

Welcome to October 2019 Newsletter

News, social events and offers of training for the next nine months.

<u>Footpath News</u> - Graham Fitch, F.P. Secretary.

Gwynedd Council have congratulated all the volunteers that have recently worked so hard clearing the previously very overgrown footpath 23 Bontnewydd. At nearly a mile long it took three full days of clearance work and is now yet another path fully open again to all walkers. Our volunteer work days for October are now being planned for Tuesdays 15th and 22nd October. This once again will be challenging work clearing excessive vegetation overgrowth on a footpath in Talysarn. If you would like to attend even if you haven't attended before please let me and you will be advised of the full details nearer the time. It would be great to have you on site with us.

Taken from Ramblers advice notes:

Can you remove an obstruction to get by?

Yes, provided that you have not gone out for the specific purpose of moving the obstruction, and that you remove only as much as is necessary to get through. If you can easily go around the obstruction without causing any damage, then you should do so. Always report the facts to Gwynedd Council and/or me as footpath secretary.

Graham

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A Traffic Free Path from Gaerwen to Amlwch?

There is a petition concerning a proposal to create a footpath/ cycleway on the disused railway line between Gaerwen and Amlwch. This would be the first 'Lon Las' on the island.

For more details go to

https://www.assembly.wales/en/gethome/e-petitions/Pages/signpetition.aspx

and scroll down to 'Creation of Lôn Las Môn Multi-Use Path'

Margaret

Training available to all members - Jennifer Horton, Area Support & Admin Officer Wales

- 'You do not need to be a walk leader to attend one of these courses!'

We now have these training courses available. Clicking on the course title will take you to the Eventbrite site for booking.

The 11th October Basic Public Rights of way training course in Wrexham is closing soon!

Date	Course Title	Delivery Area	Where	Open to
Friday, 1 November 2019	Basic Map Reading Skills	North East Wales	Llangollen	All
Friday, 15 November 2019	Basic Map Reading Skills	South West Wales	Narberth	All
Friday, 28 February 2020	Basic Map Reading Skills	South East Wales	Monmouth	All
Thursday, 9 April 2020	Basic Map Reading Skills	Mid Wales	Newtown	All
Monday, 18 May 2020	Basic Map Reading Skills	Mid Wales	Machynlleth	All
Friday, 24 July 2020	Basic Map Reading Skills	South East Wales	Barry	All
Friday, 11 October 2019	Basic Public Rights of Way	North East Wales	Wrexham	All
Wednesday, 11 December 2019	Basic Public Rights of Way	Mid Wales	Newtown	All
Friday, 24 January 2020	Basic Public Rights of Way	South East Wales	Monmouth	All
Friday, 27 March 2020	Basic Public Rights of Way	Mid Wales	Machynlleth	All

Monday, 18 November 2019	<u>Leading a Practical</u> Volunteer Group	South Wales	Barry	All
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Friday, 3 April 2020	Leading Family Walks	North West Wales	Llandudno	All
Friday, 1 May 2020	Leading Family Walks	Mid Wales	Llandrindod Wells	All
Friday, 22 May 2020	Leading Family Walks	South East Wales	Newport	All
Friday, 5 June 2020	Leading Family Walks	North East Wales	Wrexham	All
Friday, 10 July 2020	Leading Family Walks	South West Wales	Narberth	All
Friday, 13 March 2020	Navigation Skills, Level 2	South West Wales	Swansea Valley	Rambler Members only
Friday, 4 September 2020	Navigation Skills, Level 2	North West Wales	Conwy	Rambler Members only
Friday, 24 April 2020	Navigation Skills, Level 3	South West Wales	Swansea Valley	Rambler Members only
Friday, 18 September 2020	Navigation Skills, Level 3	North West Wales	Conwy	Rambler Members only
Friday, 25 October 2019	Walk Leader Essentials Training	North West Wales	Llandudno	Rambler Members only
Friday, 15 November 2019	Walk Leader Essentials Training	Mid Wales	Llandrindod Wells	Rambler Members only
Friday, 29 November 2019	Walk Leader Essentials Training	South East Wales	Newport	Rambler Members only

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Friday, 7 February 2020	Walk Leader Essentials Training	South West Wales	Narberth	Rambler Members only
Friday, 6 March 2020	Walk Leader Essentials Training	North East Wales	Wrexham	Rambler Members only

Social News and Events - Dianne Jamal

Mushroom Foray

There were 10 of us on the first mushroom foray to Yr Ardd Fadarch expertly led by Cynan. It was informative and good fun. There will be another walking foray on Thursday 10 October at 10.30am starting from the Visitor Centre in Beddgelert. It takes approximately 4 hours. Spaces are still available ... £10. I already have Mieko, Chris, Pat & Dave, John, Margaret, Myself

Mountain Adventure Talks/Films

There are a number of talks/films coming up at Galeri, Caernarfon that might be of interest to some of you. Always good to meet up for a snack/drink beforehand ...

