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GLASGOW GROUP WALKS PROGRAMME

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From 1st November, 2011, our website will be live at
www.glasgowramblers.org.uk

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Ramblers step out for 2014 – helping to deliver a physical activity legacy for the Commonwealth Games

This booklet contains the Glasgow Group Walk Programme, published as part of the Ramblers Scotland's aim to get more people in the city out walking. This initiative links to our "Walk the Path to 2014", which supports the Scottish Government's Active Nation plan to encourage Scottish people to be more active in the run up to the 2014 Commonwealth Games.

The Ramblers is the representative body for walkers. For over 75 years we have been campaigning in Great Britain to protect the natural beauty of our countryside, promote walking and safeguard public access to land. It has a network of around 500 Groups (nearly 60 in Scotland), which promote walking through regular Programmes of Walks and also support the other objects of The Ramblers.

More information on Ramblers Scotland is available at:

www.ramblers.org.uk/scotland

Group website

A new website for the Group is being created and will be live at www.glasgowramblers.org.uk from 1st November, 2011. Digital photographs of Group walks would be welcomed for display on the website. After each walk a short paragraph from any walker would be appreciated for the Glasgow Ramblers blog page. Ideas – weather, conditions, wildlife seen, views, any features. We want to have the Blog regularly updated to make the website dynamic. We would also be glad to have any other suggestions or comments on the website. Please email photographs, blog entries, suggestions and comments to info@glasgowramblers.org.uk.

What You Need to Know

Anyone wishing to take part in any walk must contact the leader by phone or email a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to confirm transport and walk details.

What grade of walk to choose

Please read these notes on walk grades carefully as they contain important advice for those taking part in walks. Each walk in the Programmes has a grade, but please also note any extra information provided for individual walks.

- A+** Severe. Arduous walks for the experienced and very fit, involving some or all of the following factors: on high ground with exposure; steep ascents and descents; at a brisk pace; distance over 15 miles. Standard grading for hill walking in winter conditions.
- A** Strenuous. For the fit, involving some or all of the following factors: on high or rough ground; steep ascents and descents; distances over 15 miles.
- B+** Between Moderate and Strenuous. For the reasonably fit. Standard grading for summits taken at a slower pace in summer conditions.
- B** Moderate. Demanding higher standards of fitness and stamina than C+.
- C+** Easy to Moderate. For those with improving fitness, offering some modest challenges.
- C** Easy. Mainly on level ground and often on paths and tracks. The grade of walk is suitable for beginners.

Some walks are designated 'At an easy pace' for those who find the normal pace too fast. This does not mean that the ascents and descents are less steep – they are just taken at a slower pace.

In dubious weather, it is wise to contact the walk leader beforehand for advice.

Inexperienced walkers must check with the leader before going on a grade of walk with which they are unaccustomed. This applies particularly where an inability to cope with the conditions, or to maintain a reasonable walking pace, could cause a problem for the leader and jeopardise the safety of the party.

In winter, if you are inexperienced in any grade of walk, you must contact the walk leader prior to the date of the walk for advice.

In the interests of safety, the leader may refuse to lead anyone whom he/she considers to be not suitably equipped.

Anyone with a health condition, for which there is a possibility that treatment might be required during a walk, must inform the leader, preferably in advance, but certainly at the start of the walk, and must give full details of the treatment which might be required (this is not intended to place any extra responsibility on the leader, but rather to protect the leader against an incident arising for which no prior warning had been given).

Please note that the gradings of walks are intended only as a rough guide. For information on a particular walk, always contact the leader beforehand.

The leader may cancel or change a walk because of adverse weather conditions or for any other good reason.

What to wear and what to bring

Warm and waterproof clothing should be carried, and strong footwear should be worn for all walks. Walking boots are essential on all A grade walks and on most B grade walks, and are advisable on most C grade walks. Denim jeans are not suitable as they get wet very quickly and are slow to dry out. A packed lunch and small snacks should be carried, and a flask of hot drink is strongly recommended.

