**St Andrews & NE Fife Winter Walks 2019-20**

**Monday** **7th** **October**

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

**Meet:** Cupar Fire Station Community Room at 19:00 **Description:** Group Secretary will issue Agenda before meeting.

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

**Sunday** **13th** **October**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Scone Circular**

**Grade** **B:** 8mls/4hrs ▲250m/820ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:00 **Walk start:** Quarrymill car park on A93 towards Scone, north of Perth from junction with A94 at 10:00 **OS:** 58 **GR:** NO120252 **Description:** Woodland walk through Quarrymill to Scone, ascending to MacDuff's Folly and Lynedoch Obelisk. This short, steepish climb is rewarded with great views. Gentle descent through golf course. Paths, maybe muddy in places, and minor roads. **Note:** RADO. NoSC. Leaders will meet at Walk Start Point

**Leader:** Carol Philip & Christine Arnold, 013344 475997 or 07979 541678 & 07718 316597

**Tuesday** **15th** **October**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Pre-Book Christmas Lunch**

**Description:** Lunch at Monturpie on **7th** **December**. Please prebook attendance with £5 deposit by **28th** Nov. **Note:** Menu options will be provided prior to **7th** Dec. Further details on Group website or by contacting Leader

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

**Wednesday** **16th** **October**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Mid week Leisurely Walk; Kemback & Blebo**

**Grade** **C:** 5mls/3hrs ▲60m/200ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:40 **Walk start:** Car park opposite Kemback Church Hall in Dura Den at 10:00 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO415150 **Description:** Gentle walk uphill at start through woodland, then minor road toards Blebo. **May** be some muddy tracks in Blebo woods on return. **Note:** RADO. NoSC. Leader will meet at start of walk

**Leader:** Dorothy Cameron, 01334 474305

**Saturday** **26th** **October**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Dalgety Bay & Letham Hill**

**Grade** **C+:** 7.5mls/4hrs ▲201m/660ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:15 **Walk start:** Dalgety Bay Rail Station car park at 10:30 **OS:** 65 **GR:** NT149841 **Description:** Circular walk with some prolonged inclines, following good tracks and path through woodland, farmland and part of Fife Coastal Path. **Note:** RADO. NoSC.

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

**Monday** **4th** **November**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Group Annual General Meeting**

**Meet:** Cupar Fire Station Community Room at 19:00 **Description:** Secretary will issue Agenda in advance of AGM.

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**Saturday** **9th** **November**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Tentsmuir Colours of Autumn**

**Grade** **C+:** 9mls/4.5hrs ▲20m/65ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:30 **Walk start:** Leuchars Church parking area on School Hill at 10:00 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO455213 **Description:** Walk into Tentsmuir Forest via Reres Wood, returning via coastal path, to enjoy some 'shinrin-yoku' (ie forest bathing) and the autumn colours. **Note:** RADO. CWRA. Leader will meet at walk start

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

**Wednesday** **20th** **November**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Mid week Leisurely Walk;Balmerino & Coultra Hill**

**Grade** **C:** 4mls/2.5hrs ▲200m/656ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 10:30 **Walk start:** Minor road outside Balmerino Road at 11:00 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO357246 **Description:** Walk through Tayside woodlands, then a steady climb to Coultra Hill. Return by minor road. Some narro woodland paths and ravines.Nice views and chance to look round old abbey. **Note:** RADO. NoSC. Ascent and descent are gradual not steep. With limited car parking at start, walkers encouraged to meet at FCPC to share cars

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

**Sunday** **24th** **November**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Blairadam Forest**

**Grade** **C:** 7mls/4hrs ▲210m/690ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:30 **Walk start:** Blairadam Forest car park--1km down the access road off the B914, near Kelty at 10:30 **OS:** 58 **GR:** NT129945 **Description:** Moderate low level walk following paths and tracks through forest with one small section on minor road. **Note:** RADO. NoSC.

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

**Saturday** **7th** **December**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Christmas Lunch and pre-lunch optional walk**

**Meet:** Monturpie Restaurant, north of Upper Largo on A915 at 12:30 **Description:** Pre-booking essential--refer Note on **15th** **October**. **Note:** Leisurely optional walk at 10;00 will start from Monturpie

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

**Wednesday** **11th** **December**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Mid week Leisurely Walk; Falkland Circular**

**Grade** **C:** 5mls/2.5hrs ▲100m/328ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 12:30 **Walk start:** Main car park in Falkland at 13:00 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO254073 **Description:** Pleasant woodland walk through the estate grounds on good paths with some uphill sections. **Note:** RADO. NoSC.

**Leader:** Christine Arnold & Carol Philip, 01334 654158 or 07718 316597

**Saturday** **21st** **December**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Pilgrim Way West; Culross to Dunfermline**

**Grade** **B:** 8.5mls/4.5hrs ▲190m/623ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:00 **Walk start:** Culross Palace-- West End car park at 10:15 **OS:** 65 **GR:** NS986859 **Description:** The furthest west section of new Pilgrim Way taking in shore,woodland and farmland. Great views and historic locations on fully waymarked route. Some road/pavement walking, along with new and old tracks. **Note:** RADO. NoSC. After walk, we will return to Culross by bus. It is intended that Group complete the Pilgrim Way over future walk programmes

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

**Sunday** **5th** **January**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Cupar Walks Leaflet Walk 3; Kemback & Dairsie Mains Circular**

**Grade** **C+:** 9mls/5hrs ▲198m/650ft. **Walk start:** FCPC at 10:00 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO377147 **Description:** From Cupar through Cairngreen woods, Kemback, Dairsie Mains, Chapelwell and Hawklaw, on paths, farm tracks,field edges and minor roads/pavements. Some sections **may** be rough/overgrown. **Note:** RADO. NoSC.

