



**Cymdeithas Parc Bannau Brycheiniog
Brecon Beacons Park Society**

www.breconbeaconsparkociety.org

GUIDED WALKS AND EVENTS SPRING 2019 (March-May)

Most of these walks go into the hills. **Participants are reminded that the following gear must be taken.** Walking boots, rucksack, hats, gloves, warm clothing (not jeans), spare fleece, water and a hot drink, lunch, extra food and of course waterproof jackets and trousers. A whistle and a head torch (with spare batteries) should be carried, particularly during the winter months, and a hi-visibility garment would be very useful in case of poor visibility.

Participants must satisfy themselves that the walk is suitable for their abilities. You can take advice by ringing the walk leader whose telephone number is given. No liability will be accepted for loss or injury that occurs because of taking part. **An adult must accompany young people (under 18).**

MOST OF THESE WALKS ARE FOR EXPERIENCED WALKERS - IF YOU'RE NOT SURE OF YOUR ABILITY WHY NOT START OFF WITH A MODERATE WALK TO FIND OUT?

Please check the guided walks programme on the website for planned cancellations and changes to walks. Leaders may change or cancel the advertised route at their discretion due to adverse weather conditions or other problems on the day. **You are strongly advised to check the Mountain weather forecast for the Brecon Beacons National Park before setting out for walks, on the Met Office website: www.metoffice.gov.uk.** Finish times are approximate.

Strenuous walks require fitness and stamina to cope with several steep climbs and/or cover a good distance at a steady pace.

Energetic walks generally involve two steep climbs but they will still require determined application. **Moderate** walks will seldom have steep climbs but if they do the climb will be taken at a relaxed pace.

Dogs (well controlled) are permitted unless stated otherwise in the programme. It should be noted that under the CROW Act, when taking dogs onto Open Access land they **must** be on a fixed lead, no more than two metres long, whenever livestock are near, and at ALL TIMES from 1st March to 31st July.

Non-members of the Park Society will be asked to make a donation of **£5.00** each per walk. Half price for the under 16's, the unemployed and students.

**Walks Enquiries to:
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Snippets Spring 2019

Brecon Beacons Park Society Annual General Meeting.

This will be held at Brecon Theatre on Saturday June 8th 2019.

Put this date in your diary. Papers will be sent out to all members as well as a booking form.

NB. Walkers - Please take care - some of the car park maps are completely wrong- check using grid references or ring the leader.

Keep an eye on the website If there is not a walk scheduled on any date a leader may come forward.

In case you have missed out - we are now running a booking system for our talks in the Bear in Crickhowell due to lots of people wanting to attend. They are still free to members but you need to book. Details are sent out to members prior to any of our talks.

Footpath Volunteers

BBPS have a group of volunteers who go out with the National Park to repair footpaths and help with conservation. If you may be interested contact ros.grant16@gmail.com

The Wednesday Wander Holiday for 2019 has been organised to go to Barmouth, Gwynedd.

The dates are from Tuesday 19 March to Thursday 21 March 2019, a two night break away.

Accommodation is the Min Y Môr Hotel in Barmouth. As in past years, rooms need to be booked in advance and a deposit taken.

There are 3 walks planned and everyone is welcome to join any of the walks, even if not staying at the Min Y Môr Hotel.

Contact Fiona McBain on 07979037243.

Get Lost & Get Lost Again

For these navigation courses see back page of your programme.

Walk Leaders Wanted

We are always looking for experienced walkers to lead walks for us. You choose the date and walk. Support and First Aid course given (free) Contact Iau Counsell for a chat (07976697495)

Walking Festivals for your diary. Don't forget to book.

Crickhowell. 9 - 17 March. www.crickhowellfestival.com

Kington. 12 - 14 April and 19 - 22 September. www.kingtonwalks.org

Talgarth. 3 - 6 May. www.talgarthwalkingfestival.org

Chepstow. 24 - 28 April. www.walksinchestow.co.uk

Hay-on-Wye. 10 - 13 October. www.haywalkingfestival.com

Monks Trod for your diary- details later. Linear with minibus.

Sunday June 9th - part 2 - Pont ar Elan to Abbey-Cwm -Hir .

Saturday August 31st - part 1 - Strata Florida - Pont ar Elan

Sunday September 1st - part 2

Above 2 are part of the Elan Valley walking festival.

