

May and June 2026

Welcome to the May 2026 newsletter, some Ramblers have already enjoyed their first organised walk of the month, enjoying some colourful spring gardens.



Previous Two Month's Walks

Thanks to everyone who organised, took part, led and photographed our recent walks.

You can read all about them in the [blogs](#).

Future Walks - May, June and July

See below the walks planned for the next three months. Thanks to our group of existing and new walk leaders the programme for the next three months is looking healthy until the middle of July. Any offers or ideas for walks are always welcome.

Please remember that this programme can change and the most up to date version can be found [online](#).

Walk summary – May, June and July 2026

Date	Walk	Distance	Difficulty
Sunday 10/05/26	Tinto Hill via Lochylock Hill (car share walk). A circular walk beginning on country lanes then climbing to Tinto's summit (good views if good weather), returning via the more direct main route. NOTE - if you are a driver and happy to bring your car please contact the leader ASAP. Walk full, waiting list available	9 miles	Strenuous
Saturday 16/05/26	Luss Horseshoe. Walking from the Luss bus stop, up the steep, grassy slope of Beinn Dubh (again, good views if good weather), along the track to Mid Hill then down Glen Striddle to the Glen Luss road.	7 miles	Strenuous

Wednesday 20/05/26	A Wheelie Good Walk!! (The Falkirk Wheel) An interesting walk with great views and a tunnel - from Falkirk High Station along the canal to the Wheel (cafe, visitor centre) and back.	5 miles	Leisurely
Saturday 23/05/26	Chatelherault Country Park. A circular walk from Chatelherault station around the park and along the River Avon - including castle ruins, old bridges, 1,000 year old oak trees - and some big flights of stairs.	9 miles	Moderate
Friday 29/05/26 - Monday 01/06/26	Pitlochry weekend away (WEEKEND FULL)	Various	
Saturday 06/06/26	Kilpatrick to Bowling via the Kilpatrick Hills, Burncrooks Reservoir and John Muir Way. Walking from Kilpatrick Station up the steep track to Loch Humphrey, along the path to the Duncolms, climbing the main one (hopefully a great panorama), then over the Burncrooks Reservoir dam and on John Muir Way forestry paths and minor roads to Balloch.	17 miles	Strenuous
Thursday 11/06/26	Renfrew riverside loop. A varied circular walk on good paths from Braehead, past the new Renfrew bridge, the two Rivers Cart and the streets and green spaces of Renfrew.	6.5 miles	Leisurely
Saturday 13/06/26	Rannoch Station to White Corries (Glencoe). A challenging hike from Rannoch Station, along a forestry road, a long, feint boggy path above Loch Laidon then a good track to the Kingshouse Hotel and the West Highland Way to White Corries bus stop. Book early - limited train tickets so usual 2 week protocol waived. Walk full, waiting list available	13.5 miles	Strenuous
Saturday 20/06/26	Ben Lomond via Ptarmigan Ridge. An opportunity to climb Scotland's most southerly Munro with, hopefully, wonderful views of Loch Lomond and the surrounding hills. NOTE - if you are a driver and happy to bring your car please contact the leader ASAP; otherwise, please wait until two weeks in advance to contact the leader.	7.5 miles	Strenuous

