

CONFIRMATION OF ATTENDANCE

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

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 us at cdwg.info@gmail.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.

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

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 Yr Wyddfa/Snowdonia).

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



PROGRAMME JULY - SEPTEMBER 2025

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 a year, although you are encouraged to attend two or three events before deciding to join. Everyone over the age of 18 is welcome.

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.

Chair
Secretary
Vice Chair & Treasurer
Social Secretary
Website Officer
Programme Secretary

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JULY

Thurs 3rd **Chester** **Evening Walk**
7pm start
 An evening stroll round the Racecourse and the Meadows

Sun 6th **Wallasey** ★
10:30am start **6 miles**
 North Wirral Coastal Path from Wallasey to Leasowe Lighthouse and back. Followed by 2 bands in New Brighton

Thurs 10th **Hawarden** **Evening Walk**
7pm start
 Scenic countryside & woodland walk around historic village of Hawarden

Sun 13th **Higher Burwardsley** ★+
10:30am start **5.5 miles**
 Walk around a section of the Sandstone Trail including Rawhead, and some great views across the Cheshire Plains.

Thurs 17th **Chester** **Social**
6:45pm
 Summer evening Barbeque - food, drinks, great company - veggies and vegans catered for.

Sun 20th **Llanarmon-yn-Lal** ★★
10:15am start **9 miles**
 A scenic hill walk on the Clwydians from the Raven Inn.

Thurs 24th **Minera** **Evening Walk**
7pm start
 An evening loop up through the quarry to the top of Esclusham mountain then back over moorland and the old railway.

Sun 27th **Conway Castle** ★★
10:15am start **6.5**
 A lovely circular walk along Conway harbour and round to Conway Mountain, crossing the Synchnant Pass.

Thurs 30th **Chester** **Evening Walk**
7pm start
 Chester river and walls walk followed by a cooling drink at the Architect.

AUGUST

SATURDAY 2nd **Marbury** ★
11am start **11 miles**
 A walk in the countryside surrounding Marbury including a section of the South Cheshire Way. Points of interest include an obelisk, a mere & a memorial to a 'little flower girl.'

Thurs 7th **Rhosesmor** **Evening Walk**
7pm start
 We go up Moel Y Gaer then through woodland to some interesting 'Industrial Heritage' buildings.

Sun 10th **Goyt Valley** ★★
10:00am start **9 miles**
 A circular walk taking in Shining Tor, Cats Tor and Windgather Rocks, followed by a walk in the valley along by the reservoir.

Wed 13th **Maeshafn** **Evening Walk**
7pm start
 A scenic walk round the nature reserve and up Moel Findeg

Sun 17th **Ellesmere** ★★
10:30am start **8-9 miles**
 From the quiet village of Ellesmere, we follow part of the canal built to connect it to the Mersey Estuary (at Ellesmere Port), and explore woods, fields and meres

Thurs 20th **Farndon** **Evening Walk**
7pm start
 This gentle walk follows the River Dee from Farndon and back through Holt. Short and flat and only a couple of stiles!

Sun 24th **Llangollen** ★★
10:20am start **8-9 miles**
 Circular walk to the trig point at Y Foel then onto Vivod Mountain and then North Berwyn Way.

Thurs 28th **Delamere Forest** **Evening Walk**
7pm start
 Circumnavigating Blakemere Moss Lake in Delamere Forest, including (hopefully) views of the various wildfowl!

Sun 31st **Glyndyfrdwy** ★★+
10:15am start **10-11 miles**
 A scenic circular walk in and around the hills near Glyndyfrdwy. This walk will involve a number of climbs.

SEPTEMBER

Sun 7th **Sandiway** ★+
10:00am start **10-11 miles**
 A circular walk from Sandiway along Whitegate Way, Oakmere Way and around Delamere Forest.

Sun 14th **Glyn Ceiriog** ★★
10:30am start **8miles**
 A circular walk above the picturesque Ceiriog and Dee valleys visiting Vivod Mountain and Y Foel.

Sat 20th **Chester** **Social**
9pm **Cornerhouse**
 Safehouse soul band with Bernie on trumpet. Great for dancing.

Sun 21st **Waverton** ★
11am start **6-7 miles**
 A walk in the countryside surrounding Walk Mill including a section of the Baker Way, the "Roman" Bridges at Hockenhull Platts & the Gowy wetlands.

Sun 28th **Frodsham** ★★
11:00am start **9 miles**
 A Sandstone trail walk from Frodsham to Helsby, and back, with some great views, across Ince marshes, and the Dee Estuary to Liverpool and beyond

