

Wednesday April 24

- 1 9:45 Complete St Tewdrig's Trail**



From The Old Station we head through Tintern and the Angidy Valley with its industrial heritage, then through woods to open farmland. Stunning views along the way to Mathern as we learn the legend of St Tewdrig.
11 miles linear / strenuous

Meet under the M48 bridge, south of Mathern Village NP16 6JD ST52912
- 2 10:00 Woods and Water with Wye Valley AONB**



Starting at Fedw Wood, this walk heads down past Penterry Church to the upper Angidy River. On the way, the AONB team will explain their work helping landowners to deal with land management, water run-off and invasive weed issues.
4 miles circular / moderate

Meet at Fedw Wood car park, off the St Arvans to Devauden Road NP16 6HJ
- 3 10:30 Offa's Dyke Path Brockweir to Sedbury**



We're delighted that Rob Dingle, National Trail Officer for the Offa's Dyke Path, will once again lead a walk along the route, this time the final stretch to the southern terminus at Sedbury Cliffs.
9 miles linear / energetic

Meet at The Old Station car park, Tintern NP16 7NX SO536006
- 4 10:30 Railways, Reens and a Woodland Ramble**



Join Monmouthshire Countryside Services to find out about the heritage and natural history of this interesting part of the county. We will pass former marshalling yards at Severn Tunnel Junction, an old quarry, woodland and an old "windmill".
6.5 miles circular / moderate

Meet at Rogiet Countryside Park car park, Rogiet ST460874
- 5 10:30 Wells and Springs and Things**



This circular walk looks at wells, springs and other water features around Catbrook and Cleddon. We visit the Virtuous Well and pass Cleddon Bog, Cleddon Shoots and Cleddon Hall before returning through woodland to Trellech.
5.5 miles circular / moderate

Meet at the bus stop opposite the Methodist Chapel, Trellech NP25 4PE ST500053
- 6 10:30 Llangwm and a Medieval House**



A walk of discovery with fabulous views across the Usk Valley, visiting St Jerome's Church with its stunning rood screen and the beautiful Grade 2 listed Allt-y-bela house, home to the Chelsea best in show garden of 2000. A rare treat!
8 miles circular / moderate (one steep climb and stiles)

Meet in Llangwm Parish Hall car park, B4235 Llangwm NP15 1HQ SO427000
- 7 10:30 Three Churches around Kilgwrwg**



Breathtaking views to the Black Mountains and Severn Estuary as we head to the Church of The Holy Cross at Kilgwrwg. Further stunning vistas as we continue past Wolvesnewton and Newchurch before an optional "llama detour" on our return.
5 miles circular / moderate

Meet at Wern-y-cwm car park, Kilgwrwg Common NP16 6PN ST468976

Walk Grading

- Easy** Suits most levels of fitness, gentle pace with few stiles
Moderate Short sections of steeper gradient or rough terrain, average fitness
Energetic Longer distances, steeper gradients, rough terrain or obstacles
Strenuous Longest distance or sustained slopes, requires fitness and stamina

Friday April 26 (continued)

- 22 11:00 The Narth and Beacon Hill via the No.65 Bus**



The '65' is Monmouthshire's most scenic bus route. Today's walk takes the '65' to The Narth, where we explore the ancient woodlands of Manor Wood and Beacon Hill, visiting the highest point in the Lower Wye Valley. Fare included.
5 miles circular / moderate

Meet at Chepstow Bus Station, Thomas Street, Chepstow NP16 5DH ST531937
- 15:00 Map interpretation workshop with Kevin Walker**



This indoor workshop introduces the art of map interpretation and provides simple but effective skills that really bring maps to life.
Sponsored by Kevin Walker Mountain Activities

Regency Room, Beaufort Hotel, Beaufort Square, Chepstow NP16 5EP
- 19:00 Presentation - A Walk in the Park (£3.00 stand-alone event)**




Where walking meets landscape and legend head-on - join Kevin Walker for a lavish presentation presenting the stunning scenery of the Brecon Beacons National Park, both old favourites and less well known hidden gems.