Saturday 27/06/26	Forth and Clyde Canal and Canada Woods, from Falkirk High. A circular walk passing historic sites from Falkirk High to Bonnybridge along the Forth and Clyde Canal towpath, Canada Woods and back via the Union Canal.	6 miles	Moderate
Saturday 04/07/26	West Highland Way - Crianlarich to Ardlui A scenic walk starting with a short steep ascent then gentle descent through Glen Falloch along the river (spectacular waterfall and mountain views) to Loch Lomond where we'll call the boat (small charge) across to the Ardlui Hotel. Book early - limited bus tickets so usual 2 week protocol waived.	10.5 miles	Moderate
Monday 06/07/26	Polmont to Linlithgow. A lovely walk along the Forth and Clyde Canal towpath including the Avon Aquaduct with magnificent views over the river and countryside beyond.	6 miles	Leisurely
Tuesday 07/07/26	Loch Ordie – for weekday walkers. A walk at a good pace from Dunkeld Train Station on clear paths through quiet moorland, passing picturesque lochs and a loop near Loch Ordie - a chance to escape the city and enjoy the unspoiled Perthshire wilderness.	13 miles	Strenuous
Saturday 11/07/26	Loch Ordie – for weekend walkers. See above for details.	13 miles	Strenuous
Sunday 12/07/26	Out and back on the West Highland Way. Simple! (12th July is National Simplicity Day - encouraging people to live a calmer, simpler life.) This simple there-and-back walk follows the start of the WHW from Milngavie for six miles to overlook Dumgoyne, then heads back.	12 miles	Moderate
Sunday 19/07/26	Eildon Hills, Melrose. Check the website nearer the time for details.		

If you don't see a group walk of ours that suits you, remember that as a member of the Ramblers you can walk with any group, provided they can accommodate you on their walk. You can find other walks in our area [here](#)

Social Fund

Our Social Fund - vote now

We are looking for members' views on how best to spend some of the money we have in our Social Fund.

Glasgow Ramblers' Social Fund is a separate pot of money from our main budgeting account. It has built up over time to £1400 thanks, in part, to donations we receive each time one of our members books a holiday with Ramblers Worldwide. Walk leaders can also choose to donate their recce expenses to the Social Fund.

We are keen that the money is put to good use for the Glasgow Group and its members.

Last year we used some of the money from the Social Fund to help host a very useful First Aid course for 12 of our members.

Ideas for this year include:

- hosting a networking and information sharing event for all our walk leaders who do such a great job;
- subsidising a coach trip for a longer walk further away;
- contributing towards a social event for members such as a ceilidh or Christmas meal; or
- any other suggestion from members which would bring a benefit to our group.

Please vote for how you think we can best use some of the money in our Social Fund this year by replying to info@glasgowramblers.org.uk with the email heading social fund.

Ramblers benefits

There are many benefits to being a member of the Rambler community from enjoying the great outdoors, to supporting access rights.

Ramblers have also teamed up with a number of partners bring you a selection of offers to help you save money on walking guides, gadgets and gear.

In order to access the current offers and further support the Ramblers, sign into your account on the Ramblers website and go to My Benefits. Offers currently range from train and ferry travel, holidays, clothing and books from selected partners.

Volunteering on the Drumchapel Way

Glasgow City Council Rangers Services and Ramblers Scotland would like to invite you to some volunteer path sessions to start to make improvements to the Drumchapel Way. The first session will be on Sunday 10 May, followed by further sessions on Saturday 23 May, Sat 20 June and Sat 18 July.

If you think you can spare 3 hours in the morning to come and lend a hand, we'd love to have you along. No experience necessary, just a willingness to get involved and help improve the route for the local community. Please contact Jeannie Cranfield at jeannie.cranfield@ramblers.org.uk or 07795 146602. Thank you..



**Drumchapel Way,
Volunteer sessions!**

Sunday 10 May, 10am – 1pm & Saturday 23 May, 10am – 1pm
Join us outdoors for hands-on volunteer sessions to keep the Drumchapel Way looking great!

What we'll do:

- ✂ Cut back vegetation
- 🔧 Improve drainage
- 🧼 Refresh path surfaces
- 🗑 Clear litter.

Why it matters:
This is a beautiful 5-mile route linking Garscadden Woods (Bluebell Woods), Cloddans Burn, and Drumchapel's green spaces — let's keep it in great shape for everyone.

Come lend a hand! No experience needed — just enthusiasm. Let us know if you can join us!

Get in touch:
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Events and dates for your diaries

The next **committee meeting** will be held by zoom on **Thursday 4th June at 7pm.**

Glasgow Ramblers

The best place to find information about Glasgow Ramblers is on our [website](#)

Ramblers Scotland

We open the way for everyone to enjoy the simple pleasures of walking. And we step up to protect access and the places we all love to wander. For more information this is the [link](#) to their website.

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