

Merthyr Valley Winter Walks Programme

2017/18

Part of Glamorgan area



Date	Start	Walk	Distance	Difficulty	Contact
Sun 12/11/2017	08:30 Forestry Car Park at Neuadd Reservoir (CF48 2UT, SO037170)	<u>Remembrance Walk</u> From the Forestry Car Park (51:50:37N 3:23:54W near CF48 2UT) we climb to the Canadian air crash site for a short remembrance service	9.5mi/15.3km	Strenuous	Steve Flynn, 07968 239398
Sat 18/11/2017	10:00 Lay by on right before entrance to Margam Park (SA13 2TD, SS798859)	<u>Margam Park Circular</u> Leaving the Lay-By (51:33:34N 3:44:04W near SA13 2TD) we take a circular route in and around Margam Park	8mi/12.9km	Moderate	Anthony Vallano, 07775 778639
Sat 25/11/2017	10:00 Llangynidr Village Car Park (NP8 1NZ, SO155195)	<u>Tor y Foel Circular</u> Leaving the Car Park (51:52:05N 3:13:40W near NP8 1NZ) we take the Usk Valley Walk and then the Beacons Way up to Tor y Foel. Return is along the Brecon and Monmouthshire Canal	9.5mi/15.3km	Moderate	Lyndon Thomas, 07889 461413
Sat 02/12/2017	10:00 Keepers Pond Car Park, Blaenavon (NP4 9SR, SO254107)	<u>Pwll Du Circular</u> From Keepers Pond (51:47:25N 3:04:56W near NP4 9SR) we take a circular route on the slopes of the Blorenge	7mi/11.3km	Moderate	Rob Jones, 07958 593533
Sat 16/12/2017	10:00 Barry Sidings Countryside Park (CF37 2PP, ST053908)	<u>Pontypridd & Penycoedcae</u> Leaving Barry Sidings (51:36:30N 3:22:05W near CF37 2PP) we head up to Penycoedcae before descending the Graig	8mi/12.9km	Moderate	Christine Gibbons, 07733545834

Tue 26/12/2017	11:00 Red Cow Inn, Pontsticill (CF48 2YB, SO057113)	<u>Boxing Day Pudding Pounder</u> From the Red Cow Inn (51:47:34N 3:22:04W - CF48 2YB) we walk around Pontsticill Reservoir	5mi/8.1km	Moderate	Alistair Sloan, 07484 291136, alistair.sloan654@btinternet.com
Sat 30/12/2017	09:05 Merthyr Railway Station (CF47 0AG, SO050060)	<u>Abercynon to Merthyr (Rail Ramble)</u> From Merthyr Railway Station (51:44:42N 3:22:36W - CF47 0AG) we travel by 9.08 am train to Abercynon to walk back along the Taff and Trevithick Trails	8mi/12.9km	Leisurely	Alan Hancox, 07901 576031
Mon 01/01/2018	11:00 Red Lion Inn, Heolgerrig (CF48 1SR, SO031060)	<u>Heolgerrig Circular</u> Leaving the Red Lion (51:44:41N 3:24:15W - CF48 1SR) we take a circular route on Aberdare Mountain and down to Rhydycar	5mi/8.1km	Moderate	Alistair Sloan, 07484 291136, alistair.sloan654@btinternet.com
Sat 06/01/2018	10:00 Parc Cwm Darran (CF81 9NR, SO113035)	<u>Parc Cwm Darran & Ridgeway</u> Leaving Parc Cwm Darran (51:43:25N 3:17:05W near CF81 9NR) we climb to the ridgeway for a circular walk around Cwm Darran	8mi/12.9km	Moderate	Andrew Richards, 01443 833719, ajeffreyrichards@yahoo.co.uk
Sat 13/01/2018	10:00 Canal Car Park, Resolven (SA11 4DP, SN826030)	<u>Resolven to Neath</u> Leaving Resolven (51:42:49N 3:41:59W near SA11 4DP) we walk along the Neath Canal until we reach neath and then catch a bus back to Resolven	7.5mi/12.1km	Leisurely	Colin Davies, 01685 374702, colindavies3@sky.com
Sat 20/01/2018	10:00 Behind Market Hall Cinema, Brynmawr (NP23 4AJ, SO191117)	<u>Llanelli Church Circular</u> Setting out from the Cinema (51:47:54N 3:10:25W - NP23 4AJ) we follow a circular route along Llanelli Hill to Llanelli Church and back	8mi/12.9km	Moderate	Rob Shott, 07976 885132
Sat 27/01/2018	10:00 Llanfoist Crossing Car Park (NP7 9LX, SO286133)	<u>Historic Canal & Railway Paths</u> Leaving the car park (51:48:51N 3:02:11W near NP7 9LX) we walk up the former railway, then along the canal and finally a steep climb up to the Punch Bowl	8.5mi/13.7km	Moderate	Alistair Sloan, 07963152584, alistair.sloan654@btinternet.com