Saturday July 13 th - Wye to Elan circular

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MARCH 2019

Title: Dydd Gwyl Dewi (St David's Day) Wander to Llewelyn's Cave		
Date & Time	Fri 01/03/19 10:00-15:00	Location: Elwood Craft Centre Grid Ref/Map SO 088439 / Explorer 188
Level	Moderate	A walk along the Wye, around some rocks to the Cave. Visit a church and then back.
Dist.	13.5km 9m	
Ascent	0	
Leader	Wally James	07967016917

Title: Buckland and More		
Date & Time	Sun 03/03/19 10:00-15:30	Location: Layby with toilets on A40 between Bwlch and Talybont turning. Grid Ref/Map SO 129 227 / OL 13
Level	Energetic	Over Buckland hill then on to Mynydd Llangors. Visit the hidden castle then back over Allt yr Esgair.
Dist.	16 km. 10 miles	
Ascent	0	
Leader	Anthea James	07967886497

Title: Talgarth, Llanelieu, Pwll-y-Wrach		
Date & Time	Wed 06/03/19 10:00-14:30	Location: Talgarth main Car Park Grid Ref/Map SO 152 336 / OL13
Level	Moderate	A Classic circuit to the east of Talgarth with a visit to the historic Llanelieu church. A beautiful mix of woods, fields and a nature reserve. Some climbing taken slowly.
Dist.	13km, 8m	
Ascent	500m	
Leader	Iau Counsell	07976697495

Title: Iron Mountain Trail		
Date & Time	Fri 08/03/19 10:00-16:00	Location: Car park @ Keeper's Pond SO254107 Grid Ref/Map SO254107 / OL13
Level	Energetic	Circular walk of major sites of Blaenafon Industrial Landscape World Heritage Sites across open mountain and rocky areas.
Dist.	19.5Km, 12m	
Ascent	200m, 600ft	
Leader	Phil O'Shea/Stuart Campbell	07912943881

Title: Craig Y Rhiwarth		
Date & Time	Sat 09/03/19 10:30-15:30	Location: Lay-by south of Castle Grid Ref/Map SN 840 152 / OL 12
Level	Moderate	A Walk through Craig y Nos country park with a steady climb up onto the nature reserve and around Penwyllt.
Dist.	12km/8mils	
Ascent	450m	
Leader	Paula Ace	07484137031

Title: Pen-y-Fan ...The North Side!		
Date & Time	Sun 10/03/19 10:00-15:30	Location: Lower Car Park below Allt Ddu. Grid Ref/Map SO 024248 / OL12
Level	Energetic	Ascend under Twyn Cil-rhew to Cefn Cwm Lluch then a sharp ascent onto the north face of Pen-y-Fan. Coffee. A quick down and up to Corn Du before dropping down over Craig Cwm Lluch. Lunch then return via Cwm Lluch and Three Rivers Ride.
Dist.	13km / 8miles	
Ascent	600m / 1900 ft	
Leader	Nick Trew	07568396555

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Title: Over the moors of Mynydd Llangors		
Date & Time	Wed 13/03/19 10:00-15:00	Location: Car park at Cwmdu village hall (£1 per car) off A479 just north of the village Grid Ref/Map SO 180239 / OL13
Level Dist. Ascent	Moderate 11km 7m 330m 1100ft	We cross the valley fields and then climb gently on to the open moorland of Cefn Moel, Mynydd Llangors and Pen Tir before dropping quite steeply back to Cwmdu.
Leader	Roger White	01873811539

Title: A Walk in the Upper Grwyne Fawr		
Date & Time	Fri 15/03/19 10:00-15:00	Location: Cadwgan car park SO 267 251 Grid Ref/Map SO 267 251 / OL 13
Level Dist. Ascent	Energetic 14.5km 9m 2000 ft	Walking south from the car park with a gentle rise into forest, contouring along the valley with good views before visiting Partrishow church and then descend to the valley. Back up following the Beacons Way to Y Gaer then along the open hill back to the car park.
Leader	Ian Rowat	07794939944

Title: Exploring the Sugar Loaf		
Date & Time	Sun 17/03/19 10:00-15:30	Location: Upper wide end of Chapel Road, Abergavenny Grid Ref/Map SO291152 / OL13
Level Dist. Ascent	Moderate 16km 10m 1800 feet	Exploring some of the many paths round the Sugar Loaf with a picnic lunch on the summit.
Leader	Peter Robbins	07443119004

