Water	Full day C
Sat 10 th Nov	Dumgoyne	Full day B