

South Cotswold Group walks and events

01/03/2022 to 30/04/2022

Part of Gloucestershire area

Wed 2 March 2022 10:00 - 5 miles/8.1 km - Moderate (Finishes 13:00 approx.)

Hobberley Cobberley

Starts at 10:00: Cockleford, Green Dragon, near Cowley. Park tightly in the central part of the car park opposite pub. Please meet at 09:50. (GL53 9NW, SO968141)

Cowley. Seven Springs. Cobberley. A pleasant rural stroll. Good food at the Green Dragon may be ordered immediately before the walk.

Maps: L163/E179 http://tinyurl.com/mapCockleford

Local grade: terrain 2 hilly and level mix Contact: Brian and Sheelagh, 01453 872220 or on day 07749 931449

Sat 5 March 2022 10:00 - 8 miles/12.9 km - Moderate (Finishes 14:30 approx.)

HILLS and COMMONS

Starts at 10:00: Meet at THE FLEECE INN CAR PARK HILLESLEY GL12 7RD. PLEASE PARK IN VILLAGE STREETS NO RESTRICTIONS OR AT VILLAGE PLAYING FIELD CP GL12 7RS. Lane to cp opposite MOORES electrical shop Hawkesbury road. Please meet at 09:50 (GL12 7RD, ST769896)

HILLESLEY /KILCOT/ HAWKESBURY LOWER WOODS WICKWAR /INGLESTONE COMMON / HILLESLEY.

One long steady climb to cotswold way 11 stiles. Bring packed lunch, pub at walk start and finish.

Maps: L172/E167 http://tinyurl.com/mapHillesleyFleece

Local grade: terrain 2 hilly and level mix Contact: Ray F, 01454 294284 or 07742 957897

Mon 7 March 2022 10:30 - 4 miles/6.4 km - Leisurely (Finishes 13:00 approx.)

Signs of Spring in Sherston?

Starts at 10:30: Sherston High Street. Please meet at 10:20. (SN16 0LQ, ST853858)

Walk to the north of interesting village of Sherston, hoping to see signs of Spring. Good pubs and cafes in village after walk.

Maps: L173/E168 http://tinyurl.com/mapSherstonHighSt

Local grade: Terrain 1 Not much climbing Contact: Jacqui P, 01666 826139 or on day 07400 478498

Wed 9 March 2022 10:00 - 8 miles/12.9 km - Moderate (Finishes 14:30 approx.)

The Coln Valley from Whittington

Starts at 10:00: Car park beside entrance to Whittington Court on minor road into Whittington Village just off the A40. Postcode GL54 4HF gets you to the turning off the A40. Car park is 50m further on the left. Please meet at 09:50 (GL54 4HF, SP013207)

No 1 in a series of Coln Valley walks, starting at Whittington, through Puckham Woods, returning via the Coln Valley and pretty villages of Brockhampton and Sevenhampton. May be muddy in places, 7 stiles. Coffee and lunch stops, bring a packed lunch.

Maps: L163/OL45 Local grade: terrain 2 hilly and level mix

Contact: Loren H, 01452 372642 or 07748861991

Sat 12 March 2022 10:00 - 6 miles/9.7 km - Moderate (Finishes 13:30 approx.)

A route reversed

Starts at 10:00: Selsley Common main car park on B4066. Please meet at 09:50 for a prompt start. (GL5 5PL, SO828026)

A circular walk down the Cotswold Way to the cycle track, North and South Woodchester and back up through the vineyards. May be muddy in places but mostly good paths. Some lane walking and a few stiles. Coffee stop, bring a sandwich just in case.

Maps: L162/E168 http://tinyurl.com/mapSelsleyCom

Local grade: Terrain 3 Quite Hilly Contact: Ann A, 01453 839089 or 07931 114439

Wed 16 March 2022 10:00 - 5.4 miles/8.7 km - Moderate (Finishes 13:15 approx.)

