

Holywell Ramblers – Walks Programme: Nov. 22 – April 2023

Wed 30th Nov Treuddyn circular walk Walk Start 10.00

This walk starts from Treuddyn car park in Queen Street. The walk follows a combination of footpaths and quiet back lanes above Treuddyn and up to the edge of Nercwys forest. There are panoramic views on many parts of this walk and we'll pass one of the few road fords in Northeast Wales.

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| Grade | Easy/Mod | Grid Ref: Not Given. Post C CH7 4LT |
| Length | 7 miles | Ascent: 305 metres. |
| Leader | John H J | Meet Point: Car park in Queen St. |
| Telephone | 01352 770655 | Meet Time: 9.50 |

Sat 3rd Dec Llandrillo southerly circular Walk Start: 10.30

Free Car park in Llandrillo on the right before crossing over the bridge in the village. We head south along Cefn Pen-llety , down to Cadwst then on along tracks westward through woods and moorland. Passing Moel Heulog to Bryn Meredydd then eastward through Coed Ty'n-y-fron and fields back into Llandrillo . Refreshments should be available in the Dudley Arms. No Dogs. I'll be starting from Northop village car park.

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| Grade | Mod/Mountain | Grid Ref: SJ 035 372 |
| Length | 10 miles | Ascent: 1,825ft. |
| Leader | Lawrence | Meet Point: Llandrillo village car park |
| Telephone | 07950 586262 01352 762162 | Meet Time: 8.40(H)/8.55(N). |

Wed 7th Dec Pennant Golf Course & Llwyn Ifor Walk Start: 10.00

Starting form Aberkhan the walk first follows the Coast Path for a short distance. It then crosses the main road and up to Maes Pennant and The Meadows. After crossing the Golf Course, the walk follows a lane to Llwyn Ifor and back to the start. The walk will end in time for lunch. Dogs welcome.

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| Grade | Easy | Grid Ref: SJ 1762 7927 |
| Length | 5 miles | Ascent: Approx. 600 feet. |
| Leader | Ron | Meet Point: Aberkhan. |
| Telephone | 01352 715723 07967 513268 | Meet Time: 9.50. |

Sun 11th Dec Around Coed Cwm: Valleys & Views Walk Start: 10.00

An easy/moderate walk starting from the large layby in Rhualt village near to the Jones 4x4 sign. A pleasant walk with approximately 600 feet of ascent. Easy at first over fields past Plas yn Cwm then a steady climb above Coed Cwm with extensive views in all directions. After a lunch break the return is along the ODP to Rhualt.

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| Grade | Easy/Mod | Grid Ref: SJ 073 751 |
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| Length | 6.5 miles | Ascent: 600 feet. |
| Leader | Stuart | Meet Point: Rhualt village |
| Telephone | 07486 368574 | Meet Times: 9.15(N)/9.30(H) |

Sat 17th Dec Llantysilio Ridge Walk Start 10.00

Park on the open ground opposite the Ponderosa cafe. We walk through fields and moorland to the north of the ridge until we reach the road and turn south. It's then up and along the ridge over the 4 peaks and down to the cars. There are a number of steep ascents and descents, some on loose scree type surface. No Dogs. I'll be at Northop village car park.

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| Grade | Strenuous | Grid Ref: SJ 192 482 |
| Length | 7.8 miles | Ascent 1,780 feet |
| Leader | Lawrence | Meet Point: Ponderosa |
| Telephone | 07950 586262 01352 762162 | Meet Times: 9.00(H)/9.15(N) |

Wed 28th Dec Moel Llys y Coed from Cefn Walk Start: 10.00

After parking tidily on the edge of the road the walk takes us across to Siamber Wen and then to the slopes of Moel Llys y Coed and to the ODP. After following this trail to the Pass we go down Reservoir Valley to the village and back to the start. Dogs welcome.

