

CBMW Spring Programme 2016

Wednesday 3rd February 2016 to Wednesday 25th May 2016



Chair's statement

WELCOME to our Spring programme which contains 95 walks of which 4 are graded E, 11M, 25MS, 27S and 18VS. Plus our own Almond Blossom Festival on 24 February.

We welcome Del Gadd and Brian Sear as new leaders and welcome back Angela Colgate who has dusted off her leader's boots for the Almond Blossom and End of Season walks. Thank you to all leaders who have offered to lead walks this season, and also their sweepers who often become tomorrow's leaders.

Special thanks are given to Helen Granville who has decided to change her lifestyle and retire from updating the website every Sunday morning. Helen and Mike set up our website 10 years ago and we thank them both for their initiative, development and maintenance during that time. The site will soon have a new operating system which enables more than just one person to update different sections of the site.

Our group's reputation is founded on our enjoyment of "MOUNTAIN" walking. To ensure our ongoing reputation we have included in this programme several walks which "conquer" several of the iconic summits in our area. These are highlighted by the symbol (A)

We are regularly reading about medical research and the recommendations of "walking for health". Walking costs nothing but your time (except a small donation to the cost of our website!) And how lucky we are to enjoy this activity in the wonderful area of our Costa Blanca Mountains. I hope you enjoy walking with us.

Carol
CHAIR

ROUTE GRADES

A - Walks marked with A are on Iconic Mountains

The mountains in the Costa Blanca region are rugged and the paths are often rough with numerous hazards to cause tripping, loose stones and thick undergrowth. Care is needed at all times. Walkers should assess their ability to complete the walks taking into account the following walk gradings:-

E - Easy: A walk of up to 4½ hours on good surfaced tracks and less than 200metres ascent.

M - Moderate: up to 12km, less than 400 metres ascent and less than 50% rough going.

MS - Moderately Strenuous: Up to 600 metres ascent and/or no more than 15 km with some rough going taken at a

S - Strenuous: More than 600 metres and/or more than 15km with steep, loose or heavily vegetated sections.

VS - Very Strenuous: More than 800 metres and/or more than 20km with steep, loose or heavily vegetated sections.

X - Experienced walkers routes: Routes which require considerable stamina and/or significant scrambling skills on rough, steep or exposed sections.

Scr - Scrambling: This implies the need for handholds to ascend steep rock pitches with a sense of exposure to vertigo and where a slip could lead to a serious accident.

A - All good tracks

B -Less than half the route on rough ground

C - More than half the route on rough ground

INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITIES

We have a short list of **Conventions** – published in the Info section of the website - which act as guidelines and hopefully are an aid to walkers and leaders alike. Everyone is required to read these Conventions as a condition for walking with us and for downloading each season's programme. A summary of the main points of these is shown below.

- 1, Arrive at the meeting place in good time. Walks depart promptly at 10:00 unless otherwise noted.
2. Do not leave valuables in your car.
3. Always wear strong-soled shoes or boots suitable for mountain walking.
4. Take a packed lunch and/or other energy snacks and plenty of water, especially in hot weather.
5. Always carry your own first aid kit.
6. Carry adequate clothing and always waterproofs as the weather in the mountains can change quickly.
7. Stay in contact with the people ahead of you and behind you particularly at junctions and if too large a gap opens up signal to the leader for a stop so that the gap can be closed.
8. Whilst every effort is made to ensure accuracy, the time duration stated for each walk will always depend on the fitness and ability of the walkers and also the conditions on the day of the walk.
- 9, Take all rubbish home with you including orange and banana skins.
10. Do **not** pick fruit.
11. Walking poles when not in use should be carried with the points facing forwards and down.
12. If a dog is brought along the owner should ensure that the walk is one where dogs are allowed and at all times keep the dog on a lead and firmly under control
13. In times of bad weather walkers should phone the leader if in doubt about whether the walk will go ahead.
14. If individuals intend to leave the group during a walk they should inform the leader and ensure that their names are removed from the leader's book.
15. Everyone who walks with us is expected to make an annual contribution towards the cost of our websites.

INSURANCE

We recommend that individuals who walk with us take out insurance cover for rescue and medical costs in case of accident on our mountain walks. Those who live here can take out extra insurance via www.femecv.com (in Spanish) or www.aacuk.org.uk (in English). If you are just visiting the area for a holiday you should check that your travel insurance covers is sufficient - if not then take out extra cover!

WEATHER

Website to check weather forecast www.aemet.es

AND FINALLY

Remember to check Stop Press on the website for information on any unavoidable changes to walks and new walks added to the programme.

All walks start at 10 am unless otherwise indicated.
Shading denotes a lunch option.

Meeting Point descriptions start with town nearest to start followed by Latitude then Longitude (decimalised) of the meeting point (where known). Web links to walk write ups on www.walksinspain.org, where available, are shown after the route description.

| Date | Route / Leaders/ Phone | Stats/Grade/ Start time | Meeting Point / Route Description /Link to Walksinspain (where available) |
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| Wed 3 Feb | El Cao Circular Peter Barraclough 96 584 6672 669 873 159 No dogs | 12 km 4½ hrs 200 m M/B | Jalon. 38.73015,0.010825 Opposite Venta Roja Restaurant, km 8 Jalon to Benissa road CV750 Circular walk It does not include climbing El Cao |
| Wed 3 Feb | Around and about Castells Ann Price Angie Elliott Ann 646 716 303 Angie 646 930 990 | 16 km 5½ hrs 550 m S/B | Benichembla. 38.750579, -0.158159. Bridge at 4.5 km past Benichembla on Castell de Castells road CV720. A varied walk with all the hard work done before a late lunch stop. Mix of old and new trails, with a steep ascent out of Castells and then a fairly easy descent back to the cars along good tracks with some lovely views along the way. |
| | Dogs on lead at all times | | http://tinyurl.com/ne48bnr |
| Wed 3 Feb | A Aitana, & Penyà Mulero A John E. Mail 96 584 6505 620 865 267 No dogs | 15 km 5½ hrs 800 m S/B/Scr | Benifato. 38.65783,-0.24182 Partagat picnic area. Take Guadalest-Alcoy road. After Benimantell near to km 28, take road signed to Benifató. Go to edge of village where the the village name sign "Benifató" is and turn right. There is a sign Fuente Partagat on the wall. Follow this road to the fuente – a 10 minute steep climb. A mixture of good paths. Small scramble to Fat Man's Agony. Good ridge walking with two shaley descents. Splendid views if a clear day on region's highest peak. |
| Sat 6 Feb | Tossal del Moro Peter Barraclough 96 584 6672 669 873 159 No dogs | 14 km 5 hrs 400 m MS/A | Gata. 38.776739, 0.082817 Partida Trossets. Meet initially around the corner from Bar Noguera, Gata. The Road has blue and white Bollards. |
| Sat 6 Feb | A El Cao, anticlockwise A Adrian Murray 96 573 4228 634 314 986 | 12 km 5 hrs 600 m S/B | Jalon 38.728401, 0.015771 Meet on slip road to Lady Elizabeth school approximately 300m east of Venta Roja restaurant on CV 750 Jalon - Benissa road Circular route up the barranco Carretas, under Alt de Ample, up to El Cao and back down the "long ridge"(Loma Llarga). |
| | Dogs on lead at all times | | http://tinyurl.com/nwgdqvy |
| Sat 6 Feb | A Montgo Summit from Denia A Helen&Mike Granville 96 579 1423 620 287 970 No dogs | 15 km 6 hrs 650 m S/B/Scr | Denia. 38.818249,0.106527 At the entrance to the Parque Natural above the Ermita Pare Pere on Calle Fenas in Denia. An "up and down" walk with a steady climb to the summit of Montgo. 360 degree views from the top. Slight scramble from the top – helps to have long legs! Also helps to be sure footed with a head for heights. |