Title: Sea, Sand and Barmouth		
Date & Time	Wed 20/03/19 10:00-15:00	Location: Outside the Min Y Môr Hotel in Barmouth Grid Ref/Map SH 598180 / OS Explorer OL18
Level Dist. Ascent	Moderate 11km (7 miles) 0	Using lanes and tracks this walk explores Barmouth, Barmouth Bridge and The Mawddach Estuary.
Leader	Fiona McBain	07979037243

Title: Llyndwr Fawr and Cwm Ogwr		
Date & Time	Fri 22/03/19 09:30-16:00	Location: car park of sports field. Fom Blackmill on A4061, turn sharp left just under a mile after the fire station. The sign announcing Nant-Y-Moel is just before you turn left Grid Ref/Map SS935916 / OS Explorer 166
Level Dist. Ascent	Strenuous 19km 12m 0	The walk climbs from Cwm Ogwr on to the long ridge of Mynydd Llangeinwyr, crosses the head of the Garw valley to Llyndwr Fawr, drops in to the Garw at Pontycymer, before climbing out of the valley and returning to Cwm Ogwr.
Leader	Arny williams	07976483329

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Title: Brecon Mountain Centre ,Storey Arms circuit		
Date & Time	Sat 23/03/19 09:30-16:30	Location: Brecon Mountain Centre car park Grid Ref/Map SN978262 / OL 12
Level	Strenuous	Mountain Centre to Fan Frynych ,Sam Helen then to Storey Arms and return via Twyn Dylluan Ddu.Route depends on weather.
Dist.	13miles 22km	
Ascent	680m	
Leader	Ken Evans	01554820691

Title: Carreg Cennen Roundabout		
Date & Time	Sun 24/03/19 10:00-16:00	Location: Carreg Cennen Castle GR SN666193 Grid Ref/Map GR SN666193 / OL12
Level	Moderate	Through farmland up on to the Western Edge of the Black Mountain, and the Tair Carn Uchaf and Tair Carn Isaf with stunning views, weather permitting. (There is a poor weather alternative.) Return to the tea rooms at the Castle.
Dist.	11km (7 miles)	
Ascent	0	
Leader	Angela Morgan	07801915707

Title: Longtown, Clodock and exploring a green lane		
Date & Time	Wed 27/03/19 10:00-15:00	Location: Longtown village hall Grid Ref/Map SO324287 / OL 13
Level	Moderate	From Longtown, down the Monnow valley to Clodock, a climb at Wednesday Wander pace towards Hatterall hill (but not to the top), along a green lane and back down to Longtown castle.
Dist.	13kn 8 miles	
Ascent	300m 930ft	
Leader	Ian Stead	07833137096

Title: Ironworks, Bridges & Nature Reserves - Cyfarthfa, Vaynor & Cefn Cil-Sanws		
Date & Time	Fri 29/03/19 10:00-15:30	Location: Lower car park at Cyfarthfa Castle (adjacent perimeter wall/fence at the entrance on Brecon Road) Grid Ref/Map SO040071 / OL12
Level	Moderate	Passing significant sites of the Industrial Revolution en route to upland river valley, hill farms and moorland. Part of the route is on open mountain, and parts can be boggy at times.
Dist.	14.5km (9 miles)	
Ascent	620m (2,000 ft)	
Leader	Ceri Jones	00000000000

Title: Cairns, Craggs, a Cave, and a Chair.		
Date & Time	Sat 30/03/19 10:00-16:30	Location: Garwnant Forest Centre (car park charge) Grid Ref/Map SO 003131 / OL12
Level	Energetic	Our first main objective is Cadair Fawr after which we cross Cefn Cadlan to descend to a minor road near Wernlas. We cross the sometimes tricky Nant Cadlan, ascend Mynydd-y-glog, visit Ogof Fawr and return through forestry to join the Taff Trail back to the start. Much of the walk is over rough, and sometimes boggy, moorland.
Dist.	17km (10.5 miles)	
Ascent	400m (1320ft)	
Leader	Chris Playford	00000000000

