# Wrexham Walking Festival June 2023

9 days of FREE walks exploring the beauty and history of NE Wales Saturday 3rd June - Sunday 11th June

# ALL OUR WALKS ARE FREE OF CHARGE AND THERE IS NO NEED TO BOOK – JUST COME ALONG AND ENJOY!

## **Saturday 3rd June**

### Walk 1

10.2 miles (16.4 km), 600 m (1970 ft) of ascent

(Hard)

A 5.5 hour circular walk from <u>Glyndyfrdwy</u> climbing past the disused slate mines to Moel Fferna then via the North Berwyn Way and Ceiriog Forest before descending below Vivod Mountain to the start. Meet at 9.45 for a 10.00 start in the large lay-by on the right of the A5, 5 miles west of Llangollen and just before entering Glyndyfrdwy (LL21 9HT Grid Ref SJ 154426 ///roofer.shadow.spearhead). No dogs please. Andy, Bill and Roz leading.

#### Walk 2

5-6 miles (8-10 km), 120 m (390 ft) of ascent

(Moderate)

A 3-3.5 hour circular walk from <u>Brymbo</u> along footpaths and roads, through woods, fields and local villages enjoying beautiful views. Meet at 9.45 for a 10.00 start in the car park at the Enterprise Centre, Blast Road, Brymbo (LL11 5BT Grid Ref SJ 294537 ///spilled.completed.quietest). No dogs please. Pat W and John I leading.

# **Sunday 4th June**

#### Walk 1

8.5 miles (14 km), 450 m (1480 ft) of ascent

(Hard)

A 4 hour circular walk from <u>Corwen</u> up to Liberty Hall via the Cynwyd waterfall. Meet at 9.15 for a 9.30 start in the (Pay and Display) car park on Green Lane in the centre of Corwen (LL21 ODN Grid Ref SJ 081435 ///streaks.limelight.fillers). No dogs please. Osian, Dermot and Roz leading.

#### Walk 2 (Afternoon Walk)

5 miles (8 km), 180 m (600 ft) of ascent

(Moderate)

A 2-3 hour circular walk with some steep inclines and steps from <u>Coedpoeth</u> to Minera Lead Mines and Minera Quarry with the option of stopping at the Tyn-Y-Capel Inn for a drink on the way back. Meet at 13.45 for a 14.00 start in the public car park off the High Street opposite Rowlands Pharmacy (LL11 7RY Grid Ref SJ 284512 ///essays.incensed.reclined). Pat M and Rachel leading.

#### Walk 3 (Evening Walk)

2 miles (3.5 km) (Easy)

A short, mainly flat 2 hour circular stroll round <u>Wrexham</u> to take in the history of the city based on a new guide: 'Wrexham Revealed: A Walking Tour with Tales of the City's History' by David Ebsworth. Meet at 18.15 for an 18.30 start in Wrexham Museum Courtyard, Regent Street (LL11 1RB Grid Ref SJ 332505 ///custom.avoid.moon). Roz, John I and Jenny C leading.

# **Monday 5th June**

#### Walk 1

7 miles (11.5 km), 495 m (1620 ft) of ascent

(Hard)

A 3.5 hour circular walk up both sides of the Ceiriog valley from <u>Llwynmawr</u> (between Pontfadog and Glyn Ceiriog). Meet at 9.15 for a 9.30 start in the car park off Maes y Wern in the centre of the village (LL20 7BB Grid Ref SJ 222371 ///attitudes.flaunting.kennels). No dogs please. Bill, Claudine and Roy leading.

#### Walk 2 (Evening Walk)

5 miles (8 km), 190m (620 ft) of ascent

(Moderate)

A 3 hour circular walk with some steps and inclines from the <u>Moss Valley near Gwersyllt</u>, towards Cymau and Hope Mountain. Meet at 17.45 for an 18.00 start in the car park by the playground on Poolmouth Road (LL11 6HT Grid Ref SJ 312523 ///topic.afford.strict). No dogs please. John I and Pat W leading.

