Dursley Walking Festival 5th to 8th October 2017 Dursley, Gloucestershire

A range of free walks to suit all abilities exploring the landscape and heritage of the glorious Cotswolds





www.dursleywelcomeswalkers.org.uk 07743 307686 Email: dursleywaw@gmail.com



Thursday 5th October

Walk 1-10:00

Over the fields to Frocester.

Duration/distance:

5.5 Hours 9.5 Miles Start point/grid ref: Market Place, Dursley. GL11 4BS ST 756981

Brief description

A circular walk from Dursley via Ashmead Green, Coaley, Frocester and Far Green. Mainly on field paths with good views, the walk is a mixture of level and hilly sections. Muddy in places. Several stiles. There may be livestock in the fields. Walking boots recommended and walking poles if you use them. Bring food and drink.

Booking not required - just turn up.

Dogs allowed?:

Registered assistance dogs only.

Leader/organisation:

Karen , Dursley Welcomes Walkers www.dursleywelcomeswalkers. org.uk

Walk 2 - 10:30

Every little helps.

Duration/distance:

2.25 Hours 3.5 Miles Start point/grid ref: Cam, Tesco Car Park. GL11 5PS SO 750004 Brief description:

A gentle walk through the fields to Cam Park and Ride Station and back along bridleway and a short stretch of road to Cam. Food available at café in Cam opposite Tesco afterwards. Leisurely and level. Bring drink. Please park at the far end of Tesco car park on the left as you go around and register your car reg. at the customer service desk. If you do not register and stay longer than 3 hours you will get a fine from the Tesco central system.

Booking not required, just turn up.

Dogs allowed?:

Registered assistance dogs only.

Leader/organisation:

Anne A. 01453 839089 07931 114439 www.southcotswoldramblers. org.uk

Walk 3 - 13:30

Cam and the Winterbothams.

(with optional tea and cake after the walk at Berry Blue, Cam)

Duration/distance:

2 hours (or 3 hours including tour of mill and tea and cake at Berry Blue)

Start point/grid ref:

Cam Parish Council Offices, GL11 5PS SO 749003

Brief description:

This walk explores the local heritage of Cam with specific reference to the Winterbotham family and their influence on the economy, community and built environment . It includes a tour of Cam Mills. No photography allowed inside Cam Mills. The walk will be on pavements and some footpaths. Optional tea and cake at Berry Blue at 16:00 at a cost of £4.00, please book your teas when contacting us about the walk.

Free public car park in front of Cam Parish Council offices. Additional parking is available in the Tesco car park, you must register your car at the Tesco customer service desk. If you do not register and stay longer than 3 hours you will get a fine from the Tesco central system.

Booking required:

Limited numbers. Please phone/text 07743 307686 to book your place or email dursleywaw@gmail.com Dogs allowed?:

Registered assistance dogs only. Please advise when booking if you are bringing a registered assistance dog.

Leader/organisation:

Jenny, 07743 307686 www.dursleywelcomeswalkers. org.uk

For those on the Thursday walks finishing in Dursley you may like to partake in a Cream Tea at £4.25 per person or a Prosecco Cream Tea at £7.95 per person at the Hummingbird (Licensed) in Parsonage Street Dursley. Cream tea includes tea or filter coffee. Booking not necessary, first come first served.

Walk 4 - 14:00

A circular walk towards Uley.

Duration/distance:

2.5 Hours 4.5 Miles Start point/grid ref: Market Place, Dursley. GL11 4BS ST 756981 Brief description:

Castle Stream millpond, Sheephouse Farm, Elcombe, Shadwell, returning by Mill Farm. Fairly level walk, paths, fields and stiles. Bring Drink. Booking not required, just turn up.

Dogs allowed?:

Well behaved dogs on a short lead welcome.

Leader/organisation:

Greta B. 01453 542161 Cam and Dursley U3A.



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Dursley Library Celebrates Dursley Walking Festival

With two special walking story times along with related crafts also

Walk around the library and find the bears

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Walking themed story times with craft activity On Tuesday 3rd October- 2pm and 3.45pm and Tuesday 10th October- 2pm and 3.45pm

please visit Dursley library for further details

The Library

Walk 5 - 14:00

Walking For Health.

