

Bath Central Walk Programme January – March 2020

All of these walks take 1-1.5 hours (approx.) and start from Bath Bus Station (railway end).

Assemble at 10:20am for a prompt 10:30am start.

Please note: **Wear good shoes and appropriate clothing for the weather. Trousers will protect your legs against nettles and ticks. Sun cream, water and a hat are also advisable in the summer.** If we get very adverse weather, we shall always try to have a walk, but the exact walk planned may have to be altered appropriately. In the event of extreme weather, please ring the office to check if the walk is still taking place (01225 466135).

January 10. Bus no. 3 to Batheaston [Stambridge], walk along the tarmac path to Mill Lane, along the road to the George, and then take the towpath [which is tarmac] back to Bath via Sydney Gardens. **(Walk Leader: Jackie)**

January 17. NINE CRESCENTS OF BATH IN 90 MINUTES. We will take the 1035 hrs, number 6 bus to Camden Road from where we will begin our walk which will "take in" nine of the cities Crescents. The walk will include one brief hill but will be of solid paths so there should not be any mud. Watch the clothing, it could be wet and tea will be taken the Salvation Army Tea shop, Green Park. **(Walk Leader: Richard M.)**

January 24. LONDON ROAD AND GROSVENOR BRIDGE TO BATHAMPTON VIA BATHEASTON
Bus no. 3. Cross river via Grosvenor Bridge; walk along canal path to the George at Bathampton, then over the field via good path to Batheaston and, for those who want to, walk along river to Bathampton Toll. Bus back to city centre or refreshments at the café in Batheaston.
(Walk Leader: Janet Rissen)

January 31. PEASEDOWN TO DUNKERTON Catch the 171 to Peasedown. Stop at the Red Post Inn. Walk down New Buildings to Callingcott Methodist Church. Take Stoneage Lane to the River Cam. Follow the river to Dunkerton. The route follows the river Cam across fields if dry or along the lanes. Catch the 171 bus back to Bath. **(Walk Leader: Richard Croston)**

February 7. X39 Bus to opposite P&R. Cross road to follow footpath to steps down to river path. Follow the river all the way to Saltford. Refreshments can be taken at the Bird in Hand, or follow the road through the village to A4 to catch a bus back to Bath. (If it's been raining a lot we could use the cycle path from Newbridge to Saltford instead.) **(Walk Leader: Jackie)**

February 14. BATH UNI to St. SWITHENS CHURCH. A meandering walk from Bath University to St Swithens Church, Walcot Street. Bendy bus to the Uni, then all down hill or "along the flat" and on solid paths. Watch out for rain and tea at St. Swithens! **(Walk Leader: Richard M.)**

February 21. MEANDER AROUND LANSDOWN – details to follow (Walk Leader: Richard M.)

February 28. CHARLECOMBE LANE TO ST. SWITHENS. Another visit to St. Swithens, this time from Charlecombe Lane, Lansdown via a meandering walk thru Fairfield Park etc. The 10:30hrs, 620 bus will help us on our way. Watch out for rain but once again no mud as the walk is all on solid paths. **(Walk Leader: Richard M.)**

March 6. This country walk is a bit longer than usual – 3 miles, but it is mostly flat. The slopes are gentle. The walk is either on soft paths or open fields, the latter would need sensible shoes after rain. U1 Bus to Oakley. Following the woodland path around the Uni perimeter we come to the NT Bushy Norwood area. We follow the open field path around until a gate leads us back onto Uni territory. Partially retracing our steps for a short distance, we turn onto the Parade, where there is a Costa Coffee to the left. The bus stop to return is past the cafe – U1 back to bus station. There are short cuts we can take if necessary. **(Walk Leader: Jackie)**

March 13. THE TWO TUNNELS UNDER COMBE DOWN. Who care about any rain today as we walk thru both of the old railway tunnels under Combe Down. X67 bus to Midford, then walk thru both tunnels and finish on the Bear Flat. Tea in the café on Bear Flat? **(Walk Leader: Richard M.)**

March 20. MYSTERY WALK AROUND BATH. No bus, no mud! (Walk Leader: Richard M.)

March 27. LANSDOWN, CHARLCOMBE LANE AND HEDGEMEAD PARK. Bus 620 to Lansdown and then across the road to Charlcombe Lane and through the path to Fairfield Park. Along Camden Road, then down to Hedgemead Park ending up at St Swithin's Church café. Path may be muddy so please wear stout footwear. **(Walk Leader: Janet Rissen)**