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| Wed 10 Feb | Almond Blossom Walk Jalon Valley John McLelland 646 310 164 No dogs | 12 km 4½ hrs 60 m E/A | Jalon 38.744193,-0.017402. Car park under trees opposite Alleluya Bar at Information Office. |
| Wed 10 Feb | Caballo Verde Col Alan Jackson 96 558 3637 No dogs | 17 km 5½ hrs 550 m S/B | Tormos. 38.799124,-0.076498 Coming from the south (Orba) on the CV715 at the outskirts of the village turn L (signposted to Costera del Moll) into Calle Pozo. Take the next L (Carrer Val de Llaguart) and then take the 2nd turn on the RHS just after the bins. Drive to the end opposite a plaza and turn L into Avenguda Joan Carles I. Drive a few hundred metres along this and park in the large car park on the LHS opposite the public piscina. Route to Isbert's Dam then through tunnel (bring torch) and a climb up to Fontilles and then up to the Col. http://tinyurl.com/kdg2cfx |
| Wed 10 Feb | A Miserat Summit (optional) via Castell Gallinera A David Harbach 96 597 7139 608 304 342 No dogs | 19 km 6½ hrs 850 m VS/B | Pego, 38.838379,-0.121313.Plaza del Metge Almela, above Pla de la Font, Paseo Cervantes Plaza. Splendid views of the Vall de Gallinera (even better if you take the summit option!) http://tinyurl.com/kgabm8n |
| Sat 13 Feb | Round and about Little Olta Jean Russell 96 583 6261 626 522 161 No dogs | 17 km 5½ hrs 430 m MS/C | Calpe. 38.64791, 0.050249 Tennis club (coming into Calpe from the N332, turn left at the Mas y Mas Centro Comercial roundabout and park by the tennis club or opposite). This walk is a mixture of familiar tracks and some new ones, Mainly rough underfoot it includes some (dry!) riverbed walking, and (I promise) it will be taken at a "comfortable" pace. All the ascent is before lunch too. Lovely views to Olta, the Loma Larga ridge and the countryside around LLeus and Calpe. |
| Sat 13 Feb | Lliber to Castell d'Aixa circuit through secret valley Lee O'Neill 96 587 4776 669 735 617 No dogs | 17 km 6 hrs 720 m S/B | Lliber. 38.744589, 0.018029 Take the CV748 from Lliber to Gata, at the top of the hill before you start to descend take the L turn and immediately the second R track and park near the bins on rough ground. A delightful mountain walk to top of Castell d'Aixa summit with good paths and a beautiful valley to finish. http://tinyurl.com/o7vxmrm |
| Sat 13 Feb | More than Morro Blau Mary Gough 96 583 5333 655 676 118 Dogs on lead at all times | 14 km 5½ hrs 830 m VS/B/Scr | Callosa D'En Serria.38.672534, -0.134276 CV 755 Altea to Callosa - at main roundabout in Callosa take 2nd. street on R (Avinguda Jaume 1) then R fork in front of Banco Santander, go up hill then L fork downhill - cross a junction and go up Calle Callosa d' Ensarria,continue for 2.7kms. on narrow tarmac road (passing Urb. Almedia), park near concrete casita. Sounds more complicated than it is !!! A circular route, a woodland path to a spectacular vista , a gully scramble to more panoramic views from the summit ,down a barranco and return through more forest paths http://tinyurl.com/oyvlv9p |

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| Wed 17 Feb | Jalon Parcent circuit via col de rates extended Martin Dunkley 635 113 988 or +447966466175 No dogs | 16 km 5½ hrs 450 m MS/B | Jalon 38.744193, -0.017402. Car park under trees opposite Alleluya Bar at Information Office. Route mainly on tracks, some country roads, and mainly marked paths. Magnificent views from the col and a wonderful return when the almond blossom is in bloom. http://tinyurl.com/o49q7h2 |
| Wed 17 Feb | Serella castle and Aixorta flanks from Castell de Castells Jo Fletcher 96 507 0422 634 349 985 Dogs on lead at all times | 15 km 5 hrs 780 m S/B | Castell de Castells. 38.72382, -0.19477 Take the CV720 through Pedreguer and Parcent to reach the village of Castells. On entering the village the car park is on the L at a T-jnc. Turn into calle Jose Antonion and drop down a ramp into the car park. A good stretch almost entirely on good tracks and paths to the castle (optional scramble) and on to the flanks of Aixorta with panoramic views out towards the coast. http://tinyurl.com/nnrmnsj |
| Wed 17 Feb | À Bernia West (Experienced Walkers Only) À Peter Greene 96 574 3454 620 319 797 No dogs | 9 km 6 hrs 700 m S/C/X/Scr | Jalon. 38.672142,-0.046039 Bernia Inn, km 11.6 on CV749 from Jalon to Benissa. Bernia ridge traverse to west summit. A fine classic route with impressive situations and fine views. http://tinyurl.com/kdda2z |
| Sat 20 Feb | Col de Rates and Font D'Olbis Jon Lyons 96 283 9953 686 148 704 Dogs on lead at all times | 9 km 3 hrs 350 m M/B | Parcent. 38.737902 -0.074662 Bar/Restaurant Piscina. From Parcent take CV715 (Rates to Tarbena road) for about 1 km. Car park on right. Beautiful views from top. |
| Sat 20 Feb | The villages of the Vall De Laguar from Murla Polideportiu Sue Bonser 966493855 627269919 No dogs | 11 km 4½ hrs 400 m MS 10am | Murla. 38.767391,-0.077747 Polideportiu. Approaching Murla from East on the CV719, turn right on outskirts of village (signed). Large sports centre on LHS after about 1 km. After first trekking up to the foothills of Caballo Verde Ridge, we walk on to Benimaurell, then Fleix, and Campell before passing through Fontilles, then back to Murla. Some road walking. 0 |
| Sat 20 Feb | West Aitana Mary Gough 96 583 5333 655 676 118 Dogs on lead at all times | 16 km 5 hrs 780 m S/B/Scr | Guadalest. Font de Partagat picnic area - turn L off Guadalest/Alcoy rd.CV70 at Benifato and continue up to picnic area. A circuit on the Western end of this imposing ridge ,with far reaching views, a font and a nevera. http://tinyurl.com/qdrbxej |