A Spanish Theme

Starts at 10:00: Tipputs Inn on A46 S of Nailsworth, (GL6 0QE) Only park in car park if coming in to pub after walk otherwise park sensibly nearby. Please meet at 09:50. (GL6 0QE, ST844972)

From Tipputs Inn to Horsley and back up Barcelona Lane and Ledgemoor Bottom. It will be muddy in places and deep puddles. Some awkward stiles. Food available at Tipputs Inn.

Maps: L162/E168 https://tinyurl.com/mapTipputsInn

Local grade: terrain 2 hilly and level mix Contact: Ann A, 01453 839089 or 07931 114439

Sat 19 March 2022 10:00 - 9 miles/14.5 km - Moderate (Finishes 14:30 approx.)

Half hilly, half flat

Starts at 10:00: Kings Stanley SDC car park, GL10 3JD. Please meet at 09:50 (GL10 3JD, SO811034) A circular walk via Cotswold Way, Far Westrip, Standish Wood, Arlebrook, Standish Church, Nupend, Great Oldbury, Eastington. Bring a picnic lunch.

Maps: L162/E168 http://tinyurl.com/mapKingsStanleySDCCP

Local grade: terrain 2 hilly and level mix Contact: Alex, 01453 826907 or 07828 989705

Mon 21 March 2022 10:30 - 4 miles/6.4 km - Leisurely (Finishes 13:30 approx.)

Horsley Hinterland

Starts at 10:30: Horsley small CP on B4058 on L coming from Nailsworth. Meet there. If CP full, park in lane opposite or near village shop off Priory Fields. Please meet at 10:15. (GL6 0PW, ST839980)

A circular walk out through Kingscote Wood to Binley Farm. Back via Boscombe House and Horsley village shop. Easy walk out on forestry and farm track. On return a couple of moderate climbs, one short steep descent (slalom possible), two small streams to cross and seven stiles. Food and drink may be available at The Hog on the day. Opening hours and food service uncertain at the moment. Please call The Hog 01453 833 843 nearer the time if you would like to book lunch.

Maps: L162/E168 http://tinyurl.com/mapHorsleyCP

Local grade: terrain 2 hilly and level mix Contact: Michael B, 01453 832475 or 07808989444

Thu 24 March 2022 10:00 - 6.6 miles/10.6 km - Moderate (Finishes 13:30 approx.)

A flight of fancy

Starts at 10:00: Chedworth Old Airfield, park on the left after the copse (GL54 4NX, SP039130)

Withington, Upcote, Shill Hill. Likely to be muddy. Bring a small lunch. Maps: L163/OL45

Local grade: Terrain 1 Not much climbing http://tinyurl.com/mapChedworthOldAirfield

Contact: Sally D, 01453 872729 or 07818 425088

Sat 26 March 2022 10:00 - 10 miles/16.1 km - Moderate (Finishes 15:00 approx.)

Side to Syde

Starts at 10:00: Birdlip, outside school. Passing the Royal George on the left, do not bend left towards A417, but continue 300 yards straight on (signed Brimpsfield) along the old road. (GL4 8JH)

Please meet at 09:50 (GL4 8JH, SO928142)

A 10 mile walk in open countryside and woodland passing through the small villages of Syde and Caudle Green. Bring a picnic lunch.

Maps: L163/E179 https://what3words.com/heavy.roadmap.thrashing http://tinyurl.com/mapBirdlipSch Local grade: terrain 2 hilly and level mix Contact: Lawrence A, 07486 415265

Wed 30 March 2022 10:00 - 7.3 miles/11.8 km - Moderate (Finishes 14:15 approx.)

Down, Up, Down and Up

Starts at 10:00: Amberley War Memorial. Park on Common without damaging grass. Please meet at 09:50. (GL5 5AA, SO851016)

A circular walk from Amberley down through woods and fields to A46. North Woodchester up to and across Selsey Common. Down to South Woodchester and cycle track. Steep up back to cars. Likely to be cows and mud by gates in field. Coffee and lunch stops. Bring a packed lunch.