All walkers should carry the name and telephone number of someone who can be contacted in the event of an emergency on a walk in any of the Programmes in this booklet.

Members of The Ramblers should carry their membership card on all walks.

OS Map Nos. are given in the Programme for each walk, but this is only for the information of those who wish it; it is not necessary for all walkers to bring a map with them.

Travel to the start of the walk

See Programme for details of the normal meeting place, but please also check the details of the individual walk, in case the meeting place for that walk is different from normal.

For walks not accessed by public transport, it is expected that those with cars will give lifts to those without. As a guide, 10p per mile per passenger is considered an amount which reasonably covers the costs incurred by the driver. A suitable amount is recommended under the

details of each walk in this booklet, except where public transport is to be used.

What happens on the walk

As groups are usually made up of members with varying walking abilities, all walkers should consider those at the back of the party. Leaders especially are reminded that they must set and control the pace of the walk to reflect these differing abilities, and must not allow the pace of the walk to be dictated by a few members of the party who may tend to force the pace. Failure of anyone to observe these considerations may deter members from fully enjoying the walk or from developing onto tackling higher grades of walk.

Who is liable on a walk

Please note that neither The Ramblers nor the leaders of individual walks in this Programme can accept liability for any accident that may occur on any walk. In the interests of enjoyment and safety, all members should stay within sight and earshot of the leader at all times, and should not leave the walk without first informing the leader.

Who can't come on a walk

Dogs are not allowed on any walks in this Programme.

Display of photographs for publicity and/on Group website

Digital photographs of Group walks are welcome, either for publicity or for display on the Group's website www.glasgowramblers.org.uk. Please email photographs to info@glasgowramblers.org.uk.

Anyone participating in a Group walk is assumed to consent to photographs in which they may appear being used for publicity or website purposes. Anyone who does not wish photographs in which they may appear to be used for such purposes, should make this clear to the person taking the photograph. Requests for photographs to be removed from the website should be emailed to info@glasgowramblers.org.uk.

PLEASE LEAVE NO LITTER

Other Ramblers' Groups

As well as the walks in these Programmes, members of The Ramblers are welcome to take part in the walks of any Ramblers' Groups.

The Ramblers is divided into Areas. Glasgow is within North Strathclyde Area in which there are currently seven other Groups:

Bearsden & Milngavie – website:

www.bearsdenandmilngavieramblers.org.uk

Cumbernauld & Kilsyth – website:

www.ckramblers.org.uk

Glasgow Young Walkers – website:

www.glasgowyoungwalkers.org

Helensburgh & West Dunbartonshire – website:

www.hwdramblers.me.uk

Mid-Argyll & Kintyre – website:

<http://argyllcommunities.org/midargyllkintyreramblers>

Monklands – website:

www.monklandsramblers.org.uk

Strathkelvin – no website at present. Copy Programme available on request to info@glasgowramblers.org.uk

The following Groups within other Areas are also close to Glasgow:

Renfrewshire, Cowal & Bute Area:

Eastwood – website:

www.eastwood-ramblers.org.uk

Paisley – no website at present. Copy Programme available on request to info@glasgowramblers.org.uk

