

Forth Valley, Fife & Tayside Area Joint Programme

October 2016 to March 2017

Walks and Events for:

Blairgowrie & District
Brechin
Daigety Bay & District
Dundee & District

Dunfermiline & West Fife
Fortar & District
Glenrothes
Kincoss & Ochil
Kirkcaldyse
Porth & District
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Information Page

Welcome to the 34th edition of the joint programme covering the Winter programme for 2016/17. We hope that you find the programme informative and helpful in planning your walking propgramme for the next 6 months. You can now download a PDF version of this programme to your computer, phone, etc.

The complete programme as printed can be found at

http://www.dalgetybayramblers.org.uk/all-area-walks/area-programme.html Changes to walks, notified after this programme was printed, can be found at http://www.dalgetybayramblers.org.uk/all-area-walks/changes.html

Publication Information for Next Issue

Deadlines: Electronic walk programmes to Ian Bruce by mid-February 2017 Articles, News Items, Letters etc to Area Secretary by the same date. Group News, single A4/A5 sheet, 1 or 2 sided, hard copy ready for photocopying. Please send it directly to Trevor Abell by the end of February. Email attachments are also acceptable and indeed preferred.

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General Information

Walks Grading

The walks in this programme are graded according to the following:

E Easy Access Walks for everyone, including people with conventional wheelchairs and pushchairs, using easy access paths. Comfortable shoes or trainers can be worn. Assistance may be needed to push wheelchairs on some sections: visitors are advised to check with the walk leader.

D Leisurely Walks for reasonably fit people. May include unsurfaced rural paths. Walking boots or comfortable footwear and warm, waterproof clothing are recommended. 2 to 5 miles.

C Easy, mainly on level ground and often paths and tracks.

C+ Easy to moderate, for those with improving fitness, offering some modest challenges.

B Moderate, demanding higher standards of fitness and stamina than C+

B+ Between moderate and strenuous, for the reasonably fit. Standard grading for summits taken at a slower pace in summer conditions.

A Strenuous. For the fit, involving some or all of the following factors: on high or rough ground; with steep ascents and descents; distances over 15 miles.

A+ Severe. Arduous walks for the experienced and very fit, involving some or all the following factors: high, exposed ground; steep ascents and descents; brisk pace; distance over 15 miles. Standard grading for hill-walking in winter conditions.

The walk grade is intended as a rough guide only. More information is supplied in each entry.

Walker's Responsibilities

Walkers must be 18+ or accompanied by an adult holding parental responsibility. Ramblers volunteers cannot provide direct care and supervision to children under 15. Instead the children must be accompanied by an adult who holds parental responsibility, such as a parent, legal quardian, carer, teacher or youth worker.

Unaccompanied walkers aged 15-17 are welcome (except on overnight stays) with a valid 15-17 Year Old Parental Consent Card, obtainable free from Ramblers main office, tel 020 7339 8500 or see www.ramblers.org.uk/localgroups.

If you are unsure of the suitability of a walk contact the Walk Leader beforehand. It is not always possible to shorten a walk if you are overexerting yourself; choose a grade of walk suitable to your level of fitness and experience.

All sporting and leisure activities have inherent hazards associated with them and rambling is no exception. In spite of the safety of members always being the paramount concern, accidents will occasionally occur. It is important, therefore, that when entering

into the activity, each member appreciates that they have a responsibility to identify the hazards associated with the activity and take all reasonable steps to eliminate or minimise the potential for an accident to arise. Personal accident insurance is available from several sources. The Walk Leader or Deputy must be a member of the RA. The Leader may change a walk at his/her discretion. Members or visitors should not leave a walk without informing the Leader or divert from a walk without the agreement of the Leader. Many groups carry a first aid kit and/or mobile phone. Individuals are reminded that they are responsible for carrying any special medication that they require for personal use. Walkers must also inform the Walk Leader of any medical condition that could affect their ability to complete the walk.

Dogs are not generally suitable on most walks; however some walks are indicated as being suitable for dogs. Please note: for all walks Registered Assistance Dogs (RADO) are welcome.

The Weather

Listen to the weather forecast (hill walkers' forecast on Radio Scotland) and prepare accordingly. If extreme weather is expected the walk may be cancelled. If you are in doubt, contact the Walk Leader.

Clothing and Equipment

Dress according to the season. Note: Denim clothes are not suitable.

Winter: thermal base layer and layers of clothing, (shirt, trousers, jumper or fleece, and a windproof shell, plus hat, scarf, and gloves). A waterproof jacket (with hood) and waterproof trousers are also needed.

Summer: wear fewer, thinner layers but take sun protection.

Wear well-fitting walking boots and take a rucksack to carry your gear.

Food and Drink

In general, for a day walk take a flask containing a hot drink, a packed lunch, and various snacks. In warmer weather extra liquid is *essential*.

Ticks

Some of the areas walked may contain ticks, which are known to be a source of infection in humans. It is advised that you wear long trousers, a long sleeved shirt and a hat, even in summer. It is also advisable to tuck your trousers into your socks and apply insect repellent. Examine yourself for ticks after a walk and if you find one remove it immediately and cleanly using tweezers. It is advised that you then contact your general practitioner for further advice

Transport

Generally cars are used to transport walkers to the start of a walk; car sharing is encouraged. Abbreviations for car parks used as pick up points are included in this programme.

When car sharing, it is recommended that car passengers make a contribution to the running costs, the method of calculation and mileage rates are set by individual groups.

Car drivers are reminded to call in at the pick up point prior to departure for the walk if they have a spare seat. Passengers are advised to take shoes and a bag for dirty boots and spare dry clothes in wet weather. The times given in this programme are departure times, if you are from a different group and/or going straight to the start of the walk, it is recommended that you contact the Walk Leader beforehand.

Walks may also use public transport, the fare may be indicated and it is the individual's responsibility to pay. Various walks use hired minibuses, in this case the person responsible, a deadline for booking, and (possibly) a fee will be indicated in the programme. If you book a place on a bus and then find that you must cancel at a later date, unless a replacement is found, you may still be liable for the full cost.

Additional Description and Location Maps

More detail including location maps can be found on the Ramblers website at – www.ramblers.org.uk/walksfinder

You can also use the local website of: -http://perthramblers.blogspot.com

New Walking Group in Dundee

I would like to tell you about a new venture starting in the Dundee Area. I was approached by Edinburgh Family Walks Meetup to help start a similar group in Dundee. I will be leading the first 2 walks and hopefully the group will run themselves after that. It will be run on a similar basis to Tayside Young Walkers using Meetup for people to join and say if they are coming on the walk. At the moment we have 11 coming to the first walk on the 28th August. Like Ramblers they can try 3 walks before they have to join Ramblers but our Rambler's membership covers this group. Any Ramblers members are welcome on the walks with or without children. The walks will be no more than 4 miles so suitable for those who do not want to do the longer walks. Dogs are also welcome but may need to be on leads depending on the dogs or children.

Here is the link

http://www.meetup.com/Dundee-Ramblers-Family-Walks-Meetup/

You need to sign up to join but don't have to give your full name to protect your privacy.

I hope you will help publicise this group by letting friends and family know about it.

Jean MacGillivray Secretary Dundee Group

THE RAMBLER'S ASSOCIATION (SCOTLAND) – FORTH VALLEY, FIFE AND TAYSIDE AREA

<u>Draft Minutes</u> of the 20th Annual General Meeting of the Forth Valley, Fife and Tayside Area held on Friday 19th February 2016 at Scone Old Church Hall.

- **1. Welcome** John Andrews, Area Convener, welcomed members. There were 29 members present, representing 8 groups.
- 2. Apologies: Colin Thompson, Sheila Wallace, Ian Bruce, Christine Ferguson,
- 3. Minutes of the previous AGM held on Saturday, 31st January 2015. Change to section 7: Ben Douglas was reappointed as Area Liaison Secretary, proposed by Mike Gray and seconded by Ken Wright; not by John Andrews as previously stated.

The Minutes as amended were approved - proposed by Jean MacGillivray, seconded by Betty Barton.



5. Presentation of the Area Annual Report 2015

The Area Annual Report was distributed to all those attending the AGM. Copies were available on request by e-mail from the Area Liaison Secretary prior to the AGM. The Annual Report set out the Reports from the relevant Area Office-Bearers. Discussion following the reports covered progress on the Governance Survey and changes at Ramblers Scotland HQ. There was a question to the Access Officer on the situation with the Walnut Grove level crossing dispute with Network Rail and a further question to the Treasurer on the funding and management of the Tayside Young Walkers.

6. Adoption of the Report and the Accounts

The adoption of the Annual Report 2015 and of the Income & Expenditure Account for the year ending 30th September 2014 was proposed by Chris Barton and seconded by Alex Donald. This was approved by the meeting.

7. Appointment of Office-Bearers

The following appointments were approved by the meeting

Proposed by Seconded by

Convener

John Andrews Mike Gray Jean MacGillivray

Vice Convenor

Alan Bridges John Andrews Mike Gray

Area Secretary

Jim Forret Ben Douglas Mike Gray

Area Treasurer

Mike Gray John Andrews Trevor Abell

Membership Secretary

Colin Thomson
Access Officer
John Andrews
Publications Secretary

All current office holders were willing to continue for a further year. There being no other nominations, the officers were reinstated by a show of

Trevor Abell hands

Assistant Publications Sec.

Ian Bruce

Advertising Officer

Trevor Abell

8. Appointment of Independent Examiner of Accounts

Alan Paul: proposed by Ben Douglas; seconded by Rachel Gillespie and approved by the meeting.

Appointment of two Area Delegates to General Council at York University, 2nd and 3rd April 2016.

Mike Gray had previously been nominated to attend at the Area Council Meeting of 15th October. At this AGM it was agreed that John Andrews should replace Marion Webster, who had been nominated at the Council Meeting, but was not now able to attend.

10. Date and Venue of Next Area AGM

It was agreed to fix the date later, but because of the poor weather at this time of the year, it was suggested that the date be brought forward to December or earlier. There was roughly an equal preference from the floor for fixing a central venue (i.e. Perth, Dundee, and Kinross) as opposed to moving the AGM to each group centre in turn.

11. AOCB

Mike Gray reported that he expected to receive funds soon for training and therefore awaited suggestions from the groups for the type of training that would be welcome. Suggestions from the floor included map reading and the use of GPS and also maximising the use of the web for route planning.

Ben Douglas put forward a plea for the Scottish Council Executive Committee (SCEC) to be renamed as the Ramblers Scotland Management Committee.

FORTH VALLEY, FIFE AND TAYSIDE AREA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & OPEN DAY

Saturday 26th November 2016: 9.30 a.m. - 1.20 pm

Venue:

Muirhead & Birkhill Millenium Hall, DD2 5QE

Directions:

The hall is situated on the left in the village of Birkhill driving along the A923 Dundee to Coupar Angus road

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9.30 10.00 am.	Registration and Coffee/Tea
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11.25 -- 11.55 am. Speaker; Helen Todd,

Campaigns and Policy manager for Ramblers Scotland, will give a talk on the many aspects of her work within Ramblers

11.55 – 12.30 pm Open discussion Chaired by the

Area Convener

12.30 - 1.20 pm. ♦ Lunch: Members bring own packed

lunch

1.20 A short Walk (should weather

conditions permit) around the local area, led by

a member of the Dundee group

Please use the Registration Form opposite Copies of the Accounts and the FV, F & T Area Annual Report 2016 will be available at the Meeting.

Registration Form AGM and Open Day FV, F & T Area

Saturday 26th November 2016 Date: 9.30 a.m. for 10.00 a.m. Finish: 1.30 p.m. Start Time: Muirhead & Birkhill Millennium Hall, DD2 5QE Venue: To register, please complete this form and return it no later than 11th November 2016 to the Area Secretary Mr. Jim Forret, 27 Robertson Road, Cupar, Fife KY15 5YR There will be no charge of for teas/coffees at registration and morning interval. Members should bring their own packed lunch. If you do not wish to cut this form out of your programme, a photocopy or scanned email pdf attachment is acceptable. Please tick the relevant box I wish to attend the AGM/Open Day & receive teas/coffees I wish to attend the AGM/Open Day but not receive teas/coffees I cannot attend the AGM/Open Day, but I would like to receive a copy of the FVF&T Area Annual Report (*by email only). Name(s): _____/ Group: Address: Postcode: Telephone: _____

*Contact the Area Secretary at james.forret@btinternet.com

E-mail:

If you are feeling weary, cold and wet and generally need cheering up, you might be able to raise spirits with this Rambler's Song, as sung by the Perth Group from time to time. The chorus can obviously be changed to suit any group. (Words by Zena Bruce)

PERTH RAMBLERS SONG (Sung to the tune of John Brown's Body)

Oh we scramble up the hillsides Or we ramble through the glens We ramble by the rivers Or we climb the highest Bens We walk o'er firm pathways Or we slither on the scree But we still keep rambling on

Chorus

For we're the Perth and District Ramblers We're the Perth and District Ramblers We're the Perth and District Ramblers And we'll aye keep rambling on.

We wander through the forests Or cross the moors without a tree We circle round the lochs Or take a pathway by the sea We climb o'er stiles and fences For to roam we now are free So we'll still keep rambling on





Meeting Points

The following abbreviations are used for group meeting places:

Blairgowrie WCPB Wellmeadow Car Park, Blairgowrie.

Brechin SNSB St Ninian's Square, Brechin.

Dalgety Bay DBSCCP Dalgety Bay Shopping Centre Car Park.

Dundee East OCCP Odeon Cinema Car Park, Douglasfield, Dundee

Dundee West CWCP Cineworld Car Park, Camperdown Leisure Park, Dundee

Dunfermline & LPRCP Leys Park Road Car Park, Dunfermline.

West Fife

Forfar EGCP East Greens Car Park, Forfar.

Glenrothes LCCP Lomond Centre Car Park, Glenrothes.

Kinross & Ochil KPR Kinross Park and Ride

BURN Dollar Burnside Car Park.

Kirkcaldy KRSN Kirkcaldy Railway Station North (Forth Ave).

Perth ASDACP Asda Supermarket Car Park, Perth.

St Andrews & FCPC Fluthers Car Park, Cupar.

NE Fife

Stirling & Falkirk LACP Linden Ave Car Park, Stirling..

Strathtay CCP Car Park behind Co-op Aberfeldy.

Acronyms used in the Programme

RADO = Registered Assistance Dogs Only

DWOL = Dogs welcome on Leads

CWRA = Children with responsible adults

NoSC = Not suitable for children



Walks Diary

Glenrothes Strollers walks

On most Thursdays over the dates of the programme, Glenrothes Strollers have a midweek walk, to which all are welcome. The walk is selected by the walk leaders on the week of the walk, the location and distance depends on the weather conditions. To go on the walk meet at St. Columba's Church

Grade C: 4 - 6 miles 2.5 - 3.5 hours. **Meet/Time:** Car Park behind St Columba's Church next to Glenrothes town centre at 10.00 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO269008 **Description:** A short local walk (mostly within a 10 mile radius of Glenrothes), for details call one of the leaders.

Leaders: D. Cumming or D. Bell, 01592 742782 or 01592 630296

Kinross & Ochil Tuesday Walkers

These walks usually take place every second Tuesday. All are welcome.

All walks are Grade C: maximum 4 miles, approx 2 hours, and usually within a 10 mile radius of

Kinross). Meet/Time: Kinross Park & Ride (KPR) at 10.00 OS: 58 GR: NO112025

Description: For details of any walk, please phone leader.

Leader: Edna Burnett, 01577 862977.

Saturday 1st October

Blairgowrie: Mill Dam Circular Walk

Grade C+: 6mls ▲210m/688ft. Depart: WCPB at 09:30 Walk start: Cally Car Park, off Dunkeld-Blairgowrie Road at 10:15 OS: 53 GR: NO024437 Description: Forest paths and tracks with good views over Dunkeld and the River Tay to Mill Dam and return to the starting point. Note: RADO. Leader: Phil Taylor, 01828 633648

Dalgety Bay: Ochils from Upper Glendevon

Grade B+: 10mls ▲600m/1968ft. Depart: DBSCCP at 09:00 Walk start: Upper Glendevon Reservoir lay–by (right hand side). at 10:00 OS: 58 GR: NN912041 Description: Circular walk taking in 5 tops including Ben Cleuch. Exposed and boggy in places. Mostly on good tracks, but some rough ground expected. Note: RADO. NoSC.

Leader: Andrew Lees, 01383 824795 or 07901 806024

<u>Dundee</u>: St Arnold's Seat, Glenogil

Grade B: 7mls/5hrs ▲371m/1220ft. Depart: OCCP at 09:15 Walk start: Road end parking past bridge over Glenmoy Burn at 10:30 OS: 44 GR: NO402646 Description: Circular walk from Glen Moy (taken from the "Take A Hike" in the courier supplement 30.04.16).

Leader: Peter Hargraves, 01307 462882 or 07986 423328

Forfar: Alyth/Den of Welton Circular

Grade C+: 6.5mls Depart: EGCP at 10:00 Walk start: Alyth Square at 10:40 OS: 53 GR: NO246485 Description: Through open countryside over St Fink, skirting Den of Welton. Returning

via Alyth Den. Some minor road walking. Note: RADO.

Leader: Dave Phillip, 01307 463181

Kirkcaldy: Water of Leith - Dick Stenhouse Memorial Walk

Grade C+: 14mls **Depart:** Kirkcaldy Bus Station at 08:40 **Walk start:** Balerno High School at 10:45 **OS:** 66 **GR:** NT163668 **Description:** Meet at Kirkcaldy bus station for the 08.50am X58 Edinburgh service. Pleasant walk down Water of Leith from Balerno High School to Leith. Mainly on riverside paths but with some road side walking. **Note:** RADO. NoSC. Contact walk leader on Friday to confirm bus times.

Leader: Marie Stenhouse, 01592 872828

Perth: Falkland hill and den

Grade B: 6mls ▲ 364m/1194ft. Depart: ASDACP at 09:00 Walk start: Falkland village central car park at 09:50 OS: 59 GR: NO255075 Description: A circular walk ascending directly from Falkland to the summit of East Lomond followed by a stroll North to Craigmead car park and descent down Maspie Den and return to Falkland. Note: RADO.

