**St Andrews & NE Fife Group Walks—Summer 2019**

**Monday** **8th** **April**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Group Committee Meeting**

**Meet:** Cupar Fire Station Community Room at 19:00

**Contact:** Will Aitken, 01334 470066, 07908 721466, wh.aitken@gmail.com

**Saturday** **13th** **April**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Pilgrims Way; Ceres to St Andrews**

**Grade** **C+:** 10mls/5.5hrs ▲137m/450ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:40 **Walk start:** Ceres Village Car Park at 10:00 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO400115 **Description:** Undulating walk, mostly on good paths, farm tracks, quiet country roads and town pavements. Some paths **may** be muddy. **Note:** RADO. NoSC. As linear walk, option to take Moffat & Williamson bus 64 bus to start or return by bus at end of walk.

**Leader:** Jane Houston, 01334 850211 or 07771 856643, jemillar15@aol.co.uk

**Wednesday** **17th** **April**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Leisurely Walk; Kingsbarns-Cambo**

**Grade** **D:** 4mls/2.5hrs ▲40m/131ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 13:00 **Walk start:** Kingsbarns Beach Car Park at 13:45 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO602124 **Description:** Walk along the beach ,following Coastal Path and then through woodland in Cambo Estate. Return by woodland paths and minor road. Some steps could be muddy and slippy. **Note:** RADO. NoSC. Leaders will meet at Walk Start Point

**Leader:** Carol Philip & Christine Arnold, 013344 475997 or 01334 654158, carolphilip@btinternet.com

**Sunday** **28th** **April**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Cloan Glen, Auchterarder**

**Grade** **C+:** 6mls/3.5hrs ▲250m/820ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:30 **Walk start:** Crown Inn Wynd Car Park, High St, Auchterarder at 10:30 **OS:** 58 **GR:** NO943127 **Description:** Moderate low-level route with fine views as follow paths, tracks and minor roads, through farmland and woodland. **Note:** RADO. NoSC.

**Leader:** Susan Richmond, 01382 542516 or 07593 230299, susanrichmond@live.co.uk

**Sunday** **12th** **May**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Kirriemuir & Loch of Kinnordy**

**Grade** **C+:** 7.5mls/4hrs ▲150m/492ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:15 **Walk start:** Kirrie Den car park on Knowehead, Kirriemuir at 10:30 **OS:** 54 **GR:** NO384538 **Description:** Walk through Kirrie Den to Loch of Kinnordy, then round Caddam Woods to Camera Obscura and return to start. Paths, tracks and minor road walking. **Note:** RADO. NoSC. Leaders will meet at walk start point

**Leader:** Stewart & Linda Collier, 07881 596883

**Wednesday** **15th** **May**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Leisurely Walk; St Andrews Town**

**Grade** **C:** 5mls/3hrs ▲45m/150ft. **Depart:** FCPC--see alternate option below at 10:00 **Walk start:** West Port--west end of South Street at 10:30 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO505165 **Description:** Easy walk , mainly on footpaths around St Andrews, taking in harbour, cathedral, castle and Lade Braes. Some short, sharp inclines. **Note:** RADO. NoSC. Rather than car share from FCPC, option to take X59 bus from Cupar Rail Station at 9;48

**Leader:** Jim Forret, 01334 656137 or 07526 670535, james.forret@btinternet.com

**Saturday** **25th** **May**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Bluebells in Blairgowrie**

**Grade** **C+:** 8mls/4.5hrs ▲70m/229ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:15 **Walk start:** Wellmeadow Car Park, Blairgowrie at 10:30 **OS:** 53 **GR:** NO180452 **Description:** Pleasant scenic walk via Cargill's Leap, Knockie Path, Ardblair Trail and Bluebell Woods. Good footpaths with one short steep ascent from River Ericht. **Note:** RADO. NoSC. Leaders will meet at Walk Start Point

**Leader:** Christine Arnold & Carol Philip, 01334 654158 or 01334 475997, jandca.winslow@btinternet.com

**Monday** **27th** **May**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Group Holiday to Dunoon; 27th to 31st May**

