

Chirk - 4 June 2023

A/B Walk Details

Leader: Tony Culverhouse Distance: 9 miles moderate

We head north from Chirk along the Llangollen Canal, where we eventually reach the Offa's Dyke path. We now follow this path heading in a southerly direction to reach Mars Wood on the edge of the vast Chirk Castle estate. Chirk Castle is owned and managed by the National Trust. The route now crosses the River Ceiriog near Pen- y-Bryn where we leave the Offa's Dyke path and head east through Bronugarth. We now follow the River Ceirolog and under the splendid arched railway bridge and the canal aqueduct before heading north back into Chirk.

C/D Walk Details

Leader: Michael Counter

Distance: C Walk: 7.5 miles, D Walk: 4 miles both

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We alight the coach at the car park in Chirk and follow the road towards the station and to the magnificent gates, the old way into the Chirk Castle Estate. We now begin the steady climb along estate roads to reach the splendid Chirk Castle (managed by the National Trust). Members enter Free, non-members Adults £15. People who only want the shorter 4-mile walk can leave the party here and head back down through the Deer Park along an estate road to reach the road and then back into Chirk.

The rest of the party will continue and head up towards the Offa's Dyke Path (a long-distance route running north/south down the full length of Wales for 177 miles) which we then follow, heading steeply downhill before crossing the River Ceiriog. We now walk along The Llwybr Maelor Way to Chirk Bank where we then join and follow the Llangollen Canal at Gledrid Bridge. The towpath leads us at a high level across the aqueduct, and then back into Chirk.

Self-guided walkers:

Please let Elaine know your general route and take a contact number card in case of emergency.

Return Journey:

The coach will be parked near the War Memorial on Church Street, near the junction with Station Ave – w3w: ///forge.easily.tilt – and will leave at 5:30pm prompt. Please be back at the coach at least 10 minutes before this time.

Our Next Trip:

We will be taking bookings today for the next coach trip to Pooley Bridge on 2^{nd} July 2023. Tickets are £23 per person for this trip.

You can pay by cheque or cash on the coach, or by card through Ticket Tailor (booking fee applies): https://www.tickettailor.com/events/northeastlancscoachrambles

Telephone bookings will be available from **Monday 5th June 2023**. Jane Cordingley is our volunteer for telephone bookings. Her number is 01254 773913 and she will take bookings from 8am-9am and 6pm-8pm, Monday to Friday only.

Photographers needed!

Do you like to take photos on the guided walks? If so, we would love to see them so we can post them on our website and social media (Facebook and Instagram) accounts! Preferably no faces but backs of head shots are fine in scenery photos. Unusual objects or architecture shots are also welcome!

Please send any pictures to nelcoachrambles@gmail.com

PLEASE NOTE

It will not be possible to book for the August trip on the Pooley Bridge coach due to Lynn and Elaine being on holiday. Tickets will only be available via Ticket Tailor (booking fee applies) or telephone booking.

Could you lead a walk for us?

We are desperately in need of walk leaders for our coach trips! Leaders must be a member of Ramblers and must have previous walk leading experience.

Walk leaders receive a free coach seat on the trip that they are leading for and £20 towards expenses for completing the recce of the route. Support is available with planning a route and travelling to the destination for the recce.

If you are interested, or if you have any questions, please email <u>nelcoachrambles@gmail.com</u> with details of your experience.

Burnley & Pendle Ramblers Social Trip to Trentham Gardens

Sunday 30th July 2023
Tickets £30 (includes coach and entrance fee)
Tickets and information available from Margaret Clark
01282 616838

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