Leader: Alan Murdoch, 01738 628794 or 07714 048504, murdoch@kinn.fsnet.co.uk

St. Andrews & NE Fife: Elie, St Monans & Kilconguhar

Grade C+: 10mls/4.5hrs ▲167m/550ft. Depart: FCPC at 09:30 Walk start: Ruby Bay (Coastal Path) Car Park, Elie at 10:15 OS: 59 GR: NT497997 Description: Coastal walk to St Monans, then inland to Kilconquhar by minor roads and tracks. Walk completed by walking through Elie Estate back to the start. Undulating walk with no major climbs. Note: RADO. NoSC.

Leader: Betty Stewart, 01334 654552 or 07801 580390, bettys47@btinternet.com

St. Andrews & NE Fife: Notice of Christmas Lunch at Kilconquhar Castle, Lindsay Room Meet: Kilconquhar Castle Estate on December 3rd at 12:30 Description: Please note details on 3rd December. Names & special dietary needs to Will Aitken, £6 deposit to Will Aitken or Ian MacKenzie by 15th November. 2 or 3 course menu options chosen on day--£17.50 for 2 courses, £21.50 for 3 courses.

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

Sunday 2nd October

Dundee: Ethie Haven Auchmithie Circular

Grade B: 11mls/5hrs ▲50m/164ft. **Depart:** OCCP at 10:00 **Walk start:** Car Park Eastside on A92 near Tarriebank at 10:30 **OS:** 54 **GR:** NO652444 **Description:** Circular walk on roads and paths to Ethie Haven (Lunan Bay) Red Head and Auchmithie.

Leader: Alex Kelman, 01382 776928 or 07840 732842, alexkelman@btinternet.com

Stirling & Falkirk: Loch Leven circumnavigation

Grade B: 12.5mls/6hrs Depart: LACP at 09:00 Walk start: Kirkgate car park Kinross at 10:00 OS: 58 GR: NO128017 Description: Mainly flat anti-clockwise circumnavigation. Easy going stroll.

Note: RADO. NoSC. KY13 8ET Car mileage - 48

Leader: Ray Finlay, 01786 449135 or 07792 549363, rayfin 1@hotmail.com

Tuesday 4th October

Kirkcaldy: Langtoun Daunderers - Cardenden to Kirkcaldy Linear

Grade C: 6mls **Depart:** KRSN for 09.25 am train to Cardenden at 09:15 **Walk start:** Cardenden Railway Station at 10:00 **OS:** 58 **GR:** NT217949 **Description:** Walk is from Cardenden to Bankhead of Raith via Carden Forest, continuing on past Lambswell Folly towards Raith House and Core Path to Oriel Road finishing at Raith Gates. Mainly on woodland paths and tracks. Suggested lunch venue Novar Bar **Note:** DWOL. CWRA.

Leader: Elaine Collins, 07739 964212

Wednesday 5th October

Dunfermline & West Fife: Balmerino Figure of Eight

Grade C+: 9mls/4hrs ▲130m/426ft. Depart: LPRCP at 09:30 Walk start: Car park at end of Bay Road, Wormit at 10:30 OS: 371 GR: NO392260 Description: Inland paths and lanes to Balmerino, continuing westward through woods along the shore towards Birkhill House. Return to Balmerino and then to Wormit along the Fife Coastal Path. Note: DWOL.

Leader: Alan Paul, 01383 727875, 07739 169674, apaspaul9@gmail.com

Thursday 6th October

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.

Saturday 8th October

Brechin: Craig Soales & Mount Een Circular

Grade B: 8mls Depart: SNSB at 09:30 Walk start: Tarfside Village car park at 10:30 OS: 44 GR: NO493796 Description: North from Tarfside then east to summits of Craig Soales (503m/1,650ft) and Mount Een (529m /1,735ft). Return by Blackcraigs and Mile Cairn. Good tracks all the way. Leader: Colin Whyte. 01356 622283 or 07949 402506. colinwhyte@colinwhyte.plus.com

Dalgety Bay: Crieff Circular

Grade C+: 9.5mls/6hrs ▲300m/984ft. Depart: DBSCCP at 09:00 Walk start: Macrosty Park, Crieff at 10:30 OS: 58 GR: NN858220 Description: Following the Crieff paths network around Laggan Hill with final (slow) blast up the Knock. Possibility of a shorter, 5 mile 150m ascent, walk if you arrange your own car sharing. Note: RADO.

Leader: Audrey Price, 01383 824173 or 07871 806582

Dundee: Glen Artney to see Deer Rut

Grade C: 7mls/4hrs Depart: CWCP at 09:15 Walk start: Car Park Glen Artney (from Comrie turn right over bridge to Army Hut then down single track road to car park at 10:30 OS: 57 GR: NN712162 Description: Leisurely walk, hoping to see and hear deer rutting. Some road walking, bring binoculars. Note: RADO. CWRA.

Leader: Rose Garvie, 01382 450763

Glenrothes: Lower Largo to Shell Bay Circular

Grade C+: 8.5mls/4.5hrs **Depart:** LCCP at 09:30 **Walk start:** Temple CP Lower Largo. at 10:30 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO421026 **Description:** An easy circular walk using disused railway and a short road link to Shell Bay returning by the Fife coastal path. **Note:** CWRA RADO

Leader: L Allen 01592 748016 lesallen80@gmail.com

Kinross & Ochil: Glen Artney

Grade C: 8mls **Depart:** KPR AT 09.15 or BURN at 09:15 **Walk start:** Car Park at Glen Artney at 10:00 **OS:** 57 **GR:** NN711161 **Description:** Easy, steady walk on good tracks into Glen Artney and return, hopefully seeing deer en route. **Note:** RADO. CWRA.

Leader: Bill Bedborough, 01259 742491

Perth: Ceres and Hill of Tarvit

Grade C+: 6.6mls ▲250m/820ft. Depart: ASDACP at 09:00 Walk start: Car Park in centre of Ceres at 10:00 OS: 59 GR: NO399115 Description: A pleasant walk on footpaths, tracks and short distance of road, climbing Hill of Tarvit for good views over parts of Fife. Climb is steepish but optional (walk height gained 175m if not going up the hill). Note: RADO.

Leader: Pete & Anne Trant, 01738 565075 & 07985202934 or 07557 785696, thetrants@virginmedia.com

Sunday 9th October

Stirling & Falkirk: Auchineden Farm & Burncrooks reservoir (JMW)

Grade C+: 7.5mls/4hrs ▲200m/656ft. Depart: LACP at 09:30 Walk start: Park in car park at Auchineden Farm Shop at 10:30 OS: 64 GR: NS513794 Description: This is a scenic, undulating walk on obvious roads and tracks. The path around the reservoir is made of chucky stones so thick soled boots would help. Note: RADO. NoSC. Post Code G63 9AX Car mileage - 54

Leader: Janette Seale, 01786 447107 or 07709 957317, janette.seale@hotmail.co.uk

Strathtav: Glen Tilt

Grade C+: 7mls **Depart:** CCP at 09:30 **Walk start:** Old Bridge of Tilt CP at 10:15 **OS:** 43 **GR:** NN874663 **Description:** Follow estate tracks up beautiful Glen Tilt as far as Marble Lodge and return by the old drovers road past Fenderbridge. **Note:** RADO.

Leader: Muriel Findley, 01887 820095, murfin41@btinternet.com

Monday 10th October

St. Andrews & NE Fife: Group Committee Meeting

Meet: Cupar Y at 19:00 Description: Pre AGM Committee Meeting to discuss AGM agenda and

review Group plans and activities.

Contact: Nicky Haxell, 01334 839117, nickyhax@gmail.com

Tuesday 11th October

Kinross & Ochil: Tuesday Walkers

All are welcome to join this max 4 mile walk. See details at beginning of this programme.

Thursday 13th October

Dalgety Bay: Roamers ~ Fordell Estate Circular

Grade D: 4mls/2hrs ▲ 25m/82ft. Walk start: Dalgety Bay Library at 10:00 OS: 65 GR: NT156834

Description: A morning walk through woodland and farmland. **Note:** RADO.

Leader: June Wright, 01383 822358

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.

Saturday 15th October

Blairgowrie: Cloan Glen, Auchterarder

Grade C: 6mls ▲ 250m/820ft. Depart: WCPB at 09:00 Walk start: Crown Inn Wynd Car Park - 1st Left after first set of traffic lights when coming from Perth at 10:00 OS: 58 GR: NN943127 Description: Very varied walk in a lovely glen comprising woodland and farmland with part of the walk following the Cloan Burn. Stunning views over Auchterarder and Craig Rossie. Mainly on paths and tracks with some minor road walking. Note: RADO.

Leader: Pat Fraser, 01250 873577, patriciafraser@btinternet.com

Dalgety Bay: Craigencalt /Kinghorn Circular

Grade C: 6mls/3hrs ▲50m/164ft. Depart: DBSCCP at 10:00 Walk start: Craigencalt Car Park at 10:30 OS: 66 GR: NT261873 Description: Good paths, some road walking, interesting area for history of Kinghorn, good views. Note: RADO.

Leader: Ken Wright, 01383 822358 or 07535 386982

Dundee: Circular Walk around Elie, Fife.

Grade C+: 7mls/4hrs ▲146m/480ft. Depart: TBCP at 10:00 Walk start: Ruby Bay Car Park, Elie at 11:00 OS: 59 GR: NT497997 Description: Low level walk following minor roads and a section of coastal path including Kilconquhar Loch and Kincraig Point. Note: The path can be narrow at one point with narrow steps to descend onto the coast.

Leader: Moira & Kenneth Dobson, 01382 459543 & 07792140781

Kirkcaldy: The Devil's Burdens

Grade C+: 6.5mls Depart: KRSN at 09:15 Walk start: Craigmead Car Park at 10:00 OS: 58 GR: NO227062 Description: Circular walk, mainly on tracks but some rough ground, skirting base of West Lomond summit. Option for 'B' grade climb to the trig point. Note: RADO. NoSC.

Leader: Ruth Beddall. 01592 260578

Perth: The Hills above Monzie

Grade B: 9mls ▲430m/1410ft. Depart: ASDACP at 09:00 Walk start: Monzie Church at 10:00 OS: 58 GR: NN879250 Description: Heading NE towards Falls of Monzie, then climbing to pass to N of Craig Kipmaclyne. Continuing W to descend via Falls of Barvick and return past Monzie Castle. Note: RADO.

Leader: John Andrews, 01738 827275 & 07526 884953, john@jdandrews.co.uk

Sunday 16th October

Forfar: Glen Prosen

Grade C+: 6.5mls **Depart:** EGCP at 10:00 **Walk start:** Parking area after Glen Prosen Lodge at 10:45 **OS:** 44 **GR:** NO290680 **Description:** Scenic walk in Glen Prosen with good views, weather permitting. Walk along valley floor and climb to Lick, cross Dead Water and return through forest. Alternatively, flat linear walk to Kilbo Cottage and return.

Leader: Dot Eaton, 01307 465319

Glenrothes: Perth to Luncarty

Grade B: 11mls/5.5hrs ▲ 130ft Depart: LCCP at 9:30 Walk start: Perth - South Inch car park at 10:30 OS: 58 GR: NO119230 Description: Alongside River Tay and River Almond to Luncarty and

back on good paths and tracks. Note: NoSC RADO

Leader: G Christie 01592 743282 or 07943178810 grant911a@yahoo.co.uk

St. Andrews & NE Fife: Garry Bridge Circular

Grade C+: 7mls/3.5hrs ▲175m/574ft. Depart: FCPC at 09:30 Walk start: Garry Bridge Car Park at 11:00 OS: 43 GR: NN913610 Description: Pleasant river walk when the trees should be turning to autumn colours. Walk route is via Coronation Bridge, Cluny Bridge and returns through Faskally Woods. Easy walking on lochside and riverside paths: some sections on minor road.

Leader: Jim Coates & Susan Richmond, 01337 831113 or 01382 542516, james.coates1944@btinternet.com

Stirling & Falkirk: Rosyth/Limekilns Circular

Grade C: 7mls/3hrs ▲ 15m/50ft. Depart: LACP at 09:30 Walk start: Primrose Lane Medical Centre, Rosyth at 10:15 OS: 65 GR: NT109844 Description: Countryside and estate tracks from Rosyth and returning through Limekilns, with some stretches of road walking. Note: RADO. NoSC. KY11 2ZL Car mileage - 48

Leader: Betty Brodie, 01324 556762 or 07936 380395, bettybrodie@aol.com

Thursday 20th October

Dunfermline & West Fife: Kinghorn - Pettycur Bay & Kinghorn Loch

Grade C: 5.5mls/3hrs ▲100m/328ft. Depart: LPRCP at 09:30 Walk start: Pettycur Bay car park at 10:00 OS: 367 GR: NT265861 Description: A circular walk on paths and tracks via Kinghorn Loch Ecology Centre. Note: DWOL.

Leader: Olive Inglis, 01383 842698, 07773 995015, oliveminglis@aol.com

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.

Saturday 22nd October

Brechin: Arnbarrow Hill Circular

Grade C+: 5mls Depart: SNSB at 09:30 Walk start: Lower car park at Clatterin' Brig at 10:15 OS: 45 GR: NO664782 Description: An undulating walk round Arnbarrow Hill on good tracks & paths until final descent behind restaurant (through grass & bracken).

Leader: Alison Stewart, 01307 818770

Dundee: 30th Birthday Dundee Ramblers - Ceilidh Night

Meet: Millennium Hall, Birkhill at 07:30 Description: To celebrate our 30th anniversary, 4 special birthdays and to welcome the Broughty Ferry group. The band will be The Gallivanters. Cost £10 per head (includes stovies). Maximum number 80 (then waiting list). Note: No bar so bring your own drinks (alcohol or soft). Money to be paid by 1st October. Names ASAP to Jean MacGillivray. Contact: J MacGillivray, 01382 623052, 07932 014859, jean.macgillivray@btinternet.com

Dunfermline & West Fife: Dumyat & Castle Law

Grade B: 4mls/2.5hrs ▲268m/880ff. Depart: LPRCP at 09:30 Walk start: Lay by on Sherrifmuir Road at 10:15 OS: 366 GR: NS813980 Description: Straightforward ascent/descent of popular hill in the Ochils with spectacular views over the Forth Valley. Note: DWOL.

Leader: Alan McGuckin, 01383 731557, 07970 172593, atmcq53@gmail.com

Glenrothes: West Wemvss to Buckhaven Circular

Grade C: 7.5mls/4hrs ▲ 400ft Depart: LCCP at 9:30 Walk start: West shore CP West Wemyss at 10:00 OS: 59 GR: NT324946 Description: A pleasant walk on good paths and tracks along Fife Coastal Path to Buckhaven, returning by Wemyss Den and old railway line. Note: CWRA DWOL

Leader: C & B Barton 01383 725859 chrisbettybarton@gmail.com

Perth: Hill of the Fairies Strathyre

Grade B: 6mls ▲ 550m/1804ft. Depart: ASDACP at 08:30 Walk start: Main car park just to south of Strathyre village centre at 10:00 OS: 57 GR: NN561168 Description: A circular walk through the forest above Strathyre to open moorland to Beinn an t-Sidhein (Ben Shian) or the Hill of the Fairies at 572m. Opportunity for great views over Loch Lubnaig. Note: RADO.

Leader: Trevor Abell, 01738 813123 & 07913288098, tmbabell@gmail.com

Strathtay: Pap of Glencoe

Grade B+: 5mls ▲720m/2362ft. Depart: CCP at 09:30 Walk start: Lochan CP near Glencoe village at 11:00 OS: 41 GR: NN104593 Description: Short but steep route on a path with easy scrambling near the top up Sqorr na Ciche or the Pap of Glencoe. Note: RADO.

Leader: Bill Bruce, 01887 829753, bill_1_bruce@btinternet.com

Sunday 23rd October

Dundee: Edzell - Rocks of Solitude

Grade C: 6.5mls/3.5hrs Depart: OCCP at 09:30 Walk start: Car Park at North end of Edzell main street at 10:30 OS: 45 GR: NO599691 Description: Clear woodland paths with steep drops to river. Follow the river North Esk upstream as it squeezes through an impressive gorge and return. Note: NoSC.

Leader: Evelyn Watson, 01382 480325 or 07884 123988

Kinross & Ochil: Glen Oale

Grade C+: 6.5mls **Depart:** KPR at 08.30 or BURN at 08:45 **Walk start:** Car Park opp Watersports Centre on A85 at Lochearnhead at 10:00 **OS:** 51 **GR:** NN593237 **Description:** Circular walk beginning with short (but quite steep) climb to join path on old railway track. Return thro glen beside burn. Picturesque views throughout plus impressive railway viaduct and two old stone bridges on the military road. **Note:** DWOL. CWRA.

Leader: Alan Bridges & Jacqui Ritchie, 01577 866813

Kirkcaldy: Craigluscar Crags

Grade C+: 7mls Depart: KRSN at 09:15 Walk start: Baldridgeburn Car Park (near traffic lights) at 10:00 OS: 65 GR: NT080881 Description: Walk is mainly on level tracks and paths in open countryside but with one steep incline. Lovely views possible. Note: RADO. NoSC.

Leader: Ros Fairgrieve, 01592 784454

Stirling & Falkirk: River Carron Loop Path

Grade C: 6mls/3.5hrs ▲ 0m/0ft. Depart: LACP at 10:00 Walk start: Dorrator Car Park (off A9) at 10:30 OS: 65 GR: NS867815 Description: Description: Circular walk following the River Carron Loop Path, which connects communities, taking in visit to Carron Dams Local Nature Reserve.

Note: RADO. NoSC. FK5 3HG Car mileage - 18

Leader: Muriel Clark, 01324 556108 or 07934 781320, clarkm2@virginmedia.com

Tuesday 25th October

Dalgety Bay: Leuchars Circular - version 1

Grade C: 6.5mls/3hrs **Depart:** Dalgety Bay Railway Station - TRAIN LEAVES at 09:06 **Walk start:** Leuchars Railway Station at 10:06 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO449206 **Description:** From station meet up with disused railway line, then minor road to Fordel, through St. Michael's Wood & return via golf course.

Note: RADO.