**Meet:** Esplanade Hotel, Dunoon; easy, local starter walk on first day at 15:00 **Description:** Walks will be agreed after dinner each night for following day; likely to be at least 2 walks of different grades according to interest of those on holiday. **Note:** Travel arrangements to and from Dunoon to be arranged by those going on holiday

**Contact:** Jim Coates, 01337 831113, jcoates1944@gmail.com

**Sunday** **9th** **June**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Norman's Law & Glenduckie Hill**

**Grade** **B:** 10mls/6hrs ▲300m/984ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 10:00 **Walk start:** Luthrie Village Hall, off A92 at 10:30 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO331196 **Description:** Good tracks from start and steep ascent of the Law will be rewarded by great all-round views. On to Glenduckie Village and ascent to hill fort site. Return by coastal path (with option to reclimb the Law from other direction!). **Note:** RADO. NoSC.

**Leader:** Nicky Haxell, 01334 839117 or 07527 156034, nickyhax@gmail.com

**Wednesday** **19th** **June**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Leisurely Walk; Shell Bay Circular**

**Grade** **C:** 5mls/3hrs ▲45m/150ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 12:00 **Walk start:** Walkers Car Park, Shell Bay--follow signs from A917 to Shell Bay Caravan Park at 12:35 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO469005 **Description:** Easy circular walk to enjoy Shell Bay and Forth views. **Note:** DWOL. CWRA.

**Leader:** Will Aitken, 01334 470066 or 07908 721466, wh.aitken@gmail.com

**Sunday** **23rd** **June**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Glen Derby, Kirkmichael**

**Grade** **B:** 7.5mls/4hrs ▲200m/656ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:00 **Walk start:** Car park opposite Kirkmichael School at 10:45 **OS:** 43 **GR:** NO079600 **Description:** Moderate walk , following paths and tracks through woodland and over moorland. Some sustained ascents and some sections could be boggy. **Note:** RADO. NoSC.

**Leader:** Jim Forret, 01334 656137 or 07526 670535, james.forret@btinternet.com

**Saturday** **6th** **July**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Abernethy to Pitmedden**

**Grade** **C+:** 7.5mls/4hrs ▲106m/350ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:00 **Walk start:** Abernethy Round Tower in centre of village. Street parking and small car park off Main St at 10:30 **OS:** 58 **GR:** NO190164 **Description:** Mostly circular walk on good paths, forestry tracks and field edges. Good views. Minor uphill sections.

**Leader:** Julia Gadd, 01382 541267 or 07752 033326, julia.gadd@hotmail.com

**Monday** **8th** **July**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Winter Walks Planning Meeting**

**Meet:** Cupar Fire Station Community Room at 19:00 **Description:** If cannot attend, please pass on ideas to Walks Coordinator.

**Contact:** Will Aitken, 01334 470066, 07908 721466, wh.aitken@gmail.com

**Wednesday** **17th** **July**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Leisurely Walk; Cupar to Cairnie Fruit Farm**

**Grade** **C:** 5mls/2.5hrs ▲76m/250ft. **Walk start:** FCPC at 13:00 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO377147 **Description:** Easy walk on urban footways, road verge, farm and woodland tracks to Cairnie. Return by same route after refreshments in Farm Cafe. **Note:** DWOL. CWRA.

**Leader:** Will MacKay, 01334 652903 or 07474 504506, wsmackay144@gmail.com

**Sunday** **21st** **July**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Glen Farg, Binn Hill and Railway Tunnels**

**Grade** **B+:** 10.5mls/5.5hrs ▲609m/2000ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:30 **Walk start:** Aberargie--turn into Pattersons crane hire (approx 300m before roundabout going west on A913). Private land, please park where directed at 10:15 **OS:** 58 **GR:** NO162157 **Description:** Through woods to Binn Hill and via recycling centre to Balvaird Castle. Along disused railway rail through two 550m tunnels and back to Aberargie. Walk on tracks, fields, minor roads and old railway track. Very undulating up to 800ft. **Note:** RADO. NoSC. ESSENTIAL; Bring torch for tunnels. As parking is by arrangement, please only park where directed.