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| Grade | Mod/Mountain | Grid Ref: SJ 1762 7927 |
| Length | 8 miles | Ascent: 1,260 ft |
| Leader | Ron | Meet Point: Cefn Road, Cilcain. |
| Telephone | 01352 715723 07967 513268 | Meet Time: 9.50 |

Wed 4th Jan Bryn Alyn & Moel Findeg Walk Start: 10.00

Park in the Plymog lay-by on the left just past the Druid Inn, Llanferres. The route heads east from the lay-by and passes along the lower edge of Big Covert wood and Burley Hill quarry. We turn off onto Bryn Alyn and passing Fron Deg, the route heads north alongside Nercwys Mountain and on to Moel Findeg where we should have views. From here we descend to Maeshafn then back to the start via Mount Pleasant. Dogs welcome. I will drive from Caerwys and can car share.

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| Grade | Moderate | Grid Ref: SJ 187 598 |
| Length | 7 miles/11kms | Ascent: 1,080ft/320m |
| Leader | Toni | Meet Point: Northop/Holywell |
| Telephone | 07767 323649 | Meet Time: 9.30(N)/9.30(H) |

Fri 6th Jan Christmas Meal

Sun 8th Jan Halkyn Mountain Walk Start: 10.00

This walk is a ramble on Halkyn Mountain and possibly adjacent land. Please do not park on the pub car park. There is plenty of verge parking on this dead-end land. Dogs welcome.

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| Grade | Moderate | Grid Ref: SJ 1954 7382 |
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| Length | 8 miles | Ascent: 400 feet |
| Leader | Ron | Meet Point: Near Glan yr Afon pub |
| Telephone | 01352 715723 07967 513268 | Meet Time 9.50 |

Sun 15th Jan The hills above Dwygyfylchi Walk Start 10.00

We will follow the North Wales Path to the standing stones and then drop down to Graiglwyd. We then walk to the caravan park to access the panorama walk around Foel Lus before descending to Capelulo and returning to the start.

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| Grade | Moderate | Grid Ref: SH 749 770 |
| Length | 7 miles | Ascent: 2,270 feet |
| Leader | Janet | Meet Points: Hwell/J29/Sychnant Pass |
| Telephone | 01745 890453 07423 829682 | Meet Times: 9.00(H)9.20(J29)/9.50(S Pass) |

Wed 18th Jan Flint to Halkyn Ramble Walk Start: 10.00

Park wherever you want in the retail park – not the leisure centre it's payable – and meet in front of Jolleys Pet Store.

We make our way through the cemetery until we meet Cornist lane, then down to the Nant to pick up Wats Dyke Way through the woods and then up towards Halkyn. Through fields to the old A55 and again on Wats Dyke Way towards Flint. More fields ,through the golf course and the Swinchiard path to the cars. No Dogs.

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| Grade | Easy | Grid Ref: SJ 241 733 |
| Length | 7.5 miles | Ascent: 1,000 feet |
| Leader | Lawrence | Meet Point: Flint Retail car park |
| Telephone | 07950 586262 01352 762162 | Meet Time: 9.50 |

Wed 25th Jan Nercwys and the River Tegid Walk Start: 10.00

An easy 6.5 mile walk starting from the car park adjacent to Nercwys Bowling Pavilion, which is at the lower end of Nercwys village near to the primary school. A fabulous countryside walk over fields with minimal ascent. We cross over the river Tegid at various points as it winds its way down the valley. As with all countryside walks we will encounter quite a few styles along the route. All in good condition.

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| Grade | Easy | Grid Ref: Not given |
| Length | 6.5 miles | Ascent: Minimal. |
| Leader | Stuart | Meet Point: Nercwys. |
| Telephone | 07486 368574 | Meet Times: 9.15(H)/9.30(N) |

Sat 28th Jan Betws-Llyn Elsi Walk Start 10.15

Betws station car park is fee payable. The walk climbs up through the forest to Llyn Elsi. Onward then to Sarn Helen and crossing the Afon Llugwy over the newly rebuilt Miner's Bridge . The path then follows the river through woodland back to the start. Refreshments of all kinds available in Betws. No Dogs. I'll be at Northop.