Leader: Heather Haines & Rose Nutt, 01383 822187 & 01383 822669 or 07969 198917

Dundee: AGM

Meet: Lochee Bowling Club, Muirton Road, Dundee at 19:30 **Description:** Hopefully the business part will be short and a tasty supper will be provided at a cost of £2 per person, payable on the night. Please contact Brian or Jean if you are coming as they need numbers for catering. **Contact:** J MacGillivray, 01382 623052, 07932 014859, jean.macgillivray@btinternet.com

Kinross & Ochil: Tuesday Walkers

All are welcome to join this max 4 mile walk. See details at beginning of this programme.

Kirkcaldy: Kirkcaldy Circumnavigation - Why? Because it's there

Grade B+: 16mls/7.5hrs ▲335m/1100ft. Walk start: Car park, south end of Kirkcaldy Promenade at 09:00 OS: 59 GR: NT279902 Description: North along Kirkcaldy promenade to Dysart on Fife Coastal Path. Pavements up to A92 /A921 roundabout. Follow good, flat paths on south side of A92 to cross the A910. Then it's all downhill from Chapel to the start of the walk. Note: Bus timetable available for those wishing to drop out at 9 miles (Fife Retail Park).

Leader: Alex Donald, 07943 871219, alex@donaldwyt.f9.co.uk

Thursday 27th October

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.

Saturday 29th October

Blairgowrie: Craig Fonyuick, Killiecrankie

Grade B: 5.5mls ▲289m/950ft. **Depart:** WCPB at 10:00 **Walk start:** Garry Bridge, Killiecrankie at 11:00 **OS:** 43 **GR:** NN913610 **Description:** A gradual climb to Craig Fonvuick to spectacular views, returning by the River Garry. One of the best places to see the autumn colours. **Note:** RADO.

Leader: Frances Cameron, 01250 875062, ron.cameron2@btinternet.com

Dalgety Bay: West Wemyss Circular

Grade C: 6mls ▲120m/393ft. Depart: DBSCCP at 09:30 Walk start: Harbour car park, West Wemyss at 10:15 OS: 59 GR: NT324946 Description: Circular walk on good paths. Minor road and part of Coastal Path. Note: RADO.

Leader: Alice McEwan, 01383 822013 or 07749 388113

Dundee: Murthly Circular

Grade C: 6mls/3.5hrs **Depart:** CWCP at 09:30 **Walk start:** Parking area at Gellyburn road end near entrance to Murthly Castle (1km north of Murthly on the B9099) at 10:30 **OS:** 53 **GR:** NO093393 **Description:** Low level circular walk on tracks through woodland and returning along the riverside.

Leader: Ian & Maureen Watson, 01382 738025

Forfar: Brechin Circular

Grade C: 7mls Depart: EGCP at 10:00 Walk start: Park Place (Near Brechin Public Park) at 10:30 OS: 45 GR: NO605605 Description: Circular walk round north, east and west outskirts of Brechin.

Leader: Dorothy Hutcheon, 01307 468034

Kirkcaldy: Pentlands Four Tops

Grade B+: 8.5mls Depart: KRSN at 09:00 Walk start: Flotterstone car park at 10:30 OS: 66 GR: NT234631 Description: Circular walk from Flotterstone taking in Turnhouse Hill (506m), Carnethy Hill (573m), Black Hill (501m) and Bell's Hill (406m), Note: RADO, NoSC.

Leader: Mike Livesey, 07783 201492

Perth: Monzie and the Knock

Grade C+: 8.5mls ▲ 200m/656ft. Depart: ASDACP at 09:00 Walk start: Ewanfield Car Park: Crieff Hydro at 09:45 OS: 52 GR: NN866221 Description: Descent to MacRosty Park, follow valley of Shaggie Burn through grounds of Monzie Castle to Gilmerton return over the Knock. Note: RADO. Leader: Roger Brickell. 01764 656114 & 07733 317725. roger@brickell.eclipse.co.uk

St. Andrews & NE Fife: Scurdie Ness & Boddin Point Circular

Grade C+: 7.5mls/4hrs ▲210m/688ft. Depart: FCPC at 09:15 Walk start: Old Ferryden Car Park,off A92, just past church and fork in road at 10:30 OS: 54 GR: NO717567 Description: Coastal circuit from pretty Ferryden to view lighthouse at Scurdie Ness, elephant rock at Boddin Point, returning inland by minor road. Paths through grazing fields. Cliff walk section. Note: RADO. Some rough coastal paths, with one small scramble which can be avoided at low tide

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

Sunday 30th October

Glenrothes: St Andrews – The Lade Braes and The Sands circular

Grade C+: 9mls/4.5hrs Depart: LCCP at 9:30 Walk start: CP at North Haugh at 10:15 OS: 59 GR: NO502168 Description: An easy town and beach walk in and around St Andrews, taking in some interesting buildings and views. Note: NoSC RADO

Leader: C Baker 01592 751384 cabecosse1@aol.co.uk

Stirling & Falkirk: Leannach Forest Circuit, Aberfoyle

Grade C+: 7mls/4hrs ▲152m/500ft. Depart: LACP at 09:30 Walk start: Leannach Forestry Car Park off Duke?s Pass at 10:30 OS: 57 GR: NN516048 Description: This walk offers good views of the Trossachs. Although a bit up-and-down it is on easy tracks and paths. Note: RADO. NoSC. FK8 3SY Car mileage - 44

Leader: Janet McNee, 01324 872205 or 07929 130582, janet.mcnee@googlemail.com

Tuesday 1st November

<u>Kirkcaldy:</u> Langtoun Daunderers - Dysart Harbour, Coastal Path & Countryside Grade C: 5mls Depart: KRSN at 10:00 Walk start: Dysart Harbour Car Park at 10:15 OS: 59 GR: NT302928 Description: Dysart Harbour, Coastal Path, through woods to Standin' Stane Road and return to Dysart. May be some muddy sections after rain. Suggested lunch venue 'Brodies'. Note: DWOL. CWRA.

Leader: Alex Donald, 07943 871219, alex@donaldwvt.f9.co.uk

Wednesday 2nd November

Dunfermline & West Fife: Gartmorn Dam

Grade C: 3.5mls/1.5hrs **Depart:** LPRCP at 09:30 **Walk start:** Car park at Gartmorn Dam Visitor Centre at 10:00 **OS:** 366 **GR:** NS911940 **Description:** Pleasant walk on footpaths which could be muddy. Lovely views of the Ochils. **Note:** DWOL.

Leader: Margaret Graham, 01383 738429, 07745 219494, margaret.graham@live.co.uk









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Thursday 3rd November

Blairgowrie: AGM

Meet: Royal Hotel, Blairgowrie at 19:30 **Description:** Usual format of presentation by speaker, details in newsletter, and business meeting, when members can make suggestions for day out and

weekend away. Please book for optional bar meal at 6pm by contacting Pat. **Contact:** Pat Fraser, 01250 873577, patriciafraser@btinternet.com

Glenrothes: AGM

This will be held in the Hugh Jenkins room at St Columbas Church Hall. Time – 7.30pm. Tea and biscuits will be provided.

Contact: C & B Barton 01383 725859 chrisbettybarton@gmail.com

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.

Kirkcaldy: Annual General Meeting

Meet: St Bryce Church, Kirkcaldy at 19:30 **Description:** An opportunity for members to select their committee and to air their views. Please come along, have your say and support your Group.

Contact: Ros Fairgrieve, 01592 784454

Stirling & Falkirk: AGM

Meet: MAYFIELD CENTRE, ST NINIANS, STIRLING at 19:30 Description: Annual General

Meeting.

Contact: Betty Brodie, 01324 556762, 07936 380395, bettybrodie@aol.com

Saturday 5th November

Brechin: Birnam - River Tay Circular

Grade C+: 7mls Depart: SNSB at 09:30 Walk start: Birnam (near Beatrix Potter Garden) at 10:45 OS: 52 GR: NO031418 Description: A pleasant level walk past the Birnam oak and up one side of

the river, returning down the other side via Dunkeld.

Leader: Frances Low, 01356 625348

Dalgety Bay: Maspie Den

Grade C+: 6mls/4hrs ▲200m/656ft. Depart: DBSCCP at 09:30 Walk start: Falkland Library Car Park at 10:30 OS: 59 GR: NO253074 Description: Gentle climb up Maspie Den to Yad waterfall.

On to Tyndall Bruce Monument. Return to Falkland via Pillars of Hercules. Note: RADO.

Leader: Audrey Price, 01383 824173 or 07871 806582

Dundee: Glen Prosen Circular

Grade B: 9mls **Depart:** OCCP at 09:15 **Walk start:** Old gravel quarry, 3 miles from Dykehead on left at top of Buckhood Brae at 10:30 **OS:** 44 **GR:** NO351634 **Description:** Ridge walk all the way, with views if weather good, round Glen Cally with various short inclines. On tracks with a short distance of road walking at either end of the walk, intersecting the Ministers road for a short distance.

Leader: Colin Gair & Linda Mitchell, 01307 819349 or 01241 431641

Dunfermline & West Fife: West of Falkland

Grade C+: 6mls/3hrs Depart: LPRCP at 09:30 Walk start: Falkland Estate car park at 10:30 OS: 369 GR: NO248075 Description: Ascent of Maspie Den, returning on forest tracks and farm roads via the Pillars of Hercules. Note: DWOL.

Leader: Maureen Paul, 01383 727875, 07842 386718, apaspaul9@gmail.com

Glenrothes: Pittenweem - Fife Coastal Path - Balcaskie - St Monans

Grade C: 7.5mls/4.5hrs **Depart:** LCCP at 9:30 **Walk start:** Pittenweem West Braes CP at 10:15 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO543023 **Description:** A circular walk using part of the Fife coastal path, farmyard tracks and rights of way. From the East of Pittenweem cross country to Balcaskie Estate continuing to St Monans then follow the coastal path back to the starting point. **Note:** NoSC RADO

Leader: C Mackie 01592 756058 or 07960513994 catherineannmackie@hotmail.co.uk

Kinross & Ochil: Townhill Loch & AGM

Grade C: 4mls Depart: KPR AT 09.40 or BURN at 09:30 Walk start: Townhill Country Park beside cafe at 10:00 OS: 65 GR: NT097891 Description: An interesting walk starting at the National Watersports Centre at Townhill Loch. Walking on bridleways to the Mining Heritage Park and back via a woodland area. Details of AGM venue and meal to be circulated later. Note: RADO. CWRA.

Leader: Edna Burnett, 01577 862977

Kirkcaldy: Perth to Luncarty and Return

Grade C+: 9.5mls **Depart**: KRSN at 08:45 **Walk start**: ASDA car park (Perth) behind 'McDonalds' at 10:00 **OS**: 58 **GR**: NO109248 **Description**: A very pleasant flat walk along the banks of the Tay.

Note: RADO. CWRA.

Leader: Liz Greig, 01592 653682 or 07919 985239

Perth: Reres Wood, Tentsmuir, Leuchars, Fife

Grade C: 9mls ▲ 115m/377ft. Depart: ASDACP at 09:00 Walk start: St. Athernase Church Leuchars at 10:15 OS: 59 GR: NO455213 Description: Past Earlshall Castle onto Fife Coastal Path following paths and tracks through forestry and minor roads. Note: RADO.

Leader: Kenny Valentine, 01738 446496

Sunday 6th November

Dundee: Kinpurnie Hill & Monument, Newtyle

Grade C+: 4mls/2hrs **Depart:** CWCP at 10:00 **Walk start:** Car park on Glamis Road, Newtyle at 10:30 **OS:** 53 **GR:** NO298415 **Description:** A good mixed walk alongside an old mill stream and then onto open country to the tower at the top of Kinpurney Hill in the Sidlaws. Excellent views. Fairly steep climb to summit. Return by same route.

Leader: Sheila Wallace, 01382 320243 or 07944 570925

Stirling & Falkirk: Ravensheugh Sands & Seacliff

Grade B: 9mls/5hrs ▲60m/200ft. Depart: LACP at 09:00 Walk start: Tyningham Links Car Park at 10:30 OS: 67 GR: NT627809 Description: Walk along woodland and countryside paths, beach and quiet country roads. Note: RADO. NoSC. EH42 1XW Car mileage - 128

Leader: Colin Thomson, 01786 472726 or 07702 636505, colinbthomson@gmail.com

Strathtav: Urlar Circuit

Grade C+: 8mls Walk start: Birks of Aberfeldy CP at 09:30 OS: 52 GR: NN855486 Description: Circular route from the Birks of Aberfeldy out to the green hut and returning on part of the Rob Roy Way. Note: RADO.

Leader: John & Lily Fleming, 01887 820575, jandlfleming@btinternet.com

Monday 7th November

St. Andrews & NE Fife: Group AGM

Meet: Cupar Y at 19:00 Description: Group AGM to elect new committee, review accounts and

discuss Group activities.

Contact: Nicky Haxell, 01334 839117, nickyhax@gmail.com

Tuesday 8th November

Dalgety Bay: Group AGM

Meet: Day Care Centre, Dalgety Bay at 19:30 Description: Members are encouraged to attend.

Contact: Rose Nutt. 01383 822669. 07969 198917

.Kinross & Ochil: Tuesday Walkers

All are welcome to join this max 4 mile walk. See details at beginning of this programme.

Thursday 10th November

<u>Dalgety Bay:</u> Roamers ~ Calais Muir Woodland, Dunfermline (minimal ascent)

Grade D: 3.5mls/2hrs Depart: Dalgety Bay Library at 09:35 Walk start: Tesco, Duloch at 10:00

OS: 65 GR: NT126861 Description: The route includes the Enchanted Walk, the Middle Path and

the Gypsy Way. Note: RADO.

Leader: Ben Douglas, 01383 822715 or 07852 658675

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.

Friday 11th November

Perth: Perth and District Annual General Meeting

Meet: Scone Old Church Hall, Burnside, Scone at 19:00 **Description:** AGM followed by free buffet. Your opportunity to have your say about the group's activities. Business meeting including nominations for committee members and officers please. Come along, join us then after have a bite to eat and some fun. **Note:** Plenty parking /No.7 bus route.

Contact: Trevor Abell, 01738 813123 & 07913288098, tmbabell@gmail.com

Saturday 12th November

Blairgowrie: Pitmedden Forrest and Pitairlie Hill

Grade B: 7.5mls Depart: WCPB at 09:30 Walk start: Pitmedden Forrest Car Park, Abernethy Glen at 10:30 OS: 58 GR: NO188141 Description: Circular walk on good paths leading to panoramic views of the River Tay, looking towards both Perth and Dundee. Note: RADO.

Leader: Sean Galbally, 01250 874667, seangalbally1@gmail.com

Dundee: Craigvinean

Grade C+: 8mls/4.5hrs ▲240m/787ft. Depart: CWCP at 09:30 Walk start: Hermitage Car Park (charge payable) at 10:30 OS: 52 GR: NO013423 Description: Walk to Craigvinean via Hermitage, back by Folly. Option to visit Pine Cone viewpoint. On good track and paths throughout, one small section may be muddy.

Leader: L Brown, 01382 884649 or 07597 690186

Kirkcaldy: Gartmorn Dam & Countryside

Grade C+: 9mls Depart: KRSN at 09:00 Walk start: Gartmorn Lochside car park at 10:00 OS: 58 GR: NS911940 Description: Gartmorn Dam paths, forest paths, farm tracks and some road sections. May be muddy in places after rain. Note: DWOL. CWRA. Details of evening meal can be obtained from Liz Greig Tel. No. 01592 653682

Leader: Alex Donald, 07943 871219, alex@donaldwyt.f9.co.uk

Perth: Backwater Reservoir Circular

Grade C+: 8mls ▲64m/209ft. Depart: ASDACP at 09:00 Walk start: park at Backwater Reservoir car park at 10:15 OS: 53 GR: NO251589 Description: A low level walk on tracks, paths and a minor road around the reservoir. Note: RADO.

Leader: Tara Harper, 07762 265869, rugpurcat@hotmail.co.uk

St. Andrews & NE Fife: Pearsie-Clash Reservoir

Grade C+: 6.5mls/3.5hrs ▲537m/1761ft. Depart: FCPC at 09:15 Walk start: The Tin Church Car Park in Pearsie at 10:30 OS: 53 GR: NO360588 Description: Lollipop shaped walk, north of Kirriemuir, on farm roads, through woodlands, and on hillside tracks. Lovely views. Some minor road walking. Note: RADO.

Leader: Sarah Dallas-Ross & Julie Gadd, 01382 541769 or 01382 541267, sarahadele.sdr@gmail.com

Sunday 13th November

Dalgety Bay: Blackford & Gleneagles Circular

Grade C: 7.5mls/4hrs **Depart:** DBSCCP at 09:30 **Walk start:** Eaglesgate Retail Village CP in Blackford at 10:30 **OS:** 58 **GR:** NN895088 **Description:** The walk follows a right of way across Gleneagles Golf Course passing near Gleneagles Hotel, before returning to Blackford via another right of way. **Note:** RADO.

Leader: Audrey Robertson, 01383 860569 or 07720 980715

Forfar: Broughty Ferry Seven Arches

Grade C: 5.5mls Depart: EGCP at 10:00 Walk start: Broughty Ferry Castle at 10:45 OS: 54 GR: NO465305 Description: A pleasant walk along to Monifieth, returning by the Dighty Path and the

Seven Arches Viaduct.

Leader: Christine Ferguson, 01382 532384

Glenrothes: Scotlandwell Circular from Findatie

Grade C+: 7.5mls/4.5hrs Depart: LCCP at 9:30 Walk start: Findatie CP on B9097 Vane Farm Road at 10:00 OS: 58 GR: NT170992 Description: Follow Loch Leven pathway through Levenmouth Plantation to Grahamstone Farm. Then on to Kinnesswood following the Michael Bruce Way to Scotlandwell returning via Loch Leven pathway. Mostly on good paths incline at Kinnesswood and short roadlink Note: NoSC RADO

Leader: G Christie 01592 743282 or 07943178810 grant911a@yahoo.co.uk

Stirling & Falkirk: River Forth south towards Cobleland and Flanders Moss

Grade C+: 8mls/4.5hrs ▲100m/328ft. Depart: LACP at 09:30 Walk start: Aberfoyle car park at 10:30 OS: 57 GR: NN524009 Description: River Forth south towards Cobleland and Flanders

Moss. Note: RADO. NoSC. FK8 3UL Car mileage - 40

Leader: Ray Finlay, 01786 449135 or 07792 549363, rayfin 1@hotmail.com

Tuesday 15th November

Dundee: Lynedoch Obelisk & McDuff's Folly

Grade C+: 5mls/3.5hrs ▲309m/1016ft. Depart: CWCP at 09:30 Walk start: Jubilee Car Park at 10:15 OS: 53 GR: NO145236 Description: Moderate hike through woodland and over hillside with some strenuous ascents. There may be an option to extend the walk to Kinnoull Hill at end of walk. Note: Dogs on lead at Golf course.