Duration/distance:

1 hour 1.5 miles **Start point/grid ref:** Benches outside Barclays Bank, Parsonage Street, Dursley GL11 4BP ST 755982 **Paief description**

Brief description:

The health walk will follow some of Durslev's oldest established footpaths and pavements as we pass through St James's Church Grounds and down Water St. and then alongside the River Ewelme through to the Uley Road. We will then pass through one of Dursley's new estates and pass the duck pond and then make our way through Highfields Estate and back to the centre of Durslev.

Bring a drink. There are steps along the route but a detour can be made.

No need to book for the walk just turn up.

Dogs allowed?:

Registered assistance dogs only.

Leader/organisation:

Shirley and Jim, 07749 364526 www.valevision.org.uk







Walk 6 - 09:30

Seven Woods Birding Walk.

Duration/distance: 6 Hours 8.8 Miles Start point/grid ref: Market Place, Dursley. GL11 4BS ST 756981 Brief description:

Brief description:

Medium grade walk with stiles. May be slippery if wet. Mostly through woodland with some steep sections both up and down. There will be a pub half way round for that vital rehydration and optional lunch. Bring binoculars and also food and drink.

There will be numerous standing stops to watch birds.

Booking Required:

Limited numbers. To book please phone or text 07743 307686 or email dursleywaw@gmail.com

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Dogs allowed?:

Registered assistance dogs only.

Leader/organisation:

Ronald Swanwick 07855 966564 swanwick@stablestudio.co.uk



Walk 7 - 09:35

Bus Walk Stonehouse to Dursley via the Cotswold Way.

Duration/distance: 7.5 Hours 9.5 Miles Start point/grid ref: May Lane Bus Station, Dursley GL11 4JH ST754981 Brief description:

We will leave Dursley bus station on the 09:45 bus (No 61) to Stonehouse. We will follow the Cotswold Way, some large ascents and descents (taken with breathers!) to reach Coaley Peak Viewpoint for lunch at approx. 1.30pm. There will then be a short detour to visit Nympsfield and use the facilities at the local pub and a chance to purchase a drink. We will then return to the Cotswold Way and continue to follow it as it meanders along the escarpment. Depending on the time we will either finish with an ascent of Cam Longdown and then descend into Dursley or follow the valley path back to Dursley. There is mixed terrain of track, woodland paths, rocky terrain and farmland, a small amount of tarmac and several stiles. sturdy walking footwear required. We may encounter livestock.

Please check bus timetable (no 61) or website below to confirm bus times. Bring bus pass or bus fare (£4.00 at last check).

Bring food and drink.

Walkers can meet us at 10:15 by the bus stop near the Medical centre in Stonehouse.

Booking Required:

Limited numbers. To book please phone or text 07743 307686 or email dursleywaw@gmail.com

Dogs allowed?:

Registered assistance dogs only.

Leader/organisation:

Ruth Narramore www.dursleywelcomeswalkers. org.uk

Walk 8 - 10:30

A circular walk to Uley Bury.

Duration/distance: 2.5 Hours 5 Miles Start point/grid ref: Market Place, Dursley. GL11 4BS ST 756981 Brief description:

An undulating walk taking in parts of the Cotswold Way, with stunning views of the area surrounding Uley Bury. It includes a steep climb and descent, and several stiles to be negotiated. Parts of the route could be muddy. Bring drink. Walking boots essential. Suitable clothing depending on the prevailing weather conditions (Uley Bury is fairly exposed in poor weather).

Camera recommended.

Booking not required, just turn up.

Dogs allowed?:

Registered assistance dogs only.

Leader/organisation:

Rob Boulton & Marjory Wright www.valevision.org.uk



Walk 9 - 10:30

Come and try Nordic walking! for fun and fitness.

Duration/distance:

45 minutes 1.5 Miles **Start point/grid ref:** War Memorial Recreation Ground, Dursley, GL11 4BJ

GR 753985.