# **Tuesday 6th June**

#### Walk 1

8.5 miles (14 km), 370 m (1220 ft) of ascent

(Hard)

A 4.5 hour <u>linear</u> walk from <u>Llandegla</u> to Ruthin along Offa's Dyke Path via Moel y Plas and the Clwyd Gate <u>using public transport</u>. Meet at 8.35 in King Street bus station in Wrexham to catch the 8.50 Denbigh bus. No dogs please. Osian, Dermot and Alwyn leading.

#### Walk 2

5 miles (8 km), 200m (650 ft) of ascent

(Moderate)

A 3 hour walk with some inclines starting from <u>Minera Quarry</u> and going towards Llandegla for coffee in the Bike Centre then along the Black Grouse trail, over the moors and back through the Quarry. Meet at 9.45 for a 10.00 start in the quarry car park (LL11 3DE Grid Ref SJ 258520 ///shunted.typically.toolbar). No dogs please. John I and Pat W leading.

#### Walk 3 (Afternoon Walk)

3 miles (4.8 km), 50 m (165 ft) of ascent

(Easy)

A 2 hour circular walk suitable for wheelchairs, mobility scooters and children's buggies around the <u>Wenffrwd Nature Reserve</u> off the A539 outside <u>Llangollen</u> then along the old railway track towards the town and returning on the canal towpath. Meet at 12.45 for a 13.00 start in the Nature Reserve Car Park (LL20 7UH Grid Ref SJ 233425 ///spirits.angry.bleaching). Denbighshire Countryside Rangers and Hazel leading.

# Wednesday 7th June

#### Walk 1

6 miles (10 km), 400 m (1320 ft) of ascent

(Hard)

A 3 hour circular walk from <u>Llanarmon Dyffryn Ceiriog</u> via the Ceiriog Trail with the option of lunch afterwards. Meet at 9.15 for a 9.30 start in the centre of the village (LL20 7LD Grid Ref SJ 157328 ///camps.mows.enacts). No dogs please. Bill, Jenny C and Lesley leading.

#### Walk 2 (Evening Walk)

5 miles (8 km), 150 m (500 ft) of ascent

(Moderate)

A 2.5 hour circular walk from <u>Chirk</u> eastwards towards Glynmorlas then returning on the Maelor Way and over the Chirk Aqueduct. Meet at 17.45 for an 18.00 start in the car park by the Health Centre behind The Hand Hotel off the B5070 (Church Street) in Chirk (LL14 5DH Grid Ref SJ 291378 ///candidate.verge.amps). No dogs please. Claudine and Hazel leading.

# **Thursday 8th June**

#### Walk 1

6 miles (10 km), 465 m (1520 ft) of ascent

(Hard)

A 3.5 hour walk from **Glyn Ceiriog**. Meet at 9.15 for a 9.30 start in the car park at the Ceiriog Centre which is on the right as you enter the village on the B4500 (New Road) (LL20 7HE Grid Ref SJ 204379 ///mergers.alpha.rooms). No dogs please. Marian, Jan and Lesley leading.

#### Walk 2

4 miles (6.5 km), 65 m (215 ft) of ascent

(Easier)

A 2.5 hour circular walk from <u>Hope</u> with the option of refreshments afterwards. Meet at 10.15 for a 10.30 start in the free car park opposite the new Family Health Centre on Hawarden Road (A550) in Hope (LL12 9NP Grid Ref SJ 309578 ///exclusive.this.gardens). No dogs please. Hazel and Alwyn leading.

# Friday 9th June

#### Walk 1

9 miles (14.5 km), 565 m (1850 ft) of ascent

(Hard)

A 5 hour circular walk from near <u>Llanferres</u> via Big Covert Wood, Maeshafn and Clwyd Forest to Bwlch Penbarras returning along Offa's Dyke path and over fields to Plymog. Meet at 9.45 for a 10.00 start in the large lay-by on the A494 about 0.5 miles south of Llanferres (CH7 5ST Grid Ref SJ 187597 ///hillsides.encrusted.blackbird). No dogs please. Andy, Claudine and Dennis leading.