Thursday 24 October 19.30 - Talk by Doug Scott CBE: A Crawl Down the Ogre

Monday 11 November 19.30 - Talk by James Ketchell: Chasing Extremes

Friday 15 November 19.30 - Talk by Simon Yates - My Mountain Life

Thursday 21 November 19.30 - Amazing climbing and adventure films - 2019 Reel Rock World Tour

Bonfire Social

Thursday 31 October 5pm - Bonfire and refreshments at CWM, Trefor, LL54 5NB Weather dependent!

Prize Winners!

At our Ramblers Group's last Christmas lunch, we were delighted to win the raffle prize of two nights and one meal at the Mercure Altrincham Bowdon Hotel. In early September we booked in at the hotel and were welcomed by the manager, who knows Guto. We soon discovered the frequent transport system a short walk from the hotel, taking us into Manchester where we visited the Museum of Science and Industry. We also went to Quarry Bank Mill, where there are working machines and beautiful gardens. We enjoyed our stay very much.

Val and Martin

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Irreverent Tales from a Rambler - Anon

What can have happened? Did our 'would be' rambler give up? More tales next month, perhaps.

<u>Upcoming Walks</u> - Please always check the website in case of late changes, this is just a reminder.

OCTOBER 2019

Sat, 12-10-19, Craflwyn to Nant Gwynant, Coed Craflwyn to Nant Gwynant circular return via Llyn Dinas, SH600490, Start Craflwyn NT car park (free, voluntary contributions).., 10:00, C, 6, John E, No Dogs Please

Sun, 13-10-19, Llanllechid and Braich Melin, Across the valley towards Ogwen Bank and back. Easy walking., SH624682, Llanllechid/ Rachub Recreation Ground by play area., 10:00, C, 7, Simon, Dogs on lead please

Sat, 19-10-19, Cwmorthin and Llyn Stwlan, A great walk to Llyn Stwlan that stands majestically above Tanygrisiau with views to the Arenigs, Arans, Rhinogs and Cader Idris., SH682450, Car park of cafe at Tanygrisiau., 10:30, B, 7, Dafydd, No Dogs Please

Sat, 26-10-19, Bethesda Quarries: History Walk, Circular walk to Bethesda including sections of the very scenic vista of the Slate Trails, Pilgrim Way and Four Valleys walks., SH592678, Moel Y Ci CP, 10:15, C, 7, Graham, Dogs on lead please

NOVEMBER 2019

Sat, 02-11-19, Eisingrug Peramble, A reasonably level walk, around the 1000ft contour taking in Bryn Cader Faner, Llyn Eiddew and Moel Goedog, SH629342, CP by farm gate £2 donation to Air Ambulance. Car share Ysbyty Altwen CP 10:00 SH555404, 10:30, C, 9, Jo-Anne, No Dogs Please

Wed, 06-11-19, Moel Y Ci and Glasinfryn, Low level Autumn Ramble around Moel Y Ci and Glasinfryn, SH592678, Moel Y Ci CP, 10:15, D, 6, Graham, Dogs on lead please

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FRIDAY 11 OCTOBER 2.00 pm

A HISTORY OF PENRHOSGARNEDD FROM THE BRONZE AGE (2½ MILES)

START: THE ROUNDABOUT OUTSIDE YSBYTY GWYNEDD*

RELATIVELY EASY

*I don't recommend you parking in the hospital car park, so come early enough to find appropriate places to park further along Penrose Road.

WEDNESDAY 16 OCTOBER 2.00 pm

LLANRUG: STORIES AROUND PANT IFAN AND MEDIEVAL LLANRUG (UP TO 3 MILES)

START: GLANMOELYN PLAYING FIELD, LLANRUG

SH 53231 63347

MODERATE. PUBLIC FOOTPATH. WALKING SHOES.

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TUESDAY 29 OCTOBER 10.00 am

STORIES OF BETHEL: RIOTS AND TRAGEDIES (11/2 MILE)

START: OUTSIDE BETHEL SCHOOL*

SH 52700 65390

EASY.

*As it will be half-term, there will be limited parking space outside the school but I would recommend you get to Bethel early and find appropriate parking spaces nearby.

Gareth - 07867 810576

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Any contributions (including book reviews) gratefully received by birstallberry@hotmail.com Deadline: 5th November



Thank you, Roy, for this.