Brief description:

A 45 minute session that will help you understand just how beneficial Nordic Walking can be and how it is far more than just walking with poles! Get a taste of how light you will feel on your feet, how the whole body is mobilised and why you need to take the time to learn the technique. The session is friendly and fun and is held on the flat plaving field area of the wonderful Memorial Recreation Ground and it is also suitable for all adult ages and abilities. The session is given by Helen Richardson a qualified Nordic Walking instructor. Nordic Walking uses 90% of the major muscles in your body, so it's a complete body workout. You can burn 20-40% extra calories by using the poles so this can really help with weight loss. It also takes pressure off your knees and joints so it's great for helping you go up hills and down them too. By the correct use of the poles they can help propel you along so increasing speed. Nordic Walking poles will be provided. Please wear suitable clothes for the weather and flexible enclosed footwear such as trainers.

Booking required:

To book your place call Helen on 0787 655 7500 or alternatively via www.allseasonsnordicwalking.co.uk Dogs allowed?:

Registered assistance dogs only.

Leader/organisation:

Helen Richardson 0787 655 7500 All Seasons Nordic Walking www.allseasonsnordicwalking.co.uk

Walk 10 - 13:00

Uley through Ages.

Duration/distance:

Approx. 3.5 Hours 3.6 Miles Start point/grid ref: The Green in Uley, in front of the

Old Crown. GL11 5SN ST 791986

Brief description:

From the meeting point in Uley we ascend a fairly steep path to Uley Bury, a fascinating Iron Age fort in the Cotswold AONB. Far reaching views surround the fort, including Uley Valley and the Vale of Berkeley - even to the River Severn on clear days. After exploring the fort, we cross open fields to reach Uley Long Barrow (known locally as Hetty Pegler's Tump). Do you dare enter into the darkness to explore the chambers of the Neolithic tomb?

Descending through ancient woodland, we will experience the atmospheric site where temples from the Neolithic and Roman eras once stood, before ambling through fields back to our starting point. Throughout the route we will see what flora and fauna awaits us. Recently there have been sightings of a red kite that has moved into the area. Stoats have been seen in Toney Woods. A myriad of nature waiting to be admired. Bring drink, torch and camera. Also bring walking poles (if you have them).

Booking required:

To book your place please email info@cotswoldguidedwalks.com **Dogs allowed?:**

Registered assistance dogs only.

Leader/organisation:

Kate Thompson. 07766 703334 Cotswold Guided Walks. info@cotswoldguidedwalks.com www.cotswoldguidedwalks.com

Walk 11 - 13:30



Walkies with Dursley Lions Club.

Duration: 2 hours Start point/grid ref: The Lions Den, May Lane, Dursley, GL11 4JH ST 754981

Brief description:

Riverside and footpaths east of Dursley. A gentle walk with some undulations and a few stiles. All well behaved dogs will be entered into a draw for a chance to win a hamper from Lovejoys® Pet Food.

There will be a small bag of treats for all dogs. Finish at 15:30 with complimentary tea and biscuits. No need to book, just turn up.

Dogs allowed?:

Well behaved dogs on a short lead welcome. Maximum 2 dogs per walker.

Leader/organisation:

Dursley Lions Club www.dursleylions.co.uk www.dursleywelcomeswalkers. org.uk

Telephone 07743 307686

Prize of the hamper for the winning dog and the dog treats kindly donated by Lovejoys® Pet Food.

Thanks also to Dursley Pet Shop for their help and support with this walk.



Friday 6th October 19:30 Quiz

Come and join us for an enjoyable evening and take part in our quiz at Dursley and District Community Centre, Rednock Drive, Dursley, Glos, GL11 4BX

Teams of four. Prizes and raffle.

The quiz evening will cost £6.00 per person which will include a ploughman's supper. Bar available.

Supper bookings must be received by Wednesday 4th October. To book text or call 07743 307686. Email dursleywaw@gmail.com

Tickets £3.00 (excluding food) may be available on the door if space permits.