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Title: Llanbedr Horseshoe		
Date & Time	Sun 31/03/19 09:00-18:00	Location: Park considerably within the village and meet outside the village church of St Peter's Grid Ref/Map SO 239 203 / OL13
Level Dist. Ascent	Strenuous 27km 17m 1066m 3500ft	The Classic Black Mountains Ridge Walk.
Leader	William Milne	07528701952

APRIL 2019

Title: Groesffordd, Canal, River, Slwch Tump, Llechfaen and back to 3 Horseshoes		
Date & Time	Wed 03/04/19 10:00-14:30	Location: Bus shelter, Groesffordd, Brecon Grid Ref/Map SO 076 279 / OL 12
Level Dist. Ascent	Moderate 13 kilometres, 8 miles 150m (max summit 300m) 500 ft	Meet Groesffordd, walk to Canal then along River into Brecon climb Slwch Tump and make way to Llechfaen and back down to 3 Horseshoes. Some country lanes and green lanes.
Leader	nic groombridge	07711604142

Title: ILLUSTRATED TALK: Cambrian Way, The Mountain Connoisseur's Walk		
Date & Time	Wed 03/04/19 19:30-21:00	Location: The Manor Hotel, Crickhowell Grid Ref/Map 0 / 0
Level Dist. Ascent	#N/A 0	From Cardiff to Conway, the Cambrian Way provides a route of beauty and challenge for the walker, traversing the highest and wildest parts of Wales. In his talk, Richard Tyler, Chair of the Cambrian Way Trust will give a history of the development of the 290 miles of the Cambrian Way and share his experiences of this iconic walk.
Leader	Janet Callear	00000000000

Title: Classic Central Beacons Circuit		
Date & Time	Fri 05/04/19 10:00-17:00	Location: Lay-by on South East edge of Pencelli village. Grid Ref/Map SO 094247 / OL 12
Level Dist. Ascent	Energetic 19km - 12m. 800m - 2600ft.	A terrific hill walk in the stunning surroundings of the remote Central Beacons. We gradually climb out of Pencelli, to navigate the summits of Bryn, Waun Rydd & Carn Pica. The return leg is via Twyn Du, Aber and the scenic Usk Valley Walk.
Leader	Stuart & Phil	07858627950

Title: Hay Bluff, Capel-y-Ffin and Twmpa circuit.		
Date & Time	Sat 06/04/19 10:00-16:00	Location: Car Park below Hay Bluff. Grid Ref/Map SO 239373 / OL13
Level Dist. Ascent	Energetic 17km / 10.5 miles 600m / 1900ft	A steep ascent onto Hay Bluff before south on Offas Dyke Path. Views over the Olchon Valley. We take a steep descent to Vision Farm then along to the church and the river at Capel-y-Ffin for a lunch stop. We take an easy ascent north through Nant Bwch valley then east over Twmpa and a steep drop off Hay Bluff to car park.
Leader	Nick Trew	07568396555

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Title: Llanfrynach Horseshoe		
Date & Time	Sun 07/04/19 10:00-15:30	Location: Llanfrynach Village in street by toilets opposite Church Grid Ref/Map SO075257 / OL12 or 160
Level Dist. Ascent	Moderate 17km 10.5 miles 0	Ascent through moorland then along the ridge to Fan y Big with wonderful views of Cribyn, Pen y Fan and Corn Du then returning via the Three Rivers Ride. Lower level if gales. Well behaved dogs only by prior arrangement with the leader, and it is a legal requirement that dogs are on short leads around livestock.
Leader	Peter Robbins	07443119004

Title: Tintern's Contrasting History		
Date & Time	Wed 10/04/19 10:30-15:00	Location: Tintern Abbey car park Grid Ref/Map SO 532001 / OL14
Level Dist. Ascent	Moderate 10km (6.5miles) 0	An abbey, a ruined church and an isolated church, fields, woodland, riverbank, and an industrial past - and a choice of venues for refreshment at the finish (Car park charge is refundable in pub or tea room).
Leader	Anne Pritchard	07748463545

Title: Radnorshire - From Wye to High		
Date & Time	Fri 12/04/19 10:00-16:00	Location: Erwood Station Car Park Grid Ref/Map SO 089 439 / OS Explorer 188 / Landranger 148
Level Dist. Ascent	Energetic 17km / 11 miles 500m / 1600'	We start with a walk alongside the River Wye before ascending through Aberedw Rocks, where Prince Llywelyn once hid. We then strike out across the moors of Llandeilo and Llanbedr hills before dropping down to Llanbwchllyn nature reserve. Returning to the hills we head for Twyn Y Garth, a hillfort and home to a First World War German Howitzer!
Leader	Rob Rees	07914265654