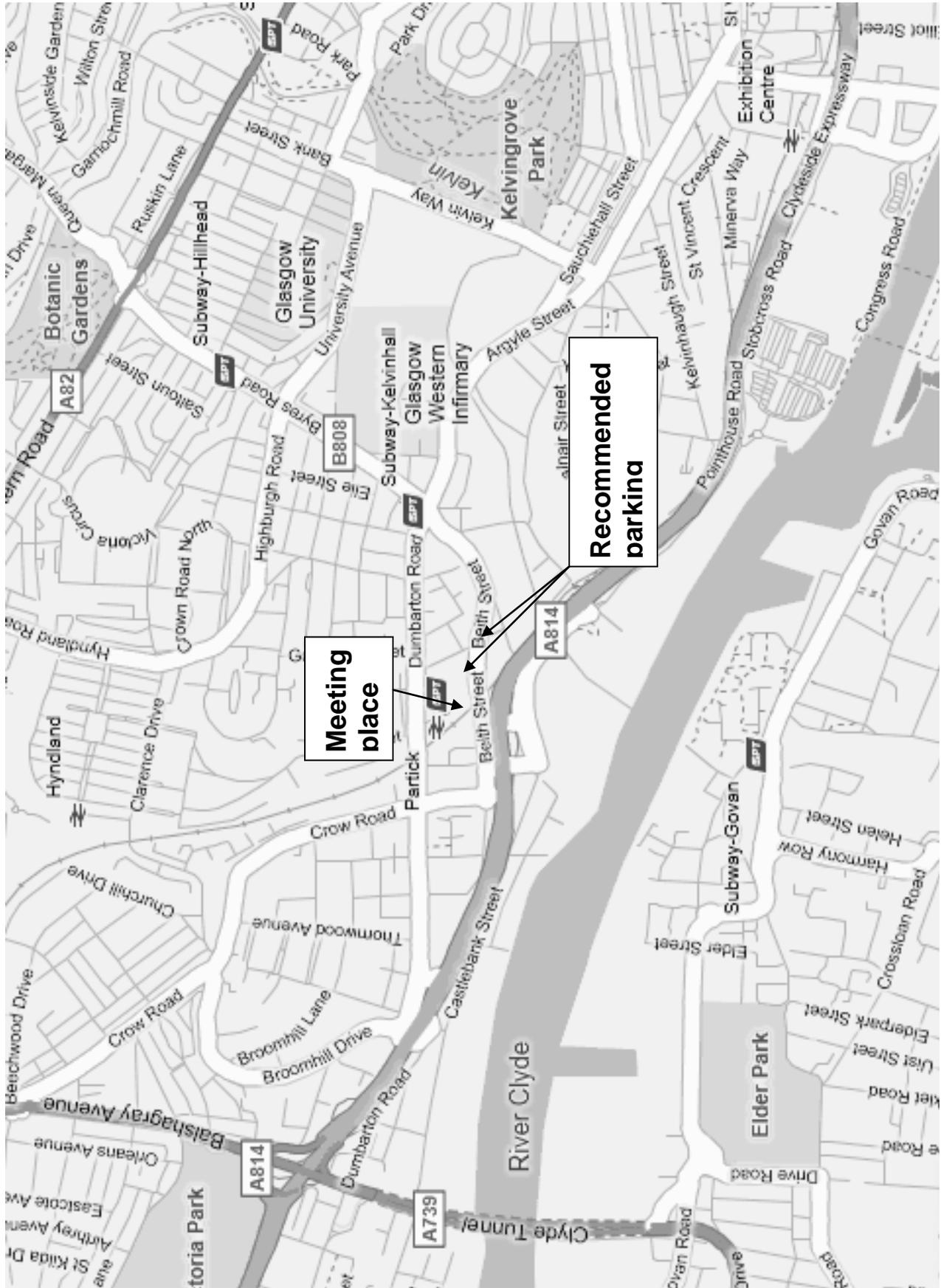
Clydesdale to Solway Area:

Clyde Valley (based in Hamilton) – website:

www.clydevalleyramblers.org

Anyone without internet access who wishes a copy of the Programme of any of the above Groups, please write to:

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Glasgow, G3 7PJ.



PROGRAMME

The normal meeting place, for walks not accessed by public transport, is outside the entrance to Partick Station (see location map on Page 7). Cars will be taken from there to the start of the walk. Recommended car parking in Beith Street. For afternoon walks, when parking space near the station may be limited, parking may be found at the short link between Beith Street and Castlebank Street.

As indicated on Page 3 of this booklet, anyone wishing to take part in any walk must contact the leader by phone or email a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to confirm transport and walk details.