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The Lantern Way Challenge

Start time: Between 8am - 9am Distance: 14 miles Difficulty: Strenuous Start and finish point: Upstairs in Dursley Town Hall, Market Place,

Dursley GL11 4BS. ST 756981.

Hot/cold water (please bring your own mug) and toilet facility available at start/finish.

This is a self-guided walk along the Lantern Way, a signposted route with way markers along the route. The Lantern Way follows a route clockwise from Dursley Town Hall through Cam & Coaley to Uley and back to Dursley. The walk has some climbs, including a climb to Uley Bury. This rural walk takes you through farmland, woodland and country lanes, conditions of footpaths, gateways and stiles will vary along the route and it may be muddy in places.

Entrants will receive a copy of the Lantern Way Walk route description leaflet plus a pen and certificate for finishing. It is recommended that you bring a picnic lunch and plenty of drink. There will be one checkpoint and cold drink stop halfway round (please bring your own mug). Runners welcome.

Terms and conditions for entering - you need to be in good physical health to enter this walk. The walk has some steep sections so care is needed. You may encounter some fields containing livestock. There is some road crossing and lane walking, be aware of traffic and take care.

Participants must carry a mobile telephone and they must contact the event team if they plan to drop out for any reason. We will require contact details and a back up phone number in case needed. We will have a walker sweeping up behind.







Walk 13 - 09:00

Photography walk.

Duration/distance:

2.5 Hours 2 Miles Start point/grid ref: Market Place, Dursley. GL11 4BS ST 756981

Brief description:

A photographic walk, heading from the streets of Dursley to the tracks in the pretty woods above (potentially muddy). We will be stopping often for photos, with local photographer Tim Taphouse offering advice on how to take better images. Suitable for all photographers, from beginners to experienced. Bring any camera along. including phones.

Booking Required:

To book your place please call Tim Taphouse on 01453 542723 or email hello@timtaphouse.com Dogs allowed?:

Registered assistance dogs only.

Leader/organisation:

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Cotswold Warden Dave A, Photographer Tim Taphouse. Tim Taphouse Photography. www.timtaphouse.com



A celebration of Norsley Walking Festival

Dursley Walking Festival is now 6 years old, we have grown from our small beginnings and 2017 will be our biggest and most varied festival yet.

To celebrate our 6th walking festival come and join us at 09:45 in the Market Place, Dursley where we will be celebrating with acoustic music from Hosts of the Air. We will be joined in the Market Place by Mark Cummings of BBC Radio Gloucester.





South Cotswold Ramblers are pleased to support **Dursley Walking Festival 2017**

For information on South Cotswold Ramblers please visit www.southcotswoldramblers.org.uk

Walk 14 - 10.00

Woodchester Ring.

Duration/distance:

4.25 Hours 7.5 Miles Start point/grid ref:

Coaley Peak picnic site car park site entrance on B4066 near Woodchester Park entrance. SO 794012

Brief description:

Woodchester Park, South Woodchester, 600 foot climb to Selsley Common, Cotswold Way through Stanley Wood. Hilly and level mix. Please arrive at least 10 minutes before the walk start time.

Bring food and drink.

Booking not required, just turn up.

Dogs allowed?: Registered assistance dogs only.

Leader/organisation:

Brian and Sheelagh. 01453 872220 or on day 07761 039595 www.southcotswoldramblers. org.uk



Walk 15 - 10.00

Geology and Scenery of the Dursley Outliers.

Duration/distance: 5 Hours 5 Miles Start point/grid ref: Cam Peak Car Park. GL11 5HH will get you close. ST767993 Brief description:

Starting from Cam Peak car park we will explore the Dursley outliers on footpaths and tracks There will be 3 relatively steep climbs of between 60 and 100 metres. ankle-supporting Sturdy. footwear with soles that have good grip is recommended for the steep slopes. The walk will stop at the pub in Uley for lunch, but participants are very welcome to bring their own packed lunch to picnic on the green. It is recommended that everyone should bring a drink with them. There will be numerous stops during the walk depending on guestions/interest and these will involve looking at landscape and /or rocks.

