# MEETS AND SOCIAL EVENTS 2023





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**OVER SIXTY YEARS OF ADVENTURING** 

#### Winter Scottish Trip to the Cairngorms

Staying at the Raeburn Hut near Laggan, a great location for winter excursions with fabulous views across Strath Spey.



## **SATURDAY 28TH JANUARY**

#### **Bredon Hill Walk**

Bredon Hill is just under 300m high, so this is a relatively relaxed walk with some uphill sections, with an opportunity for some bouldering at Elephant Stone.

## **SATURDAY 11TH FEBRUARY**

#### Day in the Peak District - Winter Bouldering and Walking

Winter is a great time to go bouldering with the friction on the gritstone at its best, whilst the Peaks provides some excellent walking. If Saturday's weather forecast is poor, the meet will be moved to Sunday 12th February.



## **SATURDAY 25 FEBRUARY**

#### **Black Mountains Walk**

For February's big day out in Wales, we will be heading to the Black Mountains. The highest point, Waun Fach, is 811 metres.

## FRIDAY 10TH MARCH TO SUNDAY 12TH MARCH (2 NIGHTS)

#### **Dinorwig, North Wales**

Staying at the Wolverhampton Club Hut with easy access to the Ogwen and Llanberis Passes plus the slate quarries.

#### SATURDAY 25TH MARCH

#### Day in the Peak District - Get Out on Rock Day

New to rock climbing or just need to bust off your rock shoes? The Peak District is the perfect place from beginners to the more experienced. If Saturday's weather forecast is poor, the meet will be moved to Sunday 26th March.

## SATURDAY 8TH TO SATURDAY 15TH APRIL (7 NIGHTS)

## Costa Blanca, Spain

Staying in Finestrat, the limestone crags of Costa Blanca are our playground for some sport climbing in the spring sun.

## FRIDAY 28TH APRIL TO MONDAY 1ST MAY (3 NIGHTS)

#### **Capel Curig, North Wales**

Camping at Dolgam Campsite, with easy access to Ogwen, Llanberis and Anglesey. Opportunity to go for a group evening meal at Tyn-Y-Coed Pub, a firm favourite with SMC members.

#### FRIDAY 5TH MAY TO MONDAY 8TH MAY (3 NIGHTS)

#### **Yorkshire Dales**

For the King's coronation bank holiday weekend, we will be camping at Horsforth, Leeds. Walking in the beautiful Yorkshire Dales or choose the gritstone or limestone to go climbing. Opportunities for a group evening meal or two at one of the local eateries.



#### **WEDNESDAY 17TH MAY**

#### **Wrekin Spring Walk**

Telford Wrekin where the wild garlic will be in full bloom.

## FRIDAY 26TH MAY TO MONDAY 29TH MAY (3 NIGHTS)

#### **Bosherston, Pembroke**

For the Spring Bank Holiday weekend we will be camping at Simon's field in Bosherston, for sea cliff climbing adventures and coastal walking.

#### **WEDNESDAY 7TH JUNE**

#### Mid-summer BBQ in the Peaks

Colehill Quarry is the location for a mid-summer's evening climbing and BBQ.

## FRIDAY 23RD JUNE TO SUNDAY 25TH JUNE (2 NIGHTS)

#### **Lake District**

Camping in the heart of the Lake District, with summertime providing plenty of light to climb, scramble, and walk in these beautiful Mountains.



#### **WEDNESDAY 5TH JULY**

## Solihull Mid Summer's Walk

Walk from the Boat Inn, Solihull, along canals, fields, fords and lanes and enjoying a meal at the pub after the walk.

### FRIDAY 21ST JULY TO SUNDAY 23RD JULY (2 NIGHTS)

#### Dartmoor

Camping at Buckfastleigh. There is great climbing on the various granite tors and crags of Dartmoor, whilst the moor itself provides adventurous and wild walking.