Reserve your place on Walk Leadership Training Day

Ramblers Scotland is holding a Volunteers' Training Day on the topic of Walk Leadership at Stirling Baptist Church, 67 Murray Place, Stirling FK8 1AU on Saturday 26th November, 10.00-16.00. The training is primarily aimed at Ramblers members who would like to become walk leaders or who are fairly new to leading walks and would like more guidance and training. There will be plenty of opportunities for discussion and networking.

Places on the Training Day are limited. Anyone wishing to reserve a place must contact Catherine Watt (catherine@cawatt.com or 07711 268312) by **6 p.m. on Monday 7th November**. If more Glasgow Group members apply than the number of places allocated to the Group, there will be a waiting list and, if other Groups do not take up their full allocation, it is possible that further places may be made available.

Book your accommodation for the Scottish Ramblers Gathering

The Scottish Ramblers Gathering will be held from Friday 4th to Monday 7th May, 2012 in Grantown-on-Spey in the Cairngorms. Information on the Gathering, including an accommodation list, is posted on the Ramblers Scotland website at:

www.ramblers.org.uk/scotland/scotland_events/Scottish+Ramblers+Gathering

If you do not have internet access, please phone the Ramblers Scotland office on 01577 861 222.

Please note that accommodation should be booked now, but booking for the Gathering will not be open until 1st January.

Thursday, 3rd November River Kelvin and Forth and Clyde Canal Half day Grade C

Leader: Catherine Watt (07711 268312 or catherine@cawatt.com)
OS Map Landranger 64. Walk up Gardner Street (steep but short), Hyndland Road and Clevedon Road, to join River Kelvin Walkway and then the canal at Maryhill Locks. Follow the canal down to Speirs Wharf and into town. The walk will take 2 to 3 hours on level ground.

Meet outside Partick Station at **9.30 a.m.** Walk will start from there, so no transport required. At end of walk, those wishing to return to Partick can do so by Subway.

Walkers must contact leader by Wednesday 2nd November 6 p.m. to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Saturday, 5th November Ayrshire Coastal Path Ardrossan to Largs Full day Grade C+

Leader: Seonaid Graham (0771 553 0321 or seonaidgraham@yahoo.com)
OS Maps Landranger 63 & 70. 14 miles. Walking time 5-6 hours. A pleasant but long walk. Leader has not walked this section of the coastal path before, so will be relying on her map and guide book. More information about the Ayrshire coastal path is available at www.ayrshirecoastalpath.org.

Meet at **Glasgow Central Station** outside Marks & Spencer Simply Food at **9.30 a.m.** after purchasing return ticket to Largs, to catch 9.45 a.m. train to Ardrossan South Beach. Return ticket can be used from Largs.

Walkers must contact leader by Friday 4th November 5 p.m. to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Saturday, 12th November Lang Craigs Full day Grade B

Leaders: Tony and Moira Stevens (0141 942 4777 or antonyrosslyn51@yahoo.co.uk)

OS Map Explorer 347 or Landranger 64. A walk of 9 miles on tracks and some rough walking, climbing up to a height of approximately 350 metres into the Kilpatrick Hills.

From **Glasgow Queen Street Station Low Level** catch the 9.23 Balloch train to Dumbarton East (alternatively walkers may join at Partick Station 9.29, or any of the intervening stops to Dumbarton East). Car drivers should park at Kilpatrick and catch train from there at 9.51 to Dumbarton East. The leaders will be catching the train at Kilpatrick.

Walkers must contact leaders in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Saturday, 19th November The Knock Full day Grade C+

Leaders: Tony and Moira Stevens (0141 942 4777 or antonyrosslyn51@yahoo.co.uk)

OS Map Landranger 63. A wee climb to excellent views of the Clyde. Meet at **Glasgow Central Station** outside Marks & Spencer Simply Food at 9.30 a.m. after purchasing return ticket to Largs, to catch 9.45 train to Largs.

Walkers must contact leaders in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Saturday, 26th November Braeval Full day Grade C+

Leader: John McNulty (0141 773 0409 or squareloaf@talktalk.net)

OS Map 57. 8 miles long.