Maps: L162/E168 http://tinyurl.com/mapAmberleyWM

Local grade: Terrain 3 Quite Hilly Contact: Alex L, 01453834448 or 07974119806

Sat 2 April 2022 10:00 - 10 miles/16.1 km - Moderate (Finishes 15:00 approx.)

Shame on you King Henry VIII

Starts at 10:00: Winchcombe, Back Lane Car Park (off B4632 Gloucester Street). (GL54 5PZ). Pay and Display Car Park (£1 all day). Please meet at 09:50. (GL54 5PZ, SP023284)

A walk incorporating Hailes Abbey and Soudley Castle along Winchcombe Way, Cotswold Way, Campden Lane, Wardens Way. Approx 2 Stiles. 1 fairly long climb. 1 long descent. Bring a packed lunch.

Maps: OL45/L150/L163 http://tinyurl.com/mapWinchcombeBackLnCP

Local grade: terrain 2 hilly and level mix Contact: Andrew H, 01452 857958 or on day 07900 390351

Mon 4 April 2022 10:30 - 4 miles/6.4 km - Leisurely (Finishes 12:30 approx.)

Inspiring Tetbury

Starts at 10:30: Tetbury old station CP (free). (GL8 8DQ) ST893933. Please meet at 10:20

A circular walk around Tetbury. One very short stretch on main road on a bend. Places to eat in Tetbury.

Maps: L162/E168 http://tinyurl.com/mapTetburyOldStation

Local grade: Terrain 1 Not much climbing Contact: Brian & Ann, 01452770510 or 07770895035

Tue 5 April 2022 10:00 - 7 miles/11.3 km - Moderate (Finishes 14:00 approx.)

Return to the Uley Valley

Starts at 10:00: Dursley, junction of Kingshill Road A4135 and King's Drive (by Lidl). Please park considerately in nearby side roads and leave enough spaces in front of the local shops for their customers. Please meet at 09:50. (GL11 4EH, ST751988)

A circular walk mainly through fields via. Littlecombe, Ferney, Wresden Farm, Newbrook Farm, Uley, Stouts Hill, Sheephouse Farm and Dursley. More level than hilly but there are stiles. Bring a packed lunch.

Maps: L162/E167 http://tinyurl.com/mapDursleyNearLidl

Local grade: terrain 2 hilly and level mix Contact: Karen, 01453 545824 or on day 07721 605409

Sat 9 April 2022 10:00 - 8.5 miles/13.7 km - Moderate (Finishes 14:30 approx.)

Villages and Valleys

Starts at 10:00: Bisley, Windyridge layby on Cheltenham Road (GL6 7BJ). Please meet at 09:50 for a prompt start. (SO903063)

A circular walk via Bournes Green, Oakridge and the Thames and Severn Canal. Bring a packed lunch.

Maps: L163/E179 http://tinyurl.com/mapBisleyWindyridge

Local grade: terrain 2 hilly and level mix Contact: Olivia G, 01453 751716 or on day 07538 160563

Wed 13 April 2022 10:00 - 6 miles/9.7 km - Moderate (Finishes 13:00 approx.)

Tea among the tea caddies

Starts at 10:00: Stroud Leisure Centre Car Park top end. (GL5 4AH) Meet at 09:50. (SO843057)

Callowell, Pitchcombe, Painswick Stream, Hammonds Farm, Stroud. Will be muddy after rain. Bring a snack for coffee break.

Maps: L162/E179 http://tinyurl.com/mapStroudLCCPtop

Local grade: Terrain 3 Quite Hilly Contact: Jill S, 01242 255994 or on day 07815 786467

Sat 16 April 2022 10:00 - 8 miles/12.9 km - Moderate (Finishes 15:00 approx.)