**Leader:** Sarah Dallas-Ross, 01382 541769 or 07828 403601, sarahadele.sdr@gmail.com

**Sunday** **4th** **August**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Auchtermuchty to Pitlour**

**Grade** **B+:** 9mls/5hrs ▲243m/800ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:30 **Walk start:** Street parking near Cycle Tavern, Auchtermuchty at 10:00 **OS:** 58 **GR:** NO239117 **Description:** Circular walk via Leckiebank, Pitlour Hill,Strathmiglo, returning via Dunshalt. Enjoy scenic views. Some steep uphill and downhill sections in first half of walk to Strathmiglo. **Note:** RADO. NoSC.

**Leader:** Joan Crichton, 01334 652402

**Wednesday** **14th** **August**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Leisurely Walk; Bridge of Earn to Pitkeathly Wells**

**Grade** **D:** 4mls/2.5hrs ▲30m/100ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:30 **Walk start:** Public Hall & Institute, Station Road, Bridge of Earn at 10:15 **OS:** 58 **GR:** NO130182 **Description:** Walk on minor roads to enjoy country views through farmland and woodland. **Note:** DWOL. CWRA.

**Leader:** Colin Brown, 01334 655724 or 07745 252292, colinbrown54@talktalk.net

**Saturday** **17th** **August**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Backwater Reservoir**

**Grade** **C+:** 7.5mls/4hrs ▲300m/984ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:30 **Walk start:** Car park at western end of Backwater Reservoir dam at 10:30 **OS:** 53 **GR:** NO250589 **Description:** Scenic walk round reservoir passing Glendamff and Glenhead Farms. Paths, tracks and minor road walking. **Note:** RADO. NoSC. Leaders will meet at walk start point

**Leader:** Stewart & Linda Collier, 07881 596883

**Saturday** **31st** **August**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Balmashanner Hill, Forfar**

**Grade** **C+:** 6.5mls/3.5hrs ▲150m/492ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:00 **Walk start:** Forfar Loch Country Park, off Craig O'Loch Road at 10:00 **OS:** 54 **GR:** NO451507 **Description:** Start by passing Forfar Loch, and on to Balmashanner Hill, where climb to enjoy monument & viewpoint. Return to start via Reid Park. **Note:** RADO. NoSC.

**Leader:** Dorothy Cameron, 01334 474305

**Saturday** **14th** **September**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Pilgrims' Way; Kennoway to Ceres**

**Grade** **B:** 9mls/5hrs ▲121m/400ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:50 **Walk start:** Crossgate,Cupar next to WH Smith at 10;11 or Ceres Museum Car Park at 10;21 for Stagecoach 41 to KennowaySt Kenneth's Church, Kennoway at 10:40 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO350025 **Description:** Walk section of Pilgrims' Way, mostly on well-defined paths and tracks in open country and woodland. Some road walking.

**Leader:** Will MacKay, 01334 652903 or 07474 504506, wsmackay144@gmail.com

**Wednesday** **18th** **September**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Leisurely Walk; Auchtermuchty Town**

**Grade** **C:** 5mls/3hrs ▲106m/350ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 12:00 **Walk start:** Street parking near Cycle Tavern, Auchtermuchty at 12:30 **OS:** 58 **GR:** NO239117 **Description:** Leisurely walk to north of town to enjoy variety of views, with both path and road walking. Uphill at start towards the Common, then retun via Glassants and Mournipea. **Note:** DWOL. CWRA.

**Leader:** Joan Crichton, 01334 652402

**Saturday** **28th** **September**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Follies & Forests**

**Grade** **B+:** 8mls/4.5hrs ▲390m/1280ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:30 **Walk start:** Hermitage Car Park (fee £2) at 11:00 **OS:** 52 **GR:** NO012422 **Description:** A moderate low level walk,with well signposted tracks on prolonged assent, visiting follies, cathedral and River Tay. Chance to enjoy the autumn colours of this lovely area. **Note:** RADO. NoSC.

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