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| Almond Blossom Festival – 4 walks of different grades all starting and finishing at Val Del Pop Restaurant, Liber. (CV 748, Km 8.25). Co-ordinates 38.74458, 0.018779. Come along and meet your fellow walkers and stay for lunch (Easy and Mod walks) or a drink afterwards. If rain stops play the lunch will still go ahead.....See menu choices and details of how to book below... | | | |
| Wed 24 Feb | Liber Wander. Angela Colgate 96 640 4192 652 596 973 | 7 km 2 ½ hrs 100 m E | Note 10:30 start. A gentle paced walk through the woods to the river bed and return back through Lliber to Val Del Pop restaurant. Good paths, tracks and road. Optional lunch with other walks at end. |
| | Dogs on lead at all times | 10:30 | |
| Wed 24 Feb | Liber Figure of 8 Theresa Boyle, David Brain 96 502 0432 | 12 km 3 ½ hrs 290 m M/B | 10 am start Using a recently reopened path, after a fire, we ascend from Lliber and descend to the river bed. Taking in 'hidden valley' we return to Lliber by another path recently re-opened. Optional lunch with other walks at end. |
| | Dogs on lead at all times | | |
| Wed 24 Feb | Liber Circuit, including the Pauline Chalmers 645 082 381 | 14 km 5 hrs 450 m MS/C | 10 am start Good paths with great views, a short steep ascent up from Font d'Aixa up through the 'Squeeze' before lunch then downhill all the way back to Lliber. |
| | No dogs | | http://tinyurl.com/nd2326t |
| Wed 24 Feb | ▲ Font d'Aixa valley & Castell Adrian Murray 96 573 4228 634 314 986 | 16 km 5¼ hrs 620 m S/B | Note 9:30 start. From Val Del Pop restaurant we descend into the valley towards font d'aixa, then climb ridge above Pedreguer. Return via Montanyeta |
| | No dogs | 09:30 | |
| <u>Almond Blossom Festival -24th February - Lunch Details. (Easy and Mod walks)</u> | | | |
| <u>Lunch is at Val del Pop restaurant at 1:30. Cost 12€ Menu</u> | | | |
| <u>First Course – Tapas : Main Course - choice of Chicken, Lamb or Hake : Pudding - Almond Cake.</u> | | | |
| <u>Includes bread, alioli, 1/2 bottle wine/beer/soft drink/water. Pay on the day.</u> | | | |
| <u>To book the lunch email braindave@ymail.com and state your main course choice.</u> | | | |
| Sat 27 Feb | Barranco de Calvo & barranco Malafi Jon Lyons 96 283 9953 686 148 704 | 12 km 5 hrs 500 m MS/C/Scr | Castell de Castells. 38.768807 -0.194364. From Villa Mercedes on CV700 Benichembla/Castell de Castells road turn right for 4 km and park on right. Scramble up first barranco then along forestry track to airstrip and old masia for lunch Then down a short barranco and down Malafi. |
| | Dogs on lead at all times | | http://tinyurl.com/owgcuk8 |
| Sat 27 Feb | Castell de Castells circuit South Alan Jackson 96 558 3637 | 17 km 5½ hrs 600 m S/B | Castell de Castells. 38.723848,-0.194751 Take the CV720 from Parcent and Benichembla to Castell de Castells. In the village, immediately opposite Hotel Serrella (on the RHS) turn L. After 20 m. turn L again into Calle Jose Antontio and then almost immediately L again down a ramp into the signed parking area. A circular walk on mozarabic trails, broad forestry roads and great views on a clear day. |
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| Sat | Abdet Valley Circuit | 16 km | Abdet. 38.6981,-0.2637 At Km 24.3, just East of Confrides, Turn off CV 70 on CV 7560 towards Abdet. After 1km Turn left and after a further 100 m keep left again (opposite rubbish containers). Follow road up for 1.35 km to start of walk. |
| 27 Feb | John E. Mail | 6 hrs 780 m S/B | A series of loops to explore the Abdet valley with lunch on a ridge overlooking the Guadalest Valley. Lots of good tracks, a few streams to cross and spectacular scenery. A Kees Andriessen walk |
| | Dogs on lead at all times | | |
| Wed 2 Mar | Foothills of Montduver Dick Handscombe | 10 km 3 hrs | Barx. Town Hall car park, 14 km from Gandia. Take second exit off N332 Gandia bypass signposted Gandia/Barx. At roundabout at end of slip road take second exit effectively turning left onto CV 675. Follow road through orange groves, houses windy mountain road to La Drova and continue onto main village of Barx. At roundabout the big new town hall will be on your right. Take first exit and immediately turn right, right again and right again into carpark. 10 minute drive at 10.30 to start of walk. |
| | 96 280 7083 662 277 489 No dogs | 200 m E | Good wide tracks. Great views if fine. Lunch in local restaurant at end if interested - bookings taken at start of walk. |
| Wed 2 Mar | Benirrama to Val d'Ebo Circuit David Harbach | 14 km 5 hrs | Benirrama. 38.830548,-0.196489 Take CV700 from Pego, direction Planes and turn left to village at km 46.5. Turn right as you enter the village to parking area. |
| | 96 597 7139 608 304 342 | 600 m S/B | Mainly good tracks with some rough patches. Up the mozarabic trail at the back of Benirrama up to the Forada ridge and then some road work to a dew pool. Onwards then to Val d'EbBo via the Ebo gorge, through the village and some more road work up towards the col de Miserat. Great views towards the coast and then back down the mozarabic trail to Benirrama. |
| | Dogs on lead at all times | | |
| Wed 2 Mar | A Ponoich summit and Sanchet circuit (Experienced Walkers Only)A Mary Gough | 17 km 5½ hrs | Polop. 38.615675, -0.149621 Polop Helipad. From main roundabout in Polop take exit on CV715 signed La Nucia, continue up to meet roundabout on CV70 and take exit Avd. Balco de Ponoig follow up to base of Polop and park on large car park near water deposito/helipad. |
| | 96 583 5333 655 676 118 | 975 m VS/C/Scr/X | An alternative route up to this iconic summit, scramble up and enjoy the panoramic views along the ridge, wind down to continue round the Sanchet circuit then return through a forest path. |
| | mountain dogs only. | | |
| Sat 5 Mar | Gata Figure of 8 Peter Barraclough | 10 km 4 hrs | Gata. 38.776739, 0.082817 Partida Trossets. The Gata main Road, N332 look out for a turning with blue and white bollards, park where you can and meet opposite Trossets Bar. |
| | 96 584 6672 669 873 159 No dogs | 175 m M/B | All on familiar tracks -no off piste |
| Sat 5 Mar | A Alcalá de la Jovada via Forada Ridge A John Male | 16 km 5.5 hrs | Benissiva. 38.819540,-0.225273. Park behind Co-op in Benissiva (on right just as you enter the village) CV700 km 53.5 Pego to Planes road. |
| | 678 351 576 | 650 m S/B | Route mainly over quiet roads, tracks and paths (two mozarabic) with an ascent "off piste" back from Alcalá to ridge. Wonderful views of the Vall de Galinera. |
| | No dogs http://tinyurl.com/lb7ybrw | | |