Meet outside Partick Station at 9.00 a.m.

Walkers must contact leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution to driver £5 (50 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Thursday, 1st December Bridge of Weir to Kilmacolm Half day Grade C

Leader: Catherine Watt (07711 268312 or catherine@cawatt.com)

OS Map Landranger 63. A 7 mile undulating country walk from Bridge of Weir along quiet rural roads, returning along the old railway line.

Meet outside Partick Station at **9.30 a.m.**

Walkers must contact leader by Wednesday 30th November 6 p.m. to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution to driver £2.80 (28 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Saturday, 3rd December Group AGM followed by walk Half day Grade C

For AGM details see accompanying booklet.

Walk leader: Catherine Watt (07711 268312 or catherine@cawatt.com)

OS Map Landranger 64. A walk up through Kelvingrove Park and then the River Kelvin to Maryhill Locks and then into town along the canal to Speirs Wharf.

Walk is intended for those attending AGM, so will start following the close of the meeting. Walk will begin at the meeting venue, so no transport required. At end of walk, those wishing to return to start point can do so by train.

Sunday, 11th December Knock of Crieff and Laggan Hill Half/Full day Grade B

Walk leader: Barry Pottle (0141 772 2263 or luckydollar@btinternet.com – email enquiries preferred)

OS Map Landranger 42. Two walks, each around 4 miles/6 km. Walkers can do one as a half day walk, or both as a full day. The first walk goes from Taylor Park in Crieff up to The Knock (278m) then back to the start by a different route. The second goes over the wooded Laggan Hill (156 m), and back via Lady Mary's Walk along the River Earn.

Meet outside Partick Station at 9.00 a.m.

Walkers must contact leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution to driver £10 (100 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Sunday, 18th December Harlaw & The Poet's Glen Full day Grade C+

Walk leader: Barry Pottle (0141 772 2263 or luckydollar@btinternet.com – email enquiries preferred)

OS Map Landranger 65. A walk of around 7 miles/11km, from Balerno on the outskirts of Edinburgh. Goes past Harlaw Reservoir and close to, but not up onto, the Pentland Hills. Then visits the glen of Kinleith Burn, associated with the "weaver poet" James Thomson (1763-1832). (Walkers are warned that they may be subjected to recitation by leader.) Returns to Balerno via the Water of Leith Walkway.

Meet outside Partick Station at 9.00 a.m.

Walkers must contact leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution to driver £9 (90 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

CHRISTMAS EVE/CHRISTMAS DAY NO WALKS

Sunday, 1st January Bookings open for Scottish Ramblers Gathering

See details on Page 8.

Sunday, New Year's Day Duncryne Half day Grade B

Walk leader: Barry Pottle (0141 772 2263 or luckydollar@btinternet.com – email enquiries preferred)

OS Map Landranger 56. A short but steep climb to an excellent viewpoint (weather permitting). Length – 2 miles/3 km. Height climbed –460 feet/142m.

Meet outside Partick Station at **10.00 a.m.**

Walkers must contact leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution to driver £4 (40 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Sunday 8th January Knapps Dam Full day Grade C+

Walk leader: Barry Pottle (0141 772 2263 or luckydollar@btinternet.com – email enquiries preferred)

OS Map Landranger 63. Around 7 miles/12 km. From Bridge of Weir along River Gryffe to Quarrier's village, then via quiet roads and cycle track to Knapps Dam. A short climb to the high ground overlooking Knapps Dam, then through woodland and quiet roads back to Bridge of Weir.

Meet outside Partick Station at 9.00 a.m.

Walkers must contact leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution to driver £2.80 (28 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Saturday, 14th January North Strathclyde Area AGM followed by afternoon walk Half day Grade C

The AGM of North Strathclyde Area of the Ramblers' Association will be held in the Meeting Room, Friends (Quaker) Meeting House, 38 Elmbank Crescent, Glasgow. As Glasgow Group forms part of North Strathclyde Area, all Group members are entitled to attend.