Leader: I Cowie & M C Thomson, 01382 884367 & 07810011232 or 0138237073407546563721

Wednesday 16th November

Dunfermline & West Fife: Hill of Beath

Grade C+: 5mls/3hrs **Depart:** LPRCP at 10:00 **Walk start:** Hill of Beath village, behind Torbeith Gardens off B912 at 10:15 **OS:** 367 **GR:** NT151904 **Description:** Around Dalbeith Nature Reserve then up to summit of Hill of Beath. Return via village. **Note:** DWOL.

Leader: Maureen Paul. 01383 727875. 07842 386718. apaspaul9@gmail.com

St. Andrews & NE Fife: Morton Lochs and Tentsmuir

Grade C: 8mls/4.5hrs ▲ 231m/760ft. Depart: FCPC at 09:15 Walk start: Lundin Bridge Car Park, south east of Tayport at 10:00 OS: 59 GR: NO466281 Description: Walk through golf course to Morton Lochs, continuing into Tentsmuir Forest to Ice House, and on to beach. Proceed north to Tentsmuir Point and follow coastal path back to start. Note: RADO.

Leader: Stewart & Linda Collier, 01334 477673 or 07881 596888, stewart.collier@outlook.com

Thursday 17th November

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.

Saturday 19th November

Brechin: Cairn Robie Circular

Grade C+: 6mls Depart: SNSB at 09:30 Walk start: Tarfside Village car park at 10:30 OS: 44 GR: NO493796 Description: Past Hill of Rowan to Westbank then over shoulder of Cairn Robie to Burn of Calanach. Return past Baillies & Burnfoot. Note: Walk can be extended by loop over Hill of Rowan and shortened by alternative return from Burn of Calanach past Milton.

Leader: Christine Bean, 01356 624285

Dalgety Bay: Torphichen Circular

Grade C+: 7mls/4hrs ▲ 150m/492ft. Depart: DBSCCP at 09:30 Walk start: Torphichen Community Education Centre at 10:15 OS: 65 GR: NS968726 Description: Visiting first Cairnpapple, ancient burial site, then to Witch Craig, Cockleroy (going up is optional), Lochcote and return to starting point, in paths, tracks and some road walk. There are 3 fences to climb over. Note: RADO.

Leader: Matsue Williams, 0131 332 4395

Dundee: Tentsmuir

Grade C: 7mls/3.5hrs **Depart:** TBCP at 10:00 **Walk start:** Car park in Shandwell Road South, Tayport at 10:30 **OS:** 54 **GR:** NO465280 **Description:** Walk across golf course, through forest and back by beach.

Leader: L Mitchell, 01241 431641

Glenrothes: Lindores Loch

Grade C+: 7mls/4.5hrs **Depart:** LCCP at 9:30 **Walk start:** Abdie and Dunbog Church at 10:00 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO258163 **Description:** Circular walk on paths alongside Lindores Loch via Woodmill, Braeside and Inchrye - one steep ascent of 750ft. **Note:** CWRA RADO

Leader: M Laing 01337 832724

Kirkcaldy: Around Lindores Loch

Grade C: 7.5mls **Depart:** KRSN at 09:15 **Walk start:** Collessie Victory Hall car park at 10:00 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO287134 **Description:** Pleasant country walk along paths, minor road and grassy slopes. LAST DAY FOR RESERVATION & PAYMENT (COST £13.50 INCLUDING TIP) OF 25thANNY. MEAL ON SUNDAY 27th NOV. **Note:** RADO. NoSC.

Leader: Glena Douglas & Morna Scriven, 01592 640163 or 07847 675961

Perth: Perth to Pitcairngreen

Grade C: 6mls **Depart:** ASDACP at 09:25 **Walk start:** Asda car park at 09:30 **OS:** 53 **GR:** NO110247 **Description:** A local walk along the Tay and the Almond to Pitcairngreen with hopefully some bird spotting along the way. Bring bus pass for return on No.14 bus to Perth (regular hourly service). **Note:** RADO.

Leader: Paula Bowman, 01738582339 & 07870937963, pbowman58@hotmail.com

Strathtay: St Mary's Church

Grade C: 7mls Depart: Chapel Street Bus Stop, Aberfeldy at 08:55 Walk start: Grandtully Castle at 09:00 OS: 52 GR: NN893515 Description: From Grandtully Castle to the tiny church of St Mary's

and on to Aberfeldy. Note: RADO.

Leader: John & Lily Fleming, 01887 820575, jandlfleming@btinternet.com

Sunday 20th November

Dundee: Luthrie & Normans Law

Grade B: 7mls **Depart:** TBCP at 09:30 **Walk start:** Luthrie Village Hall at 10:00 **OS:** 57 **GR:** NO331196 **Description:** Steep incline from Luthrie to Normans Law on tracks and paths then

downhill and circular on part of coastal path back to Luthrie.

Leader: Linda Pirie, 01382 778490 or 07881 369442

Dunfermline & West Fife: Loch Skiach & Craig Lochie

Grade B: 9mls/5.5hrs ▲550m/1804ft. Depart: LPRCP at 08:30 Walk start: Kinnaird House at 10:00 OS: 386 GR: NN980504 Description: Pleasant mix of farm tracks, hill tracks and open, heathery hillside to two hill lochs and a craggy summit above Strath Tay. Note: DWOL.

Leader: Grant Robertson, 01577 208436, grobert50@tesco.net

Kinross & Ochil: Dunblane Allan Water Circuit

Grade C: 7mls **Depart:** KPR at 09.00 or BURN at 09:15 **Walk start:** Dunblane Cathedral Square at 10:00 **OS:** 57 **GR:** NN782015 **Description:** A circular walk from Dunblane by the Allan Water to

Kinbuck via Ashfield, returning past Crofts of Cromlix. Note: RADO. CWRA.

Leader: Susan Tester, 01786 834535

Stirling & Falkirk: Kirkintilloch Circular via Torrance

Grade C: 8mls/4hrs ▲74m/242ft. Depart: LACP at 09:30 Walk start: Barleybank car park, Kirkintilloch at 10:30 OS: 64 GR: NS655739 Description: The walk follows the footpath from Kirkintilloch to Torrance and then continues to Cadder along the bank of the River Kelvin, returning to the start by the towpath of the Forth and Clyde Canal. Mostly level on good paths and tracks.

Note: RADO. NoSC. G66 1JB Car mileage - 40

Leader: James Higgins, 01786 470641, jameshig0@gmail.com

Tuesday 22nd November

Dalgety Bay: Walks Planning Meeting for Summer 2107

Meet: Day Care Centre, Dalgety Bay at 19:30 **Description**: Come and give us your input for the next programme. Submitting your walks before the meeting is appreciated.

Contact: Ian Bruce, 01383 616062, 07518 154237, ianbruce100@btinternet.com

Kinross & Ochil: Tuesday Walkers

All are welcome to join this max 4 mile walk. See details at beginning of this programme.

Thursday 24th November

Dunfermline & West Fife: Barnton to Wester Hailes

Grade C: 7mls/4hrs **Depart:** LPRCP at 09:00 **Walk start:** Barnton bus stop at 09:30 **OS:** 66 **GR:** NT186749 **Description:** Suburban linear walk through Cammo Estate, Craigmount, N & S Gyle, Edinburgh Park, Union Canal to Wester Hailes Plaza. Bus back into Edinburgh. **Note:** DWOL.

Leader: Olive Inglis, 01383 842698, 07773 995015, oliveminglis@aol.com

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.

Saturday 26th November

Our Area AGM - this year just north of Dundee Venue: Muirhead & Birkhill Millenium Hall. DD2 5QE. Refer to pages 7-8 for details of the programme and the return slip.

Blairgowrie: River Tay and Perth Lade

Grade C: 6mls ▲70m/229ft. Depart: WCPB at 09:30 Walk start: South Inch Car Park, Perth at 10:15 OS: 58 GR: NO119229 Description: Paths and tracks along River Tay and Perth Lade.

Some road walking. Note: RADO. Change will be needed for the car park

Leader: Anne Easson, 01828 628001, a.easson@btinternet.com

Forfar: Lour/Caddam

Grade C: 5mls Walk start: EGCP at 10:00 OS: 45 GR: NO457508 Description: A pleasant country

walk on minor roads, A.G.M. follows at 2pm in St John's Church Hall.

Leader: Dorothy Hutcheon, 01307 468034



Sunday 27th November

Dundee: Cupar, Dura Glen Circular

Grade C: 6mls/4hrs ▲100m/328ft. Depart: TBCP at 09:50 Walk start: Cupar Car Park (opposite public park on A91) at 10:30 OS: 59 GR: NO378146 Description: Circular walk of historic Cupar town centre to Ceres by the Moor road onto Craighall lime, return by Craighall burn. Track and road walking, tracks may be muddy in places. Note: RADO.

Leader: David Banks, 01382 858495 or 07719 382703

Glenrothes: Ladybank Woods Circular

Grade C: 6mls/3.5hrs **Depart:** LCCP at 9:30 **Walk start:** Car Park just off A92 at Ladybank Edensmuir Woods at 9:45 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO296095 **Description:** A virtually flat walk through the woods to the West, North & East of Ladybank. Mainly on Forest tracks, but with some road walking. Walk can be shortened easily in adverse weather. **Note:** CWRA DWOL

Leader: H Morrison 01592 749170 or 07821148256 hazmgtmor@hotmail.com

Kirkcaldy: Kirkcaldy Group 25th Anniversary - Walk & Evening Meal

Grade C: 5mls **Depart:** KRSN at 12:45 **Walk start:** Dunnikier Golf Club at 13:00 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NT279944 **Description:** Walk from Golf Club to Johnny Marshall's Loan then on to River Ore, along riverside path and return to Dunnikier by way of Carberry. Evening meal at Dunnikier Golf Club is booked 15.30 for 16.00. where non walkers may join.

Leader: Liz Greig, 01592 653682 or 07919 985239

St. Andrews & NE Fife: Collessie to Lindores Circular

Grade C+: 7.5mls/4hrs ▲200m/656ft. Depart: FCPC at 09:30 Walk start: Victoria Hall Car Park in Collessie at 10:00 OS: 59 GR: NO287134 Description: Circuit of Lindores Loch, following core paths. minor roads and grassy slopes. Note: RADO.

Leader: Betty Stewart & Susan Richmond, 01334 654552 or 01382 542516, bettys47@btinternet.com

Stirling & Falkirk: Blackness to Carriden Loop

Grade C: 5mls/3hrs ▲45m/150ft. Depart: LACP at 10:00 Walk start: Blackness Village Square at 10:45 OS: 65 GR: NT050800 Description: We follow part of the John Muir Way along the Forth, then loop around Carriden and return via Stacks. Tracks all the way. Note: RADO. NoSC. Start EH49 7NG Car mileage - 46

Leader: Hilary Thomson, 01786 472726 or 07834 529694, hilarydthomson@gmail.com

Thursday 1st December

Dunfermline & West Fife: Annual General Meeting

Meet: Dell Farguharson Centre at 19:30

Contact: Marion Webster, 01383 728132, mjpwebster@aol.com

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.

Saturday 3rd December

Brechin: Elephant Rock Circular

Grade C: 6mls Depart: SNSB at 09:30 Walk start: Ferryden car park at 10:00 OS: 54 GR: NO718567 Description: Past Scurdie Ness lighthouse to Usan. Continue down coast to Elephant Rock. Return on minor roads.

Leader: Kathleen Ritchie, 01356 622839

<u>Dalgety Bay</u>: Mystery Walk

Grade C: Depart: DBSCCP at 09:30 Walk start: ???? Description: Possibly C+ Details will be

available on the web site. Note: RADO.

Leader: Ian Bruce, 01383 616062 or 07518 154237, ianbruce100@btinternet.com

Dundee: Lade Braes

Grade C: 5mls/3hrs **Depart:** TBCP at 10:00 **Walk start:** Kinburn Car Park, St Andrews (first roundabout as you approach St.Andrews) at 10:30 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO502169 **Description:** Good paths, but could be muddy.

Leader: Martha McCallin & Moira Dobson, 01307462277 & 07873767576 or 0138245954307792140781

Dunfermline & West Fife: Dunfermline West

Grade C: 6mls/2.5hrs **Walk start:** Pittencrieff Park car park at 10:00 **OS:** 367 **GR:** NT085875 **Description:** Through Pittencrieff Park to pick up field tracks and forest paths to west of Dean Plantation then return along old Alloa/Dunfermline railway track. **Note:** DWOL.

Leader: Alan Paul, 01383 727875, 07739 169674, apaspaul9@gmail.com

Kirkcaldy: Auchtermuchty /Lumquat Circular

Grade C: 7.5mls **Depart:** KRSN at 09:00 **Walk start:** Auchtermuchty Fire Station, Back Dykes at 10:00 **OS:** 58 **GR:** NO236121 **Description:** On paths and minor roads. Muchty to Lumquat, then a circuit, partly through woods, with (depending on ground conditions) a short spur up Weddersbie Hill. Finally retrace the first leg to Muchty. **Note:** RADO. NoSC.

Leader: Mike Livesey, 07783 201492

Perth: Newtyle Circular

Grade C+: 8mls ▲200m/656ft. Depart: ASDACP at 09:00 Walk start: Newtyle playpark car park at 09:45 OS: 53 GR: NO298415 Description: On old railway tracks, local field paths and some minor roads around Newtyle the walk includes steep climb uphill for good views over the Strathmore valley. Flights of steps and boggy in parts. Note: RADO. If poor weather can be adapted to shorter, lower level walk

Leader: Lynn Salvin, 01738 634628 or 07712 298939

St. Andrews & NE Fife: Christmas Lunch

Meet: Restaurant at 12:30 **Description:** The annual Christmas lunch will be held in Kilconquhar Castle Lindsay Room restaurant. Before lunch, there will be optional mystery walk of no more than 4 miles, starting from restaurant at 1015am. **Note:** Names and £6 deposit per person to Will Aitken or lan MacKenzie by 15th Nov

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

Sunday 4th December

Glenrothes: Christmas Walks

Choice of two walks followed by a meal at Village Inn Pitlessie. The details of the walks will be given nearer the date by the leaders. The longer walk to start at 11am (meet at Lomond Centre), the strollers walk to start at 12pm (meet at St Columba's Church). All members and partners are welcome, those who wish to go for the meal must put name in to John Duncan or Linda Aitken by 17 November. Time of meal - meet at Inn at 3.30pm.

Contact: J Duncan 01337 831888 john@johnandmorven.co.uk

Kinross & Ochil: Christmas Walk & Lunch - Falkland

Grade C: 4mls **Depart:** KPR at 10.30 or BURN at 10:00 **Walk start:** Town Car Park, Falkland (by the library) at 11:00 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO254074 **Description:** A walk thro the historic village of Falkland onto the Gilderland Walk, returning via Pillars of Hercules and the Squirrel Walk. Details of festive lunch to be circulated later. **Note:** RADO.

Leader: Rosemary & Mike Smith, 01577 862520

Stirling & Falkirk: Kilsyth past and present

Grade C: 7mls/4hrs ▲155m/508ft. Depart: LACP at 09:30 Walk start: Old Quarry site Auchinstarry, Kilsyth at 10:15 OS: 64 GR: NS720771 Description: A circular walk following the River Kelvin to the Forth and Clyde Canal, then a gentle ascent of Bar Hill and Croy Hill (Roman Fort sites) before returning via the Antonine Wall, the Military Way and the canal towpath. Note:

RADO. NoSC. G65 9SE Car mileage - 30

Leader: Fiona McMurray, 01324 632740 or 07814 995319, fionanmcmurray@btinternet.com

Strathtav: Scone Circular

Grade C: 5.5mls **Depart:** CCP at 09:30 **Walk start:** Scone Old Church at 10:15 **OS:** 53 **GR:** NO132256 **Description:** Circular route round Scone, visiting the Lynedoch Obelisk and the birthplace of the man after whom the Douglas Fir is named. **Note:** RADO.

Leader: Jenny Rees, 01887 830521, jenny.rees@virgin.net

Tuesday 6th December

Kinross & Ochil: Tuesday Walkers

All are welcome to join this max 4 mile walk. See details at beginning of this programme.

Kirkcaldy: Langtoun Daunderers - Dunnikier Circular

Grade C: 6mls Walk start: Glebe Park car park (off Victoria Road) at 10:00 OS: 59 GR: NT281922 Description: A walk on paths and tracks through Middle Den, Johnny Marshall's Loan, Dunnikier Park and Pannia Dan. Suggested lyngh vonus 'Path Toyors' Nets: DWOL CWPA

Park and Pannie Den. Suggested lunch venue 'Path Tavern'. Note: DWOL. CWRA.

Leader: Ros Fairgrieve, 01592 784454

Thursday 8th December

Dalgety Bay: Roamers ~ Dalgety Bay to Aberdour (minimal ascent)

Grade D: 2.5mls/3hrs **Walk start:** Dalgety Bay Library at 10:00 **OS:** 65 **GR:** NT156834 **Description:** A walk along the Coastal Path with seasonal refreshment in Aberdour. Return by bus.

There is the option to return on foot, Grade C: 5mls 4hrs. Note: RADO.

Leader: Donald Wallace, 01383 820814

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.

Friday 9th December

Kirkcaldy: Summer 2017 Walk's Programme

Meet: Description: Please send suggestions for Summer Walks Programme to Brian Clark ((Walks

prog. Co-Ord.) by 30th December.

Contact: Brian Clark, 01592 784553, bjclark@live.co.uk

Saturday 10th December

Blairgowrie: Lady Mary's Walk and Knock of Crieff

Grade C+: 8mls ▲457m/1500ft. Depart: WCPB at 09:15 Walk start: McCrosty Park Car Park at 10:30 OS: 52 GR: NN857219 Description: A walk along the riverside from Crieff following good

paths then up to the Knock of Crieff. Lovely views, weather permitting. **Note:** RADO.

