

## CONFIRMATION OF ATTENDANCE

If you are planning to come on a daytime walk, please text/WhatsApp the leader so that he/she knows to expect you and can contact you if the walk details change (i.e. if the weather forecast is very poor or the leader is taken ill).

As evening walks tend to be more local and people often only decide to attend at short notice you don't need to contact the leader.

## TRANSPORT

CDWG is not responsible for organising transport and it is your responsibility to get to the start point (in good time to be ready to leave by the advertised time – please aim to arrive 15 minutes in advance of this).

## LEADING WALKS AND EVENTS

Everyone in the group is encouraged to organise walks and other events. If you would like some advice, any member of the committee will be happy to help, or contact our secretary at [cdwg@btinternet.com](mailto:cdwg@btinternet.com).

## WEEKENDS AWAY

Our weekends away usually involve a stay at a holiday cottage. Places need to be booked well in advance, so you must book with the organiser to ensure a place (a deposit is usually required to confirm your attendance).

## OFF-PROGRAMME EVENTS

We often have extra events that perhaps weren't planned in time for the programme or are slightly different to our usual activities. These are circulated to all paid up members via email and are unlikely to appear anywhere else.

## PHOTOGRAPHS

Please note that any photographs taken on CDWG walks or events may be used on the group website, social media or marketing materials. Please inform the organiser if you do not wish to appear in photographs.

## **ATTENDANCE IS AT YOUR OWN RISK**

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## ESSENTIAL WALKING & SAFETY EQUIPMENT

For all walks it is *essential* to wear walking boots, thick socks, suitable trousers or shorts (not jeans), and suitable clothing for the weather and time of year. Waterproof jackets should be brought on walks along with waterproof trousers if possible.

For winter walks, several layers of clothing are better than one thick layer. Spare clothing, including a hat and gloves are essential in winter.

Plenty of food is also a good idea, along with hot drinks in winter and plenty of water and protection from the sun in summer (sunhat and lotion).

In the interests of safety, walk leaders may refuse to take those considered to be ill equipped or not fit enough for the day's walk. Contact the leader if in doubt over suitable clothing, equipment and fitness levels.

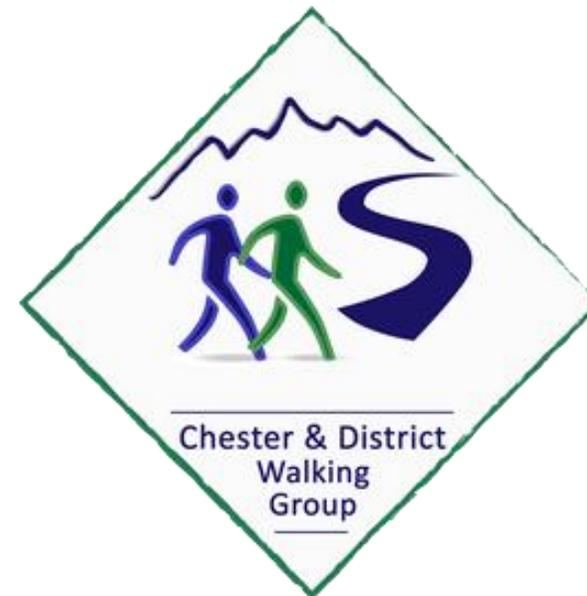
[Sorry, we are not insured for and do not allow under 18s or dogs on our walks](#)

## TYPES OF WALK: ★ / ★★ / ★★★

Walks are "star" graded according to factors such as distance, terrain and ascent. A change in weather can also affect the difficulty of a walk. Use these grades as a guide for which walks to try:

- 1★ walks will generally be gentle paced and over easy terrain such as lowland hills (e.g. Sandstone Trail, Cheshire).
- 2★ walks may be longer in distance, involve more ascent or cover rougher terrain but with no technical ability required (e.g. Moel Famau, Clwydians).
- 3★ walks may be faster paced, or a longer distance, and will usually involve steep ascents over rough ground, often involving scrambling and requiring a good head for heights (e.g. Carneddau, Glyders in Snowdonia).

Evening walks are not graded as they are relatively short and even with hills are rarely more than an upper 1★.



## **PROGRAMME** **APRIL – JUNE 2022**

**Chester and District Walking Group** is a friendly group bringing together people from Cheshire; Wirral; North Wales and surrounding areas who enjoy walking and socialising.

## MEMBERSHIP

Membership is £10 (cash) or £11 (Paypal) a year, although you are encouraged to attend two or three events before deciding to join. Everyone over the age of 18 is welcome. Membership subscriptions may be paid to the Secretary / Treasurer.

Subscriptions are due on joining and renewed following the AGM in November. They go towards the cost of running the group, including website maintenance, publicity, insurance, general administration and give you access to our detailed weekly walk emails.