Will there be Easter Eggs?

Starts at 10:00: Bisley, Windyridge layby on Cheltenham Road. Please meet at 09:50. (GL6 7BJ, SO903063) Bisley, Edgeworth, Miserden. Mainly on reasonable paths but plenty of climbs and descents. Bring a picnic.

Maps: L163/E179 http://tinyurl.com/mapBisleyWindyridge

Local grade: Terrain 3 Quite Hilly Contact: Richard, 07579219065

Mon 18 April 2022 10:30 - 4 miles/6.4 km - Leisurely (Finishes 13:00 approx.)

St Cyrs to Chipman's Platt

Starts at 10:30: Stonehouse, St Cyr's Church. Turn off A419 at small roundabout into Boakes Drive and follow Church signs to the R via Barlow Close and into Church Lane. (GL10 3QP) Please meet at 10:15. (SO800051) Passing The Ocean, Beard's Mill, Cress Green, Millend, Chipman's Platt, Roving Bridge, back under Ocean Bridge. Coffee stop in Community Orchard.

Maps: L162/E168 http://tinyurl.com/mapStCyrs

Local grade: Terrain 1 Not much climbing Contact: Mike G, 01453 873625 or 07749 282087

Wed 20 April 2022 10:00 - 6 miles/9.7 km - Moderate (Finishes 13:00 approx.)

Spot the Alpacas

Starts at 10:00: Meet outside the Gateway Cafe, Spine Road, South Cerney, GL7 5TL. Plenty of parking. Meet at 09:50. (SU072971)

A mostly flat walk around South Cerney via canal paths, meadows and through the Alpaca farm. An easy walk with lovely views. Canal paths can be boggy. The Gateway Cafe offers quality snacks and lunches.

Maps: E169/L163 http://tinyurl.com/mapSCerneyGateway

Local grade: Terrain 1 Not much climbing Contact: Janet W, 07765 276534

Sat 23 April 2022 10:00 - 8.7 miles/14 km - Moderate (Finishes 14:30 approx.)

Conquerors, allies and refugees

Starts at 10:00: Meet at Hangman's Stone layby on old A40 west of Northleach near Hampnett. Please meet at 09:50. (GL54 3QF, SP088151)

Yanworth, Chedworth, Fossebridge, Stowell Park. Quite hilly. Bring a picnic lunch.

Maps: L163/OL45 http://tinyurl.com/mapHangmansStone

Local grade: Terrain 3 Quite Hilly Contact: Jill S, 01242 255994 or on day 07815 786467

Wed 27 April 2022 10:00 - 5 miles/8.1 km - Moderate (Finishes 13:00 approx.)

Sherston to Luckington

Starts at 10:00: Parking on High Street, Sherston. Meet outside Post Office which is opposite the southerly junction of Court Street and the High Street. Meet at 09:50. (SN16 0LH, ST853859)

A mainly level circular walk with some inclines to Luckington, through Community Wood. Some lane walking, some stiles, may be muddy in places. Coffee break in Luckington. Two cafes and two pubs in Sherston if required.

Maps: E168/L173 http://tinyurl.com/mapSherstonHighSt

Local grade: Terrain 1 Not much climbing

Contact: Derek, 07711445395

Sat 30 April 2022 10:00 - 7 miles/11.3 km - Moderate (Finishes 14:00 approx.)

Let them eat gateaux

Starts at 10:00: Car park behind Minchinhampton Church. Please meet at 09:50 for a prompt start. (GL6 9JR, SO872009)

A circular walk via Peaches Farm, Devil's Churchyard, Aston Farm, Cherington Pond and Golf Course. One stile is tricky. Bring a snack.

Maps: L162/E168

http://tinyurl.com/mapMinchEdgeCommon Local grade: terrain 2 hilly and level mix

Estimated finish time: 14:00 Contact: John G, 01452 728760