Leader: Madeleine McIntosh. 01250 872005 or 07904 382840. maddiesworld@outlook.com

Dalgety Bay: Christmas Lunch

Meet: Members will be informed of details in the usual way.

Contact: Rose Nutt, 01383 822669

Forfar: Christmas Meal

Meet: Strathmore Arms, Glamis at 01:00 **Description:** Christmas lunch at the Strathmore Arms, Glamis at 1pm. Contact Christine by 13th November to book your place. £10 deposit payable in advance.

Contact: Christine Ferguson, 01382 532384

Perth: Loch Tay - Acharn Falls

Grade C+: 6mls ▲ 390m/1279ft. Depart: ASDACP at 09:00 Walk start: Side road on South side of main road, East of bridge over Acharn burn at 10:15 OS: 51 GR: NN756438 Description: From Acharn village to Falls of Acharn then over open moorland with superb views, return to Acharn via hermits cave. Please bring towel in case you have to wade burn!. Note: RADO.

Leader: Mike Brown, 01738 446330 & 07825 014442, mikebrown1957@btinternet.com

Sunday 11th December

Dundee: Newtyle Circular

Grade C: 4mls/3hrs ▲100m/328ft. Depart: CWCP at 10:00 Walk start: Newtyle Park Car Park at 10:30 OS: 53 GR: NO299415 Description: Circular walk around Newtyle Village and surrounding

area on existing track and dismantled railway line. There is some road walking.

Leader: David Banks, 01382 858495 or 07719 382703

Glenrothes: Lochore Meadows – Kelty Circular

Grade C: 7mls/3.5hrs Depart: LCCP at 9:30 Walk start: Lochore Meadows CP at 10:00 OS: 58 GR: NT171962 Description: Farm tracks and a little road walking with excellent views. Note:

CWRA RADO

Leader: G Pottie 01592 753110 geordie72@btinternet.com
Stirling & Falkirk: Kinnoull Hill and Deuchny Wood

Grade C: 6mls/3.5hrs ▲76m/250ft. Depart: LACP at 10:00 Walk start: Quarry Car Park Kinnoull Hill at 11:00 OS: 58 GR: NO135235 Description: A mixture of woodland and panoramic views of the Perthshire countryside.On good paths with two short ascents. Note: RADO. NoSC. PH2 7BY

Car mileage - 80

Leader: Val Smith, 01786 470976, vps6@iname.com

Tuesday 13th December

Dundee: Christmas Meal

Meet: Queens Hotel Dundee at 19:00 **Description:** Once again we are having our Christmas Meal in the Queen's Hotel, Dundee. Cost £17. Name and £7 deposit to Nessie by 1st November and balance to be paid by 7th December.

Contact: Nessie Cowie, 01382 507682

Wednesday 14th December

Dunfermline & West Fife: Short Winter Stroll

Grade C: 5mls/2.5hrs **Depart:** LPRCP at 10:00 **Description:** An easy, local walk, no more than 5 miles, dependent upon weather conditions. Contact the leader a day or two before to find out more.

Note: DWOL.

Leader: Alan Paul, 01383 727875, 07739 169674, apaspaul9@gmail.com

Thursday 15th December

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.

Saturday 17th December

Blairgowrie: Cateran Trail - Enochdu to Lunch Hut

Grade B: 8mls ▲400m/1312ft. Depart: WCPB at 09:15 Walk start: Enochdu Roadside Car Park at 10:00 OS: 43 GR: NO062627 Description: Cateran Trail to Lunch Hut, then track SE up onto ridge of Uchd Nan Carn. Down ridge to Allt Doire Nan Eun. Track S then W around forest to Cateran Trail back to Enochdu. Note: RADO.

Leader: Jean Stewart, 01250 873852

Brechin: Glamis - Christmas Walk & Lunch

Grade C: 5mls Depart: SNSB at 09:30 Walk start: Strathmore Arms Hotel, Glamis at 10:00 OS: 54 GR: NO384468 Description: A pleasant walk near Glamis, followed by Christmas lunch. Note:

Lunch bookings and choices from menu to walk leader by 3rd December.

Leader: Sheena Leven, 01356 630208

Dundee: Moncrieffe Hill

Grade C+: 5mls ▲330m/1082ft. Depart: CWCP at 09:30 Walk start: Tay Car Park (northern entrance Moncrieffe Hill) a mile along minor road off A912 signposted Rhynd & Elcho Castle at 10:15 OS: 58 GR: NO139209 Description: A walk to up Moncrieffe Hill through beautiful woodland with great views.

Leader: L Beveridge & J Cumming, 01382 730832 & 07811 462266 or 0138264275207526237526

Glenrothes: Glenrothes North - Leslie Circular

Grade C+: 8mls/4.5hrs **Depart:** LCCP at 9:30 **Walk start:** Coul Reservoir CP at 10:00 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO270038 **Description:** Circular route starting at Coul Reservoir heading along paths towards Leslie then down through Riverside Park and up to woods via Pitcoudie. A mixture of local path and woodland walking. **Note:** CWRA DWOL Leader will meet group at start of walk.

Leader: S Galloway 07913 117542 alexandergalloway3116@gmail.com

Kinross & Ochil: Crook of Devon to Muckhart

Grade C: 7mls **Depart:** KPR at 09.45 or BURN at 09:30 **Walk start:** Crook of Devon Village Hall at 10:00 **OS:** 58 **GR:** NO038002 **Description:** A circular walk on paths and tracks taking in Rumbling Bridge Gorge. Some road walking. **Note:** RADO. CWRA.

Leader: Margaret Best, 01577 864112

Kirkcaldy: Star Moss & Coaltown of Balgonie

Grade C: 7.5mls **Depart:** KRSN at 09:45 **Walk start:** Balbirnie Country Park (main entrance C.P.) at 10:15 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO292018 **Description:** Fig. of eight walk centred on Balbirnie Park. North to Star Moss then south to Coaltown of Balgonie. Some road walking. **Note:** RADO. CWRA.

Leader: Brian Clark, 01592 784553, bjclark@live.co.uk

Perth: Christmas Lunch

Meet: North Car Park Dunkeld at 09:30 **Description:** Short C walk about 4miles, dependent on weather, followed by Christmas meal at Atholl Arms Hotel, Dunkeld. Lunch 12.30 for 13.00. See Perth Newsletter for details of menu, to book meal etc. Regular buses from Perth to Dunkeld.

Contact: Lynn Salvin, 01738 634628, 07712 298939

Stirling & Falkirk: Christmas walk and Lunch

Meet: Woodside Hotel, Doune at 10:00 Description: Walk at 10:00 or lunch only at 13:30. Contact: John Ferguson, 01324 823230, 07966 044794, john-ferguson@blueyonder.co.uk

Stirling & Falkirk: Date for submission of walks for the summer programme

Meet: None at 20:00 Description: Entry for information only - Please submit your winter walks

ideas to Fiona with a copy to Val and Eric.

Contact: Fiona McMurray, 01324 632740, 07814 995319, fionanmcmurray@btinternet.com

Strathtay: Aberfeldy to Grandfully

Grade C: 9mls Walk start: Aberfeldy Cemetery CP (note late start) at 10:30 OS: 52 GR: NN866497 Description: Walk along the river and old railway track to Grandtully for a warming bowl of soup in

the Inn on the Tay. Walk back to Aberfeldy or catch the bus. Note: RADO.

Leader: Bill McEwan, 01796 472780, billmcewan40@gmail.com

Sunday 18th December

Dunfermline & West Fife: Christmas Lunch

Meet: Description: Details will be posted on web page and Facebook before end of September.

Contact: Maureen Paul, 01383 727875, 07842 386718, apaspaul9@gmail.com

Tuesday 20th December

Dundee: Riverside Nature Park

Grade C: 5.5mls Walk start: Car Park by Lynch Centre, South Rd, Dundee at 10:30 OS: 54 GR: NO354314 Description: Easy walk following green circular route to Riverside Nature Park and on to Botanic Gardens cafe for snack or lunch. Return by same route.

Leader: L Beveridge & J Cumming, 01382 730832 & 07811 462266 or 0138264275207526237526

Kinross & Ochil: Tuesday Walkers

All are welcome to join this max 4 mile walk. See details at beginning of this programme.

Wednesday 21st December

St. Andrews & NE Fife: West Wemvss

Grade C: 6mls ▲ 121m/400ft. Depart: FCPC at 09:30 Walk start: West Wemyss Harbour Car Park at 10:15 OS: 59 GR: NT324946 Description: Easy low level route, following paths, tracks, with minimal ascent. The walk goes from West Wemyss along the coastal path to MacDuffs Castle, East Wemyss, returning by Newton and Lochhead farms. Note: RADO.

Leader: Jim Forret, 01334 656137, james.forret@btinternet.com

Wednesday 28th December

Dalgety Bay: In and Around Dalgety Bay (minimal ascent)

Grade C: 5mls Walk start: DBSCCP at 09:30 OS: 65 GR: NT156835 Description: A walk along

the Coastal Path and on woodland paths. **Note:** RADO. **Leader:** Ben Douglas, 01383 822715 or 07852 658675

Dundee: Friockheim to Leysmill - Festival of Winter Walks

Grade C: 4.5mls/2.5hrs Depart: OCCP at 09:15 Walk start: Friockheim Car Park (opposite school) at 10:00 OS: 54 GR: NO600497 Description: Easy walk to Leysmill followed by lunch at Colliston Inn at a cost of £7.50 per head. (Soup, Sandwiches, Traybakes, Tea/Coffee).

Leader: L Mitchell. 01241 431641

Glenrothes: Kirkcaldy - West Wemyss circular

Grade C: 6mls/3.5hrs Depart: LCCP at 9:30 Walk start: Ravenscraig CP at 10:00 OS: 59 GR: NT292926 Description: An easy walk from Ravenscraig car park following the coastal path to West

Wemyss returning by path through Wemyss Estate. Note: CWRA RADO

Leader: J Duncan 01337 831888 john@johnandmorven.co.uk

Saturday 31st December

Brechin: St Vigeans Nature Trail

Grade C: 7mls **Depart:** SNSB at 09:30 **Walk start:** Tesco supermarket, Arbroath (east side) at 10:00 **OS:** 54 **GR:** NO638413 **Description:** An easy low level walk through Brothock valley to St Vigeans nature trail. Return via Letham Grange.

Leader: Sheila Peebles. 01241 431163

Perth: Dupplin and Cairnie Braes

Grade C+: 7mls ▲ 200m/656ft. Depart: ASDACP at 09:00 Walk start: Burnside Lodge - on E side of A9 near Dupplin Loch at 09:30 OS: 58 GR: NO039200 Description: A circuit of the Dupplin Estate passing Pitcairnie Loch, Blairhill, Wester Cairnie, Bankhead and Dupplin Castle. Note: RADO

Leader: John Andrews, 01738 827275 & 07526 884953, john@jdandrews.co.uk

Tuesday 3rd January

Kinross & Ochil: Tuesday Walkers

All are welcome to join this max 4 mile walk. See details at beginning of this programme.

Kirkcaldy: Langtoun Daunderers - Rabbit Braes

Grade C: 5mls Depart: KRSN at 10:00 Walk start: Beveridge Park car park at 10:15 OS: 59 GR: NT273910 Description: Walk on woodland paths, tracks with some road crossings and easy

gradients. Suggested lunch venue Kirkcaldy Golf Club (Balwearie).

Leader: Brian Clark, 01592 784553, bjclark@live.co.uk

Wednesday 4th January

Dunfermline & West Fife: Short Winter Stroll

Grade C: 5mls/2.5hrs **Depart:** LPRCP at 10:00 **Description:** An easy, local walk, no more than 5 miles, dependent upon weather conditions. Contact the leader a day or two before to find out more.

Note: DWOL.

Leader: Alan Paul, 01383 727875, 07739 169674, apaspaul9@gmail.com

Thursday 5th January

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.

Saturday 7th January

Blairgowrie: Murthly Castle Grounds and River Tay

Grade C: 6mls ▲50m/164ft. Depart: WCPB at 10:00 Walk start: Parking area at the gate of Murthly Castle at 10:30 OS: 53 GR: NO093393 Description: A fairly flat walk along the old railway track, through woodland, to the River Tay and the Castle grounds. Easy walking along well made tracks. Note: RADO.

Leader: Kathleen Frew, 01250 873805 or 07900 531159, kathleenfrew@msn.com

Dalgety Bay: Mystery Walk

Grade C: Depart: DBSCCP at 09:30 Walk start: ???? Description: Possibly C+ Details will be

available on the web site. Note: RADO.

Leader: lan Bruce, 01383 616062 or 07518 154237, janbruce100@btinternet.com

Kinross & Ochil: New Year Work out at Gartmorn Dam

Grade C: 6mls **Depart:** KPR at 09.40 or BURN at 10:00 **Walk start:** Muircot Farm Shop Car Park at 10:30 **OS:** 58 **GR:** NS912940 **Description:** A gentle walk from the Farm Shop down to Gartmorn Dam and a flat walk round the Dam on good paths in excellent company. Guaranteed to get rid of any lingering cobwebs! Names to Sybil by 3 January, please. **Note:** DWOL. CWRA.

Leader: Sybil Taylor, 07890 217935

Kirkcaldy: Cardenden - Auchtertool Circular

Grade B: 8.5mls **Depart:** KRSN at 10:00 **Walk start:** Bowhill Institute at 10:30 **OS:** 58 **GR:** NT215955 **Description:** From Bowhill Institute a walk towards Auchtertool via Spittal Farm, Little Gleniston, Bankhead of Raith and Cardenbarns through community woodland on core paths, farm tracks and some rough fields. May be muddy in places. **Note:** RADO. NoSC.

Leader: Elaine Collins, 07739 964212

Perth: Around Dunkeld and Birnam

Grade C+: 8mls **Depart:** ASDACP at 09:30 **Walk start:** Beatrix Potter Garden, Birnam (parking available in side streets) at 10:00 **OS:** 53 **GR:** NO031419 **Description:** Pleasant winter walk on mainly good paths and through woodland near the Hermitage. **Note:** RADO.

Leader: Tom Ross, 01821 650838 or 07949 715716, tomwoodvillle@aol.com

Sunday 8th January

Dundee: Dronley Woods

Grade B: 6mls/4hrs **Walk start:** Clatto Country Park Car Park at 10:30 **OS:** 54 **GR:** NO369342 **Description:** Follow reservoir, exit on north farm track, through forested area and descend to dismantled railway track, follow track to Dronley wood, return via railway track exiting at Dronley, take rd to Muirhead and back to car park via Templeton woods. **Note:** There is some road walking.

Leader: David Banks, 01382 858495 or 07719 382703

Forfar: Kirriemuir Circular

Grade C: 6mls Depart: EGCP at 10:00 Walk start: Bellies Brae Car Park, Kirriemuir at 10:20 OS:

54 GR: NO386537 Description: Circular walk. Followed by Walks Planning Meeting.

Leader: Grace Johnston & Fiona Brown, 01575 574685 or 01575 573344

Glenrothes: Kilmany - Balmerino and Stirton circular

Grade C: 8mls/4.5hrs **Depart:** LCCP at 9:30 **Walk start:** Kilmany at 10:15 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO388218 **Description:** A pleasant walk from Kilmany - cross the A92 and follow the track uphill to Gauldry – continue on to Balmerino. Return by Hazelton and Stirton Mill by the disused railway to Kilmany.

Note: NoSC RADO

Leader: C Mackie 01592 756058 or 07960513994 catherineannmackie@hotmail.co.uk

St. Andrews & NE Fife: Falkland Estate & Tyndall Bruce Monument

Grade C+: 7mls/4hrs ▲250m/820ft. Depart: FCPC at 09:30 Walk start: Falkland Back Wynd Car Park at 10:00 OS: 59 GR: NO254074 Description: Pleasant circular walk through the state on good paths and tracks. Steeper section to the Monument but effort rewarded by great views across the Howe of Fife Note: DWO!

Leader: Christine Arnold & Carol Philip, 01334 654158 or 01334 475997,

jandca.winslow@btinternet.com

Stirling & Falkirk: Alloa to RSPB Black Devon to Clackmannan

Grade C: 6mls/4hrs ▲60m/200ft. Depart: LACP at 10:00 Walk start: Alloa town centre car park FK10 1JY at 10:45 OS: 58 GR: NS888927 Description: From Alloa walk to the Black Devon Wetlands, where a representative of the RSPB will show, and discuss, the changes they are making. The walk will continue on good paths to Clackmannan & return. Note: RADO. NoSC. Watch out for further details. Car mileage - 15

Leader: Eric Davidson, 07757 658055, davidson.family.es@gmail.com

Thursday 12th January

Dalgety Bay: Roamers ~ Dalgety Bay to Inverkeithing (minimal ascent

Grade D: 2.5mls/2hrs **Walk start:** Dalgety Bay Library at 10:00 **OS:** 65 **GR:** NT156834 **Description:** A walk along the Coastal Path and, after refreshment, return by bus. There is the option to return on foot, **Grade C:** 5mls 3hrs. **Note:** RADO.

Leader: Ben Douglas, 01383 822715 or 07852 658675

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.

Saturday 14th January

Brechin: Careston to Tannadice

Grade C: 7mls **Depart:** SNSB at 09:30 **Walk start:** Careston Church car park at 09:50 **OS:** 44 **GR:** NO528604 **Description:** An easy level walk on tracks & paths via Mill of Marcus & Noranbank to Tannadice village and back. Walk can be shortened by returning at any point. **Note:** Walk start is on OS map 44 but 95% of the walk is on OS map 54.

Leader: Sheila Mather, 01356 650240

Dundee: Lundie Crags Circular

Grade C+: 8mls/4hrs Depart: CWCP at 09:30 Walk start: Tullybaccart Car Park at 10:00 OS: 53 GR: NO263360 Description: Mostly on track with some narrow paths which could be muddy.

Reasonable ascents. Route will be dependent on weather conditions.