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| Grade. | Moderate | Grid Ref; SH 795 567 |
| Length | 7 miles | Ascent 300 feet |
| Leader | Lawrence | Meet Point: Betws y Coed station. |
| Telephone | 07950 586262 01352 762162 | Meet Time: 8.45(N)/9.00(H)/9.15(J29) |

Wed 1st Feb Around the Alyn Gorge Walk Start 10.00

The walk starts from the church in the village (please do not park on the pub car park). We then walk towards Moel Fammau and the forest. We follow tracks through the forest and high above the river before dropping down to Tafarn y Gelyn. We walk down to the river which is followed back to the start. Dogs welcome.

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| Grade | Moderate | Grid Ref SJ 1885 6057 |
| Length | 6 miles | Ascent 900 feet. |
| Leader | Ron | Meet Point; Layby at Llanferres church |
| Telephone | 01352 715723 07967 513268 | Meet Time; 9.50 |

Sun 5th Feb The Pentrefoelas Round Walk Start 10.00

This circular walk uses paths, old coaching and drovers routes and quiet lanes through open countryside around Pentrefoelas, with excellent views throughout. The route rises gradually to Bryn Prys at just over 1,000 feet then descends to pass an historical house. It continues through Rhydlydan then meanders north to skirt moorland and then returns to Pentrefoelas where we can finish with a drink at the Riverside Chocolate House. Dogs welcome. I will drive from Caerwys and car share.

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| Grade | Moderate | Grid Ref: SH 872 516 |
| Length | 8 miles/13km | Ascent 1,040ft/320m |
| Leader | Toni | Meet Point: Nthop/Holywell/J29 |
| Telephone | 07767 323649 | Meet Time 8.45(N)/8.45(H)/9.00(J29) |

Wed 15th Feb Anglesey, Traeth circular Walk Start: 10.00

Hopefully this will be the 3rd time lucky for this walk. Meet in the car park NW of Moelfre (fee £2.00 all day). We follow the coastal path to the Pilot Boat Inn and then head inland to Yr Arwydd with its 360 degree views (weather permitting).

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| Grade | Moderate | Grid Ref: SH 495 870 |
| Length | 7 miles | Ascent: 866ft |
| Leader | Janet | Meet Points: Holywell/J29 |
| Telephone | 01745 890453 07423 829682 | Meet Times: 8.30(H)/8.45(J29) |

**Sat 18th Feb Farndon – Aldford Circular Walk
Start 10.00**

Park in the car park near the river which is on the Farndon side of the river near the bridge over the Dee. We then make our way through the town to pick up paths to Churton. More fields and

lanes to Aldford where we turn west to join a path alongside the river which brings us back to the bridge and our cars. Refreshments should be available a short walk from the car park . No dogs. I shall be at Northop village car park.

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| Grade | Easy | Grid Ref: SJ 412 544 |
| Length | 9.25 miles | Ascent 266 feet. |
| Leader | Lawrence | Meet Point: Fardon riverside car park |
| Telephone | 07950 586262 01352 762162 | Meet Times; 8.45(H)/9.00(N) |

Wed 22nd Feb Moel Hebog, Moel Yr Orgof & Moel Lefn Walk Start 10.00

Start point is the Pay & Display Car Park near the school and Welsh Highland Railway station in Beddgelert. From here we will pick up the path which leads up to the summit of Moel Hebog (2,565 ft). A climb of approx.. 2,200 ft, with plenty of stops to get our breath back, then on to Moel Yr Orgof (2,148 ft) and then on to Moel Lefn (2,093 ft). From here we make our way down through the forest back to the car park.

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| Grade | Strenuous | Grid Ref: 588 481. Post C LL55 4UY |
| Length | 7.5 miles | Ascent 2,845 feet. |
| Leader | Mel | Meet Point; Junction 29 on A55 |
| Telephone | 07834 824665 | Meet Time; 8.30 |

Wed 1st March Golden Grove & Y Gop Walk Start 10.00

The walk starts from the ODP car park at Hillside, Prestatyn. (Ffordd Las from the Cross Foxes pub). We follow the Clwydian Way to Golden Grove and Y Gop. The return is via Gwaenysgor and the ODP. Dogs welcome.

