# MEETS AND SOCIAL EVENTS 2024





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#### SUNDAY 28TH JANUARY

#### Day in Shropshire - Walking and Bouldering

We are off to the Stiperstones and Nipstone in Shropshire for an 8.5km walk with bouldering and climbing options along the way. Plus a visit to the Bog Centre and the mine ruins.

#### SATURDAY 10TH FEBRUARY

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

There will be a selection of bouldering opportunities plus a local walk in the area. The day will end with a pub visit for food and drink. Location TBC.

#### SATURDAY 2ND MARCH

#### Day Walk, Black Mountains, Wales

We are heading back to the Black Mountains for a big day out to climb Waun Fach, 811m.

#### FRIDAY 8TH MARCH TO SUNDAY 10TH MARCH

#### Dinorwig, North Wales - 2 Nights - 12 Spaces

With handy access to the whole Llanberis area, Dinorwig is an amazing centre for walking, sport slate or trad climbing adventures. Staying at the well equipped Wolverhampton MC hut.

#### SATURDAY 23RD MARCH

#### **Sport/Trad Intro Day**

Depending on weather and temperature, we will either be doing an introduction to trad climbing or sport climbing particularly for those with little or no experience, but all are welcome. This will be a great opportunity to try out some outdoor climbing during the early part of the climbing season. Location TBC.

#### 29TH MARCH GOOD FRIDAY TO 1ST APRIL BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY

#### Pendeen, South West Cornwall - 3 Nights

Over the Easter weekend, we will be climbing around Sennen Cove and the surrounding Penzance area, with options for all abilities. There are beautiful walks along the coastal path. Staying at the North Inn campsite.





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#### SATURDAY 13TH APRIL

#### **Day Meet**

Details of the location and planned activities to be confirmed.

#### FRIDAY 19TH APRIL TO SUNDAY 21ST APRIL

#### Camping Meet - Wye Valley Intro Weekend - 2 Nights

Wye Valley offers a range of different types of climbing with sport climbing at Wyndcliffe, Wintours Leap and other nearby areas. Shorn Cliff is a regular favourite of the club offering a mixed range of trad routes. As an alternative, there is also the Offa's Dyke walking trail. Campsite details TBC.

#### FRIDAY 3RD MAY TO MONDAY 6TH MAY

#### Dartmoor - 3 Nights

For the May Bank Holiday weekend we will be camping at Beara Farm, Buckfastleigh. Dartmoor offers a range of trad routes on the Dewerstone and the surrounding Tors. There is also sport climbing around the area, as well as a range of amazing walks on Dartmoor.

#### SATURDAY 18TH MAY

#### **Day Meet**

Details of the location and planned activities to be confirmed.

#### FRIDAY 24TH MAY TO MONDAY 27TH MAY

#### Bosherton, Pembrokeshire - 3 Nights

For the Spring Bank Holiday weekend, we will be camping at Simon's Field in Bosherston. Pembrokeshire offers some of the club's favourite sea cliff climbing routes, with lots to do for all levels of experience. There are also plenty of opportunities for coastal walking.

#### **SATURDAY 8TH JUNE**

#### **Day Meet**

Details of the location and planned activities to be confirmed.



## THURSDAY 13TH JUNE

#### **Summer Evening Walk**

A mid-week walk around Bittell Reservoirs Birmingham, taking in the local countryside around the River Arrow headwaters followed by a visit to a good local pub.

#### FRIDAY 21ST JUNE TO SUNDAY 23RD JUNE

#### Langcliffe, Yorkshire - 2 Nights

We are doing things a little differently for Yorkshire. The club will be camping at Crag Hill Farm in Settle near the western side of Yorkshire with the opportunity to explore the local limestone for both sport and trad climbing.

#### **SATURDAY 6TH JULY**

#### **Day Meet**

Details of the location and planned activities to be confirmed.

#### FRIDAY 19TH JULY TO SATURDAY 27TH JULY

#### Dolomites, Italy - 7 Nights - 3 Apartments - Led by Mark, Donna and Mike

Our international trip this year will be in the Italian Dolomites. There is the opportunity for trad climbing, sport climbing, walking and via ferratas. Though spaces within the houses are full, there are other individuals making their own arrangements and plenty of local camping.

#### **SATURDAY 10TH AUGUST**

#### **Day Meet**

Details of the location and planned activities to be confirmed.

#### FRIDAY 23RD AUGUST TO MONDAY 26TH AUGUST

#### Capel Curig, North Wales - 3 Nights

Staying at the Dolgam campsite, this location gives easy access to a wealth of walking, scrambling and trad climbing. Snowdon and the Llanberis Pass or the Ogwen Valley with Tryfan and the Glyders are just a few of many options.

#### **SATURDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER**

#### **Day Meet**

Details of the location and planned activities to be confirmed.

#### FRIDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER TO SUNDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER

#### Portland, Dorset - 2 Nights

Staying at Hallets Rural Campsite in Portland. There's a great range of sport climbing options as well as a selection of trad routes.

#### **OCTOBER MEET**

Details to be confirmed.

#### FRIDAY 15TH NOVEMBER TO SUNDAY 17TH NOVEMBER

#### Coniston, Lake District - 2 Nights

Staying at the fantastic Low House MAM Hut in Coniston, our November meet will offer some great walking and potential scrambling opportunities.

Please note: All Day Meets have been arranged on a Saturday. However, if the forecast is poor on that specific Saturday, the Meet may be moved to the Sunday. For any further information or to book onto a meet please contact Mike Blunn on michael.bi@hotmail.co.uk

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:

FRIDAY 26TH JANUARY BURN'S NIGHT

FEBRUARY/MARCH TRIP TO THE SNOWDOME For skiing and snowboarding at the snowdome, tamworth. Ice skating also available on site. Date TBC.

SATURDAY 20TH APRIL BANFF FILM FESTIVAL Birmingham town Hall 2.30PM + 7.30PM

MAY BANK HOLIDAY BIKING ADVENTURES
POSSIBILITY OF MOUNTAIN BIKING. EASY AND INTERMEDIATE BIKING DAYS
OUT ON OR AROUND BANK HOLIDAYS OR TO TIE IN WITH MEETS.

THURSDAY 13TH JUNE SUMMER WALK A MID-WEEK WALK AROUND BITTELL RESERVOIRS, BIRMINGHAM. Followed by a visit to a good local pub.

MID-JULY SUMMER BBQ
SUMMER BBQ. VENUE AND DETAILS TO FOLLOW. WILL BE WEATHER DEPENDENT.

AUGUST — SUMMER FUN Summer Walks Plus Outdoor Socials and Meet-Ups, Usually Involving Pub Dinners.

NOVEMBER — BONFIRE NIGHT
BONFIRE NIGHT AT OLD EDS ON OR AROUND 5TH NOVEMBER.

NOVEMBER/EARLY DECEMBER — ANNUAL DINNER Annual Awards and Christmas Dinner all Rolled into one date and verilletic

# **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, or Flash Climbing Centre, Vulcan Road, Solihull B91 2JY. 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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