Leader: I Cowie & Rose Garvie, 01382 884367 & 07810011232 or 01382 450763

Glenrothes: Aberdour - Donibristle Circular

Grade C+: 7mls/4hrs **Depart:** LCCP at 9:30 **Walk start:** Aberdour Station CP at 10:15 **OS:** 66 **GR:** NT191854 **Description:** A coastal walk from Aberdour towards Dalgety Bay with a detour to

Braefoot Point – returning by the coastal path. **Note:** CWRA DWOL **Leader:** J Duncan 01337 831888 iohn@iohnandmorven.co.uk

Kirkcaldy: Kingsbarns, Kenly & Boarhills Circular

Grade C+: 9mls **Depart:** KRSN at 09:00 **Walk start:** Kingsbarns - The Square at 10:00 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO594120 **Description:** A walk in the countryside on farm tracks to Kenly then on to Boarhills village and following on to a section of coastal path before returning to Kingsbarns. **Note:** RADO. NoSC.

Leader: Margaret Miller. 01592 266956

Perth: Balbirnie - Star Moss Circular

Grade C+: 5.4mls ▲70m/229ft. Depart: ASDACP at 09:00 Walk start: Balbirnie Park Car Park, off B9130 west of Markinch at 10:00 OS: 59 GR: NO292018 Description: Low level easy walk skirting Markinch to climb Cuinin Hill, views to the east then fields and pine woods. Note: RADO. Leader: Sue Henderson, 01738 861026 & 07980 147967, tanniesue peru@yahoo.com

Strathtay: Dull Wood and Loch Farleyer

Grade C: 6mls Depart: CCP at 09:30 Walk start: Camserney at 09:45 OS: 52 GR: NN819491 Description: A circular route through Dull Wood, across the Camserney Burn to Loch Farleyer and return by the cetate track. Nata: DADO

return by the estate track. **Note:** RADO.

Leader: Bill Bruce, 01887 829753, bill_1_bruce@btinternet.com

Sunday 15th January

Stirling & Falkirk: Arthur's Seat

Grade C+: 5mls/3hrs ▲243m/800ft. Walk start: St Giles Café bar, High Street, Edinburgh EH1 1PT at 11:00 OS: 66 GR: NT258736 Description: A social day out. There is the option to have coffee at St. Giles Café Bar before. Walk starts from there at 11.45. After the walk those who wish can come along for a pub meal. The hill walk is on good tracks and will be taken slowly. Note: RADO. NoSC. A limited number of places are available for the pub meal. Names to Hilary please asab. EH1 1PT Car mileage - 70

Leader: Hilary Thomson, 01786 472726 or 07834 529694, hilarydthomson@gmail.com

Tuesday 17th January

Kinross & Ochil: Tuesday Walkers

All are welcome to join this max 4 mile walk. See details at beginning of this programme.

Wednesday 18th January

Dunfermline & West Fife: Short Winter Stroll

Grade C: 5mls/2.5hrs **Depart:** LPRCP at 10:00 **Description:** An easy, local walk, no more than 5 miles, dependent upon weather conditions. Contact the leader a day or two before to find out more.

Note: DWOL.

Leader: Alan Paul, 01383 727875, 07739 169674, apaspaul9@gmail.com

Thursday 19th January

Dundee: Walks Planning Meeting

Meet: Methodist Church Hall, Marketgait, Dundee at 19:30 **Description:** All members welcome to exchange ideas and offer suggestions for walks and outings. Offers to lead walks would be most welcome and experienced leaders will help anyone who has never led a walk before. Tea and coffee provided.

Contact: Joyce Cumming, 01382 642752, 07526 237526, joyce@cumming14.plus.com

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.



Saturday 21st January

Blairgowrie: Winter Walk and Lunch - Craigowl and Auchterhouse Hill

Grade C+: 4.75mls ▲333m/1092ft. Depart: WCPB at 09:30 Walk start: Balkello Community Woodland Car Park at 10:00 OS: 54 GR: NO364385 Description: Paths on mostly heathery hills. Lunch will be at the Pear Tree Restaurant in Auchterhouse at 1pm. Please see details in Newsletter and book through Pat Fraser, 01250 873577, email patriciafraser@btinternet.com. Note: RADO.

Leader: Mike Morris, 01828 632548, morris.inchley@btinternet.com

Dalgety Bay: Leuchars Circular - version 2 (minimal ascent)

Grade C: 8mls/5hrs **Depart:** DBSCCP at 09:00 **Walk start:** Leuchars Rail Station C.P. at 10:30 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO448206 **Description:** Level walk on paths, tracks and some road walking. **Note:** RADO.

Leader: Margaret Johnston, 01383 860725

Dunfermline & West Fife: St Ninian's by Kingseat

Grade C: 6mls/2.5hrs Depart: LPRCP at 09:45 Walk start: Gate by Lochside Livery Stables at 10:00 OS: 367 GR: NT134919 Description: Gentle climb to top of two hills with other lesser hilly

bits. Note: DWOL.

Leader: Linda Moyes, 01383 852817, 07840 759384, lm57.moyes@gmail.com

Forfar: Piperdam

Grade C+: 4mls Depart: EGCP at 10:00 Walk start: Piperdam Golf Course Car Park at 10:40 OS: 53 GR: NO303349 Description: This is a short walk but well worth it, with wonderful views, weather permitting

Leader: Ann Clubb, 01307 461902

Perth: Lady Marys Walk & Laggan Hill

Grade C+: 6mls Depart: ASDACP at 09:00 Walk start: Taylor Car Park, Crieff at 09:50 OS: 58 GR: NN858221 Description: Following a good and very attractive path along the River Earn then

fairly gentle ascent over Laggan Hill. Good views of Strathearn. Note: RADO.

Leader: Jim Pirie, 01738 451314 or 07923 457219

St. Andrews & NE Fife: Kettlehill & Clatto Hill

Grade B: 7mls/4.5hrs ▲204m/670ft. Depart: FCPC at 09:30 Walk start: Small car park in Wellpark Place in centre of Kettlehill, near phone box at 10:00 OS: 59 GR: NO324075 Description: Walk via farms to Clatto Hill, continuing Devon Wood, before returning to start. Walking on minor roads, tracks, paths through farmland and forestry. Note: RADO. NoSC. Some steep uphill sections (200m)

Leader: Stewart & Linda Collier, 01334 477673 or 07881 596888, stewart.collier@outlook.com

Sunday 22nd January

Glenrothes: Lomond Hills - Bishop Hill circular

Grade B: 7.5mls/4.5hrs ▲1000ft Depart: LCCP at 9:30 Walk start: Holl Reservoir CP at 10:00 OS: 58 GR: NO223034 Description: Starting from Holl Reservoir walk to Bishop Hill then along the ridge with excellent views of Loch Leven and the Fife countryside two things of special interest being Carlin Maggie and the limestone quarry workings. Note: NoSC RADO Leader will meet group at start of walk.

Leader: W Cumming contact by Email splish2splosh@gmail.com

Kinross & Ochil: Little Glenshee, NW of Battleby

Grade C+: 7.5mls **Depart:** KPR at 09.00 or BURN at 09:00 **Walk start:** Small parking area beside the ford at Little Glenshee at 10:00 **OS:** 52 **GR:** NN988340 **Description:** Track goes past an old slate quarry then climbs northwards thro heathery moorland. Undulating walk on good tracks with lovely views. **Note:** RADO. CWRA.

Leader: Gwen Perry, 01577 861556

Stirling & Falkirk: Cairneyhill Circular

Grade C+: 8.4mls/4.5hrs ▲100m/330ft. Depart: LACP at 09:30 Walk start: CP Opposite school at 10:30 OS: 65 GR: NT048865 Description: A circular walk taking in Crombie Pier, Torreyburn and Dean Plantation. Includes walking on farm tracks, roads and woodland paths. Note: RADO.

NoSC. KY12 8RN Car mileage - 40

Leader: Babs Butler, 01324 720165 or 07711 575561, barbarafbutler@btinternet.com

Thursday 26th January

Brechin: Summer Walks Meeting
Meet: St Andrews Church Hall, Brechin at 19:00

Contact: Colin Whyte, 01356 622283, 07949 402506, colinwhyte@colinwhyte.plus.com

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.

Stirling & Falkirk: Summer programme walks meeting

Meet: Mayfield centre, St Ninians, Stirling at 19:30 **Description:** Come along to socialise and hear a preview of the new walks for the summer programme from the walks leaders. All are welcome. **Contact:** Fiona McMurray, 01324 632740, 07814 995319, fionanmcmurray@btinternet.com

Saturday 28th January

Brechin: Arbroath to Auchmithie

Grade C: 7mls Depart: SNSB at 09:30 Walk start: Far end of Victoria Park, Arbroath at 10:15 OS: 54 GR: NO658412 Description: A pleasant coastal walk to Auchmithie, returning by the same

route.

Leader: Sheila Mather. 01356 650240

<u>Dundee</u>: Bus Trip to Edinburgh (more details to follow later)

Description: We intend to visit Scottish Parliament (free) and Mary King's Close (Cost £14.50 or Seniors £12.75 pp (optional)). The cost for the bus is approx. £10 pp. Everyone should make their own arrangements for lunch meeting up again afterwards. **Note:** If interested and to put name down contact Linda Mitchell after mid Sept. Money payable by 1st week Jan to Maureen Watson.

Contact: L Mitchell, 01241 431641

Glenrothes: Leuchars - Military Manoeuvres on the Moor

Grade B: 9mls/5hrs Depart: LCCP at 9:30 Walk start: St Athernase Church, Leuchars. at 10:30 OS: 59 GR: NO455214 Description: Walk by Earlshall Castle onto Fife Coastal Path, across Tents Muir towards Reres Wood and mouth of River Eden. Returning via Tentsmuir Forest and coastal path. Tracks and paths with military pill boxes, concrete tank traps and a look-out post. Note: CWRA DWOI

Leader: S Galloway 07913 117542 alexandergalloway3116@gmail.com

Perth: Forgandenny to Bridge of Earn

Grade C+: 6mls **Depart:** Perth Bus Station 8.55 to catch No.17 bus at 09:00 **Walk start:** Station Road Forgandenny at 09:45 **OS:** 58 **GR:** NO086181 **Description:** Linear walk from Forgandenny on road, pavement and woodland paths. Route takes us via Dunbarney Estate, Pitkeathly Wells, Kilgraston, Kintillo and by Oudenarde to Bridge of Earn to catch bus back to Perth. **Note:** RADO. Cars can be parked in Bridge of Earn to catch No.17 bus at 9.18 in Side Street to go to Forgandenny. Remember bus pass

Leader: Donald Purvis. 01738 813294 & 07478247825, purvishome@gmail.com

Sunday 29th January

Kirkcaldy: Balcarres /Kilbrackmont Circular

Grade C: 6.5mls **Depart:** KRSN at 09:30 **Walk start:** Parking area at B942/B941 road junction. at 10:30 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO487036 **Description:** Pleasant walk using paths and tracks with a visit to a ruined Chapel and Balcarres Tower. **Note:** RADO. CWRA.

Leader: Brian Clark, 01592 784553, bjclark@live.co.uk

Stirling & Falkirk: Braco Lochs

Grade C: 6mls/3hrs ▲60m/196ft. Depart: LACP at 09:30 Walk start: Feddal Road (B8033), Braco at 10:00 OS: 57 GR: NN836097 Description: Easy walk around Lower Rhynd and Upper Rhynd reservoirs, mostly on good tracks and roads. Note: RADO. NoSC. FK15 9QE Car mileage - 30 Leader: Janet McAuley, 01786 489903 or 07732 982135, janetmcauley@waitrose.com

Strathtay: Black Spout and Craigower Hill

Grade C+: 5mls Depart: CCP at 09:30 Walk start: Black Spout CP, Pitlochry at 10:00 OS: 52 GR: NN950576 Description: Circular route up past Black Spout waterfall and through Moulin to climb

the excellent viewpoint of Craigower Hill. Note: RADO.

Leader: Joyce Cameron, 01887 840343, jemcameron@hotmail.co.uk

Monday 30th January

Dundee: Arbroath Town Trail

Grade C: 6mls/3hrs Depart: OCCP at 10:00 Walk start: Arbroath Harbour Car Park at 10:30 OS: 54 GR: NO641406 Description: Walking on pavements or good paths throughout. Circular route around town

Leader: Sheila Wallace. 01382 320243 or 07944 570925

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Wednesday 1st February

Dunfermline & West Fife: Short Winter Stroll

Grade C: 5mls/2.5hrs **Depart:** LPRCP at 10:00 **Description:** An easy, local walk, no more than 5 miles, dependent upon weather conditions. Contact the leader a day or two before to find out more.

Note: DWOL.

Leader: Alan Paul. 01383 727875, 07739 169674, apaspaul9@gmail.com

Thursday 2nd February

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.

Saturday 4th February

Blairgowrie: Templeton Woods

Grade C: 6mls ▲161m/530ft. Depart: WCPB at 09:30 Walk start: Templeton Woods Car Park, Templeton Road, Near Birkhill at 10:15 OS: 54 GR: NO348342 Description: A fairly flat walk on paths, tracks and minor roads. Note: RADO.

Leader: Nina Bell, 01250 874301, blairbelles@tiscali.co.uk

Dalgety Bay: Gartmorn Dam

Grade C+: 8mls/4hrs ▲50m/164ft. Depart: DBSCCP at 09:30 Walk start: Sterling Mills Factory Outlet CP, Tillicoultry at 10:30 OS: 58 GR: NS920965 Description: From the CP to Gartmorn Dam via Coalpots Wood. After a circuit of the reservoir return via Cowpark Wood, Fishcross and Devon Walkway. Note: RADO.

Leader: Irene Garvie, 01383 821727

Dunfermline & West Fife: Benarty Hill

Grade B: 7mls/3hrs ▲250m/820ft. Depart: LPRCP at 10:00 Walk start: Car park off Great North Road to west of Lochore Meadows at 10:30 OS: 367 GR: NT152949 Description: Ascent of

Benarty Hill, weather conditions permitting, followed by circuit of Lochore. Note: DWOL.

Leader: Alan Paul, 01383 727875, 07739 169674, apaspaul9@gmail.com

Kinross & Ochil: Tillicoultry to Dollar

Grade C+: 8mls **Depart:** KPR at 09.15 or BURN at 09:45 **Walk start:** Car Park on right opp Devonvale Hall, Tillycoultry on A908 (not Sterling Mills Car Park) at 10:00 **OS:** 58 **GR:** NS919965 **Description:** A walk in mixed woodland using the Devonway to walk to Dollar and back. Some gentle inclines. **Note:** DWOL. CWRA.

Leader: Christina Rodger, 01577 863785

Perth: Inverkeithing to Burntisland

Grade C: 8mls ▲ 150m/492ft. Depart: ASDACP at 09:00 Walk start: Ballast Bank Car Park. Near sports ground in Preston Crescent, Inverkeithing at 10:00 OS: 65 GR: NT135824 Description: A pleasant winter walk, eastwards on good paths along the Fife Coastal path, passing through Aberdour. Bus back from Burntisland to Inverkeithing. Note: RADO.

Leader: Pete & Anne Trant, 01738 565075 & 07985202934 or 07557 785696,

thetrants@virginmedia.com

Sunday 5th February

Dundee: Carnoustie Circular

Grade C+: 9mls/4.5hrs ▲50m/164ft. Depart: OCCP at 10:00 Walk start: Tayside Street Car Park (at sea side of railway station) at 10:30 OS: 54 GR: NO567344 Description: Circular walk around Carnoustie via Panbride, Barry, Golf Course. Long stretches of road walking.

Leader: Alex Kelman, 01382 776928 or 07840 732842, alexkelman@btinternet.com



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Forfar: Explore Dundee

Grade C+: 5mls Depart: EGCP at 10:00 Walk start: Discovery Point Dundee at 10:40 OS: 54 GR: NO403298 Description: Gentle climb up to Dundee Law, spectacular views, weather permitting.

Depending on weather, alternative route will be taken.

Leader: Christine Ferguson, 01382 532384

Glenrothes: Balmullo Circular

Grade C: 6.5mls/3.5hrs **Depart:** LCCP at 9:30 **Walk start:** Burnside Hall, Lucklaw Road, Balmullo at 10:30 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO425209 **Description:** Circular walk on good tracks and minimal road

walking via Lucklaw, Fingask, Pittormie and Cuplahills. Note: NoSC RADO

Leader: M Laing 01337 832724

St. Andrews & NE Fife: Backwater Reservoir

Grade C: 7.5mls/4hrs ▲396m/1300ft. Depart: FCPC at 09:15 Walk start: Backwater Reservoir Dam Car Park (southern end) at 10:30 OS: 53 GR: NO251589 Description: An easy, low level walk following well made tracks, paths, woodland and a minor road round Backwater Reservoir. Parts of northern section of walk can be wet and boggy underfoot. Note: RADO. Large free parking at start

Leader: Dorothy Cameron, 01334 474305

Stirling & Falkirk: Gillies Hill to North Third

Grade C: 8mls/4hrs ▲121m/400ft. Depart: LACP at 10:00 Walk start: Cambusbarron Bowling Club at 10:30 OS: 57 GR: NS778924 Description: An interesting walk with lovely views of the local

area. Mainly on good paths. Note: RADO. NoSC. FK7 9NF Car mileage - 4

Leader: Val Smith, 01786 470976, vps6@iname.com

Tuesday 7th February

Kinross & Ochil: Tuesday Walkers

All are welcome to join this max 4 mile walk. See details at beginning of this programme.

Kirkcaldv:

Langtoun Daunderers - Around the Town

Grade C: 5mls **Walk start:** Kirkcaldy Railway Station North at 10:00 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NT275918 **Description:** A walk around Central Kirkcaldy, linking green and other spaces, to arrive at the 'Novar Bar' for lunch (optional). **Note:** DWOL. CWRA.

Leader: Ruth Beddall, 01592 260578

Thursday 9th February

Dalgety Bay: Roamers ~ Townhill Loch, Dunfermline (minimal ascent)

Grade D: 4mls/2.5hrs **Depart:** Dalgety Bay Library at 10:00 **Walk start:** Townhill Loch CP at 10:30 **OS:** 65 **GR:** NT013891 **Description:** A pleasant easy walk on good paths around Townhill Loch on the north side of Dunfermline. **Note:** RADO.

Leader: Ken Wright, 01383 822358 or 07535 386982

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.