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

**Monday** **13th** **January**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Summer 2020 Walks Planning Meeting**

**Meet:** Cupar Fire Station Community Room at 19:00 **Description:** Members with walk ideas and willing walk leaders requested to attend to develop the Summer 2020 Group Walks Program.

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

**Wednesday** **15th** **January**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Mid week Leisurely Walk; ;Eden Estuary Circular**

**Grade** **C:** 5.5mls/3hrs ▲25m/82ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:30 **Walk start:** Tentsmuir Car Park--£2 fee at 10:15 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO498242 **Description:** Leisurely beach and forest walk with good paths and tracks. **Note:** RADO. NoSC.

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

**Saturday** **18th** **January**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Pool of Muckhart Circular**

**Grade** **C+:** 8mls/4hrs ▲170m/557ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:30 **Walk start:** Pool of Muckhart car park on Main St at 10:30 **OS:** 58 **GR:** NN999006 **Description:** Circular walk on tracks, paths and minor roads through local villages in scenic area. **Note:** RADO. NoSC.

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

**Saturday** **1st** **February**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Dupplin Estate & Cairnie Braes**

**Grade** **C:** 7mls/3.5hrs ▲212m/695ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:00 **Walk start:** By Dupplin Estate entrance,on A9, 3.5 miles south of Perth Broxden roundabout at 10:00 **OS:** 58 **GR:** NO039200 **Description:** A scenic walk on paths through various parts of the Dupplin Estate, crossing the Cairnie Braes before re-entering the Dupplin Estate. **Note:** RADO. NoSC.

**Leader:** Sarah Dallas-Ross & Julie Gadd, 07828 403601 or 07752 033326, sarahadele.sdr@gmail.com

**Sunday** **16th** **February**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Meigle & Ardler Loop**

**Grade** **C:** 7mls/4hrs ▲91m/300ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:00 **Walk start:** Kinloch Memorial Hall, Dundee Road, Meigle at 10:30 **OS:** 53 **GR:** NO289442 **Description:** Moderately lo level walk following paths and tracks through farmland and woodland. Some minor road walking. **Note:** RADO. NoSC.

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

**Wednesday** **19th** **February**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Mid week Leisurely Walk; Loch Leven Circular**

**Grade** **C:** 5mls/3hrs ▲60m/200ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 10:00 **Walk start:** Car park at Kinross Pier at 11:00 **OS:** 58 **GR:** NO123019 **Description:** Easy low level route following good paths through woodland and open countryside, returning via Kinross. **Note:** RADO. NoSC. Will be coffee stop en route and option for lunch stop in cafe at end of walk

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

**Saturday** **29th** **February**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Hopetoun Monument**

**Grade** **C+:** 7.5mls/3.5hrs ▲220m/725ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 10:10 **Walk start:** Scottish Deer Centre at 10:30 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO328130 **Description:** Minor roads, farmland and woodland in climb to Monument and return. **May** be muddy towards the monument. Great views. **Note:** DWOL. CWRA. Leader will meet at Walk Start

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

**Saturday** **14th** **March**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Pitlochry to Aberfeldy**

**Grade** **B+:** 9mls/45hrs ▲396m/1300ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:30 **Walk start:** Fish Ladder Car Park, Pitlochry at 11:00 **OS:** 52 **GR:** NN934576 **Description:** Part of Rob Roy Way, this linear walk up Clunie Hill on farm forest tracks, then on to Grandtully and Aberfeldy. **Note:** RADO. NoSC. Option to have shorter walk just to Grandtully. Bus return from either finish to Pitlochry.

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

**Wednesday** **18th** **March**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: Mid week Leisurely Walk; St Andrews West Sands**

**Grade** **C:** 5mls/2.5hrs ▲15m/50ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 12:30 **Walk start:** Bruce Embankment Car Park, St Andrews at 13:00 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO505172 **Description:** Easy walk on beach, tracks and paths, some alongside golf courses. **Note:** RADO. Walk Leaders will meet at Walk Start

**Leader:** Carol Philip & Christine Arnold, 013344 475997 or 07979 541678 & 07718 316597

**Sunday** **29th** **March**

**St. Andrews & NE Fife: River Ericht Walk- Blairgowrie**

**Grade** **C+:** 8mls/4hrs ▲30m/100ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:00 **Walk start:** Riverside / Wellmeadow car park on the north side of the centre of Blairgowrie. at 10:15 **OS:** 53 **GR:** NO181450 **Description:** Easy walk, mainly following the north and south banks of the river up to Kitty Swanson Bridge.The start and finish of the route is on minor roads.Field tracks towards the bridge. **Note:** NoSC.

**Leader:** Dorothy Cameron, 01334 474305