Formal business will commence at 10.30 am. The Notice and Agenda for the meeting will be sent to all members in December.

There will be a members' walk in the afternoon. Members attending the AGM wishing to take part in the walk should bring packed lunches. Alternatively, there are various places to eat near to the meeting venue. Walk leader: Ian Brooke (0141 557 2553 or ic.brooke@virgin.net) OS Map Landranger 64. A walk along the Clyde and Kelvin Walkways, finishing at Anniesland Station.

Walk is intended for those attending AGM, so will start following the close of the meeting, after allowing time for lunch. Walk will begin at the meeting venue, so no transport required. At end of walk, those wishing to return to start point can do so by train.

Saturday, 21st January Around Moffat Full day Grade C+

Leaders: Lindsay and Sheila Bowman (07901 980880 or bandgproperties@hotmail.com).

OS Map 78. 3½ hour varied walk around Moffat.

Meet at **Buchanan Bus Station** Stance 5 to catch 09.00 Stagecoach X74 (Dumfries) bus – ask for return to Moffat. Leader will meet walkers at “Moffat Ram” fountain in High Street. There are return buses at 15.40 (due to arrive Glasgow 17.05) and 18.05 (due to arrive Glasgow 19.30).

Walkers must contact leaders in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Sunday, 29th January Aber Path Half day Grade C

Walk leader: Barry Pottle (0141 772 2263 or luckydollar@btinternet.com – email enquiries preferred)

OS Map Landranger 56. Path from Gartocharn Village to Net Bay on the Banks of Loch Lomond, with optional easy uphill extension to viewpoint above River Endrick. Return by same route. Total distance both ways 4 miles/6 km

Meet outside Partick Station at 9.00 a.m.

Walkers must contact leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution to driver £4 (40 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

**Thursday, 2nd February Lochwinnoch to Milliken Park Half day
Grade C**

Leader: Catherine Watt (07711 268312 or catherine@cawatt.com)
OS Maps Landranger 63 and 64. Approx. 6 miles. Level walk from Lochwinnoch through Parkhill Woods and the Collegiate Church and by the old railway track to Kilbarchan.

Meet at **Glasgow Central Station** outside Marks & Spencer Simply Food at 9.50 a.m. after purchasing return ticket to Lochwinnoch, to catch 10.01 a.m. train to Largs. Return ticket can be used from Milliken Park station.

Walkers must contact leader by Wednesday 1st February 6 p.m. to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Sunday, 5th February Rowardennan to Rowchoish Full day Grade C+

Leader: Ian Brooke (0141 557 2553 or ic.brooke@virgin.net)
OS Map Landranger 56. A walk of approx. 9 miles along the side of Loch Lomond on the West Highland Way, then back along forestry track. There are a couple of very short stretches which involve climbing up and down rocks – help will be provided!

Meet outside Partick Station at 9.00 a.m.

Walkers must contact leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution to driver £5 (50 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Saturday, 11th February Howwood Circular Full day Grade B

Leaders: Tony and Moira Stevens (0141 942 4777 or antonyrosslyn51@yahoo.co.uk)

OS Map Explorer 333/341/342 or Landranger 63/64. A walk of 9 miles on tracks and minor roads, climbing up to a height of approx. 200 metres above Howwood.

From **Glasgow Central** catch the 9.15 Ardrossan Harbour train to Howwood. The leaders will meet walkers at Howwood.

Walkers must contact leaders in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Sunday, 19th February Nithsdale/Durisdeer walk Full day Grade B

Leader: Shona Maciver (07789644539 or shona@locofoco.co.uk)

OS Map Landranger 71.

Meet outside Partick Station at 9.00 a.m.

Walkers must contact leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution to driver £12 (120 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Saturday, 25th February Peebles to Lyne Circular Full day Grade C

Walk leader: Jenny Brebner (01698 458238 or 07834 196856)

OS Map Landranger 73. Walk from Peebles following the River Tweed.