#### FRIDAY 25TH AUGUST TO MONDAY 28TH AUGUST (3 NIGHTS)

#### **Anglesey, North Wales**

There will be lots to do at this camping meet including sea cliff climbing, mountain cragging, plus plenty of coast to explore on foot, by bike or in a wetsuit. There is also a Beach BBQ and sandcastle competition to look forward to.



#### FRIDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER

#### **Warwickshire Autumn Walk**

Walk around the extensive Hartshill Hays Country Park followed by the SMC Bake Off. An opportunity to submit your favourite pie or just judge, it's up to you.

## FRIDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER TO SUNDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER (2 NIGHTS)

#### Swanage, Dorset

Trad climbing at Swanage, or world class sport climbing at Portland.

## FRIDAY 17TH NOVEMBER TO SUNDAY 19TH NOVEMBER (2 NIGHTS)

#### **Ogwen, North Wales**

Staying at the fabulous Glen Dena MAM hut. Located in the heart of Snowdonia there is walking, scrambling, climbing and mountaineering on the doorstep.



For any further information or to book onto a meet please contact

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HUTS CAN BE IN REMOTE LOCATIONS - PLEASE BRING FOOD - AND DON'T FORGET YOUR SLEEPING BAG!

# LET'S GET SOCIAL!

We love a get-together and run a range of social events throughout the year.

Members, their families and friends are welcome to come along.

If you would like to attend any of the following events, please contact our social secretary at contactus@solihullmc.org.uk

# FORTHCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS INCLUDE:

WEDNESDAY 25TH JANUARY BURN'S NIGHT

SATURDAY 18TH MARCH BANFF FILM FESTIVAL\*
BIRMINGHAM TOWN HALL 2.30PM + 7.30PM

APRIL SOCIAL EVENT BOWLING AT RESORTS WORLD ARENA

THREE MAY MEETS
OPPORTUNITY FOR GROUP MEALS AT PUBS IN THE LOCALITY

WEDNESDAY 7TH JUNE MID-SUMMER BBQ COLEHILL QUARRY

WEDNESDAY 5TH JULY MID-SUMMER WALK FOLLOWED BY MEAL AT BOAT INN SOLIHULL

AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY BEACH BBQ
WITH SANDCASTLE COMPETITION AT ANGLESEY MEET

FRIDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER SMC BAKE OFF
AFTER AUTUMN WALK

OCTOBER ANNUAL DINNER NOVEMBER SOCIAL DARTS

**DECEMBER CHRISTMAS CURRY** 

Other events that members may be interested in going to, but will not be organised by SMC include: Sheffield Adventure Film Festival, Women's Climbing Symposium

\*Tickets for Banff need to be purchased directly by those wishing to attend.

Go to https://www.banff-uk.com/england

# REGULAR EVENTS

# **MEETS PROGRAMME**

Central to SMC's outdoor activities is our annual 'meets programme'. It runs from January to December with monthly full weekend and day meets in locations across Wales, Scotland and England and, sometimes, abroad too! Activities include single and multi-pitch trad climbing, sport climbing, bouldering, winter climbing, all-year walking and mountaineering, mountain biking and generally enjoying the outdoors.

# **WEEKLY CLUB NIGHT**

Tuesday evening is our club night. We meet at Creation Climbing Wall, 582 Moseley Road, Moseley, B12 9AA from 7.30pm onwards. SMC members receive discounted entry and a free drink. Prospective members are welcome to come along. We then go to the Prince of Wales in Moseley for a well-earned drink from 10pm-11pm (let us know if you want to meet up a little earlier).

## MONTHLY COMMITTEE MEETING

The SMC Committee Meetings usually take place on the first Thursday of each month starting at 8pm. We either meet online or at the Old Edwardians Sports Club, Streetsbrook Road, Solihull B90 3PE. Members and prospective members are always welcome to join the meeting to find out what is going on and to make their contribution.

# **SOCIAL EVENTS**

We have regular social activities throughout the year which are detailed on our website and publicised by email. Volunteers to assist at these events are always welcome.

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