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| <b>Chair</b>                 | Tracy Osborne |
| <b>Secretary / Treasurer</b> | Pamela Bent   |
| <b>Website Officer</b>       | Peter Benson  |
| <b>Programme Secretary</b>   | Brian Burden  |
| <b>Insurance Officer</b>     | Graham Coles  |

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## APRIL

**SUNDAY 3rd** Llangollen ★★  
10.30am start 8 miles

To kick off the new programme, Steve will be taking us on a lovely walk along the Offa's Dyke Path down to Pontcysyllte aqueduct and back along the canal

**FRIDAY 8th**

**Social**

**Drinks and Meal at Urbano 32**

**7.30pm start**

Enjoy an evening of delicious Pizza and fine wine!

**SUNDAY 10th** Llanferres ★★  
10.30am start 10 miles

A beautiful, scenic walk over to Llanbedr DC, taking in a ruined church and the western Clwydian Hills

**WEDNESDAY 13th** Kelsall **Mid Week Walk** ★

**10.30am start** 6 miles

Join Tracy for a lovely stroll in the Delamere Forest before enjoying a delicious lunch at the Boot Inn

**SUNDAY 17th** Chirk ★★  
10am start 11 miles

Chris will be taking us on this lovely, scenic circular walk from Chirk aqueduct, with some steep sections, leading to views over Llangollen, returning via Chirk Castle and through the canal tunnel

**SATURDAY 23rd** Llanferres ★★  
9.30am start 10-12 miles

Join Denis for a lovely, scenic walk in and around the area of Eryrys, across undulating terrain with some low level climbing (note that while this is the same starting point as two weeks ago, it is a different route)

**WEDNESDAY 27th** Flint Castle **Evening Walk**  
7pm start

Enjoy Juliet's fascinating walk along the Dee Estuary, followed by an exploration of the ruins of imposing Flint Castle

## MAY

**SUNDAY 1st** Corwen ★★  
10.30am start 9 miles

Gareth will be taking us for a scenic walk up above Corwen, visiting Pen-y-Pigyn viewpoint and Liberty Hall before returning via the North Berwyn way

**THURSDAY 5th** Coed Talon **Evening Walk**  
7pm start

Join Pamela for this pretty walk up to Waun-y-Llyn Country Park and back along a delightful woodland path

**SATURDAY 7th** Liverpool ★  
11am start 9 miles

A fascinating stroll around Liverpool's famous water front and three parks

**THURSDAY 12th** Pulford **Evening Walk**  
7pm start

Criss-cross the border between England and Wales on this flat but interesting walk

**SUNDAY 15th** Cadair Idris Visitor Car Park ★★★  
10am start 6.5 miles

Join Christine for an invigorating Cadair Idris Cym Cau Horseshoe adventure!

**THURSDAY 19th** Erdddig **Evening Walk**  
7pm start

Enjoy a lovely evening stroll around Erdddig Country Park

**SATURDAY 21st** **Social**

**Hawkstone Follies**

Bring a picnic and don't miss this excellent day out at Hawkstone Follies, with spectacular views, caves, lovely shrubs and a very high monument!

**SUNDAY 22nd** Hooton Railway Station ★  
10am start 13 miles

Join John on this lovely jaunt along the Wirral Way

**THURSDAY 26th** Llanarmon-yn-Ial **Evening Walk**  
7pm start

A lovely, scenic circuit up to Eryrys with great views

**SUNDAY 29th** Hayfield / Kinder Scout ★★  
10am start 8 miles

Join Nikki on this Peak District classic, and site of the mass trespass of Kinder Scout

## JUNE

**THURSDAY 2nd** Countess Park **Evening Walk**  
7pm start

A lovely walk through the park, along the canal, around the race course and back to the Little Owl pub for drinks!

**SATURDAY 4th**

**Social**

**Rock the Lake**

Join us for a brilliant day out at the 'Rock the Lake' music festival, set around a stunning lake in Leeswood, near Mold

**SUNDAY 5th** Glyndyfrdwy ★★  
10am start 10 miles

A scenic walk, climbing through a wooded valley, over the grouse moors on the Berwyn ridge and through the Glyn Ceriog Forest, returning through another wooded valley

**THURSDAY 9th** Hendre **Evening Walk**  
7pm start

A delightful stroll through the pretty woodlands of Coed y Felin and Coed Trellyniau

**SUNDAY 12th** Rivington Pike ★★  
9am start 9 miles

Don't miss John's fascinating walk around Rivington pike!

**WEDNESDAY 15th** Farndon **Evening Walk**  
7pm start

A lovely stroll along the river and fields from Farndon, then back through Holt with a look at the remains of Holt Castle

**SATURDAY 18th** Bickerton Hill Car Park ★★  
9.30 am start 10-12 miles

A circular walk from Bickerton out to Clutton and on to the edge of Tilston taking in forest, field footpaths, track lanes and open countryside

**THURSDAY 23rd** Hawarden **Evening Walk**  
7pm start

A walk in Bilberry Woods and the fields above Hawarden

**Saturday 25th** Bethesda ★★★  
10am 10 miles

A fine mountain ramble up Carnedd y Filiast, the most northerly of the Glyderau peaks, Snowdonia

**THURSDAY 30th** Gresford Lake **Evening Walk**  
7pm start

A midsummer stroll around Gresford and Borrass Quarry