Meet outside Partick Station at 9.00 a.m.

Walkers must contact leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution to driver £13 (130 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Thursday, 1st March Milngavie to Glasgow Full day Grade C+

Leader: Catherine Watt (07711 268312 or catherine@cawatt.com)

OS Maps Landranger 64. The walk follows the Kelvin Way from Milngavie to Kelvingrove. This is a 10 mile level walk. The walk can be shortened by catching a bus on Maryhill Road.

Meet at **Partick Station** concourse at 9.40 a.m. after purchasing single ticket to Milngavie, to catch 9.50 a.m. train to Milngavie. (Alternatively walkers can join the train at Glasgow Queen Street Low Level at 9.43, or any of the intervening stops to Milngavie, or meet at Milngavie Station at 10.06.)

Walkers must contact leader by Wednesday 29th February 6 p.m. to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Saturday, 3rd March Mugdock Park Full day Grade C+

Walk leader: Ian Brooke (0141 557 2553 or ic.brooke@virgin.net)

OS Map Landranger 64. 8 mile walk on good paths and tracks, through Country Park near Milngavie.

Meet at **Partick Station** concourse at 9.20 a.m. after purchasing return ticket to Milngavie, to catch 9.35 a.m. train to Milngavie. (Alternatively walkers can join the train at Glasgow Central Low Level at 9.28, or any of the intervening stops to Milngavie, or meet at Milngavie Station at 10.00.)

Walkers must contact leader in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Saturday 10th March Overton Moor Full day Grade B+

Leader: John Ballingall (0141 647 8371 or johnlinda30@tiscali.co.uk)

OS Map Landranger 64 8 miles on track and rough moorland.

Meet outside Partick Station at 9.00 a.m.

Walkers must contact leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution to driver £2.20 (22 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Saturday, 17th March Mugdock Reservoir Half day Grade C

Leader: Denise Connell (0141 632 0832)

OS Map Landranger 64

Meet at **Glasgow Central Station** outside Low Level ticket office at 9.30, after purchasing return ticket to Milngavie, to catch 9.58 train to Milngavie (alternatively walkers may join at Partick Station 10.05, or any of the intervening stops to Milngavie, or meet at Milngavie Station at 10.00.)

Walkers must contact leader in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Saturday, 24th March Glen Ogle Railway Walk Full day Grade C+

Leader: Jenny Brebner (01698 458238 or 07834 196856)

OS Map Landranger 51. A 6.5 mile walk along the trackbed of the old Caledonian Railway which once ran north from Lochearnhead.

Meet outside Partick Station at 9.00 a.m.

Walkers must contact leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution to driver £10 (100 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Thursday, 29th March Linlithgow to Falkirk Full day Grade C

Leader: Catherine Watt (07711 268312 or catherine@cawatt.com)

OS Maps Landranger 65. A 9 mile walk along the Union Canal.

Meet at **Glasgow Queen Street Station** at the barrier at the end of Platform 2 on the Booking Office side at 9.30 a.m. after purchasing return ticket to Linlithgow, to catch 9.45 Edinburgh train to Linlithgow. Return ticket can be used from Falkirk High station.

Walkers must contact leader by Wednesday 1st February 6 p.m. to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Saturday, 31st March Strathblane Circular Full day Grade C

Leader: Linda Aitchison (0141 647 8371 or laitchison138@btinternet.com)

OS Map Landranger 64 7 miles on good tracks.

Meet outside Partick Station at **10.00 a.m.**

Walkers must contact leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution to driver £2 (20 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Sunday, 8th April (Easter Sunday) Auchincruive Trails Half/Full day Grade C+

Leader: Barry Pottle (0141 772 2263 or luckydollar@btinternet.com – email enquiries preferred)

OS Map Landranger 70. 3 short circular walks (each around 2½ miles/4 km), all starting and finishing at Auchincruive Agricultural College, near Ayr. Walkers can choose to go on one, two, or all three walks.