Title: Southern Circuit from Llanthony		
Date & Time	Sat 13/04/19 09:30-16:00	Location: Llanthony Priory Grid Ref/Map SO 288278 / OL13
Level Dist. Ascent	Energetic 15km (9.5 miles) 660m (2170ft)	From the car park at the priory we ascend Bal-Bach and follow the Beacons Way to Garn Wen. Continue on and then descend to Cwmyoy. Around Graig and past Ty-hwnt-y-bwlch and climb up to Offa's Dyke path & return to Llanthony.
Leader	Frank Scott	07713772499

Title: Cefn Cul and Fan Gyhirych		
Date & Time	Sun 14/04/19 09:30-17:30	Location: Layby to east side of A4067 near Crai Reservoir Grid Ref/Map SN 886 211 / OL12
Level Dist. Ascent	Strenuous 24km, 15 miles 650m, 2150ft	The route takes us below the dam wall of the Crai Reservoir and then onto the ridge at Cefn Cul. Crossing the main road, the route follows the old railway and the diverts through the forest and onto Fan Gyhirych. The return is via Bwlch y Duwynt and Bwlch Chwyth.
Leader	Richard Davies	00000000000

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Title: Into Cwm Sere		
Date & Time	Wed 17/04/19 10:00-14:30	Location: Cwm Gwdi (old army camp) National Trust Car Park free to NT members Grid Ref/Map SO 024 248 / OL13
Level Dist. Ascent	Moderate 10km, 6m 650ft 200m	A low level in the heart of the beacons. Around the nose of Allt Ddu , up one side of Cwm Sere with its chain of pretty waterfalls and back the other side. Return through farmland and lanes. No stiles. No steep climbs, but an unusual view of Pen y Fan and Cribyn from below. Dogs should be under control at all times
Leader	Iau Counsell	07976697495

Title: Twmbarlwm and Mynydd Maen		
Date & Time	Fri 19/04/19 09:30-17:00	Location: car park next to a sports field on border between Crosskeys and Risca Grid Ref/Map ST226914 / OS Explorer 152
Level Dist. Ascent	Strenuous 24km 15m 0	The route goes up on to Twmbarlwm and follows the long ridge of Mynydd Maen and returns via Mynydd Twyn-glas and Abercarn
Leader	Arny Williams	07976483329

Title: Nooks and Crannies		
Date & Time	Sun 21/04/19 09:00-17:00	Location: Semi Circular Lay-by just North of Storey Arms Grid Ref/Map SN978204 / OL12
Level Dist. Ascent	Energetic 16km / 10m 670m / 2200ft	Initially following the source of the Afon Tarell on an exciting journey towards Craig Cerrig Gleisiad, keeping low in the amphitheater, we descend to the now more faster flowing Afon Tarell, cross and ascend to Y Gyrn via very quiet Cwm.
Leader	Jason winney	07798521550

Title: Wander to the Chartist Cave		
Date & Time	Wed 24/04/19 10:00-14:30	Location: Llangynidr Grid Ref/Map SO155195 / OL14
Level Dist. Ascent	Moderate 13km 8 miles 0	Ascending Llangynidr mountain by a gentle route with a picnic lunch stop at the Chartist Cave. The walk passes Neolithic burial cairns and shake holes, then descends via farmland. Well behaved dogs only by prior arrangement with the leader, and it is a legal requirement that dogs are on short leads around livestock.
Leader	Peter Robbins	07443119004

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Title: Coety Mountain Circuit		
Date & Time	Fri 26/04/19 09:30-16:30	Location: Car Park at pond on B4248 from Brymawr to Blaenafon after Whistle Halt Grid Ref/Map SO233097 / OL13
Level Dist. Ascent	Energetic 12miles/21 km 350m.	Over Coety Mountain and Mynydd Varteg ,Cwmavon towards Bloreng WT Station and return via Gilwern Hill.
Leader	Ken Evans	01554820691

Title: Beyond Sinc Y Giedd		
Date & Time	Sat 27/04/19 09:30-16:00	Location: Lay-by next to The Gwyn Arms. Grid Ref/Map GR SN 846 165 / OS 12
Level Dist. Ascent	Energetic 10m/16km 0	A walk over to Sinc Y Giedd & beyond. Looking at points of interest on the way. nSome rough terrain.
Leader	Paula Ace	07484137031