Sat 03/02/2018	10:00 Candleston Car Park, Merthyr Mawr (CF32 0PA, SS871771)	<u>Merthyr Mawr & Newton</u> Leaving the car park (51:28:55N 3:37:35W near CF32 0PA) we take a circular route to Newton and back including the coastal path	7.5mi/12.1km	Leisurely	Carol Britton, 07733 545834
Sat 10/02/2018	10:00 Bargoed Woodland Car Park, Pengam (NP12 3XY, ST154976)	<u>Rhymney Valley Circular</u> Leaving the car park (51:40:16N 3:13:26W near NP12 3XY) we follow a circular route within the Rhymney Valley	9mi/14.5km	Moderate	Andrew Richards, 01443 833719, ajeffreyrichards@yahoo.co.uk
Sat 17/02/2018	10:00 Car Park across Canal, Talybont on Usk (LD3 7JD, SO114225)	<u>Talybont on Usk Circular</u> Leaving the car park (51:53:39N 3:17:17W near LD3 7JD) we take a circular route towards Talybont Reservoir	7mi/11.3km	Moderate	Rob Jones, 07949950018
Sat 24/02/2018	10:00 Millenium Park, Trelewis (CF46 6AR, ST102976)	<u>Bedlinog Mountain Circular</u> From Millenium Park (51:40:13N 3:17:57W near CF46 6AR) we take a circular route in the Taff Bargoed Valley and onto Bedlinog Mountain	6.5mi/10.5km	Moderate	Sandra Davies, 07507 696978, sandradavies09@aol.com
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Sat 03/03/2018	10:00 East End, Pontsticill Dam (CF48 2UW, SO062119)	<u>Pontsticill & Cefn yr Ystad</u> Leaving the Dam (51:47:53N 3:21:39W near CF48 2UW) we climb up to the Beacons lowest peak, returning through Dolygaer and along the reservoir	8mi/12.9km	Moderate	Elaine Lewis, 07789174000, elewis@talktalk.net
Sat 10/03/2018	10:00 Isfryn Industrial Estate, Blackmill (CF35 6EQ, SS939869)	<u>Dimbath & Ogwr Fach</u> Leaving the Industrial Estate (51:34:17N 3:31:53W - CF35 6EQ) we take a circular route including Dimbath and the Ogwr Fach	9mi/14.5km	Moderate	Christine Nagle, 07974 687805
Sat 17/03/2018	10:00 Barry Sidings Countryside Park (CF37 2PP, ST053908)	<u>Pontypridd Circular</u> Leaving Barry Sidings (51:36:30N 3:22:05W near CF37 2PP) we take a circular route around Pontypridd	9mi/14.5km	Moderate	Christine Gibbons, 07733545834

Sat 24/03/2018	10:00 Old Hall Gardens off High Street, Cowbridge (CF71 7DF, SS994747)	<u>Cowbridge Heritage Walk</u> Leaving the car park (51:27:45N 3:26:55W near CF71 7DF) we take a circular walk through Cowbridge, Aberthin, St Hillary and Llanblethan	6.5mi/10.5km	Leisurely	Mandy & Ian, 07830 520952
Sat 31/03/2018	10:00 Woodland Car Park, Van Road, Caerphilly (CF83 3DB, ST171863)	<u>Caerphilly Mountain Circular</u> Leaving the car park (51:34:11N 3:11:48W near CF83 3DB) we take a circular route around and over Caerphilly Mountain with a lunch stop at the Black Cock Inn	7.5mi/12.1km	Moderate	Peter Cawley, 07967 735968

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