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| Sat 5 Mar | Castell d'Aixa from Lliber Ralph Phipps 634 349 370 No dogs | 12 km 6 hrs 825 m VS/C | Lliber. 38.742126 0.004839.Lliber is on the CV745 between Jalon and Gata. Meet at the rastro parking area (signed-P) in the village. Some good paths to start with but rough sections to the summit of Tossal Gran and Castell d'Aixa. Mozarabic trails back down towards the Font before a climb back over the main ridge which we follow back to the cars to complete a circular route. |
| Wed 9 Mar | Segaria Circuit from Benimeli Geoff Cobb 657 259 656 No dogs | 13 km 5½ hrs 680 m S/B | Benimeli.38.8205,-0.043208 Take CV729 to Benimeli. In centre of Benimeli turn off CV729 at brown sign "Pou de Baix". Park near outdoor piscina. A very pleasant walk around this rugged mountain with an option to take in the lowest of the three peaks. http://tinyurl.com/k2xeoa8 |
| Wed 9 Mar | À Sanchet À John E. Mail 96 584 6505 620 865 267 Dogs on lead at all times | 16 km 6 hrs 630 m S/B | Guadalest.38.6545,-0.178195 CV70 between La Nucia and Guadalest. Park in Rincon de Pepe's car park and be sure to have a drink there afterwards to reward him. Sanchet circular with wonderful views over Els Castelletts. Well-defined paths throughout. Breakaway groups can go over the summit if you know the way. |
| Wed 9 Mar | Benissa / Gata Circular Mary Gough 96 583 5333 655 676 118 Dogs on lead at all times | 17 km 5½ hrs 880 m VS/C | Benissa.38.730284, 0.053601 At N end of Benissa just before motorway access take small slip road on R and follow sign ' cementeri ' but continue on narrow road to old 'sub station' before tunnels under motorway and park here. A mixture of new and old paths and trails around this popular area with extensive views along the route. |
| Sat 12 Mar | Around Solana del Garrofer from Vall d'Ebo Pauline and Robert Chalmers 645 082 381 No dogs | 12 km 5 hrs 400 m MS/B | Val D'Ebo 38.806480 - 0.157436. From the CV 715 - Orba to Pego road - S.E. of Pego take the CV712 to Val D'Ebo. As you approach Val D'Ebo cross the bridge and park at the edge of the village. An interesting circular walk on tracks marked paths and some quiet country roads, all with nice views. |
| Sat 12 Mar | Font d'Olbis circuit Peter Greene 96 574 3454 620 319 797 No dogs | 13 km 5½ hrs 600 m MS/B | Tarbena. 38.695027 -0.103789. Village car park, Tarbena. Descent into Tarbena valley then long climb for fine views. |
| Sat 12 Mar | À Alt de Xap to Forat À Jon Lyons 96 283 9953 686 148 704 Dogs on lead at all times | 15 km 6 hrs 650 m S/C/Scr | Benirrama. 38.830598,-0.196348. Take CV700 from Pego, direction Planes and turn left to village at km 46.5. Turn right as you enter the village to parking area. Scramble can be avoided using mozarabic path. |
| Wed 16 Mar | Smugglers Cove of Cala Llebeig Del Gadd 679 576 974 No dogs | 7 km 4 hrs 200 m M/B | Moraira. L'Arnella. Take road from Moraira to El Portet for approx. 2 km. At El Manet sign turn left into Camino de la Viuda and carry on for approx.2 km. Route starts along a barranca to Cova Llebeig (smugglers cove), along the undercliff, passing caves to the mirador above, Playa de Moraig (Cumbre del Sol) and returning along the same route. |

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| Wed 16 Mar | Los Tres Pueblos Carol Harbach 96 597 7139 629 283 186 No dogs | 21 km 6 hrs 550 m S/A | Tollos. 38.756141,-0.274626. Turn off CV720 at approx. km10,5 signed to Tollos and park at the entrance to the village. A circular walk linking Tollos, Alcala de la Jovada and Beniaia. Mainly on tracks, some quiet roads and a little on paths. Hopefully another Almond Blossom Walk http://tinyurl.com/orxezro |
| Wed 16 Mar | Benimaurell Loop Ann Price Angie Elliott Ann 646 716 303 Angie 646 930 990 No dogs | 14 km 5½ hrs 650 m S/B | Benimaurell. 38.773696 -0.127234 On entering village take first right and follow road around edge of village in the direction of Alahuar Hotel. Car park on right just before Bar Les Rogetes (old bar Oasis). Mixture of animals tracks (narrow in places), some scrambling and ridge walk before descending back to Benimaurell http://tinyurl.com/qb2x8q5 |
| Sat 19 Mar | Castells Circuit East Ralph Phipps 634 349 370 Dogs on lead at all times | 17 km 5½ hrs 760 m S/A | Castell de Castells. 38.723848 -0.194751. Take the CV720 from Parcent and Benichembla to Castell de Castells. In the village, immediately opposite Hotel Serrella (on the RHS) turn L. After 20 m. turn L again into Calle Jose Antontio and then almost immediately L again down a ramp into the signed parking area. Circular route towards Serella castle before turning along the flanks of Aixorta. Good tracks with stunning views lead to the refugio and back down a short rough descent section to the Forat of "Africa". Well defined tracks now lead across to Pla d'Alt and across the road uphill again before returning down a mozarabic trail to the village. http://tinyurl.com/oel8jss |
| Sat 19 Mar | A Pla de la Casa from Quatretondeta A Peter Greene 96 574 3454 620 319 797 No dogs | 12 km 6 hrs 820 m VS/C | Quatretondeta. 38.725045,-0.314661 Turn left off CV720 in Facheca and drive on CV754 to Quatretondeta – park where you can before you enter the village. Climb up to the highest point on the Serrella ridge with fantastic rock formations (Els Frares), a huge nevera on the way and breathtaking views. Will be taken at a gentle pace. http://tinyurl.com/qgue4yu |
| Wed 23 Mar | A Alfaro Circuit and summit from Tollos A Ralph Phipps 634 349 370 Dogs on lead at all times | 11 km 4½ hrs 550 m MS/B | Tollos. 38.755355 -0.274124. Take the CV720 through Castell de Castells and past Famorca, Facheca and soon afterwards there is a turn to the right to the village of Tollos. Take this and just before reaching the village park on the right in the car park behind a small recreation area. A moderate walk with steep ascent in great surroundings. Circular route along the barranco Malafi and then up a steep track to Alfaro summit with great panoramic views. Return down good tracks. http://tinyurl.com/lx3sy6j |
| Wed 23 Mar | Llosa Leg Stretcher Gordon Gleeson 966 482 103 635 281 284 Dogs on lead at all times | 16 km 6 hrs 650 m S/B | Llosa de Camacho. 38.771584,-0.009209 Meet in car park near Farmacia. From Llosa climb to head of valley and on to Castell d'Aixa. Follow ridge path then descend below Castell de l'Ocaive. before legging it back up to Llosa. |
| Wed 23 Mar | Solana East Circular Andy Marsh 679 060 732 No dogs | 18 km 6½ hrs 930 m VS/B | Lliber. 38.744485,0.003283On Jalon road, on edge of village, by two blocks of new flats, park alongside the flats Ascend steeply through a wood and eventually to Castell d'Aixa. From there on a good and scenic track towards Pedreguer. Return completes a clockwise circuit visiting Font d'Aixa. http://tinyurl.com/ltw2dhk |