Florence Suite, Beaufort Hotel, Beaufort Square, Chepstow NP16 5EP ST534939


Saturday April 27

- 23 6:00 Dawn Chorus**




This year's walk takes place at Newport Wetlands National Nature Reserve, where it's hoped we will hear a wide variety of birdsong both from common and migrant species, as we walk the perimeter of the reserve.
3-4 miles circular / easy

Newport Wetlands car park, West Nash Road, Nash, NP18 2BZ ST334834
- 24 10:00 The Railway Walk part 1**




This walk follows the disused Wye Valley Railway, closed to passenger traffic in 1959 and reputed to be one of the most scenic journeys in the country. Today's walk traces the route from Chepstow to Tintern.
8.5 miles linear / moderate

Meet at Chepstow Tourist Information Centre, Chepstow NP16 5EY ST535942
- 25 10:30 Parc Piercefield Cas-gwent (welsh speaking walk)**



Taith ar lwybrau cerdded Parc Piercefield Cas-gwent. Golygfeydd gwych o'r afon Gwy a chyfle i weld "Ogof y Cewri"!
4.5 milltir / cymedrol

Maes parcio Canolfan Hamdden Cas-gwent NP16 5LR ST528943
- 26 10:30 Three Castles and Three Murders**



A delightful walk starting in St Brides valley. The walk includes 3 castles, the oldest dating back to 160AD, and the site of three murders from the 5th century to modern times. Fabulous views across the Severn Estuary.
9 miles circular / moderate (stiles and one steady climb)

The Rock & Fountain car park, Llanvaches Lane, Penhow NP26 3AD ST425910

Thursday April 25

- 8 9:30 Monmouthshire Way - Rogiet to Chepstow**



Stage 11 of The Monmouthshire Way picks up the route at Rogiet and follows the Wales Coast Path through to its southern terminus at Chepstow riverside. Excellent views of the Severn Bridges and across the estuary.
11 miles linear / energetic

Meet at Tourist Information Centre, Bridge Street, Chepstow NP16 5EY ST535942
- 9 10:30 Woods, Views, History and Industry**



A walk from Fedw Woods taking in panoramic views over Chepstow and the Bristol Channel, ancient hill forts, a lost village, old lime kilns, the wonders of Tintern and the rich industrial history of the Angidy Valley.
7 miles circular / moderate (steep slopes and stiles)

Fedw Wood car park, off the St Arvans to Devauden Road NP16 6HJ ST505984
- 10 10:30 St Arvans roundabout**



There are several walks that can't be left out of the Festival. This route never fails to please, with a walk through picturesque Piercefield Woods then to Gaer Hill Camp with spectacular views over the estuary.
5 miles circular / moderate

St Arvans fountain, junction of A466 and Devauden Road NP16 6DN ST518964
- 11 10:30 Walk for Health at Lydney Docks (FREE)**



A gentle walk visiting Lydney Docks and exploring the legacy of this important historic site with its grade 2 listed swing bridge and interesting sculptures along the foreshore. Stunning views of the Severn Bridge and across to the English shoreline.
3 miles circular / easy

Meet at St Marys Church, Church Road, Lydney GL15 5TL SO632024
- 12 10:30 Devauden with ice cream and cheese!**



This lovely walk visits a quiet corner of Monmouthshire with a landscape of farmland, forest tracks, a lake and woodland with stunning views. On the way, we visit the home of Brookes Wye Valley Ice Cream for a short talk and a tasting.
5 miles circular / moderate

Meet at the Wesley Sculpture, Devauden Green NP16 6PQ ST484988
- 13 10:30 The Gwent Levels From Above with The Living Levels Partnership**



A small walk with a big pay-off, exploring the juxtaposition between industrial development and the natural world in this unique landscape. Includes optional high level crossing of the Newport Transporter Bridge (weather permitting).
5 miles linear / moderate

Newport Wetlands Visitor Centre, West Nash Road, Nash NP18 2BZ ST334834
- 14 10:30 Earlswood and Bullyhole Bottom**



