

Forthcoming Events

Coach Trip – Stratford on Avon 12 June 2016

We will leave Newport at 9.00am and we will stop for coffee and toilet break on the way. We will be stopping for an evening meal before returning home. The cost of the coach is £15. Dave will lead a long walk, Joan a medium one, and Ken a short one. **Ring Ken on 01633 894172 to book your place.**

Coach Trip – National Botanical Gardens – 17 July 2016

This is still being planned. The current idea is to travel to Pembrey Sands where you sample the seaside or walk in the country with wide channel views. The coach then goes to the NBG for those who want to spend the day there. On the way back, we stop for a carvery in Pembray. Costs are: coach £14; entry into NBG £7.50; carvery £10 or £13.95 with a pud.

Fred and Ted plan to visit the Kidwelly and taste the food in Pembray and Kidwelly. Ring Fred on 01633 266647 to book your place.



Boules Evening – Wheatsheaf Llanhennock – 19th July 2016

Same format as previous years, with the option of a meal first: faggot & peas, chilli con carne or chicken curry. **Ring Dave on 01633 864462 to book your place.** Please note that despite being a summer event it still gets somewhat chilly later in the evening. So as the scouts say, “BE PREPARED”.

Barbecue – Tintern – 7 August 2016

Derek has promised a different walk once again. Colin and Sue are in charge of the catering. The cost remains the same at £6.00 per head. **Ring Colin on 01633 676455 or 07900 908796 to book your place.**

Week Away – Llandudno - 3-7th October 2016

We are booked into the Risboro Hotel in Llandudno Our itinerary is coming together and we plan long & short walks together with coach trips. The cost of the holiday is £200 which includes gratuities for the coach driver and hotel staff. **To book your place ring Joan Lang on 01633 864664.** We need to pay a deposit of £25pp to loW Tours so please contact Joan ASAP.

Past Events In 2016

Okehampton

We did not make our annual pilgrimage this year but we will certainly keep it on the back burner for future visits.

Skittles

At our first outing in March we have a new name as our champion. Pete Davies. Pete and his wife Sue were guests of Jan & Jen and despite claiming it was years since he played last, turned in a superb performance. The buffet was as usual first class. Thanks Jen for arranging the event.



Other News

Remember to use the Walking Partnership scheme when you book a holiday using Ramblers Worldwide Holidays. SGR receive a payment when you advise Ramblers Worldwide Holidays that you wish to use the scheme when booking. **Please let Ken know when you do so and he can make sure we receive our funding.** Per person, we receive £10 for UK, £20 for Short Haul and £30 for Long haul holidays.

Welsh Council

The next Welsh Council is on 9/10 April 2016 in Lampeter. **Anyone who wishes to attend or seek more information as to what is discussed should contact our Area secretary, Adrian Sheehan on 01633 896275.**

Walk the Port

Newport City Council are organising a “Walk the Port” walking festival to be held on Saturday 3rd September 2016. It features a 21-mile self-led challenge walk provisionally called the “Newport Skyline” walk because it features Twmbarlwm and Machen Mountain. A led 18-mile walk, a 9-mile walk and several short walks will be organised. Short walkers will be asked for a donation to a nominated charity. The other walks attract a £10 entry fee or £8 if you book early. Booking will be on-line from a web site and social media will be involved.

Fred and Ken attended an early WtP meeting with Ivor joining for later ones. Fred provided a 9-mile walk in the country round Bettws and will lead it. Peter Elliott will lead the same walk starting later than Fred. Ivor has volunteered to lead the 18-mile walk and has recruited some SGR and NOGs members for marshalling duties and to man checkpoints on the 21-miler.

Fred attended a 2-day REC (Rescue Emergency Care) course because leaders must have the REC certificate. Ivor will also attend the REC course together with as many other volunteers as Newport CC can afford. Ivor will also accompany the Newport CC outdoor officer and others when they recce longer walk routes.

If anyone else is interested in acting as a marshall or at a checkpoint, let Ivor (07831 151081) or Fred (01633 266647) know.

Pre-walk Expenses

Members are also reminded that they should claim pre-walk expenses for any costs they incur for walks which appear on our programme. **Contact Ken (Treasurer) 01633 894172 if you wish to more details on how to claim.**

RA subscription rise

Annual subscriptions for the Ramblers Association will go up on 1 May 2016 by 50p across the board. Start saving now!

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