Title: The Three Castles Walk		
Date & Time	Sun 28/04/19 09:00-18:00	Location: Skenfrith Castle Grid Ref/Map SO 456 202 / Explorer OL13, OL14 and 189
Level Dist. Ascent	Strenuous 32km 20m 0	A classic walk through an undulating landscape of wooded hillsides and hidden valleys in North East Monmouthshire linking the three Norman strongholds of Skenfrith, White and Grosmont Castles.
Leader	William Milne	07528701952

MAY 2019

Title: Not the LlanFrynych horseshoe – Cwm Oergwm		
Date & Time	Wed 01/05/19 10:00-15:00	Location: llanfrynach Village near church/toilets Grid Ref/Map SO 075257 / 160 or OL12
Level Dist. Ascent	Moderate 12 k 7.5 m 356m 1100 ft	Nant Menasgin runs through the pretty valley of Cwm Oergwm. This walk follows the river up and down its banks. Wednesday Wander pace rising up the valley but there are some steep ups and down when we go down to cross the river so poles recommended. Some nice waterfalls.
Leader	nic groombridge	07711604142

Title: Mynydd Bychan, Y Grib		
Date & Time	Fri 03/05/19 10:00-16:00	Location: Talgarth Car Park SO153337 Grid Ref/Map SO153337 / OL13
Level Dist. Ascent	Strenuous 17.5km 11m 300m 900ft	Circular walk out of Talgarth taking in Mountain. Moorland, Pasture and Woodland
Leader	Phil O'Shea/Stuart Campbell	00000000000

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Title: Hills, woods and spring flowers around Usk.		
Date & Time	Sat 04/05/19 10:00-16:30	Location: Car Park for Gwent Wildlife Trust's Springdale Farm Reserve Grid Ref/Map ST 410991 / OL 14
Level Dist. Ascent	Energetic 17.5 km 11 miles 0	An exploration of the Springdale Farm Reserve and the hills, woods and farmland of this quiet rural area south east of Usk, n
Leader	Charles and Helen Henderson	01594542473

Title: Caves, Rocks and Bluebells		
Date & Time	Sun 05/05/19 10:00-17:00	Location: Monmouth Free Car Park or road opposite in Drybridge Park Grid Ref/Map SO502128 / OL14
Level Dist. Ascent	Moderate 23km 14 miles 0	An undulating Herefordshire, Forest of Dean and Monmouthshire through carpets of bluebell and wild garlic (hopefully not too early) at a moderate pace for those who would like to stretch themselves. The walk visits an ancient hill fort, caves, and rocky viewpoints before returning via the Kymin. Well behaved dogs only by prior arrangement with the leader, and it is a legal requirement that dogs are on short leads around livestock.-
Leader	Peter Robbins	07443119004

Title: Bluebell Wander		
Date & Time	Wed 08/05/19 10:00-14:30	Location: Monmouth Boys School Leisure Centre (entry on left from Hadnock Road, far end by tennis courts) Grid Ref/Map SO514127 / OL14
Level Dist. Ascent	Moderate 13km 8 miles 0	A wander through carpets of bluebells and wild garlic (hopefully) with one gentle ascent at a Wednesday Wander pace. Well behaved dogs only by prior arrangement with the leader, and it is a legal requirement that dogs are on short leads around livestock.-
Leader	Peter Robbins	07443119004

Title: Carreg Yr Ogof & Fans		
Date & Time	Sat 11/05/19 09:00-17:00	Location: Lay-by next to The Gwyn Arms. Grid Ref/Map GR SN 846 165 / OS 12
Level Dist. Ascent	Strenuous 13m/21km 0	A walk above Dan yr Ogof & over to Carreg yr Ogof, returning along the ridge line of The Carmarthen Fans.
Leader	Paula Ace	07484137031

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Title: Beacons Ups and Downs - repeat after cancellation in February		
Date & Time	Sun 12/05/19 10:00-03:30	Location: Layby on left after Libanus (heading to Storey Arms) Grid Ref/Map SN989249 / OL12
Level Dist. Ascent	Energetic 16km 10m 2100ft	Crossing farmland, the Afon Tarell and woodland, then a steady ascent to Llyn Cwm Lluch at a moderate pace. Descending via the Cambrian Way with a further ascent up the Beacons Way before returning through Craig Cerrig-Gleisiad and National Trust paths. Cancelled due to ice in February, and will avoid high ridges if gale force winds.
Leader	Peter Robbins	07443119004