Booking not required, just turn up.

Dogs allowed?:

Well behaved dogs on a short lead welcome.

Leader/organisation:

Dave Green davegeostudies@gmail.com 01594 860858 or 07980 239991 on day.

Walk 16 - 10:00

Stunning Views Korea Friendship Trail.

Duration/distance: 2.5 Hours 5 Miles Start point/grid ref: Market Place, Dursley. GL11 4BS ST 756981 Brief description:

Meeting at the historic Market Place in Dursley town Centre, we will walk along Parsonage Street, which has a lovely range of local shops. We follow the Cotswold Way through attractive woodland up to Stinchcombe Hill arriving by Stinchcombe Hill Golf Club. The walk then follows the Korea Friendship Trail, part of the Cotswold Way, following it around the top of the hill offering vantage points with wonderful views. Then we will work our way back down Stinchcombe Hill to the Market Place. A mix of roads, wooded paths and common land. Stinchcombe Hill is steep and can be challenging. If you would like to join the walk avoiding the hill then please join us at 10.30am, Stinchcombe Hill Golf Club GL11 6AQ, park in their car park and enjoy refreshments before and after the walk. Toilets at May Lane car park and Stinchcombe Hill Golf Club. Bring a camera to capture the wonderful views, a light snack and a drink (15 minute break at Drakestone Point). Trekking or Nordic walking poles if you have them.

Booking Required:

Call Helen Richardson on 0787 655 7500 to book your place

Dogs allowed?:

Registered assistance dogs only.

Leader/organisation:

Helen Richardson 0787 655 7500 All Seasons Nordic Walking www.allseasonsnordicwalking.co.uk

Walk 17 - 10:00

Heritage Walk Uley Road and Woodmancote area.

Duration/distance:

2 - 3 Hours 3 - 3.5 Miles **Start point/grid ref:** Market Place, Dursley. GL11 4BS ST 756981 **Brief description.**

A slow walk around the Ulev Road and Woodmancote areas of Dursley with frequent stops to look at and talk about places and items of historical interest. These will include the old mill area of Ferney, Mawdsley's, Rangers House, St Mark's Church and Durslev's first School Grammar in Woodmancote as well as the impact of WW2 on the town. The walk will mostly be on streets but some of it will be across fields, gates and stiles so it may be uneven in places.

Booking required:

Please telephone 01453 549323 or email walks@dursleyhc.org.uk to confirm your place on this walk.

Dogs allowed?:

Well behaved dogs on a short lead welcome.

Leader/organisation:

Andy Barton 07951 468802. Dursley Heritage Centre www.dursleyhc.org.uk

A Global Positioning System

An Exhibition at Dursley Library.

10am - 4pm

Saturday 7th October

GPS embroidery is a way of walking which appropriates a piece of military technology and puts it into the hands of mothers. Rather than embroidering quiet moral phrases in domestic space, we use the to and fro of the GPS signal to scrawl our words as we walk them across the British The exhibition landscape. documents the words women have written across Dursley's landscape using GPS. This project was led by Bristol based artist Lizzie Philps with Durslev women as part of the Art of Libraries Project. Dursley Library hosted GPS embroidery walk for Dursley mums in June 2017. Using the to and fro of a GPS signal they scrawled words across the Dursley landscape. As they walked with their children their activity was somewhere between making invisible graffiti and a 21st century embroidery work.

Leader/organisation:

dursleylibrary@gloucestershire .gov.uk

Walk 18 - 11:00

Women's walk and talk.

Start point/grid ref:

Dursley Library, May Lane Dursley. GL11 4JH ST754981

Brief description

Come to the GPS embroidery exhibition and then join the artists for a walk at 11 am. This will be a walk and talk for women to think and talk to each other about walking. The conversation will touch on ideas and thoughts discussed in the original GPS workshop. The walk will be with artist Lizzie Philps and some of the women who took part in the original GPS walks.

Dogs allowed?:

Well behaved dogs on a short lead welcome.