Saturday 11th February

Brechin: Murton Nature Reserve

Grade C: 7mls **Depart:** SNSB at 09:30 **Walk start:** Lay-by on B9134 SW of Lunanhead (opposite electricity sub-station) at 10:00 **OS:** 54 **GR:** NO472518 **Description:** To Baldardo & on to Murton Nature Reserve. Return by Wemyss & Pitscandly. **Note:** RADO.

Leader: Frances Low, 01356 625348

Dundee: Tullybaccart

Grade C: 7mls **Depart:** CWCP at 10:00 **Walk start:** Tullybaccart at 10:30 **OS:** 53 **GR:** NO263360 **Description:** Circular walk via Ledcrieffe Loch, Leys and Lairds Loch. Mostly on tracks but a short stretch of road walking where great care should be taken.

Leader: L Beveridge & J Cumming, 01382 730832 & 07811 462266 or 0138264275207526237526

Glenrothes: Pool of Muckhart - Naemoor - Crook of Devon - Rumbling Bridge and

return

Grade C+: 7mls/3.5hrs Depart: LCCP at 9:30 Walk start: Coronation Hall car park. School Road. Pool of Muckhart at 10:15 **OS**: 58 **GR**: NN999005 **Description**: A pleasant circular walk on good paths and farm tracks taking in the Rumbling Bridge gorge. Note: NoSC RADO

Leader: C Mackie 01592 756058 or 07960513994 catherineannmackie@hotmail.co.uk

Kirkcaldv: Puddledub to Kinghorn Linear

Grade C+: 7.5mls Depart: Kirkcaldy Bus Station for 09.30am X60 bus at 09:20 Walk start: Puddledub bus stop at 09:40 OS: 66 GR: NT204883 Description: Linear walk mainly on tracks and paths by Stenhouse Reservoir, Broomhill Viewpoint (in Burntisland) and Kinghorn Loch, Walk finishes at Kinghorn War Memorial. Bus times may change. Check with walk leader. Note: RADO. NoSC

Leader: Ruth Beddall. 01592 260578

Loch Leven, Glenlomond, Milnathort

Grade C: 8mls Depart: ASDACP at 09:00 Walk start: Burleigh Sands car park at 09:45 OS: 58 GR: NO134040 Description: Circular walk on good path and minor roads. Gradients gentle. Note:

Leader: Jim McCulloch, 01738 560604 & 07954 255876, james49mcculloch@virginmedia.com

Strathtav: **Dowally to Dunkeld**

Grade C+: 7mls Depart: Chapel Street Bus Stop. Aberfeldy at 08:55 Walk start: Dowally at 09:25 OS: 52 GR: NO000481 Description: Linear walk from Dowally up past Dowally Lochs and Mill

Dam and on to Dunkeld. Note: RADO.

Leader: Muriel Findley, 01887 820095, murfin41@btinternet.com

Sunday 12th February

Stirling & Falkirk: New route to Sheriffmuir via Landrick

Grade C: 8mls/4hrs ▲ 175m/574ft, Depart: LACP at 09:30 Walk start: Mill Row car park Dunblane at 10:00 OS: 57 GR: NN781011 Description: From Laighills to Landrick and Gathering Stone and returning via Dykedale on tracks paths and guiet roads. Moderate incline. Note: RADO. NoSC. FK15 0EL Car mileage - 14

Leader: Ray Finlay, 01786 449135 or 07792 549363, rayfin 1@hotmail.com

Wednesday 15th February

Dunfermline & West Fife: **Blackness to Abercorn**

Grade C+: 5mls/2.5hrs A60m/196ft. Depart: LPRCP at 09:30 Walk start: Car park in Blackness village at 10:00 OS: 65 GR: NT055799 Description: Lovely walk through trees on footpaths. Good views of Forth bridges. Starting in Blackness village, along to Blackness castle and on to Abercorn church and back to Blackness. Note: DWOL.

Leader: Margaret Graham, 01383 738429, 07745 219494, margaret.graham@live.co.uk

Thursday 16th February

Strollers Walk Glenrothes:

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.

Saturday 18th February

Blairgowrie: Fowlis Wester and Loch Maellbrodden

Grade C+: 6.5mls ▲300m/984ft. Depart: WCPB at 09:30 Walk start: By the Celtic Cross in Fowlis Wester at 10:30 OS: 58 GR: NN928240 Description: A varied walk from the historical village to the open countryside passing stone circles and standing stones. **Note:** RADO.

Leader: Catherine Robertson, 01250 873009, cathandbill@btinternet.com

Dalgety Bay: New Hailes to Prestonpans (minimal ascent)

Grade C: 5mls/3hrs **Depart:** DBSCCP at 09:30 **Walk start:** New Hailes C.P.(NTS) off the A6095 1km east of Newcraighall at 10:30 **OS:** 66 **GR:** NT326723 **Description:** From the C.P. to Fisherrow Harbour via the New Hailes (NTS) estate. Then follow the coastal route (part of John Muir Way) to Prestonpans and return by service bus. **Note:** RADO.

Leader: Alistair Robb, 01383 820632 or 07757 809102

Dunfermline & West Fife: Blackford and the Northern Ochil Hills

Grade B: 9mls/5hrs ▲450m/1476ft. Depart: LPRCP at 08:30 Walk start: Minor road on opposite side of A9 from Blackford (see other notes) at 09:30 OS: 366 GR: NN896086 Description: Taking the long-distance footpath between Blackford to Tillicoultry, as far as Upper Glendevon Reservoir, possibly via Craigentaggert Hill. Note: DWOL. Access from A823 at Gleneagles Junction on A9.

Leader: Grant Robertson, 01577 208436, grobert50@tesco.net

Forfar: Crombie/Monikie Circular

Grade C: 6.5mls **Depart:** EGCP at 10:00 **Walk start:** Crombie Car Park at 10:30 **OS:** 54 **GR:** NO531402 **Description:** Walk from Crombie through Cleerie Wood past Panmuir Mansion House site, past Camus Cross, then to Monikie Reservoir and back via old railway line to Crombie.

Leader: David & Elizabeth Anderson, 01382 370980

Perth: Southwards from Glenfarg

Grade B: 8.5mls ▲ 300m/984ft. Depart: ASDACP at 09:00 Walk start: Glenfarg Hotel at 09:45 OS: 58 GR: NO135105 Description: Crossing M90 to Arngask and taking track SE to Burnside, then heading W via Cuthill Towers to Blairnathort and returning via Birniehill & Hilton of Duncrievie. Note: RADO

Leader: John Andrews, 01738 827275 & 07526 884953, john@jdandrews.co.uk

Sunday 19th February

Dundee: Monifieth Path Network

Grade C: 6mls Depart: OCCP at 10:00 Walk start: Monifieth Blue Seaway Car Park at 10:15 OS: 54 GR: NO498322 Description: Flat circular walk on paths around Monifieth, some road walking. Note: RADO.

Leader: Linda Pirie. 01382 778490 or 07881 369442

Glenrothes: Ceres Circular

Grade B: 9mls/5hrs **Depart:** LCCP at 9:30 **Walk start:** Ceres Village CP (opposite farm museum) at 10:00 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO400115 **Description:** An interesting walk in the farming countryside around

Ceres on good tracks with some road walking. Note: CWRA RADO

Leader: G Pottie 01592 753110 geordie72@btinternet.com

Kinross & Ochil: Meallbrodden

Grade C+: 7mls **Depart:** KPR at 09.00 or BURN at 08:30 **Walk start:** Fowlis Wester at 10:00 **OS:** 52 **GR:** NN928240 **Description:** Circular walk with great views towards the Sma'Glen and beyond. Lovely fishing loch and some woodland tracks. **Note:** RADO.

Leader: Peter Edgerton, 01577 840449

St. Andrews & NE Fife: Snowdrops at Kingsbarns

Grade C+: 10.5mls/5hrs ▲70m/230ft. Depart: FCPC at 09:30 Walk start: Kingsbarns Beach Car Park at 10:15 OS: 59 GR: NO603125 Description: Varied walk around Kingsbarns coast and countryside, including Cambo Den, where we expect to see a good display of snowdrops. Walking on coastal path, minor roads(also short section on busy A917) and paths, which may be muddy in places. Note: RADO. Leaders will be at start of walk, not FCPC

Leader: Ann Fildes & Jean Bell, 01333 450409 or 01334 880216, fildesann@gmail.com

Stirling & Falkirk: Falkirk Woodlands

Grade C+: 9mls/4hrs ▲69m/226ft. Depart: LACP at 09:30 Walk start: Front of Visitor Centre, Falkirk Wheel at 10:15 OS: 65 GR: NS853795 Description: Starting and finishing at the Falkirk Wheel, the walk takes in various local woodlands as well as Roughcastle Roman Fort, Bantaskine Estate and a section of the Union Canal. A few steepish climbs, but mostly level on good paths and tracks. Note: RADO. NoSC. FK1 4RS Car mileage - 20

Leader: James Higgins, 01786 470641, jameshig0@gmail.com

Tuesday 21st February

Tuesday Walkers Kinross & Ochil:

All are welcome to join this max 4 mile walk. See details at beginning of this programme.

Wednesday 22nd February

Dundee: Sidlaw Tops

Grade C+: 5mls/3.5hrs ▲274m/900ft. Depart: CWCP at 10:00 Walk start: Balkello Car Park at 10:30 OS: 54 GR: NO365385 Description: Walk to take in Auchterhouse Hill, Balluderon and

Craigowl (order may change). Three ascents. Track can be muddy.

Leader: I Cowie. 01382 884367 or 07810 011232

Thursday 23rd February

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.

Saturday 25th February

Brechin: **Ecclesgreig Snowdrop Walk**

Grade C: 7mls Depart: SNSB at 09:30 Walk start: Ecclesgreig Road car park, St Cyrus at 10:15 OS: 45 GR: NO746649 Description: An easy walk, partly on minor roads. Can be shortened to 4 miles in the event of poor weather.

Leader: Ellen Smith & Linda Robbie, 01307 818632 or 01307 464512

Dalgety Bay: The River Almond Walkway

Grade C: 7mls/3.5hrs Depart: DBSCCP at 09:30 Walk start: Cramond Glebe Road CP at 10:15 OS: 66 GR: NT190770 Description: Walk along the river Almond and through Cammo village to the railway line at the east boundary of Edinburgh airport. Return to the river via tracks, minor roads and an old bridge. There are steep staircases at one point. **Note:** RADO.

Leader: Matsue Williams, 0131 332 4395

Glenrothes: Dunfermline - Hill of Beath to Townhill circular

Grade C+: 8mls/4.5hrs ▲700ft Depart: LCCP at 9:30 Walk start: FRC CP at Robertson Road Dunfermline, behind QMH. at 10:15 OS: 58 GR: NT112888 Description: Around countryside to NE of Dunfermline on core paths. Includes easy hill walk to Hill of Beath, an excellent viewpoint (Summit optional). Some moderate inclines. Note: NoSC RADO Leaders will meet group at start of walk

Leader: C & B Barton 01383 725859 chrisbettybarton@gmail.com

Hopetoun Monument

Grade C: 7.5mls ▲ 200m/656ft. Depart: ASDACP at 09:00 Walk start: Scottish Deer Centre at 09:50 OS: 59 GR: NO329129 Description: Climb up to Hopetoun Monument with good views of much of Fife Note: RADO

Leader: Roger Brickell, 01764 656114 & 07733 317725, roger@brickell.eclipse.co.uk

Sunday 26th February

Countryside aroon & aboot Ladybank Kirkcaldv:

Grade C+: 10mls Depart: KRSN at 09:00 Walk start: Ladybank Golf Course car park (Ladybank side of railway track) at 09:45 OS: 59 GR: NO304103 Description: A walk on good flat tracks & paths with some short road sections in the Howe of Fife. **Note:** DWOL, CWRA.

Leader: Alex Donald, 07943 871219, alex@donaldwyt.f9.co.uk

Area Joint Programme Winter 2016/17 Page 44 Stirling & Falkirk: Stirling Town and Country

Grade C+: 8mls/4hrs ▲106m/350ft. Walk start: Stirling High School at 09:45 OS: 57 GR: NS790919 Description: A varied walk taking in the city's green spaces and countryside, all on

tracks and pavements. Note: RADO. NoSC. FK8 2PA Car mileage - 3

Leader: Colin Thomson, 01786 472726 or 07702 636505, colinbthomson@gmail.com

Strathtay: Dalguise and Craigvinean

Grade C: 5mls Depart: CCP at 09:30 Walk start: Dalguise at 10:00 OS: 52 GR: NN992476 Description: Circular route from Dalguise up through the various tracks of Craigvinean Forest.

Note: RADO.

Leader: Alistair Cameron, 01887 820555, alistair@cameron2.plus.com

Monday 27th February

Dundee: Camperdown, Templeton & Clatto

Grade C: 6mls/3hrs **Walk start:** Car park in Camperdown Country Park on left just before Camperdown House. at 10:00 **OS:** 54 **GR:** NO359328 **Description:** Walking on paths and tracks through parkland and woodland, can be a little muddy at times.

Leader: Sheila Wallace, 01382 320243 or 07944 570925

Wednesday 1st March

Dunfermline & West Fife: Croy Hill and Antonine Wall

Grade B: 7mls/3.5hrs ▲216m/710ft. Depart: LPRCP at 09:30 Walk start: Auchinstarry Marina near Kilsyth at 10:30 OS: 348 GR: NS721767 Description: Interesting circular walk taking in two

Roman hill forts and the Forth/Clyde canal. Note: DWOL.

Leader: Alan McGuckin, 01383 731557, 07970 172593, atmcg53@gmail.com

Thursday 2nd March

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.

Saturday 4th March

Blairgowrie: Forfar Path Network

Grade C+: 8mls ▲ 150m/492ft. Depart: WCPB at 09:30 Walk start: Myre Car Park at 10:15 OS: 54 GR: NO454506 Description: A semi urban walk around Forfar, taking in Balmashanner Hill and Restenneth Priory on a mixture of paths and tracks including some tarmac. Note: RADO.

Leader: Graham Bullock, 07470 969572, graham.bullock3@btinternet.com

Dundee: Kinnoull Hill

Grade C+: 7.5mls Depart: CWCP at 09:45 Walk start: Quarry Car Park, Kinnoull Hill, Perth. at 10:30 OS: 58 GR: NO135236 Description: Circular walk to Monument on Kinnoull Hill, along Coronation Road and back to Quarry car park, mostly on paths.

Leader: Pat Hargraves & Martha McCallin, 01307 462882 or 01307 462277

Dunfermline & West Fife: Rumbling Bridge

Grade C: 7mls/3hrs Depart: LPRCP at 09:30 Walk start: Crook of Devon Inn at 10:15 OS: 367 GR: NO034002 Description: Tracks and riverside paths via Pool of Muckhart. Return by Rumbling

Bridge gorge. **Note:** DWOL. Parking in side road opposite inn.

Leader: Maureen Paul, 01383 727875, 07842 386718, apaspaul9@gmail.com

Kinross & Ochil: Crail to Ness

Grade C: 6.5mls **Depart:** KPR at 09.00 or BURN at 08:30 **Walk start:** Car Park along from T-junction in Crail at 10:00 **OS:** 59 **GR:** NO613078 **Description:** Circular walk from Crail going inland via Wormiston. Then along the Fife Coastal Path to Fife Ness, past the cave and golf course. **Note:** RADO. CWRA.

Leader: Carolyn Jenkins, 07925 972650

Kirkcaldy: Auchtermuchty & Strathmiglo

Grade B: 9mls **Depart:** KRSN at 09:00 **Walk start:** 'Cycle Tavern' - Auchtermuchty at 09:45 **OS:** 58 **GR:** NO239117 **Description:** Via Leckiebank to Pitlour Hill then descending to Strathmiglo and returning via Dunshalt. **Note:** RADO. CWRA.

Leader: Liz Greig, 01592 653682 or 07919 985239

Perth: Loch Freuchie Circuit, Amulree

Grade C: 8mls ▲70m/229ft. Depart: ASDACP at 09:00 Walk start: Amulree Village Hall at 10:00 OS: 52 GR: NN900367 Description: Pleasant walk from Amulree on minor road to Loch Freuchie

returning on minor track. Note: RADO.

Leader: Mike Brown, 01738 446330 & 07825 014442, mikebrown1957@btinternet.com

Sunday 5th March

Dalgety Bay: Glencorse & Loganlea Pentlands

Grade B: 9mls/5hrs Depart: DBSCCP at 09:30 Walk start: Flotterstone Car park at 10:30 OS: 66 GR: NT233631 Description: Walk through the woods, pass Glencorse and Loganlea reservoirs. At the Howe cross the burn, follow the main path. From Black Hill views over Threipmuir Reservoir. Den's Cleugh can be very marshy. Rejoin the road to return to car park. Note: RADO.

Leader: Audrey Robertson, 01383 860569 or 07720 980715

Forfar: Snowdrop Walk, House of Dun

Grade C: 5mls **Depart:** EGCP at 10:00 **Walk start:** House of Dun Car Park at 10:40 **OS:** 54 **GR:** NO675598 **Description:** A stroll through Lady Augusta's Walk to view carpet of snowdrops in the wooded dell, (Parking fee applies for non NTS Members) Followed by a short walk in Brechin.

Leader: Ann Clubb, 01307 461902

Glenrothes: Cupar - Ceres Circular

Grade B: 9mls/5hrs Depart: LCCP at 9:30 Walk start: Cemetery Car Park on Ceres Road, Cupar at 10:00 OS: 59 GR: NO380136 Description: Circular walk on tracks and minor roads passing through Ceres and Chance Inn. Note: NoSC RADO

Leader: M Laing 01337 832724

St. Andrews & NE Fife: Loch Freuchie Circular

Grade C+: 8mls/4.5hrs ▲70m/229ft. Depart: FCPC at 08:45 Walk start: Park in village of Amulree at 10:15 OS: 52 GR: NN900367 Description: An easy walk around Loch Freuchie on farm tracks and minor roads. May be short muddy sections.