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| Sat 26 Mar | Barranco de la Canal circuit - extended Pauline and Robert Chalmers 645 082 381 No dogs | 14 km 5 ½ hrs 620 m S/B | Pego, 38.838337,-0.121558.Plaza del Metge Almela, above Pla de la Font, Paseo Cervantes Plaza A circuit walk around the Barranco de la Canal on roads, well defined paths, rough tracks and one short steep ascent where hands will be helpful. |
| Sat 26 Mar | Λ Cau Summit via Barranco del Cau. Λ Lee O'Neill 96 587 4776 669 735 617 No dogs | 14 km 5 hrs 660 m S/B | Jalon. 38.730152,0.009657 Jalon Valley. Km8 on the CV750, Benissa to Jalon road, opposite Restaurant Venta Roja. This walk takes you up the Barranc del Cau, following the water pipes, mainly good tracks with some minor erosion. Continuing up to and around Tossal de Navarro, finishing with a short scramble up to Cau Summit for lunch. We then continue along the long ridge of the Lloma Larga, finally descending down towards the cars. |
| Sat 26 Mar | Λ Puig Campana Summit and circuit Λ Andy Marsh 679 060 732 Dogs on lead at all times | 16 km 6½ hrs 1,150 m VS/B | Finestrat. 38.57716,-0.2708629 Enter Finestrat on CV761 from La Marina Shopping Centre, Benidorm (Carrefour) At T junction turn right onto CV 758 then after 300m take left turn to Font Molí. After 1km park in the carpark beyond the font. Anti-Clockwise circumnavigation of Puig Campana with a side trip to the summit. |
| Wed 30 Mar | Castell de Castell Rural North John McClelland 646 310 164 No dogs | 13 km 5 hrs 350 m MS/B | Castell de Castells. 38.723848, -0.194751. Take the CV720 from Parcent and Benichembla to Castell de Castells. In the village, immediately opposite Hotel Serrella (on the RHS) turn L. After 20 m. turn L again into Calle Jose Antontio and then almost immediately L again down a ramp into the signed parking area. |
| Wed 30 Mar | El Realet Circuit John E. Mail 96 584 6505 620 865 267 Dogs on lead at all times | 13 km 6 hrs 600 m S/B | Finestrat. 38.57716,-0.2708629. Enter Finestrat on CV761 from La Marina Shopping Centre, Benidorm (Carrefour) At T junction turn right onto CV758 then after 300m take left turn to Font Molí. After 1km park in the carpark beyond the font. We will convoy to the start of the walk. Walk along the slopes of Puig campana with stunning views of Els Castallets. A mixture of forestry tracks and good footpaths over this stunning ridge before we descend into Partida Realet to complete the circuit |
| Wed 30 Mar | Λ Montduver figure of eight Λ Jo Fletcher 96 507 0422 634 349 985 Dogs on lead at all times | 12 km 6 hrs 870 m VS/B | At km 231.2 on the N332 going N look for a Patri supermarket on the RHS. Take the next turning L into a campo road and follow this over the motorway and up into the valley until just before the tarmac ends where there is parking in front of a ruin on the LHS. A route up to the summit of this attractive mountain and then back above some imposing crags to return to the valley. http://tinyurl.com/pemgtrw |
| Sat 2 Apr | Beniali Circuit to La Carrotxa via Pintures Rupestres Jo Fletcher 96 507 0422 634 349 985 Dogs on lead at all times | 12 km 5 hrs 600 m MS/B | Beniali 38.821864, -0.219893 Follow the CV700 from Pego up the Gallinera valley and park in the car park on the LHS on the outskirts of the village as you enter. Exploring the valley sides to gain good views of the Gallinera villages with a chance to add in the ancient cave paintings at the end. http://tinyurl.com/pfnsh3m |

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| Sat 2 Apr | Senija Cross to Tossal de Morro via Fuente del Matta Lee O'Neill 96 587 4776 669 735 617 | 16 km 5½ hrs 680 m S/B | Benissa. 38.741245,0.054406. Just before the Benissa access to the m'way, take the road to the right, direction Cementerio, continue towards M'way for 600m, turn right sign posted Cementerio, and continue on this road/track for 2.2km, parralel with M'way, until you reach tunnel under M'way and park. Be aware your GPS may try to take you on the M'way, because we park under the M'way. A mix of good and rough tracks with a short dry river bed and short scramble down to finish. Part of walk may be scratchy. The walk starts with sharp climb up to the Senija Cross for the banana break with views over to the Bernia.We continue via the Hidden valley towards Fuente del Mata finishing up on Tossal de Morro then down back to the cars with a short tricky descent. |
| No dogs | | | |
| Sat 2 Apr | Penya Roc/Mulero and flanks of Sanchet Mary Gough 96 583 5333 655 676 118 Dogs on lead at all times | 17 km 6 hrs 1,000 m VS/B | Guadalest. 38.65651 -0.19681.CV70 Polop/Guadalest rd. Km.33.5 turn L at sign for Trestellador Hotel then L at next smll.junction and park on layby A tranquil walk with wonderful views of the Castelletts and Aitana on forestand mountain trails http://tinyurl.com/l58g4ny |
| Wed 6 Apr | A Montgo - Denia Cross from Los Lagos A Geoff Cobb 657 259 656 | 13 km 5 hrs 600 m MS | Jesus Pobre. 38.801992,0.094628 Meet at Las Lagos at Km6 on CV 735 Javea to Jesus Pobre road. The walk will be on well defined paths but a little rough underfoot in one or two places. We shall ascend to Denia Cross which is the western summit of Montgo and return via its western slopes. |
| No dogs | | | |
| Wed 6 Apr | Spring Leg Stretcher Ann Price Angie Elliott Ann 646 716 303 Angie 646 930 990 No dogs | 13 km 5 hrs 290 m MS/B | Jalon. 38.73056,-0.015364 Park on the left just past kilometre 2 on the left (leaving Jalon) of the Jalon to Bernia road – CV749. Interesting walk through barrancos Maserof and Baron. Excellent opportunity for observing flora and fauna. |
| Wed 6 Apr | L'Alfaro and Beyond Mary Gough 96 583 5333 655 676 118 | 18 km 6 hrs 800 m VS/C | Famorca.38.731607,-0.24588. Take CV720 from Castell de Castelles to Famorca,turn L into Famorca and park in main street/square. An early ascent up an old winding hunters path leads to Alfaro summit,then head down towards Malafi and wind along through Tollos, bypass Benimassot and follow a forest trail to Facheca then a country path to return to cars in Famorca. |
| Dogs on lead at all times | | | |
| Sat 9 Apr | Tormos to Isbert's Dam via Pla 12 de la Costera Ralph Phipps 634 349 370 | 12 km 5 hrs 470 m MS/B | Tormos. 38.799124,-0.076498 Coming from the south (Orba) on the CV715 at the outskirts of the village turn L (signposted to Costera del Moll) into Calle Pozo. Take the next L (Carrer Val de Llaguart) and then take the 2nd turn on the RHS just after the bins. Drive to the end opposite a plaza and turn L into Avenguda Joan Carles I. Drive a few hundred metres along this and park in the large car park on the LHS opposite the public piscina. A short level walk brings us to the foot of the Costera where we follow a slightly overgrown mozarabic trail steadily upwards for most of today's climb. Once on the Pla we follow a rough track on the flanks of Mediodia before descending on a good mozarabic trail towards Isbert's Dam which we reach for lunch. A gently undulating return brings us through the campo and back to Tormos. |
| Dogs on lead at all times http://tinyurl.com/lstqb2p | | | |

