

## CBMW Programme 2020

Wednesday 07 Oct to Saturday 30 Jan



### Message from the Chair

When I was elected Chair on the 4th of February 2020 I expected that the CBMW had begun the usual walking programme. No one could have guessed that a 'Pandemic' had started and that Spain would declare a 'State of Alarm' on the 14th of March, which would last until the 21st of June. Thankfully the 'New Normality' then began and we were able to finalise the Autumn Walking Programme. We also put in place a shortened summer programme for August and September.

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The work of the Secretariat continued during the 'State of Alarm' via video conferencing. We have sourced and obtained the new fob wallets and inserts, the annual labels and the fob information sheets. We must thank Colin Reid all for his significant contribution to this development. The new fobs will hold information, which can be used in an emergency, as when there have been accidents in the mountains; important information for the emergency services has been difficult to find for those injured. The fobs will continue to cost 3 euros each, as this is our funding for our website and our contingency fund. This fund is used for essential expenditure such as first aid items but is also there if we have to cope with any major website problems.

We have also produced an information leaflet about the CBMW. This is to ensure that people who are interested in walking in the Costa Blanca area can get information about us at local tourist and information sites and hopefully join our walks.

I thank the Secretariat for all their hard work despite, because of these difficult times, being in different locations [England, Wales and Spain] and having to use video conferencing for meetings.

The Autumn Programme contains 81 walks and we also have in place the Opening Meet, the 'Celebrating the Sierras' festival and the New Year's Day walk. We will continue to ensure that your safety in respect of walking and our social events will be our priority and take any necessary action if there is a second spike of the virus.

Thank you for continuing to support our walks and festivals and a special thanks to all our Leaders for continuing to offer to lead walks, with all the hard work that this entails.

I look forward to a successful walking season and hope to meet with many of you on our walks,

Stay safe,  
Veronica



We have a Facebook Group page open to anyone who walks with us. You must already have a Facebook account to join the group. See our website (Contact Us) for details of how to apply to join the group.

## 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. It is very important that walkers assess their ability to complete the walks taking into account the walk gradings below. If you have any doubts about the nature of the walk then please telephone the leader for clarification.

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

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

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

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

**VS - Very Strenuous:** More than 800 metres total ascent 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 and a whistle.
6. Carry adequate clothing and always waterproofs as the weather in the mountains can change quickly. Remember that there is always the possibility of having to remain on the mountain during the night in an emergency.
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. Take all rubbish home with you including orange and banana skins.
9. Do not pick fruit.
10. Walking poles when not in use should be carried with the points facing forwards and down.
11. 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.
12. In times of bad weather walkers should phone the leader if in doubt about whether the walk will go ahead.
13. If individuals intend to leave the group during a walk they should inform the leader and ensure that their names are removed from the
14. Everyone who walks with us is expected to make an annual contribution towards the cost of our websites and display the current year's "fob" on their rucksack. One fob only, please. Ideally, ID should always be carried together with a contact name in case of emergency (ICE).

## INSURANCE

### PLEASE BE AWARE THAT WE DO NOT HAVE PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE therefore we STRONGLY

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](http://www.femecv.com) (in Spanish) or [www.aacuk.org.uk](http://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

A walk leader may terminate a walk at his/her discretion at any time. During times of persistent bad weather the walk leader will endeavour to ascertain the latest accurate weather conditions predicted in the area of the walk and if the latest information is extreme, or if it has rained (or snowed) excessively during the previous night, the walk leader is not obliged to go to the start of the walk. In times of bad weather please telephone the walk leader if you are in doubt.

Website to check weather forecast [www.aemet.es](http://www.aemet.es)

## AND FINALLY

**Remember to check Stop Press on the website for information on any unavoidable changes to walks, new walks added to the programme or changes resulting from the impact of Covid 19.**

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). Whilst every effort is made to ensure accuracy the time stated for each walk will always depend on the fitness and ability of the walkers, and the conditions on the day of the walk.

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Date	Route / Leaders/ Phone	Stats/Grade/ Start time	Meeting Point / Route Description /Link to Walksinspain (where available)
Wednesday 07 Oct	Opening Meet. Leader Various		Openng Meet Walks and Lunch. 3 walks, graded E, MS and VS . All starting in Parcent from the Piscina Bar with optional lunch afterwards. To help us with our planning, we ask everyone who is coming to complete a form to indicate which walk you want to do and whether you are staying for lunch. "Fobs" will be on sale here - arrive in plenty of time to buy yours. Please see website - <a href="http://bit.ly/2W7A1wz">http://bit.ly/2W7A1wz</a> for more details.
Saturday 10 Oct	Lliber to Senija Circular Leader David & Teresa Brain 96 543 2020 +44 7921 010 142  Dogs on lead at all times	11 km 3 hrs 225m M/B	Lliber. 38.743023, 0.00611. Lliber square next to church. Lliber. Village is in Jalon Valley on CV 750 between Senija and Jalon  Returning via the riverbed valley back to Lliber. This moderate walk will be taken at a gentle pace. Volunteer needed to write up. See Note 1 for info.
Saturday 10 Oct	Els Despoblats Moriscos Leader Jo Fletcher  634 349 985  Dogs on lead at rear	14 km 4 hrs 370m MS/A	Alcala de la Jovada 38.79408,-0.25385. 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.  This is the perfect walk for walkers wishing to remain on good surfaces. The walk is entirely on country roads so is perfect for those wishing to look around at the wonderful scenery and the many places of interest in the high Alcala valley. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/o4hxq9u">http://tinyurl.com/o4hxq9u</a>
Wednesday 14 Oct	Tormos Stroll Leader Angela Colgate 96 640 4192 652 596 973  No dogs	8 ½ km 3 hrs 200m E/A	Tormos. 38.801776, -0.070108. Restaurant Tormos, Calle Santa Cruz,32.  A walk towards the dam on wide tracks, crossing the dry river bed to walk through the tunnel and returning alongside the river, through the orange groves and back to Tormos Restaurant. Volunteer needed to write up. See Note 1 for info.
Wednesday 14 Oct	Dry Waterfall Walk Leader Annette & Tony Shaw +44 7974 949 440  No dogs	12 km 5 hrs 455m MS/C/Scr	Lleus Plaza. 38.679402, 0.013518. From Benissa along the N332 towards Calpe, turn right after the bridge with sign posted Casa de Maco restaurant, then follow signs to Lleus and La Brisa. At La Brisa take a sharp RH bend to Lleus Plaza. If coming from the Altea direction it is illegal to turn left at the bridge, therefore you will need to travel towards Benissa and turn round when it is legal and return to the bridge.  Lleus to Tossel de Pinos via Barranc with waterfall scramble <a href="https://tinyurl.com/yd8wq9bc">https://tinyurl.com/yd8wq9bc</a>