Leader/organisation:

Dursley library and Lizzie Philps





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Walk 19 - 13:00

Milling around Cam and Coaley.

Duration/distance:

2.5 Hours 5 Miles **Start point/grid ref:** Cam Post Office, GL11 5PS. SO749003

Brief description:

A walk following the River Cam looking at the local mills in Cam and Coaley. A flattish walk with some rough terrain on quiet footpaths. Parking is available in the Tesco Car Park, you must register your car at the Tesco customer service desk. If you do not register and stay longer than 3 hours you will get a fine from the Tesco central system.

Bring drink.

Booking not required, just turn up.

Dogs allowed?:

Registered assistance dogs only.

Leader/organisation:

Helen Furmidge and Nigel Meredith.

Voluntary Cotswold Wardens





Walk 20 - 14:00

Historic Graveyards of Cam.

Duration/distance: 2 hours 2 miles Start point/grid ref: Cam Parish Council Offices, GL11 5PS SO 749003 Brief description:

This heritage tour will visit the graveyards of four Cam churches. The focus will be on notable individuals buried in each graveyard plus more general points of interest and historic background. There is some uneven ground in the graveyards. The walk will take place on pavements and footpaths.

Additional parking is available in the Tesco Car Park, you must register your car at the Tesco customer service desk. If you do not register and stay longer than 3 hours you will get a fine from the Tesco central system.

Whilst this is a relatively short walk we will need to walk at a brisk pace between the sites in order to see everything in the time allocated.

No need to book for the walk - just turn up.

Optional tea and cake £4.00 at Berry Blue at 16.00. Please book in advance by phone or text to 07743 307686, or email dursleywaw@gmail.com if you wish to book for Berry Blue.

Dogs allowed?:

Registered assistance dogs only. Leader/organisation:

Jenny, 07743 307686 www.dursleywelcomeswalkers. org.uk

Walk 21 - 14:00

Cam, Dursley and Uley Greenway - Cam Section.

Duration/distance:

2 Hours 4 Miles **Start point/grid ref:** Vale Community Hospital, Littlecombe, Dursley. GL11 4BA ST756991 **Brief description:**

A walk along part of the proposed Cam, Dursley and Uley Greenway. Starting at the Cam/Dursley boundary and following the proposed route with stops to discuss issues about the use of the Greenway. On paths or pavements, generally flat. There will be some stops to discuss issues about Greenway.

Booking required:

Limited numbers. To book please phone or text 07743 307686 or

email dursleywaw@gmail.com

Dogs allowed?:

Well behaved dogs on a short lead welcome

Leader/organisation:

michael.h.doughty@gmail.com 0780 892 3142 and John Fowles.

Cam, Dursley and Uley Greenway Project Group cdugreenway.btck.co.uk



Saturday 7th October

19:30

Cam and the Winterbothams illustrated talk.

Dursley Town Hall, Market Place, Dursley. GL11 4BS

Grid Ref ST 756981

Visitors, residents and walkers all welcome for this illustrated talk by Jenny Parsons.

This talk tells the story of the association of the Winterbotham Family with Cam Mills. covering, and developing in more detail, the points highlighted on the Heritage Walk by the same title, also led by Jenny Parsons. No need to book, just turn up. There will be a charge of £3.00 per person, payable on the door. This includes tea and biscuits

Access to the historic Town Hall, which is on the first floor, is via an external flight of steps, for this reason it may not be accessible for those with some mobility problems.

Phone 07743 307686 www.dursleywelcomeswalkers .org.uk

Sunday 8th October

Walk 22 - 10:00

Three Hills and the Tyndale Monument.

Duration/distance:

6.3 Hours 10 Miles Start point/grid ref: Market Place, Dursley. GL11 4BS ST 756981 Brief description:

This is a hilly walk, up to Stinchcombe Hill following the Cotswold Way to North Nibley from which there are panoramic views. The Monument was erected as a memorial to William Tyndale who was the first person to translate the bible into English. Into Westridge Wood, passing the Brackenbury Ditches the site of an ancient hill fort, then down to Waterley Bottom. Steeply up to Ashen Plain and back along Hermitage Wood.