A brand new walk on the fringes of Earlswood and Bullyhole Bottom with its plethora of paths begging to be discovered. This walk offers superb views, a visit to the oldest Methodist Chapel in Wales and secluded valleys.
7 miles circular / moderate with some stiles


Meet at Earlswood Village Hall, Earlswood NP16 6AW ST455949

For further information including parking arrangements, terms and conditions or to download the booking form please visit

www.walksinchestow.co.uk


Saturday April 27 (continued)

- 27 10:30 Clytha and Bettws Newydd with Bluebells!**




The route takes in part of the Usk Valley Walk, the lovely hamlet of Bettws Newydd with its stunning church, an iron age hill fort and a folly. Stunning views across the Usk Valley and to the Brecon Beacons.
6 miles circular / moderate with ascent and stiles

Clytha riverside car park, Clytha Estate NP7 9BW SO361085
- 28 2:00 Orchard and Wildlife Trail with Transition Chepstow**



Experience natural abundance in unseen corners of Chepstow and learn about the orchards and wildlife of the town from local community group Transition Chepstow.
6 miles circular / moderate

Meet at Chepstow Tourist Information Centre, Chepstow NP16 5EY ST535942
- 8:00 An Evening with the Stars (£3.00 stand-alone event)**



Who is not fascinated by the stars? In the 50th year since man first walked on the moon we join local astronomers to hear about developments in the world of space exploration. After a talk and refreshments, telescopes will be available (weather permitting) to view the night sky with expert help.

The Babington Centre, B4293 Trellech NP25 4PA SO500055

Sunday April 28

- 29 10:00 The Railway Walk part 2**



Picking up the route at Tintern, the second day follows the disused Wye Valley Railway over the old railway bridge at Redbrook, then on to the site of the former Monmouth Troy station, the hub for three railway companies.
9.5 miles linear / moderate (mostly flat)

Cattle Market car park, Blestium Street, Monmouth NP25 3EG SO505124
- 30 10:30 Aust and the Severn Estuary**



A gentle circular walk starting near the pretty village of Aust and heading through flat fields, then following the Severn Way along the estuary. Excellent close views of the Severn Bridges and over the estuary to Wales.
7 miles circular / moderate

Meet in Passage Road, Aust BS35 4BG ST563888
- 31 10:30 Our Literary Hero**



Over 20 years ago a certain boy wizard stepped into the limelight and the rest is history. JK Rowling spent her teenage years around this area, and we join her former teachers to explore locations that may have inspired her stories.
3 miles circular / easy to moderate

Meet at Chepstow Tourist Information Centre, Chepstow NP16 5EY ST535942
- 32 10:30 Woolaston and Alvington Circular**



This is a beautiful walk along footpaths to a 'dormouse' wood, then up to high meadows and spectacular views. Continuing to Hewelsfield we make our way through fields and woodland back to Woolaston.
6 miles circular / moderate

Woolaston Memorial Hall car park, Swains Field, Woolaston GL15 6SU SO596003

Friday April 26

- 15 9:30 St Briavels Castle to Chepstow Castle**



Starting at St Briavels Castle, originally King John's hunting lodge, we head over pasture to the Gloucestershire Way with wonderful views then cross to the Offa's Dyke Path overlooking the Wye, before descending to Chepstow.
9 miles linear / moderate

Meet at Tourist Information Centre, Bridge Street, Chepstow NP16 5EY ST535942
- 16 10:30 Churches of the Gwent Levels**



Starting with a visit to Nash Church we make our way across the Gwent Levels countryside calling at Goldcliff, Whitson, Redwick and Magor, also learning about the work of the Living Levels Landscape Partnership along the way.
7 miles linear / moderate (flat)

Withy Close car park, Withy Walk, Magor NP26 3LD ST424872
- 17 10:30 Western Approaches to Trellech**



A stunning walk west of Trellech with superb views of the Black Mountains and plenty of opportunity to see woodland wildflowers at their best. On our return the bellringers at St Nicholas Church will treat us to a demonstration. Ding Dong!
6 miles circular / moderate