Title: To The Shoulder of Corn Du		
Date & Time	Wed 15/05/19 10:00-14:00	Location: Parking area near Nant Cwm Lluch, not shown as P on new maps. From Brecon, and the B4601, turn South on Ffrwdgrech Rd (Also Taff trail for a bit). Pass industrial site on right take the middle road of a three-way fork. Stay on this road until T junction, then right and immediately left on to lane. Go through gate. Grid Ref/Map SO 006 245 / OL12
Level Dist. Ascent	Moderate 9.5km, 6m 400m, 1300ft	A mountain walk with a steep climb mostly on good paths. We will take this very slowly and enjoy the views should there be any! We walk to the stunning lake via some waterfalls, then ascend further to Tommy Jones memorial. Return over Pen Milan and across farmland. About 7 dog-unfriendly stiles.
Leader	Iau Counsell	07976697495

Title: ILLUSTRATED TALK: Invaders of the National Park		
Date & Time	Wed 15/05/19 19:30-21:00	Location: The Bear Hotel, Crickhowell Grid Ref/Map 0 / 0
Level Dist. Ascent	#N/A 0	Pavement eating Japanese knotweed, riverbank dominating Himalayan balsam, poisonous Giant hogweed. Have you ever heard of any of these and more invasive non-native species? Were you aware of their presence in our National Park? What can you do to stop their spread? Find out from Beverley Lewis, Invasive Non-native Species Co-ordinator for the Park.
Leader	Janet Callear	00000000000

Title: The Physicians' Well, Myddfai		
Date & Time	Fri 17/05/19 10:00-15:00	Location: Myddfai Hall & Cafe Grid Ref/Map SN988181 / OL 12
Level Dist. Ascent	Energetic 13km 8m 260m 850ft	A walk on quiet lanes and open country to visit the well of the famed Physicians of Myddfai. Return via Mynydd Myddfai. Refreshments available in the Myddfai Hall cafe after the event.
Leader	Robin Barlow	00000000000

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Title: Bal Bach and Tarren yr Esgob		
Date & Time	Sat 18/05/19 10:00-16:30	Location: Car park at Blaen-y-cwm Grid Ref/Map SO 253285 / OL13
Level	Energetic	An attractive walk over Bal Bach and the eastern side of the Vale of Ewyas, Tarren yr Esgob and Blacksmith's Anvil. Flexible according to conditions.
Dist.	19km, 12miles	
Ascent	0	
Leader	Ceridwen Coulson	00000000000

Title: Three Eastern Satellite Hills of the Black Mountains		
Date & Time	Sun 19/05/19 09:30-16:30	Location: National Trust Car Park on the B4521 at the base of Ysgyryd Fawr, small charge, free to NT members. Grid Ref/Map SO 328 164 / OL 13
Level	Energetic	A lovely all day late Spring walk taking in Y Fâl (Sugar Loaf), Bryn Arw and Ysgyryd Fawr (Skirrid).
Dist.	24km 15m	
Ascent	1097m 3600ft	
Leader	William Milne	07528701952

Title: A lovely walk in and around Penallt.		
Date & Time	Wed 22/05/19 10:00-15:00	Location: Redbrook South car park (£1.00p fee.) SO 536 099 Map OL 14 Grid Ref/Map SO 536 099 / OL 14
Level	Moderate	A lovely walk in and around Penallt, visiting an old church and Argoed with stunning views of the Forest of Dean and a return alongside the river Wye.
Dist.	6 miles (9.7km)	
Ascent	0	
Leader	Phil Harris	07770951298

Title: Pencelli, Aber, Talybont-on-Usk and back		
Date & Time	Fri 24/05/19 10:00-15:00	Location: In Pencelli village near Royal Oak Public house on B4558 Talybont-on-Usk to Brecon Rd (please park considerately and car share if possible) Grid Ref/Map SO 093250 / OL 12
Level	Moderate	Following Usk Valley Way up to edges of Allt Feigan and Talybont-on-Usk Forest then down into Aber village along to Talybont-on-Usk Reservoir and across dam and back via parts of Henry Vaughan walk to canal (the pubs and tea shop may lure) and back to Pencelli
Dist.	13 kilometres, 8 miles	
Ascent	max 305m 1000 ft	
Leader	nic groombridge	00000000000