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| Grade | Moderate | Grid Ref: SJ 0719 8213 |
| Length | 8 miles | Ascent 1,100 feet |
| Leader | Ron | Meet Point. OD C Park above Prestatyn. |
| Telephone | 07967 513268 01352 715723 | Meet Time 9.50 |

Wed 8th Mar Circuit of the Clwydians Walk Start: 10.00

Starting from the Clwyd Gate we skirt the flanks of Moel Gyw and Moel Llanfair. Over Moel y Plas, loopover Fron-heulog and on to Graigfechan. Return past Sinet and Plas y Nant woods. Scenic throughout with great views. Good paths, tracks and some lanes. Dogs very welcome.

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| Grade | Mod/Mountain | Grid Ref: SJ 164 582 (Clwyd Gate) |
| Length | 11 miles | Ascent: Approx 2,200 feet. |
| Leader | Peter | Meet Points: Holywell/Northop |
| Telephone | 01352 716886 07845 196726 | Meet Time: 9.15(H)/9.30(N) |

Sat 11th Mar Llangwm – Garnedd Fawr circular Walk Start: 10.00

Park in the small car park in the centre of the village. Leaving the village, we follow the Hiraethog Trail for a short distance through Garthmello. After passing Aeddren Isaf we cross the valley to the ridge onto Garnedd Fawr. Then on to Foel Goch, Orddu and Pen y Cerrigserth and down to our cars. No dogs. I'll be at Northop village car park.

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| Grade | Mod/Mountain | Grid Ref: SH 966 446 |
| Length | 7.25 miles | Ascent: 1,700 feet. |
| Leader | Lawrence | Meet Point: Llangwm village. |
| Telephone | 07950 586262 01352 762162 | Meet Times: 8.45(H)/9.00(N) |

Wed 15th Mar Y Garn circular via the Devil's Kitchen Walk Start: 10.00

Meeting point is the small free CP just of the A5 east of Ogwen Cottage (just after the cottage if travelling from Bethesda. If travelling from Capel Curig it's the second CP before the Ogwen Cottage).

From the CP we will make our way along the A5 to Idwal Cottage and pick up the path leading up and through Devil's Kitchen. We will then continue up Y Garn where we will hopefully have fabulous views of the surrounding area. We will continue with our descent along the path adjacent to pinnacle crag and to the northern end of Llyn Idwal. From here we will return to the car park along the outward route.

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| Grade | Strenuous | Grid Ref: 656 602. Post C LL57 3LZ (?) |
| Length | 5.8 miles | Ascent: 2,146 feet. |
| Leader | Mel | Meet Point: J29 on A55 |
| Telephone | 07834 824665 | Meet Time: 8.45 |

Mon 20th/Fri 24th Mar Club Holiday to Exmouth

Sat 1st April Annual General Meeting

Wed 5th April Gweryd Lakes from Llandegla Walk Start: 09.45

Starting from the village car park the walk follows the ODP to the Gweryd Lakes. From here we cross over towards the village of Llanamon where we pick up the Clwydian Way which is followed back to the start. Refreshments are available at the excellent Community Shop and café. Dogs welcome.

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| Grade | Moderate | Grid Ref: SJ 1954 7382 |
| Length | 8.5 miles | Ascent: 1,100 feet |
| Leader | Ron | Meet Point: Village Car Park |
| Telephone | 01352 715723 07967 513268 | Meet Time. 9.00(Hwell)/9.15(Nthop) |

Sat 8th April To Faraway & Beyond Walk Start: 10.00

Park on the open ground opposite the Ponderosa cafe. Crossing the road we follow a track until we cross moorland which can sometimes be boggy. Passing Faraway we follow the Clwydian Way to Hafod Bilston where we then join Offa's Dyke path to World's End. Along

the road before making our way over fields and moorland back to the Ponderosa. No dogs. I'll be at Northop village car park.

Grade Mod/Mountain
Length 10 miles
Leader Lawrence
Telephone 07950 586262
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Grid Ref: SJ 192 482
Ascent: 2,175 feet.
Meet Point: Ponderosa
Meet Time: 9.00(H)/9.15(N)