Leader: Joan Crichton & Susan Richmond, 01334 652402 or 01382 542516, jocrglen@aol.com

Stirling & Falkirk: Stronend and escarpment from Fintry

Grade B: 5mls/4.5hrs ▲470m/1541ft. Depart: LACP at 09:30 Walk start: Fintry Sports Centre car park at 10:30 OS: 57 GR: NS616868 Description: From Fintry to Culcreuch Castle and on to steep open hillside avoiding rocky bits. Cairn is situated north end of escarpment offering great views of surroundings. Faint track to cairn can be damp/boggy. Note: DWOL. NoSC. G63 0YA Car mileage -33

Leader: Ray Finlay, 01786 449135 or 07792 549363, rayfin 1@hotmail.com

Tuesday 7th March

Kinross & Ochil: Tuesday Walkers

All are welcome to join this max 4 mile walk. See details at beginning of this programme.

Kirkcaldy: Langtoun Daunderers - Carden Forest & Cardenden

Grade C: 6mls Depart: KRSN at 10:00 Walk start: 'Sainsbury' car park near McDonalds (Kirkcaldy Retail Park) at 10:15 OS: 59 GR: NT254942 Description: A woodland walk through Sunnyside and New Carden Plantations. Then through the Den to Carden Tower and return. Proposed lunch venue is at 'Sainsbury'. Note: DWOL. CWRA.

Leader: Ros Fairgrieve, 01592 784454

Thursday 9th March

Dalgety Bay: Roamers ~ Braefoot Point Circular

Grade D: 4mls/2.5hrs ▲25m/82ft. Walk start: Dalgety Bay Library at 10:00 OS: 65 GR: NT156834 Description: A walk to the old ammunition pier on woodland tracks and the Coastal Path. Note:

RADO.

Leader: Alice McEwan, 01383 822013 or 07749 388113

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.

Saturday 11th March

Brechin: Montreathmont Forest Circular

Grade C: 6mls Depart: SNSB at 09:30 Walk start: Roadside parking 1/2 mile southwest of Powsoddie at 10:00 OS: 54 GR: NO569548 Description: An easy level walk around

Monthreathmont Forest. May be muddy in parts. **Leader:** Loraig Alexander, 01307 818791

Dalgety Bay: Colinsburgh Circular

Grade C+: 11mls ▲250m/820ft. Depart: DBSCCP at 09:00 Walk start: West side of B941 just south of junction with B942 at 10:15 OS: 59 GR: NO487035 Description: Walk from Colinsburgh to Drumeldrie via Balcarres Estate and return along the old railway trackbed. Note: RADO.

Leader: David Thomson, 01383 860324 or 07922 050562, davidthomson@tesco.net

Glenrothes: Edinburgh - Corstorphine Hill Circular

Grade C+: 9mls/4.5hrs ▲800ft Depart: LCCP at 9:30 Walk start: Cramond Brig at 10:15 OS: 66 GR: NT179754 Description: A circular walk along the River Almond to Cramond village then through Silverknowes to Corstorphine Hill and back to Cramond Brig through Barnton. Note: fairly steep going up Corstorphine Hill. Note: CWRA DWOL

Leader: K Wilcock 01592 654143 kathwilcock@gmail.com

Strathtay: River Earn from Muthill to Crieff

Grade C+: 6mls Depart: CCP at 09:30 Walk start: Muthill at 11:15 OS: 58 GR: NN866170 Description: Take 11:05 bus from Crieff to Muthill. Low level walk along the meandering River

Earn, passing the route of the old railway, back to Crieff. Note: RADO.

Leader: Jenny Rees, 01887 830521, jenny.rees@virgin.net

Sunday 12th March

Dundee: Sidlaw Walk

Grade C+: 5mls/3.5hrs Depart: CWCP at 10:00 Walk start: Balkello Car Park at 10:30 OS: 54

GR: NO366385 **Description:** Short hill climb to Auchterhouse and Balluderon Hills. **Leader:** Alex Kelman, 01382 776928 or 07840 732842, alexkelman@btinternet.com

Kirkcaldy: 'The Kelpies' & Falkirk Wheel

Grade C: 9mls Depart: KRSN at 09:00 Walk start: Helix car park, Falkirk at 10:00 OS: 65 GR: NS903814 Description: An easy walk on paths and tracks following the River Carron. The return is by the canal towpath. Note: RADO. NoSC.

Leader: Ros Fairgrieve, 01592 784454

Perth: Tullybaccart and Lundie Craigs

Grade C+: 6mls ▲300m/984ft. **Depart:** ASDACP at 09:00 **Walk start:** Car park opposite Tullybaccart Farm on A923 Coupar Angus Road at 09:45 **OS:** 53 **GR:** NO264360 **Description:** A pleasant walk through fields and woodland returning by Ledcrieff Loch with a couple of short strenuous climbs. **Note:** RADO.

Leader: Kenny Valentine, 01738 446496

Stirling & Falkirk: Carron Valley Reservoir

Grade C: 8mls/4hrs ▲121m/400ft. Depart: LACP at 09:30 Walk start: layby opposite Todholes wind farm at 10.15 at 10:15 OS: 57 GR: NS672858 Description: A circular walk on good paths with lovely views - around Cairnoch Hill on the north side of the reservoir. Note: RADO. NoSC. G63 0XH Car mileage - 28

Leader: Janet McNee, 01324 872205 or 07929 130582, janet.mcnee@googlemail.com

Tuesday 14th March

Dalgety Bay: Craiglockhart Hill and Colinton Dell

Grade C+: 6mls/4hrs ▲120m/393ft. Depart: Meadowfield Bus Stop - X62 BUS LEAVES at 09:10 Walk start: Outside House of Fraser, Princes St. at 09:50 OS: 66 GR: NT247737 Description: Bus to Water of Leith Visitor Centre, Easter Craiglockhart Hill and Colinton Dell by using sections of canal towpath, riverside walkway and old railway line. Note: RADO.

Leader: Heather Haines & Rose Nutt, 01383 822187 & 01383 822669 or 07969 198917

Wednesday 15th March

Dunfermline & West Fife: Thornton and Dunnikier Park

Grade C: 7mls/3hrs **Depart:** LPRCP at 09:30 **Walk start:** Access road to waste disposal plant, between railway and River Ore at 10:00 **OS:** 367 **GR:** NT289970 **Description:** Leisurely walking on old footpaths, crossing A92 into Dunnikier Park and return via Johnny Marshall's Loan. **Note:** DWOL.

Leader: Maureen Paul, 01383 727875, 07842 386718, apaspaul9@gmail.com

Thursday 16th March

Dundee: Fish Supper Night

Meet: Lochee Bowling Club, Muirton Road, Dundee at 19:00 **Description:** As our Fish Supper Night falls near St Patrick's Day wear something Irish if you like. It is an open night so feel free to bring friends and family. Please be prompt as the Fish Suppers will arrive at 7.15pm. Cost £7. **Note:** Please send cheques to Jean by 1st March along with any dietary requirements.

Contact: J MacGillivray, 01382 623052, 07932 014859, jean.macgillivray@btinternet.com

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.

Friday 17th March

Brechin: Cheese & Wine Open Night

Meet: Mechanics' Institute, Brechin at 19:30 **Description:** A sociable evening for members, guests and potential new members. **Note:** Tickets available in advance from: Ellen Smith tel 01307 818632 or Colin Whyte tel 01356 622283

Contact: Colin Whyte, 01356 622283, 07949 402506, colinwhyte@colinwhyte.plus.com

Saturday 18th March

Blairgowrie: Fife Coastal Path Part 5 - Buckhaven to Earlsferry/Elie

Grade B: 12mls ▲ 50m/164ft. Depart: WCPB at 09:00 Walk start: Street parking in Buckhaven at 10:15 OS: 59 GR: NT356977 Description: A flat and pleasant walk along the coast, via the beach and dunes around Largo Bay. Depending on the weather and individual abilities and enthusiasms the 'chain walk' section at Kincraig point could be included. Note: RADO. Return to start by bus or car shuttle. Visitors must telephone in advance to confirm car parking /travel arrangements.

Leader: Bill Phillips, 01250 870260

Dalgety Bay: West Rosyth Circular

Grade C: 6.5mls/3.5hrs ▲125m/410ft. **Depart:** Meadowfield Bus Stop - No. 7 BUS LEAVES at 09:35 **Walk start:** Tesco Rosyth at 10:05 **OS:** 65 **GR:** NT112844 **Description:** An undulating route following Fife Council Core Paths 638, 665, 664, 663, 641 and 639 (Core Path maps 62 and 57). **Note:** RADO.

Leader: Ben Douglas, 01383 822715 or 07852 658675

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Forfar: Scurdie-Ness/Usan Circular

Grade C: 6mls Depart: EGCP at 10:00 Walk start: Ferryden Car Park at 10:40 OS: 54 GR: NO718568 Description: An easy circular walk from Ferryden passing Scurdie Ness lighthouse and Usan village returning on minor roads via Scotston and Inchbrayock.

Leader: Christine Ferguson & Elizabeth Anderson, 01382 532384 or 01382 370980

Perth: Gilmerton, Loch Monzievaird, Crieff

Grade C: 7mls Depart: Perth Bus Station at 09:10 Walk start: Gilmerton at 10:00 OS: 52 GR: NN885236 Description: A pleasant walk undulating in places from Gilmerton via the Knock, the distillery and Loch Monzievaird returning to Crieff by Laggan Hill and Lady Mary's Walk. Note: RADO.

Leader: Elspeth Bryce, 01738 632645 & 07787 140509

St. Andrews & NE Fife: Hopetoun to Blackness

Grade C+: 8mls/4hrs ▲91m/300ft. **Depart:** FCPC at 09:15 **Walk start:** Hopetoun Garden Centre Car Park, on A904, west of South Queensferry at 10:30 **OS:** 65 **GR:** NT077773 **Description:** Walk is mainly through woodland, on coastal path and tracks, including part of John Muir Way to Blackness Castle. Some minor road walking. **Note:** RADO. CWRA.

Leader: Will MacKay, 01334 652903

Sunday 19th March

Dundee: Buckie Braes Area Perth

Grade C: 5mls/4hrs ▲100m/328ft. Depart: CWCP at 09:30 Walk start: South Inch Car Park, Tay Street at 10:00 OS: 58 GR: NO120230 Description: Walk to southern area of Perth on paths and tracks with some road and rough walking. Ascends through Craigie district via South Inch, Buckie Braes, returning by Craigie Knowes & St Magdalene's Hill. Good views of Perth and surrounding area. Note: RADO. Walk may be varied if weather poor.

Leader: David Banks, 01382 858495 or 07719 382703

Dunfermline & West Fife: From Sorrow to Care

Grade B: 7mls/5.5hrs ▲580m/1902ft. Depart: LPRCP at 08:30 Walk start: Lower car park in Dollar Glen, above Dollar at 09:30 OS: 366 GR: NS963990 Description: A hill walk in the Ochils, approaching and leaving Tarmangie and Whitewisp Hills from the glens. Some rough walking by the burns - a bit off the beaten track. Note: DWOL.

Leader: Grant Robertson, 01577 208436, grobert50@tesco.net

Glenrothes: Burrelton & Kinnochtry Circular

Grade C+: 7mls/4hrs Depart: LCCP at 9:30 Walk start: Burrelton Village Hall (Main St, North on A94 opp. sign for Woodside) at 10:45 OS: 53 GR: NO200372 Description: Farm tracks, Woodland and some Road walking. New Core Paths included. Note: CWRA DWOL

Leader: D Mathieson 07535 813423 don2908@yahoo.co.uk

Kinross & Ochil: Lendrick Hill

Grade B: 5mls **Depart:** KPR at 09.30 or BURN at 09:30 **Walk start:** Car Park at foot of forestry road at 10:00 **OS:** 58 **GR:** NO009039 **Description:** Steep climb up forestry road then hill tracks to top of Lendrick Hill (lovely views)). Gradual descent to Carnbo side and return by track and forestry road. Some rough ground. **Note:** RADO, CWRA.

Leader: Lorna Anderson, 01259 742560

Stirling & Falkirk: Torphichen Circular

Grade C+: 7mls/4hrs ▲91m/300ft. Depart: LACP at 09:30 Walk start: Torphichen Community Centre CP at 10:30 OS: 65 GR: NS968726 Description: An undulating walk taking in Cockleroy, Cairnpapple, Beecraigs, Lochcote resvr. Some road walking. Note: RADO. NoSC. EH48 4LZ Carmileage - 40

Leader: Babs Butler, 01324 720165 or 07711 575561, barbarafbutler@btinternet.com

Tuesday 21st March

Dundee: Dundee Law from Discovery Point

Grade C+: 4mls/3hrs Walk start: Car Park at Discovery Point, Dundee at 10:30 OS: 54 GR: NO404298 Description: Mostly roads and pavements with some steep ascent. Woodland paths

and steps on the descent.

Leader: Sheila Wallace, 01382 320243 or 07944 570925

Kinross & Ochil: Tuesday Walkers

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Thursday 23rd March

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

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Saturday 25th March

Brechin: Little Glenshee Circular

Grade C+: 7mls Depart: SNSB at 09:30 Walk start: Little Glenshee car park at 11:00 OS: 53 GR: NN989340 Description: Past Loch Tullybelton & Drum Tick then up to Moine Folaich. Return by Creag na Criche.

Leader: June Greig, 01674 676413

Dalgety Bay: Pentland Hills from Carlops

Grade B+: 11mls/6hrs ▲350m/1148ft. Depart: DBSCCP at 09:30 Walk start: Carlops village C.P. at 10:30 OS: 65 GR: NT162560 Description: Follow the drove road to the North Esk Reservoir. Continue over East Cairn Hill and return by Baddingsqill. Note: RADO.

Leader: Alistair Robb, 01383 820632 or 07757 809102

Dundee: Arbroath to Auchmithie

Grade C: 8mls/4hrs Depart: OCCP at 10:00 Walk start: Car Park at start of cliffs at 10:30 OS: 54 GR: NO658412 Description: Walk along cliffs to Auchmithie and back via East Seaton Farm and

cliffs.

Leader: L Mitchell. 01241 431641

Glenrothes: Glen Devon - Seamab Hill circular

Grade B: 9.5mls/5.5hrs ▲1250ft Depart: LCCP at 9:30 Walk start: Lay-by at Castlehill Reservoir at 10:30 OS: 58 GR: NN996033 Description: A circular walk on hill paths and tracks through forestry plantations. Continue to Seamab Hill, open moorland at Commonedge Hill which offers great views, skirting Auchlinsky Hill before descending on tracks to Glen Quey Reservoir and back to starting point. Note: NoSC RADO

Leader: M Slaven 01383 515995 or 07754141295 marygg08@talktalk.net

Kirkcaldy: Cowdenbeath /Crossgates /Lochgelly Circular

Grade B: 9mls **Depart:** KRSN at 10:00 **Walk start:** Morrison's car park (Cowdenbeath) - to right of entrance at 10:30 **OS:** 58 **GR:** NT167913 **Description:** Fig. of eight walk from Cowdenbeath to Crossgates via Moss and community woodland crossing over A92 to pick up Little Raith Windfarm core path to Lochgelly returning via Golf course core path. Can be muddy. **Note:** RADO. NoSC. One wire fence and one rickety bridge to negotiate.

Leader: Elaine Collins, 07739 964212

Perth: Glen Tarken Tracks

Grade C+: 8.5mls ▲450m/1476ft. Depart: ASDACP at 09:00 Walk start: St. Fillans Car Park at 10:00 OS: 51 GR: NN688247 Description: The walk traces the water supply up into Glen Tarken overhead. Oakwoods at start and end, grassy trackways through the moorland. Note: RADO.

Leader: Gil McGeachy, 01738 583940 or 07946 655068, gil.mcgeachy@gmail.com

Sunday 26th March

Stirling & Falkirk: Dalmeny, River Almond & Craigie Hill

Grade C+: 8mls/4hrs ▲100m/328ft. Depart: LACP at 09:30 Walk start: Queensferry Recreation Centre at 10:15 OS: 65 GR: NT132775 Description: This is an undemanding attractive walk on varied terrain: cycle path, minor road, riverside & woodland paths. Note: RADO. NoSC. Park at Queensferry Recreation Centre, Ashburnham Road (near the High School, near Dalmeny Station) EH30 9JN Car mileage - 54

Leader: Janette Seale, 01786 447107 or 07709 957317, janette.seale@hotmail.co.uk

Strathtay: Dunkeld, Birnam Hill and the Tay

Grade C+: 11mls ▲500m/1640ft. Depart: CCP at 09:30 Walk start: Quarry CP under King's Seat, Dunkeld at 10:00 OS: 52 GR: NO042404 Description: Circular route on paths to King's Seat, The Hermitage, Jubilee Bridge and back along the Tay through Dunkeld and Birnam. Note: RADO.

Leader: Bill McEwan, 01796 472780, billmcewan40@gmail.com

Thursday 30th March

Dundee: North Dundee

Grade C: 5mls Walk start: Rennell Road side of Stobsmuir Ponds (Get 15/17 bus or cars can park on Rennell Road) at 10:30 OS: 54 GR: NO418321 Description: Walk from Ponds to Caird Park,

Trottick Reserve and back again. Bring binoculars. **Leader:** Rose Garvie. 01382 450763

Glenrothes: Strollers Walk

All are welcome to join this 4-6 mile walk, see details on the first page of this programme.



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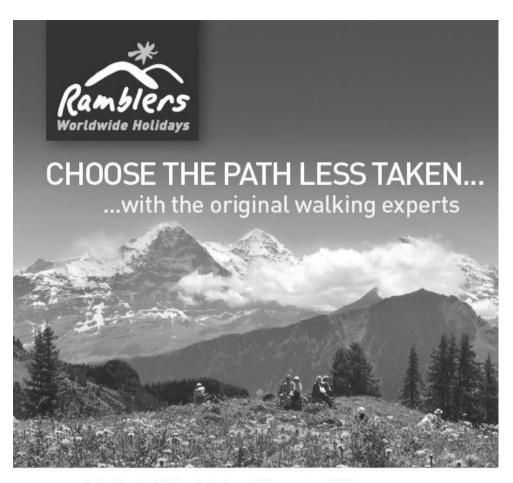
- **⇒** Phone the walk leader and confirm the meeting place and time.
- Leave your full name, address and telephone number in the walks book.
- Tell the walk leader if you have any relevant medical condition.
- Socialise, particularly if there is a large number of you from another group.
- Don't leave the walk without telling the walk leader.
- Thank the walk leader at the end of the walk.



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