Meet outside Partick Station at 9.00 a.m.

Walkers must contact leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution to driver £7 (70 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Saturday, 14th April The Stonemollan Trail Full day Grade C+

Leader: Anne Thomson (0141 573 2254 or 07977 635467
athomson555@gmail.com)

OS map Landranger 63. A linear walk from Cardross to Balloch with, weather permitting, superb view of the Firth of Clyde and Loch Lomond. The walk is on quiet country roads, farm tracks, woodland paths and open moorland. Length – 11 km. Height climbed – 230m.

From **Glasgow Queen Street Station Low Level** catch the 9.40 Helensburgh train to Cardross (alternatively walkers may join at Partick Station 9.47, or any of the intervening stops to Cardross). Return will be by train from Balloch. The leader will meet the group at Cardross Station at 10.15.

Walkers must contact leader in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and that travel details have not changed.

Saturday, 21st April Samson Stone Full day Grade B

Leader: John McNulty (0141 773 0409 or squareloaf@talktalk.net)

OS Map 52. 8 miles circular walk near Perth.

Meet outside Partick Station at 9.00 a.m.

Walkers must contact leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution to driver £10 (100 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

Saturday, 28th April Around Aberfoyle Full day Grade C+

Leader: Moira Henderson (01236 630602 or 0775 246 1521)

OS Map 57. Walk taking in Doon Hill and the Highland Boundary Fault Trail. Around 7 miles – a couple of steep climbs – all of walk on good tracks and paths.

Meet outside Partick Station at 9.00 a.m.

Walkers must contact leader a few days in advance to make sure that the walk is still scheduled to take place and to advise whether they require or can offer a lift.

Recommended passenger contribution to driver £5 (50 miles round trip at 10p per mile).

SUMMARY OF ALL WALKS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Walk</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Thu 3 Nov	River Kelvin and Forth and Clyde Canal	Half day C
Sat 5 Nov	Ayrshire Coastal Path Ardrossan to Largs	Full day C+
Sat 12 Nov	Lang Craigs	Full day B
Sat 19 Nov	The Knock (near Largs)	Full day C+
Sat 26 Nov	Braeval	Full day C+
Thu 1 Dec	Bridge of Weir to Kilmacolm	Half day C
Sat 3 Dec	Group AGM followed by walk	Half day C
Sun 11 Dec	Knock of Crieff and Laggan Hill	Half/Full day B
Sun 18 Dec	Harlaw & The Poet's Glen	Full day C+
24/25 Dec	No walks	
Sun NY Day	Duncryne	Half day B
Sun 8 Jan	Knapps Dam	Full day C+
Sat 14 Jan	Area AGM followed by walk	Half day C
Sat 21 Jan	Around Moffat	Full day C+
Sun 29 Jan	Aber Path	Half day C
Thu 2 Feb	Lochwinnoch to Milliken Park	Half day C
Sun 5 Feb	Rowardennan to Rowchoish	Full day C+
Sat 11 Feb	Howwood Circular	Full day B
Sun 19 Feb	Nithsdale/Durisdeer Walk	Full day B
Sat 25 Feb	Peebles to Lyne Circular	Full day C
Thu 1 Mar	Milngavie to Glasgow	Full day C+
Sat 3 Mar	Mugdock Park	Full day C+
Sat 10 Mar	Overton Moor	Full day B+
Sat 17 Mar	Mugdock Reservoir	Half day C
Sat 24 Mar	Glen Ogle Railway Walk	Full day C+
Thu 29 Mar	Linlithgow to Falkirk	Full day C
Sat 31 Mar	Strathblane Circular	Full day C
Sun 8 Apr	Auchincruive Trails	Half/full day C+
Sat 14 Apr	The Stonymollan Trail	Full day C+

<u>Date</u>	<u>Walk</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Sat 21 Apr	Samson Stone	Full day B
Sat 28 Apr	Around Aberfoyle	Full day C+