Title: Black Mountain and Two Lakes		
Date & Time	Sat 25/05/19 09:30-17:30	Location: Lane adjacent to Gwynne Arms Grid Ref/Map SN 846 165 / OL12
Level	Strenuous	A great day out on the Black Mountain, taking in both Llyn y Fan Fach and Llyn y Fan Fawr. Returning along the Beacons Way
Dist.	23km (14m)	
Ascent	835m (2,740ft)	
Leader	Clive Counsell	07971649022

GUIDED WALKS & EVENTS SPRING 2019

Title: Along the edge to the Lonely Shepherd		
Date & Time	Sun 26/05/19 10:00-16:00	Location: Park Drive Llangattock/ Grid Ref/Map SO212178 / OL13
Level Dist. Ascent	Moderate 19km 11.5 miles 0	Park considerately Park Drive or in a side road. Ascent at a moderate pace with some off path walking through Craig y Cilau. Stunning views of Llangattock Escarpment weather permitting. We pass Neolithic burial cairns and shake holes on Twr Pen-Cyrrn. Returning via Lonely Shepherd and bluebell woodland. Will they be in bloom? -Well behaved dogs only by prior arrangement with the leader, and it is a legal requirement that dogs are on short leads around livestock.-
Leader	Peter Robbins	07443119004

Title: Caves, rocky view points and wild flowers of the Dowards		
Date & Time	Wed 29/05/19 10:00-15:00	Location: Doward Park Camp Site Grid Ref/Map SO548157 / OL14
Level Dist. Ascent	Moderate 13km 8 miles 0	A40 Ganarew exit, cross the bridge and turn left. First turning on right, follow Williams sign and turn right into Doward Park Camp site. An undulating wander through woodland nature reserves and caves so bring a head torch if you want to explore. Hopefully Yellow Rattle, Yellow Wort and Bee Orchids. Finish with tea and cake at Camp Site optional. -Well behaved dogs only by prior arrangement with the leader, and it is a legal requirement that dogs are on short leads around livestock.-
Leader	Peter Robbins	07443119004

Title: Llangors Loop		
Date & Time	Fri 31/05/19 10:00-17:00	Location: Llangors Lake Common Car Park. Grid Ref/Map SO 128273 / OL 13
Level Dist. Ascent	Energetic 19km - 12m. 600m - 2000ft	An energetic walk with Fantastic views of the Brecon Beacons, the Lake and Black Mountains. Initially we climb out of the village and traverse the hilltops of Mynydd Llangors and Cefn Moel; before exploring the Castle at Blaenllynfi. We return via Allt yr Esgair, Llangasty & the lake side Bird Hide.
Leader	Stuart & Phil	07858627950

NAVIGATION COURSES

The Brecon Beacons Park Society is again offering navigation courses covering navigation for hill walkers – from understanding maps and using a compass to more advanced skills such as relocation strategies, thanks to Rob Pritchard. The two day Get Lost Course (Date TBC) is for beginners and the Get Lost Again Course (Date TBC) is for the more advanced. There are limited places on these courses and in the past, they have filled up some time in advance.

To book a place and/or for more information contact:

Rob Pritchard on rob.w.pritch@gmail.com or phone 07773 713605.



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

The Brecon Beacons Park Society

About the Society

Membership is open to anyone who is interested in enjoying and in caring for the Brecon Beacons National Park. We work with the Park Authority and like-minded bodies on issues where we have something to contribute – the extent of which is largely up to our members. Planning & development, archaeology, geology, flora & fauna, night skies, dry stone walls, footpaths – whatever your interest – do come and join us.

Who can join?

Anyone over the age of 18 can join. Younger members are also welcome, but a responsible adult must accompany them on all activities.

Membership

Annual Membership.

Individual: £15.00 per annum. Family: £22.00 per annum.

Life membership is available.

Members receive our half-yearly magazine, The Beacon and a quarterly Programme of Guided Walks and Events. Both are free to Members.

How to join

Our website sets out the procedure for membership, with the annual sub being paid by direct debit. Payment by cheque is also available.

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