

Notes:

- If anyone wishes to meet the walk at the actual start point they should contact the walk leader in advance.
- It is suggested that all walkers sharing vehicles make a voluntary payment to the driver of 10p per mile in each direction to cover a contribution to fuel costs etc.; drivers are requested to accept these contributions.
- Programme suggestions and volunteers as leaders are always welcome. Please contact any committee member.
- As with any outdoor activity there are inherent risks associated with walking whether on gentle paths or on hill tops. All walkers are responsible for their own safety and are required to take all responsible steps to ensure their own and fellow walkers' safety whilst on a walk.
- If you have an accident or incident please let the walks secretary know.

Notes for Walk Leaders:

Before the walk an 'attendance sheet' giving emergency contact details must be filled in by each member of the group. This should be carried by the walk leader.

Leaders should ensure they have the necessary navigational tools for the planned route and any escape routes (e.g. – map, compass, and whistle). Walks leaders are requested to file a written walk report (approx. 150 words) with the Press Secretary by, letter or e-mail attachment to:

bgjeairlie@gmail.com

The committee (and members) are grateful to all walks leaders for their time and the effort required to plan and lead all walks.

Biggar Ramblers Committee:

Chair	Brian Henry	01721 720981
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Member	Rosemary Turpie	01899 308769
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Biggar ramblers have a selection of maps and walking books, which are kindly looked after by: Roy Miller (01899 220621)

Ramblers Membership:

Anyone may join a ramble organised by Biggar ramblers, however we would expect all those attending 3 or more walks to be members of the ramblers association. All walks leaders MUST be members of the Ramblers Association.

Membership forms are available from the secretary.

BIGGAR RAMBLERS WALKING PROGRAMME



Oct 2015 to Jan 2016

www.biggarramblers.org.uk

General Information:

- All walks, except where noted otherwise, meet in Biggar in front of the Corn Exchange (on the High Street opposite the Elphinstone Hotel).
- All ramblers are expected to follow the Scottish outdoor access code.
- The walks leader may nominate front and back markers if necessary, those walking should walk between these two markers where possible, where not possible they should inform the relevant marker.
- Walkers are reminded that appropriate walking clothing (boots, waterproofs, etc) are strongly advised for all walks but are essential for all SC+/ SB/ SB+/ SA walks. Walkers should ensure they have sufficient food and water for all walks, particularly day walks.
- In the event that a walker needs to leave a walk they must inform the walks leader prior to leaving the walk.
- Regrettably dogs are not permitted on any organised ramble, with the exception of guide dogs.
- The walks leader may change a walk because of adverse conditions. The leader may also turn away anyone if they do not believe they are fit enough or well enough equipped for the walk.
- Walkers should ensure they are fit enough for the planned walk. In addition walkers are advised to carry a first aid kit and a survival blanket. No walker under the age of 18 will be allowed to participate without an accompanying responsible adult.

Walk Grades:

- SA** - Strenuous (long with steep ascents / descents, may involve easy scrambling).
- SB+** - Between moderate and strenuous.
- SB** - Moderate, stamina and fitness required – possibly some steeper gradients.
- SC+** - Easy to moderate, some challenge.
- SC** - Easy, usually on level ground and good paths/ tracks.
- SD** - At a slow pace with stops, generally flat walks.



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<i>Day</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Walk</i>	<i>Miles</i>	<i>Grade</i>	<i>Leader</i>	<i>Contact No</i>
TUE	06-Oct	09:15	PETTINAIN	Pettinain to Cairngryffe Quarry and back by woods. Walk & Talk.	3.5	SD	J.Tennant	01555 870391
SAT	10-Oct	09:15	COULTER	Celebrating Brian's last 'Donald' - Culter Fell (summit 2450ft) from Culter Allers Farm.	5	SB+	J.Hart	01899 860364
WED	14-Oct	09:15	CRAMOND	Cramond to South Queensferry and bus back.	4	SC	S.Forsyth	01968 660749
SUN	25-Oct	09:15	LEADHILLS	From Leadhills car park up Lowther Hill, radar station and down on Southern Upland Way.	7	SC+	L.Potter-Laidlaw	01659 74653
WED	28-Oct	09:15	GLASGOW	Train from Chatelherault station for Kelvin Grove Park and Botanic Gardens.	5	SC	M.Macmillan	01555 895803
SAT	07-Nov	09:15	ELVANFOOT	Lousie Wood Law and Dun Law. 2 more Donalds - (Lowland hills above 2000ft).	7	SB+	B.Henry	01721 720981
MON	09-Nov	19:00	BIGGAR	AGM - Elphinstone Hotel				
WED	11-Nov	09:15	TRAQUAIR	Traquair - Glengaber - Traquair Forest circular.	7.5	SC+	L.Glidden	01968 660015
SUN	22:Nov	09:15	STOBO	Stobo Village to Stobo Hopehead circular.	5.5	SC+	C.Murray	01968 682363
THUR	26-Nov	09:15	GLASGOW	Partick, River Kelvin, Forth / Clyde canal to Clydebank (train from Chatelherault 10:15).	7	SC	I.MacDonald	01555 661748
SAT	05-Dec	13:00	FORTH	Peat Pond, Red Bing and forest walk from the Sports Centre.	4	SC	A.Gracie	01555 811435
THUR	10-Dec	19:00	NEW LANARK	CHRISTMAS DINNER - New Lanark Hotel. Walk before (14:00) to Falls of Clyde / Clyde Walkway - contact Isobel.	4	SC	I.MacDonald	01555 661748
SUN	20-Dec	13:00	PEEBLES	Mince pie walk - Lyne Station.	4	SD	S.Wigram	01899 308920
WED	30-Dec	10:00	BIGGAR	Bizzyberry Hill.	2.5	SC+	P.Hart	01899 860364
SAT	02-Jan	09:15	ELSRICKLE	A short winter hill walk, Blackmount.	5	SB	J.Hart	01899 860364
WED	06-Jan	13:00	LAMINGTON	Lamington to Cowgill Loch circular.	4	SC+	B.Airlie	01899 221431
SUN	17-Jan	09:15	MOFFAT	Grey Mares Tail and White Coomb (2700ft).	7	SB+	J.Newton	07862 717889
THUR	21-Jan	09:15	COULTER	Culter Park hill fort - Nether Hangingshaw circular. Lunch at Coulter Mill. (Book with Jan by 14/1).	5	SC+	J.E.Airlie	01899 221431

Further information can be obtained by contacting the walk leader