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| Sat 9 Apr | ⚠ Olta summit and circuit ⚠ Jean Russell 96 583 6261 626 522 161 No dogs | 14 km 5½ hrs 600 m S/B/Scr | Calpe. 38.64791, 0.050249. Tennis club (coming into Calpe from the N332, turn left at the Mas y Mas Centro Comercial roundabout and park by the tennis club or opposite). A different route up to the campsite and then an alternative circuit and summit but anticlockwise and including some new tracks. http://tinyurl.com/ozjqgy6 |
| Sat 9 Apr | Morro de la Ventolana, extended Lee O'Neill 96 587 4776 669 735 617 No dogs | 19 km 6 hrs 600 m S/B | Jalon. 38.730658, -0.015453. Take the Jalon to Bernia road, the CV749 and at approx. 2km, park on the left. Take care coming from Jalon because you will need to cross the road on a bend. The first part of the walk is on Mozarabic paths, part of the dead dog walk, then on towards Planisses area then divert upto Bernia camping area for lunch. Continuing towards el Masserof, then onto rear of restaurant Verde Vent, completed by walking down the Barranc de la Cova on a good track. |
| Wed 13 Apr | Drova Valley Circuit Dick Handscombe 96 280 7083 662 277 487 No dogs | 14 km 4 hrs 200 m M | Barx. 39.011052, -0.299152 Town Hall car park, 14 km from Gandia. Take second exit off N332 Gandia bypass signposted Gandia/Barx. At roundabout at end of slip road take second exit effectively turning left onto CV 675. Follow road through orange groves, houses windy mountain road to La Drova and continue onto main village of Barx. At roundabout the big new town hall will be on your right. Take first exit and immediately turn right, right again and right again into car park. Scenic walk on mainly good tracks. And paths. A few sections stoney and steeper. Lunch available after walk....bookings taken at start of walk. |
| Wed 13 Apr | Costera de Baldres Jon Lyons 96 283 9953 686 148 704 Dogs on lead at all times | 13 km 5 hrs 500 m MS/C | Beniali. 38.821972,-0.220006. Car Park at edge of village on the CV700 Pego to Planes road. Mozarabic paths up to forestry track. Fine views of Forada Ridge. Return beside river bed. |
| Wed 13 Apr | ⚠ Forada from Al Patro ⚠ Ralph Phipps 634 349 370 Dogs on lead at all times | 14 km 6 hrs 825 m VS/B | Al Patro. 38.820434,-0.262967 .Drive up Gallinera Valley from Pego on the CV700 and through the outskirts of Alpatro. As you leave the village there is a road down to the right signposted to Benisili and Llombai. After a couple of zigzags this lead off to the right towards a planned new residencia. Park here. Some tarmac up the valley and then steep ascent on good track to Benisili castle. Then along the ridge on rough paths before eventually reaching the Forada. From here a descent takes us along the flanks of the ridge on good tracks and some tarmac directly to Alpatro and a choice of two bars! http://tinyurl.com/os9fp63 |
| Sat 16 Apr | ⚠ Segaria summit from the East ⚠ John Male 678 351 576 No dogs | 11 km 5 hrs 700 m S/B | Benimeli. 38.820284,-0.043302 Take CV729 to Benimeli and park where possible. If congested turn off the CV729 at brown sign "Pou de Baix" where more places should be available and go to the church square where the walk begins A very pleasant walk for the main part around this rugged mountain with a tough ascent over some rocky ground to the summit. http://tinyurl.com/m7vzsjh |

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| Sat 16 Apr | A Aixorta from Bolulla Castle A John E. Mail 96 584 6505 620 865 267 | 14 km 6 hrs 830 m VS/B | Bolulla 38.696167,-0.131562 Bolulla Castle. At Km 45.7 on Tarbena.Bolulla, CV 715, Road turn North and drive approx 3.5km to end of paved surface. A circular route to this stunning summit along mostly well defined paths - but the odd bit of cross country work for interest. Long ascents - but at a moderate pace. http://tinyurl.com/oghtxb5 |
| Sat 16 Apr | A Mount Raya A Jon Lyons 96 283 9953 686 148 704 | 15 km 5 hrs 850 m VS/B/Scr | Tavernes de la Valldigna. 39.077017, -0.263007. North of Gandia. Turn right off the N332 at the BP petrol station onto the CV50 Alzira road. After the third roundabout turn right up C/Pintor Sorolla, signed Club de Tennis and park at the top of the hill. Climb up mozarabic path to ridge along it to summit, views across plain to Valencia, then down to forestry track and return down a spectacular mozarabic path to cars. http://tinyurl.com/odp6xh4 |
| Wed 20 Apr | Tormos circuit via Isbert's Dam, Campell and Fontilles Martin Dunkley 635 113 988 or +447966466175 | 13 km 5 hrs 450 m MS/B | Tormos. 38.799124,-0.076498 Coming from the south (Orba) on the CV715 at the outskirts of the village turn L (signposted to Costera del Moll) into Calle Pozo. Take the next L (Carrer Val de Llaguart) and then take the 2nd turn on the RHS just after the bins. Drive to the end opposite a plaza and turn L into Avinguda Joan Carles I. Drive a few hundred metres along this and park in the large car park on the LHS opposite the public piscina. Leave Tormos on cart track to Isbert's Dam from where we traverse through a tunnel (torches useful), climb on a mozarabic trail to Campell and then for a short while on tarmac (1km) past the camp site before re-joining a mozarabic trail descending towards Fontilles. There we cross the river, ascend briefly and then descend across the main mountain road and shortly return to the Inferno valley floor and back to Tormos. http://tinyurl.com/n9stu69 |
| Wed 20 Apr | Castells Combo Andy Marsh 679 060 732 | 19 km 6 hrs 750 m S/B | Castells de Castells. 38.723848, -0.194751 Take the CV720 from Parcent and Benichembla to Castells de Castells. In the village, immediately opposite Hotel Serella (on RHS) turn L. After 20m, turn L again into Calle Jose Antonio and then almost immediately L again down a ramp into the signed parking area. A circular walk combining parts of Foyes Valley, Castells South & East Circuits and the foothills of Aixorta. A mixture of broad forestry tracks, marked paths, mozarabic paths and a few rough tracks. Walked at a 'brisk pace' |
| Wed 20 Apr | Barranco Encantada Jon Lyons 96 283 9953 686 148 704 | 14 km 6 hrs 620 m S/C/Scr | Planes. 38.787392 -0.322745. From Km 35 on CV 700 turn right along camino rural to river bed and park. Mainly on high ground with good views. Will the barranco be fit to walk? Worth the journey, good views of lake and mountains. http://tinyurl.com/mgtcyn7 |
| 21 st to 25 th April. CBMW trip to Montserrat. Trip Full | | | |
| Sat 23 Apr | Gata Loop Peter Barraclough 96 584 6672 669 873 159 No dogs | 10 km 4 hrs 50 m M /B | Gata. 38.776739, 0.082817 Partida Trossets. The Gata main Road, N332 look out for a turning with blue and white bollards, park where you can and meet opposite Trossets Bar. A nice circular walk |

