

Friday 11th May 2018

- 08.45 **Festival Launch** by Sam Phillips, National Chair, Walkers are Welcome
- 09.00 **Whitewell & Three Counties** Shropshire, Cheshire and a bit of Wales including Whitewell Church using service bus. Optional pub lunch at Horse & Jockey, Grindley Brook. Leaders: Jenny & John Wilson of Whitchurch U3A - 5m 4/6h
- 09.05 **Rail Ramble** Train to Wem. Ticket machine at station [£5.10 /£3.35 cards only]. Walk back to Whitchurch via Shropshire Way. And canal. Leader: Liz Evans - 10m 6h ❖
- 09.15 **Poetry Walk*** Walk using local footpaths. As we walk, we will put in the groundwork for a poem about Whitchurch. Lunch at a local café/pub to finalise the work. Leader: Baz Fewster - 3-4m 3h
- 09.45 **Nature Reserve Quartet** Service bus to Prees Heath. Walk back via Brown Moss and Molverley Meadows. Leader: Malcolm Monie - 9m 6h ❖
- 14.00 **Stockton Strider** Stockton Walk to Danson's Wood, along canal to Blackoe Cottages, return via Belton. Leader: Tony Eccleston - 5m 2.5h
- 14.15 **Railway Heritage 1*** A walk exploring the heritage of Whitchurch, once a busy junction station. Leader: Bill Webb - 2m 2h
- 18.00 **Sunset Serenade** A local walk led by Baz Fewster with bird expert Allan Heath finishing at 20.00 at Old Town Hall Vaults [Folk Session] - 3m 2h
- 19.30 **Flicks in the Sticks:** "The Lad" – a Yorkshire tale - Whitchurch Leisure Centre. Pay at venue: £4.50 / £4 concessions and £3.50 students.
- 20.00 **Folk Session** at the Old Town Hall Vaults with local band Jigsmith. Bring instruments and voices or just come along. Free.

Saturday 12th May 2018

- 08.45 **Lyneal Liner*** Minibus to Lyneal Wharf. Boat to Fenns Moss. Walk across Fenns Moss to Bronington. Service bus back. Leader: Malcolm Monie - 5m 5.5h ❖●
- 09.00 **Whitchurch Wheel** A circumnavigation of Whitchurch, lunch stop at The White Lion, Ash. Leader Gerald Moss – 18m 8h ❖
- 09.45 **Morris' Moss*** Minibus to Morris' Bridge. Walk across edge of Whixall Moss. Boat to Blackoe Bridge. Walk back to Whitchurch. Leader: Peter Stockbridge – 5m 5h ❖●
- 09.50 **Combermere Country** Service bus out. Walk back via Combermere Woods & Oss Mere. Leader: Neil Moore - 7m 4.5h ❖
- 10.30 **Blackoe – and Back by Boat*** Walk to Blackoe Bridge near Fenns Bank. Boat back to Whitchurch Arm. Walk into Whitchurch. Leader: Lynn Shimwell – 4m 3.5h ❖
- 10.45 **Merry Marbury** Walk to Marbury, time at the Merry Days & walk back via Grindley Brook cafe. Leader: Jean White - 10 m 6h
- 12.50 **So Far From Home** Prees Heath using service bus. Story of the creation of the army camp, walk to Tilstock and back looking at the war graves. Leader: Jim Stabler – 4m 3.5h
- 13.00 **Whixall Moss: Boots, Boat & Bus*** Walk to Blackoe Bridge. Boat to Roundthorne Bridge. Short walk on Whixall Moss to Morris' Bridge. Minibus back. Leader: Keith Bate - 5m 4.5h ●
- 13.30 **Boots, Boat & More Boots*** Walk to Whitchurch Arm. Boat to Blackoe Bridge [Fenns Bank]. Walk back to Whitchurch. Leader: Kevin Ikin - 5 m 3.5h
- 19.30 **Ceilidh** at the Brownlow Centre, Claypit Street. Dancing to local band Jigsmith. Hot food, raffle and licensed bar with real ale. Doors open 7pm.
- 23.00

Sunday 13th May 2018

- 08.45 **Bury Walls*** Minibus to Bury Walls Hill Fort for walk, then minibus to Brown Moss, walk back. Leader: Lynn Shimwell - 9m 7h ●❖
- 09.00 **Peckforton, off the beaten track*** A varied walk taking in the social history of Peckforton village and the Peckforton Hills, for much of the time on private land not normally accessible. Packed lunch at the Village Hall. Leader: Keith Bate - 8m 7h ●❖
- 09.15 **Mere & Moss** Blakemere and The Moss. Back to Caru Coffi for optional drinks or lunch. Leader: Baz Fewster - 5m 3h
- 09.30 **Abstracting Whitchurch*** Sketching walk around the town, returning to work up material at the registration venue. Leader: Bob Charlesworth - 3m 3h
- 09.45 **A View of Wales [Walking for Health]** Belton, Blackoe Cottages, Llangollen Canal and back via Country Park; a shorter gentler reverse of Friday's Stockton Strider. Leader: Janice Leyland - 4m 2h
- 12.45 **Cholmondeley Castle*** Walk with a botanical slant around the gardens and grounds. Minibus out and return. Leader: Gerald Moss - 3.5m 3.5h ●
- 13.00 **Local Locks** Hill Valley, Hinton, Grindley Brook Locks, Danson's Wood. Leader: Tony Eccleston - 5.5m 3h
- 14.00 **Whitchurch Historical*** A historical wander around Whitchurch. Leader: Philip Walker - 2m 2h+
- 14.15 **Railway Heritage 2*** [detail as Friday]
- 16.30 **Final get-together** at the Archibald to Worthington Club with complimentary light refreshments for all participants. Sunday all-day and afternoon walks end at the get-together but all walkers are welcome..
- 17.30