This is a scenic route which may be slippery after rain.

Bring food and drink. Proper walking footwear and a waterproof are required.

Booking not required, just turn up.

Dogs allowed?: Registered assistance dogs only.

Leader/organisation: Catherine Dewar. Gloucestershire Ramblers

Walk 23 - 10:00

Town and Around.

Duration/distance:

3 Hours 6 Miles Start point/grid ref: Market Place, Dursley. GL11 4BS ST 756981 Brief description:

A morning walk from the town centre through the Littlecombe estate to Lower Cam, returning through Sandpits and joining the Lantern Way around Westfield Wood back to town.

Bring drink

Booking not required - just turn up.

Dogs allowed?:

Registered assistance dogs only.

Leader/organisation: David H. and David A. Cotswold Wardens.





Walk 24 - 13:30

Draw around Dursley.

Duration/distance:

Around 2 hours. Approx.2-3 miles. Start point/grid ref: Market Place, Dursley. ST 756981 GI 11 4BS

Brief description:

A leisurely walk around Dursley, with stops to sketch various points of interest with guidance from the course leader, who is an experienced art tutor. Beginners are especially welcome and a lot of enjoyment can be gained from trying to capture an image outdoors, whatever the weather.

Bring drawing paper, either loose pages and a clipboard or similar. or an A5 or A4 sketchpad; a couple of pencils and/or pens. Charcoal will be provided. Wear sensible footwear and clothing for the weather on the day. Stops vary to conditions. according Participants are welcome to bring anything else they think might be useful, such as a camera or folding stool.

afterwards Teas available (small charge).

Booking required:

Limited numbers. To book please phone or text 07743 307686 or

email dursleywaw@gmail.com Dogs allowed?:

Well behaved dogs on a short lead welcome. Dogs must not be a distraction for the owner or other participants.

Leader/organisation:

Rita Dee tel 01453 549392 ritadee@btinternet.com

Walk 25 - 13:30

Uley Bury and Cam Long Down.

Duration/distance: 3 Hours 5.5 Miles Start point/grid ref: Market Place, Dursley. GI 11 4BS ST 756981 **Brief description:**

The route is along the Uley valley, up the Bury and along the ridge to join the Cotswold Way. We then drop down to Hodgecombe farm, cross the valley and climb Cam Long down. We walk along the top of the Down and then descend and return to Dursley, still on the Cotswold Way. The total height gain is around 1100 ft and both the climbs and descents are quite steep. There should be good views from the Bury and Long Down. Bring drink.

Booking not required, just turn up.

Dogs allowed?:

Well behaved dogs on a short lead welcome. Some of the route is through fields which may contain sheep or cattle, so doas must be under control.

Leader/organisation:

David Withrington **Dursley Rambling Club** 07974 799723 on day of walk.

Walk 26 - 14:00

Cam, Dursley and **Uley Greenway Dursley Section.**

Duration/distance:

2 Hours 4 Miles Start point/grid ref: Market Place, Dursley. GL11 4BS ST 756981 **Brief description:**

A walk along part of the proposed Cam, Dursley and Uley Greenway. Covering the Dursley section. On paths or pavements, mainly flat but two short hills. There will be some stops to cover points of issue on the Greenway.

Booking required:

Limited numbers. To book please phone or text 07743 307686 or email dursleywaw@gmail.com

Dogs allowed?:

Well behaved dogs on a short lead welcome.

Leader/organisation:

michael.h.doughty@gmail. com 0780 892 3142 and John Fowles.

Cam, Dursley and Uley Greenway Project Group cdugreenway.btck.co.uk





A date for your Diary The 7th Dursley Walking Festival will be held from Thursday 4th October through to Sunday 7th October 2018.



Walk 27 - 14:00

Heritage Walk Dursley Town Centre.

Duration/distance:

2 hours 1.5 - 2 miles **Start point/grid ref:** Market Place, Dursley. GL11 4BS ST 756981

Brief description:

A slow amble around Dursley's streets with frequent stops to look at some of the town's old buildings and other locations with a focus on their history. Teas available afterwards (small charge). If you want any further information please contact the leader.