Meet at the bus stop opposite the Methodist Chapel, Trellech NP25 4PE ST500053
- 18 10:30 The Garden City Story**



Hardwick Garden City was constructed to house some of the 6000 skilled workers brought in to man National Shipyard No 1 early in the twentieth century. Our walk will explore the history of this area and the social conditions at the time.
3 miles circular / easy

Meet at Tourist Information Centre, Bridge Street, Chepstow NP16 5EY ST535942
- 19 10:30 The Resistance Walk**



This walk retraces the steps of one of the Special Auxiliary Units created in WWII as a secret guerrilla group operating behind enemy lines. On the way we pass secret underground bunkers now preserved as an ancient monument.
7.5 miles circular / moderate

Meet at Cadira Beeches car park, Grey Hill Road, Wentwood NP15 1NA ST422948
- 20 10:30 Bream Heritage Walk**



This walk explores Bream's heritage and that of the industries which thrived throughout the Forest of Dean: principally iron, coal, quarrying and forestry. On the way we visit Oakwood Quarry where David Mushet worked his mine and tramway.
6 miles circular / moderate

Meet at West Dean Centre, High Street, Bream GL15 6JW SO605060
- 21 10:30 Forest Walk Through Lydney Park**



Heading into the Forest with impressive views across the Severn, this route heads to Norchard Railway Station on the Dean Forest Railway, then passes historic ruins before returning through the Lydney Park estate.
5.5 miles circular / moderate

Meet in Taurus Crafts car park, A48 Lydney GL15 6BU SO622021



- Transport arrangements included
- Suitable for dogs, please observe the Countryside Code
- Free parking in Town Centre car parks for participants

Sunday April 28 (continued)

- 33 10:30 Barbadoes & Botany Bay Woods and Riverside**



If you would like to try a new route to walk your dog this is the one. Ancient woodland, stunning views and a walk along the River Wye with the option of refreshments afterwards at a dog-friendly cafe.
4.5 miles circular / moderate

Lower Wireworks car park, Tintern NP16 6TQ SO526001
- 34 10:30 National Diving & Activity Centre, Tidenham and Beyond**



Starting at the National Diving & Activity Centre (NDAC) this walk meanders over pastoral countryside eventually joining the Offa's Dyke Path at Wintours Leap. Contrasting and wonderful views over the Severn and Wye.
5.5 miles circular / moderate

Meet at NDAC car park, A48 Tidenham NP16 7LH ST553953
- 35 2:00 Caerwent's Roman Heritage**



Dr Mark Lewis, Curator of the National Roman Legion Museum, takes us on a fascinating tour of Venta Silurum, the first true town in Wales, and its relationship with the nearby fort at Isca (Caerleon).
2-3 miles circular / easy

Caerwent Roman Town car park, Caerwent NP26 5AU ST463906

Tickets and Prices

Standard single walk tickets*	£5.00
3+ multi-walk super saver tickets*	£15.00
A Walk in the Park / Evening with the Stars	£3.00
Children under 16 and dogs	Free

*Walks 11 and 25 are free of charge (booking required). The super saver is not transferable and covers any combination of £5 walks.

Booking options:

- 1) Complete the booking form overleaf and post with a cheque payable to 'Chepstow Walkers are Welcome' to Chepstow WaW, c/o Fox & Hounds, Itton, Chepstow NP16 6BX.
- 2) Call in at Chepstow Tourist Information Centre, Bridge St, Chepstow (50p handling fee applies per booking form).
- 3) Scan the booking form or download a version from our website and send to chepstowwaw@hotmail.co.uk. Payment can either be made by PayPal to the same email address, or direct to Chepstow Walkers are Welcome, 08-92-99 65544640. Please ensure that there is sufficient information on both the booking form and the payment for these to be linked.

In order to minimise walk prices, no tickets are issued and acknowledgements are usually provided by email. If a postal response is required please include a stamped, addressed envelope.