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| Sat 23 Apr | Alcala de la Jovada circuit John Male 678 351 576 No dogs | 26 km 7½ hrs 840 m VS/B | Val D'Ebo. 38.80654,-0.157267 From the CV 715 -Orba to Pego road - SE of Pego take the CV712 to Vall d'Ebo. As you approach Vall d'Ebo go over the bridge, straight on and park at the edge of the village. Although a VS because of length and ascent, with the exception of a toughish ascent within the first hour, this is a moderate walk, mainly on good tracks/forestry roads which will be taken at a fairly brisk pace. Come along - you'll be sure to get a good nights sleep! http://tinyurl.com/ojxwn84 |
| Sat 23 Apr | A Serrella&Pla de la Casa A Jon Lyons 96 283 9953 686 148 704 Dogs on lead at all times | 18 km 5½ hrs 1,050 m VS/C/Scr | Facheca 38.734787,-0.270088. In Facheca village on CV720 west of Castell de Castells. Climbing up to Pla de la Casa with its nevera, along the ridge to Serrella and return by a mozarabic path. |
| Wed 27 Apr | Albert's Peak Val d'Ebo Carol Harbach 96 597 7139 629 283 186 No dogs | 10 km 4 hrs 400 m M/B | Val D'Ebo. 38.80654,-0.157267. From the CV 715 -Orba to Pego road - SE of Pego take the CV712 to Vall d'Ebo. As you approach Vall d'Ebo go over the bridge, straight on and park at the edge of the village. A walk mostly on good tracks and paths. Optional lunch in "Bar Capri" after the walk. http://tinyurl.com/kcq6wzk |
| Wed 27 Apr | Penyals Mica and Ampla and Barranco del Cao Mary Gough 96 583 5333 655 676 118 Dogs on lead at all times | 16 km 5½ hrs 680 m S/C/Scr | Jalon. 38.730483 -0.015413. Turn off CV750 Benissa /Jalon Road near fuel station in Jalon wind up and onto CV749 Jalon /Benissa Road at KM.1 park near animal corral on R. A forgotten summit ,an old walk of Malcolm Blakeney, alternative route up Alt d'Ampla and return via newly cut Barranco del Cao includes an optional scramble. http://tinyurl.com/p3dqt4a |
| Sat 30 Apr | 5 Pueblos Helen&Mike Granville 96 579 1423 620 287 970 Dogs on lead at all times | 12 km 4½ hrs 450 m MS/A | Beniali. 38.821972,-0.220006 Follow the CV700 from Pego, through Adsubia and reach the car park (with bins) at the outskirts of the village. Route takes upwards towards the Forada ridge under the Forat and on to visit five of the eight villages in the beautiful Vall de Gallinera. http://tinyurl.com/pucw9pw |
| Sat 30 Apr | Beniaia Circuit Carol Harbach 96 597 7139 629 283 186 No dogs | 17 km 5 hrs 400 m S/A | Alcala de la Jovada 38.794266,-0.254552. Park at edge of village near swimming pool. From the Orba to Pego road near Pego take the CV712 signed to Vall d'Ebo. Continue past Vall d'Ebo to Alcala de la Jovada. A circular walk mainly on tracks, some quiet roads and a short path. Wonderful views. http://tinyurl.com/n8rwh4v |
| Sat 30 Apr | Almadich and Barranco del Bous Jon Lyons 96 283 9953 686 148 704 Dogs on lead at all times | 11½ km 4 ½ hrs 600 m S/B | Benichembla. 38.75405, -0.111794. Bar Bon Aire, Benichembla on CV720 between Parcent and Castell de Castells http://tinyurl.com/pjvhnx6 |
| Wed 4 May | Rates Circuit&Summit Gordon Gleeson 966 482 103 635 281 284 Dogs on lead at all times | 12 km 5 hrs 550 m MS/B | Jalon. 38.743842,-0.016783 Rastro site. May have to pay for parking! Meet outside Aleluya Bar. Circumvent Rates clockwise with excursion to the optional summit. Then descending through the Vall de Pop and to Jalon. |

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| Wed 4 May | A Segaria 3 Summits A Jon Lyons 96 283 9953 686 148 704 Dogs on lead at all times | 15 km 5 hrs 600 m S/C | Beniarbeig 38.833105,-0.009495 Park Natural Segaria. From south along Ondara by-pass take Pego/El Verger exit, follow the El Verger sign. Turn left at the roundabout, over the river, then left at next roundabout, Orba and Beniarbeig road. After 200m turn right at Partida Vinyals signed PR 415 to parque. |
| Wed 4 May | A circuit over Solana del Garrofer. David Harbach 96 597 7139 608 304 342 Dogs on lead at all times | 16 km 6 hrs 680 m S/B | Val D'Ebo. 38.806480 , -0.157436. From the CV 715 -Orba to Pego road - SE of Pego take the CV712 to Vall d'Ebo. As you approach Vall d'Ebo go over the bridge, straight on and park at the edge of the village. A rewarding walk mainly on marked or well used paths and a little on a quiet country road. There is a little "off-piste" but this is good underfoot and not scratchy. A must for the views. Lovely views throughout particularly from the summit of Tossal Grau http://tinyurl.com/pohg892 |
| Sat 7 May | Bernia Circuit Peter Greene 96 574 3454 620 319 797 No dogs | 14 km 5½ hrs 500 m MS/B | Jalon. 38.672142-0.046039. Bernia Inn, km 11.6 on CV749 from Jalon to Benissa. A very good circular walk around the Sierra Bernia in an anticlockwise direction with great views NSE&W. on mainly reasonable tracks http://tinyurl.com/oz9mayq |
| Sat 7 May | A Mitjorn, Xixona A John E. Mail 96 584 6505 620 865 267 No dogs | 12 km 6 hrs 800 m S/C/Scr | Jijona 38.4613, -0.4696. On CV 800 (ex N340) from Campello to Alcoy, km 6.5 Bar "Venta Strambotik". To get there take AP7 to junction with CV 800 and then head towards Alcoy for about 3km. Bar is on right-hand side of road. (This takes only 35 minutes from Altea Junction 64 on AP7) Ascent to summit (1224m), with a small section of scrambling. Stunning views for 100km in all directions. Return via spectacular Barranco de las Cuevas de los Corrales. |
| Wed 11 May | Serrella castle - extended. Andy Marsh 679 060 732 No dogs | 13 km 5 hrs 500 m MS/B | Castell de Castells. 38.723848 -0.194751. Take the CV720 from Parcent and Benichembla to Castell de Castells. In the village, immediately opposite Hotel Serrella (on the RHS) turn L. After 20 m. turn L again into Calle Jose Antontio and them almost immediately L again down a ramp into the signed parking area. A circular walk all on good paths and broad forestry tracks. Stunning views on a clear day especially from the castle. |
| Wed 11 May | A Two summits of Montgo (Experienced Walkers Only) A Geoff Ellis 96 642 6488 696 032 882 No dogs | 13 km 5 hrs 810 m VS/B/Scr/X | Jesus Pobre. 38.801992 0.094628.Los Lagos. km 6 on CV735 between La Xara (near Denia) and Javea. Turn into Los Lagos, then immediately left and park. Via the Jesus Pobre gulley, the walk proceeds first to the main summit and then back to the Denia Cross taking the ridge route. Walkers should note that this section is difficult under foot and slightly exposed in a couple of places. Return to Los Lagos via the length of the Montgo. |
| Sat 14 May | Benichembla Stroll Martin Brain 96 558 1920 Dogs on lead at all times | 9 km 3 hrs 250 m M/B 10:30 | Benichembla. 38.753949,-0.111884. Note different start time. Bar Bon Aire, Benichembla on CV720 between Parcent and Castell de Castells A gentle circular stroll around the basin below El Mirabo to Font de Alt. 90% on sound tracks. Lunch at Bon Aire . |

