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

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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 shorter, gently 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★.

Chester & District Walking Group

PROGRAMME
JULY – SEPTEMBER 2026

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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	Christine Darwen
Secretary	Bernie Leadbeater
Vice Chair & Treasurer	Nikki Young
Social Secretary	Lisa Buckley
Website	Peter Benson
Programme Secretary	Juliet Leadbeater

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JULY

Thurs 2nd **Chester**
7pm start **5 miles**
Duke's Drive & River Dee ending in Handbridge for the pub

Sun 5th **Hawkstone Follies Park** ★
10:30am start **5 to 6 miles**
Beautiful Circular walk in this lovely park with stunning views.Cafe, caves, bridges and tunnels plus a few steps. Entrance fee thou....but worth it.

Thurs 9th **Delamere forest and old pale**
7pm start **5 miles**
Lovely walk in the forest, climb to top of old pale for the views and back past the farm

Sun 12th **Runcorn Round** ★★
9.20am start **10 miles**
Train to Runcorn East, walk back around the Canal and Cheshire Planes to Frodsham, train back

Wed 15th **Grosvener Park/Race Course**
7 pm start **3 to 3.5 miles**
Figure of 8 walk starting in Park across meadows and along to Racecourse. Then Pub

Sat 18th **Waverton Beer Festival** Social
7.15pm Great atmosphere, live music, food, many beers and ciders and other drinks. Tickets are £12.60

Sun 19th **Llangollen** ★★
11am start **7 to 8 miles**
Past Plas Newydd up North Berwyn Way towards Vivod Mountain, return via Foel Geraint and the Chain Bridge

Thurs 23rd **Caergrwle**
7pm start **4 miles**
Caergwrle and Hope circular walk

Sun 26th **Hayfield - Bowden Bridge** ★★
10am start **9 miles**
Kinder Scout from Hayfield taking in part of the Snake Path & Kinder Reservoir

Wed 29th **Maeshafn**
7pm start **4 miles**
2 nature reserves and a lovely view from Moel Findeg

AUGUST

Sun 2nd **Park in the Past** ★ Walk and social
10am start **5 miles**
Circular walk around Park in the Past, chance to see a Roman Fort, Canoe or visit the outdoor Sauna.

Wed 5th **Waverton Canals, tracks and fields**
7pm start **3 to 4 miles**
Christleton to Waverton and then to one of three Pubs!

Sun 9th **Frodsham**
10.30 start
From Ashton House Nursery, short climb to top of the hill for some great views. Then Sandstone Trail and Delamere Way

Wed 12th **Northop**
7pm start **4 miles**
Flat walk down lanes and through a nature reserve, followed by a drink at the Red Lion

Sun 16th **Llanarmon** ★★
10.30am start **10 miles**
Circular walk from Llanarmon across local countryside.This walk will involve some climbing en-route, including a trig point.

Wed 19th **Minera Quarry**
7 pm start **5 miles**
Up through the quarry to Esclusham trig point for panoramic views. Down over moorland and back up the old railway line.

Sun 23rd **Llyn Brenig** ★★
10.15am start **10.5 miles**
Walk a mile alongside Llyn Brenig from the Visitor Centre, then across moorland and around Llyn Alwen then back

Wed 26th **Bickerton Hill**
7 pm start **4 miles**
A walk on Bickerton Hill for lovely views.

Sun 30th **Hooton Station** ★★
10.30am start **12 miles**
Walk to Hadlow Road Station. Stop at cafe for 30 mins to watch free jazz duo, then to West Kirby. Return by train.

SEPTEMBER

Sun 6th **Chester Railway Station** ★★
10.15am start **8 miles**
We will take the 10.30 train to 'Another Place' on Crosby Beach to view the 100 statues on the beach and walk along the King Charles III Coastal Path and some inland trails too.

Sun 13th **Rose & Crown, Grianrhyd** ★★
10.30am start **7.5 miles**
Varied walk taking in views of the Clwydian Range, with the flat moors of Llandegla and Llyn Cyfynwy.

Sun 18th **Cornerhouse pub, Chester** Social
9pm start Safehouse soul band. Great for dancing.

Sun 20h **Runcorn** ★
10.30am start **8 miles**
Wigg island to Spike island via silver jubilee bridge

Sun 27th **Llandegla**
10.30am start **8 miles**
Circular walk from Llandegla village up through the forest to Cyrn-y-Brain then back over moorland.

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