Booking required:

Please telephone 01453 549323 or email walks@dursleyhc.org.uk to confirm your place on this walk.

Dogs allowed?:

Well behaved dogs on a short lead welcome.

Leader/organisation:

Andy Barton 07951 468802. Dursley Heritage Centre www.dursleyhc.org.uk



Sunday 8th October from 15:00 to 18:00 -Afternoon teas

Walkers, visitors, residents all are welcome.



Methodist Church Hall, Castle Street, Dursley, GL11 4BS,

ST 756 982 (opposite Market Place) Sunday teas. Join us for a cup of tea or coffee and a slice

of cake (£3.00, free drink re-fill). A chance to relax at the end of the Walking Festival.





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Travel and Transport

By Train

The nearest railway station to Dursley is Cam and Dursley station. This station is located on the main Bristol-Birmingham line, between Yate and Gloucester. The station is served by Stagecoach bus services that will take you to the centre of Cam or Dursley. Full details on train times during the Dursley walking festival can be found at www.gwr.com

Bus Information

As well as serving the railway station Stagecoach buses also link Dursley with Bristol, Berkeley, Thornbury, Gloucester, Stroud, Cheltenham, Gloucester and more. For full details on bus services in Dursley see www.stagecoachbus.com/timetables

Car parking

Long stay parking is available at the car park in Hill Road Dursley. ST 753980 GL11 4JQ 3 hour parking is available at Castle Street by the Pulse and behind Sainsbury's supermarket. If you park on the road please ensure that you do not inconvenience residents, other road users or pedestrians.

For walks starting in locations other than Dursley then please see individual walk details for information on parking.

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To avoid disappointment please read below to get you ready and prepared for the wonderful walks and events in our festival...

- Each walker is responsible for their own safety and for determining their capability to complete the chosen walk.
- The Dursley area is hilly and many of the walks will be strenuous please consider any health issues you may have before deciding to join the walks and advise walk leaders of any concerns before setting off.
- For all but the shortest walks wear suitable footwear and bring waterproofs and/or warmer clothing. There have been reports of more ticks than usual in recent years. For this reason we suggest that you wear long-sleeved shirts and trousers rather than shorts.
- Please ensure that you take a drink with you and a snack or packed lunch where necessary.
- Please do not walk ahead of the leader unless asked.
- Many walks involve stiles and or kissing gates so we apologise that for this reason many of the walks may not be accessible for people with some mobility issues or may be unsuitable for push chairs. Please check with walk leaders in advance.
- Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Walk leaders will be happy to advise you further if you contact them in advance.
- Dogs are allowed on some walks (see individual walk details). The owner is responsible for their dog at all times. Dogs must be well behaved and kept on a short lead and under control at all times. The owner must ensure that their dog does not trip, alarm or inconvenience other people or cause damage, they must clean up after their dog. If a walk leader thinks that your dog is not sufficiently well behaved you will not be allowed to join the walk. Walks may contain stiles which dogs could find difficult to negotiate. When walking through a field containing livestock or horses people with dogs should walk at the back of the group. Dogs must not worry livestock. If the livestock/horses become threatening then please let the dog go. The dog will be able to run away and the livestock/horses' interest will be diverted from the walkers to the dog.
- Please do not feed any animals you meet on the walks and make sure that you take all litter home with you.
- The duration of each walk has been estimated by the walk leader. Sometimes
 walks take longer than estimated e.g. if there are large numbers of walkers
 or difficult conditions underfoot on the day or it is necessary to change the
 route slightly due to path closures. Please bear this in mind if you use a
 short stay car park.
- In the unlikely event that it becomes necessary to alter or cancel a walk or event we will post a notice on our website www.dursleywelcomeswalkers.org.uk and our facebook page as soon as possible, if you are travelling a long distance for a specific walk/event we advise you to check our website before travelling.
- All of the walks are free donations to Dursley Welcomes Walkers or to the organising groups are at the walkers' discretion.

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