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| Sat 14 May | A Bernia Circuit from Pinos A Sue Bonser 966493855 627269919 No dogs | 15 km 5 hrs 510 m MS/A | Benissa. 38.6794838, -0.015106, From Calpe take the N332 towards Benissa. Before reaching Benissa, 750 meters after the KM 175 post, turn L, signposted Jalon, (CV750). In 100 meters again take the LH road signposted Pinos, (CV749). Drive 8 km to Pinos Restaurant on your RHS. From the 19 km post in Pinos drive 700 meters to a bridge. Cross the bridge and immediately turn R onto surfaced road and park (Walk ends here). 759771E 4285706N. Alternatively, continue up the road 200 meters to a bend. Ample parking. A circular walk from Pinos, up to Bernia Font then down back into Pinos valley. The walk eventually takes us – weather permitting - up a little-walked wide stream bed with interesting rock formations, before returning up the valley to the cars. http://tinyurl.com/otddoak |
| Sat 14 May | A Miserat Summit & part Solana del Garrofer Ridge A John Male 678 351 576 No dogs | 12 km 5½ hrs 630 m S/C | Val D'Ebo. 38.807125 – 0.157471. From the CV 715 -Orba to Pego road - SE of Pego take the CV712 to Vall d'Ebo. As you approach Vall d'Ebo go over the bridge, straight on and park at the edge of the village. A very pleasant walk for the main part around this rugged mountain with a tough ascent over some rocky ground to the summit. http://tinyurl.com/lwkjd8t |
| Wed 18 May | Bernia Tunnel Peter Greene 96 574 3454 620 319 797 No dogs | 12 km 4½ hrs 300 m MS/B | Jalon. 38.672142,-0.046039 Bernia Inn, km 11.6 on CV749 from Jalon to Benissa. Route involves a crawl through a short, low cave to emerge on the south face of the Sierra Bernia with views over Altea, Benidorm and beyond. Return via the old fort. Rough tracks and some scree underfoot. Optional lunch at Peon De Penos restaurant. http://tinyurl.com/n9stu69 |
| Wed 18 May | Senija Cross and Cova Garganta Geoff Ellis 96 642 6488 696 032 882 Dogs on lead at all times | 6 km 3 hrs 300 m M/B 10:30 | Senija. 38.727882,0.042819, Ave Cortes Valencia on new wide road to back of Senija. From Benissa fork right at beginning of village; from Lliber double back left at end of village and park anywhere legal on wide road. Optional lunch at end of walk. See menu on web-site in Stop Press at end of April. Names and choices to leader at least 4 days ahead. Short Scramble. |
| Sat 21 May | Alt D'Ample John McClelland 646 310 164 No dogs | 14 km 5 hrs 435 m MS/B | Jalon. 38.731348, -0.012445. Take the cemetery road that runs between the petrol station and the Tot Util Ferreteria. At the end go round a bend to the right and park immediately on the right. Magnificent views over patchwork hues of the Jalon Valley. http://tinyurl.com/nntayk4 |

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| Sat 21 May | Aldea De Las Cuevas Circuit Jo Fletcher | 14 km 5 hrs | Pedreguer. 38.797891, 0.009392 . From Pedreguer head out of town on the CV720 heading towards Llosa de Camacho/Alcalali. Before leaving the town TR onto CV 733 signed to Benidoleig. After 2 kms park along the white wall. From Orba head to Benidoleig on CV 731. At Benidoleig head towards Pedreguer on CV733. Pass the Restaurant El Cid and the Benidoleig caves. Go straight on for about 3km until the 2km post where you park between the Restaurant and the Garden Centre. |
| | 96 507 0422 634 349 985 | 480 m MS/B | A new walk around a little walked valley. The walk starts with a climb out of the 'Bull Farm' valley on a Mozarabic path. The path, track and roads lead to a good viewing point for lunch before descending back above the Llosa/Pedreguer valley with views of the Castells d'Aixa ridge. Although this route is all on marked paths there is a section that is very uneven |

Dogs on lead at all times

End of Season Walk Lunch -25th May

Details Lunch is at Bar Tormos in Tormos at 1:30. Cost 12€

Primero a. Ensalada Mixta. (Mixed salad) b. Revuelto to Vegetal. (Scrambled vegetables) c. Sopa de Pollo. (Chicken soup) d. Macarrones Bolones

Segundo e. Chuleta de Cerdo.(Pork chop) f. Pollo Asada. (Chicken) g. Lasana Bolonesa h. Pescado.(Fish) Postre, pan, 1/2 Botella vino per person, Agua.

Pay on the day.

To book please email : theresaaboyle@yahoo.co.uk and let us know your choice of starter and main course. All people booking should receive a confirmation email. Please email again if you don't get a confirmation as we may not have booked you in.

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| Wed 25 May | Tormos Stroll Angela Colgate 96 640 4192 652 596 973 No dogs | 7 km 2 hrs 100 m E/A 11:00 | Tormos, 38.801776, -0.070108. Note different Start time. Restaurant Tormos, Calle Santa Cruz,32. A gentle stroll towards the dam, returning through the orange groves |
| Wed 25 May | Tormos easy circuit via Isbert's 9 dam. Peter Greene | 3 km hrs | Tormos.38.799158, -0.076518 Coming from the south (Orba) on the CV715 at the outskirts of the village turn L (signposted to Costeradel Moll) into Calle Pozo. Take the next L (Carrer Val de Llaguart) and then take the 2nd turn on the RHS. Drive to the end opposite a plaza and turn L into Avenguda Joan Carles I. Drive a few hundred metres along this and park in the large car park on the LHS opposite the public piscina. |
| | 96 574 3454 620 319 797 | 252 m M/A | A pleasant afternoon stroll or pre-lunch appetizer in dramatic countryside. |

No dogs

<http://tinyurl.com/pdqx84d>

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