#### Walk 2 (Afternoon Walk)

4 miles (6.5 km) (Easier)

A 2 hour walk in and around <u>Erddig Country Park, Wrexham</u>. Meet at 13.15 for a 13.30 start in the large car park opposite Booker Wholesale at Felin Puleston on Ruabon Road, Wrexham (LL13 7RF Grid Ref SJ 325494 ///explain.pinks.lawfully). Jenny R and Lesley leading.

#### Walk 3 (Evening walk)

4.8 miles (7.6 km), 425 m (1400 ft) of ascent

(Hard)

A 2.5 hour circular evening walk from the centre of <u>Llangollen</u> via the North Berwyn Way. Meet at 17.45 for an 18.00 start by the bridge opposite The Bridge End Hotel (LL20 8RY Grid Ref SJ 215422 ///searcher.perused.spindles). No dogs please. Roy and Bill leading.

# **Saturday 10th June**

#### Walk 1

6 miles (10 km), 550 m (1800 ft) of ascent

(Hard)

A 3.5 hour circular walk from <u>Bwlch Penbarras</u> (near Mold), ascending Moel Famau then turning west towards Tyddyn Norbury, south through Fron Bellaf to Coed Ceunant and back to the start. Meet at 9.45 for a 10.00 start in the top (Pay and Display) car park for Moel Famau at Bwlch Penbarras (CH7 5SH Grid Ref SJ 161606 ///pianist.also.pens). No dogs please. Chris and Dennis leading.

#### Walk 2

7.5 miles (12 km), 50 m (165 ft) of ascent

(Moderate)

A 4 hour flattish circular walk from <u>Holt</u> to Ridleywood by the River Dee, across meadows and along country lanes with magnificent views of the hills to the west. Meet at 10.15 for a 10.30 start in the free car park on Cross Street off the B5102 in Holt (LL13 9JZ Grid Ref SJ 410540 ///abolish.including.kinks). No dogs please. Dermot and Pat W leading.

#### Walk 3 (Evening Walk)

6 miles (10 km), 260 m (850 ft) of ascent

(Moderate)

A 3.5 hour circular walk from <u>Loggerheads, near Mold</u> towards Cilcain along roads, tracks and footpaths, across fields and returning along the Leete path by the River Alyn. Meet at 16.45 for a 17.00 start in the (Pay and Display) car park at Loggerheads Country Park (CH7 5LH Grid Ref SJ 198626 ///stolen.lamp.drivers). No dogs please. Hazel and Claudine leading.

# **Sunday 11th June**

#### Walk 1

6 miles (10 km), 470 m (1550 ft) of ascent

(Hard)

A 3 hour circular walk from the Ponderosa cafe at the top of the <u>Horseshoe Pass</u> on the Clwydian Way down to Eglwyseg. Meet at 9.15 for a 9.30 start opposite the café (LL20 8DR Grid Ref SJ 192481 ///regulates.panic.drifters). No dogs please. Osian and Dennis leading.

#### Walk 2 (Evening Walk)

5 miles (8 km), 85 m (280 ft) of ascent

(Easier)

A circular walk over the fields around <u>Overton</u> village on part of the Maelor Way and returning through Lightwood Green. Meet at 16.45 for a 17.00 start in the car park on Church Road (B5069) in Overton (LL13 0EN Grid Ref SJ 373418 ///sunbeam.grape.polices). There will probably be cows in some fields so no dogs please. Hazel and Jenny R leading.

The distances and timings for the walks are approximate. Leaders may need to amend walks to take account of the size of the group, weather or other changed circumstances.

All the walks are graded.

- Harder walks are at least 6 miles in length, will cross rough ground, go over stiles and often include many inclines (some steep) so require walkers to have a good level of fitness.
- Moderate walks are shorter, may cross rough ground, will include some inclines and may go over stiles.

All the walks will be led by trained volunteer walk leaders.

Walkers will need to wear suitable boots and clothing and should bring food and drinks for the longer walks.

As many of the routes will cross fields containing sheep or other grazing livestock, dogs are not permitted on the walks.

For updates, latest information and more details of start locations as well as information about our regular programme of walks, visit our website <a href="www.walksinwrexham.com">www.walksinwrexham.com</a> or email us on <a href="www.walksinwrexham@outlook.com">walkaboutwrexham@outlook.com</a>.

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