

## THE SOMERSET WALKING CLUB

### PROGRAMME: MAY TO AUGUST 2017

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Distances given are approximate. Leaders have discretion to vary routes according to conditions on the day. Picnic lunches should be carried on full day walks and water on all walks.

Times shown as CS are those of meeting at **CASTLE STREET** car park in Taunton for car sharing. They are shown for Sundays only; on other days parking charges apply and members should make alternative car sharing arrangements beforehand. The cost of car sharing is based on **25p** per mile between all occupants of the car. Parking fees at the start of a walk should also be shared.

**DOGS ON WALKS: Please note that dogs may not be brought on walks unless the owner/member has contacted the walk leader and obtained permission PRIOR to the walk.**

**OFFERS OF WALKS for the next programme are always needed: Please send details to the Programme Secretary by 9<sup>th</sup> July 2017, either by e-mail ([cherryebird@gmail.com](mailto:cherryebird@gmail.com)) or posting the attached slip.**

Sunday 30 April 1030	HADDON HILL, HADDEO VALLEY AND WIMBLEBALL LAKE. Leader Woody (07775 851515). Meet at Haddon Hill CP (GR.969285), off sharp bend on B3190, signs obscured, look for small gate house lodge. 9 miles with sweeping panorama and ancient tracks, returning along lakeside and over Haddon Hill. Option of a shorter route (6 ½ miles). CS 0930.
Monday 1 May 1000	ONE MINSTER, TWO MANSIONS AND SIX CHURCHES. Leader Margaret Palmer (01823 337570) Meet at Shudrick Lane CP off Ditton St, Ilminster (GR.362145). 11 miles undulating.
Sunday 7 May 1400	A CLIMB UP WITHYCOMBE COMMON. Leaders Colin & Heather Flood (01823 288588). Meet at Luxborough Village Hall CP (GR.984377). 5½ miles, hilly (~ 800 feet of ascent). CS 1315.
Sunday 14 May 1030	HILLS AND VALLEYS AROUND WHEDDON CROSS. Leader Hester (01823 401476). Meet in the Market Place CP, Wheddon Cross (GR.924388). 9 miles, hilly. CS 0940.
Sunday 21 May 1400	A TRULL CIRCULAR. Leader Sheree (01823 322481). Meet at Trull Memorial Hall CP (GR.215222). 5 miles, fields, paths and lanes. Fairly flat and leisurely paced. CS 1345.
Sunday 28 May 1030	EXFORD TO WINSFORD RETURNING ALONG RIVER EXE. Leader Woody (01643 841668 07775 851515). Meet at Exford village CP (GR.854384). 10 miles with some steep ascents and glorious views. Option of shortening to 5 miles by leaving a car at Winsford. Contact Woody for details. CS 0930.
Monday 29 May 1030	FOLLOWING ANCIENT DROVES AND A SECTION OF COAST PATH. Leader Kim Andrew (01823 251932). Meet at Stogursey church (GR.205429). 9 miles, fairly flat.
Sunday 4 June 1030	NO CRABS IN THE CRAB HOLE! A walk via Cross, Compton Bishop, Loxton and Crook Peak. Leader Syd Jones (01278 722741). Meet in NT CP, Shute Shelve (GR.422560). Approx. 9 miles, mostly moorland and field paths, perhaps a little mud ... just one hill. CS 0930.

Sunday 11 June 1400	CANAL AND MOOR. Leader Margaret Palmer (01823 337570). Meet at Maunsel Lock CP (GR.307298). 7 miles (with 5 mile option), level. CS 1330.
Sunday 18 June 1030	ALLERFORD VIA NORTH HILL RIDGE AND BRATTON. Leader Woody (01643 841668). Meet at Allerford Village Hall CP (through Allerford past blacksmith and post office, hall on left on Hare Park). Donation £1, GR.905469. 8 miles, tea afterwards in village hall. CS 0920.
Wednesday 21 Jun 1930	SUMMER SOLSTICE SUNSET. Leader Margaret Palmer (01823 337570). Meet at Crowcombe village hall CP (GR.140366). 5 ¼ miles, one climb. Bring torch, optional pub drink afterwards. CS 1900.
Sunday 25 June 1400	ANGERSLEIGH, BLAGDON, PITMINSTER. Leader Evan Lewis (01278 451388). Meet at Sellick Green sports field CP (GR.211192). 5 ½ miles. Moderate, some hills. CS 1340.
Saturday 1 July 1000	TWO MOORS WAY Section 1: LINEAR WALK FROM IVYBRIDGE TO HOLNE. Leaders Cherry & John (01984 641052). Meet at Holne village CP (GR.706695). 13 ½ miles, hilly.
Sunday 2 July 1000	TWO MOORS WAY Section 2: LINEAR WALK FROM HOLNE TO BENNET'S CROSS. Leaders Cherry & John (01984641052) Meet at Bennet's Cross roadside CP (GR.680816) about half a mile east of Warren House Inn. 10 miles, hilly. <b>Contact leaders by Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June re car shuttle. See newsletter for details.</b>
Sunday 9 July 1000	WRANTAGE, HATCH BEAUCHAMP AND REMAINS OF CHARD CANAL. Leader Sheree (01823 322481) Meet at layby on bend entering Wrantage (GR.306224). Up to 5 miles. One slope that might be slippery (handrail). Leisurely paced. CS 0930.
Sunday 16 July 1030	EASTERN BLACKDOWNS. Leader Michael Benison (01823 274827). Meet at Castle Neroche CP (GR.273157). 7 ½ miles, fairly hilly. CS 1000.
Sunday 23 July 1030	GREENWAY KILVE COAST. Leader Jan Rance (01984 632648). Meet by the pond in East Quantoxhead (honesty box for CP) GR.136435. 7 ½ miles, moderate. CS 0945.
Sunday 30 July 1400	MONKSILVER, CHIDGEY AND NETTLECOMBE COURT. Leader Michael Benison (01823 274827). Meet at Monksilver village hall CP (GR.075375). 5 miles, hilly. CS 1315.
Sunday 6 August 1030	WITHYPOOL TO TARR STEPS AND RETURN. Leader Hester (01823 401476). Meet at Withypool CP (GR.844354). 9 ½ miles with some hills. CS 0930.
Sunday 13 August 1030	COMBE ST NICHOLAS, WHITESTAUNTON, THE BEETHAMS. Leader Brian Barton (01823 480803). Meet at Combe St Nicholas (GR.302112). 7 miles undulating, fine views. CS 0950.
Sunday 20 August 1030	THE CHAINS: BOGGY UPLANDS OF EXMOOR. Leaders Cherry & John (01984 641052). Meet at Goat Hill bridge roadside parking area (GR.724405). 11 miles, hilly. CS 0910.
Sunday 27 August 1030	STONEBARROW HILL, GOLDEN CAP, EYPE DOWN. Leaders Cherry & John (01984 641052). Meet at Stonebarrow hill NT CP, near Charmouth (GR.381933). 10 ½ miles, hilly. CS 0920.
Monday 28 August 1400	TOWN AND COUNTRY: BISHOPS HULL, NORTON HILLFORT AND BACK VIA STAPLEGROVE AND THE WEST DEANE WAY. Leader Brenda Prentice (01823 254887). Meet at Silk Mills Park and Ride CP (GR.208256) - turn <b>left before the barrier</b> on to the service road, park at the end. 6 miles with some road walking.

**The Somerset Walking Club Constitution Item 16:** Neither the Club nor any individual member thereof shall be held responsible for any loss or injury sustained by a member or guest arising from participation in Club activities.