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Saturday 17 Oct	Low Olta circuit from Lleus Leader Annette and Tony Shaw +44 7974 949 440	12 km 4 hrs 320m M/B	Lleus Plaza.38.679402, 0.013518. From Benissa along the N332 towards Calpe, turn right after the bridge with sign posted Casa de Maco restaurante, then follow signs to Lleus and La Brisa. At La Brisa take a sharp RH bend to Lleus Plaza. If coming from the Altea direction it is illegal to turn left at the bridge, therefore you will need to travel towards Bennisa and turn round when it is legal and return to the bridge.  Dogs on a lead at all times  Easy walk round Olta track defined path up from Lleus excellent views Volunteer needed to write up. See Note 1 for info.
Saturday 17 Oct	Tossal Verd via Orbeta from Benidoleig Leader Jo Fletcher  634 349 985  Dogs on leads at all times.	13 km 5 hrs 485m MS/A	Benidoleig. 38.792867, -0.028077 Meet at Bar Ballestra. Enter Benidoleig using the CV 731 or CV733. At the roundabout in Benidoleig park close to the Bar Ballestra. There is parking around the bus stop and the area by the recycle bins. There is additional parking behind the newly built houses and if busy there is also parking 50m up the road by the side of the Farmacia.  The route starts in Benidoleig and takes us above the village before navigating on good paths towards Orba. On reaching the area of Orbeta we gently climb to the ridge above the Orba valley and head back towards Benidoleig. It is here that there are a couple of sections where the path has been cut back (Oct 18) but could still be a bit scratchy. You will be greeted by great views of the Orba valley and beyond along this hidden gem of a route. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/kr266s6">https://tinyurl.com/kr266s6</a>
Wednesday 21 Oct	Font Mata and Beyond Leader David & Teresa Brain 96 502 0432 +44 7921 010 142  No dogs	10 km 3½ hrs 269m M/B	Benissa.38.729968, 0.055838, Just before the Benissa access to the motorway take the small slip road on the right and follow signs to the "cementerio" and meet there. There will be a very short drive to the start of the walk.  This is a lovely walk with two very short but steep climbs that will be taken slowly but the reward is magnificent 360 deg views Volunteer needed to write up. See Note 1 for info.
Wednesday 21 Oct	A Peñya Mijhorn & Baranco de las Corales A Leader John and Clodagh Mail 96 584 6505 J 620 865 267 C 647 894 157  No dogs	10.2 km 5 hrs 720m S/C/Scr	Xixona. 38.4583, -0.5044. Bar/Rte Venta Strombotik at km 6.5 on CV800 (N340) from San Joan to Alcoy. From Benissa take AP7 towards Alicante. Stay on AP7 where motorway splits and leave at junction for Alcoy – CV800. From Benissa toll to cafe 35minutes. N332 free but 20 minutes more.  Car shuttle set up then ascent to summit (1224m), with a small section of scrambling with exposure. Stunning views for 100km in all directions. Return via spectacular Barranco de las Cuevas de los Corrales. Lots of fossils to find too. Volunteer needed to write up. See Note 1 for info.
Saturday 24 Oct	Lliber Wander. Leader Angela Colgate 96 640 4192 652 596 973  Dogs on lead at all times	7 km 2 ½ hrs 100m E/B	Lliber. 38.74458, 0.018779. Val de Pop restaurant, km 8.35, CV 748, Lliber to Gata road. ( from Lliber drive towards Senija, CV 745, and as you leave Lliber take the left turning CV 748 towards Gata, at Km 8.35, about 1 Km, the restaurant is signposted to the left by the post boxes and basuras, the large restaurant car park is 100m along this road on the left)  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. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/gnqm68a">http://tinyurl.com/gnqm68a</a>

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Saturday 24 Oct	El Forat Negre (Fig Tree Walk) Leader Martin Dunkley  635 113 988 or +447966466175  No dogs	11.4 km 4½ hrs 580m MS/A	Benigambla. 38.750603,-0.157757 On CV720 from Parcent towards Castell de Castells, just passed km30, cross rio Jalon and park on far side of the bridge.  Long steady ascent to magnificent views. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/yacnttkc">https://tinyurl.com/yacnttkc</a>
Wednesday 28 Oct	G's 'New Normal' legstretcher Leader Gordon Gleeson 634344113 966482103  Dogs on lead at rear at all times	14 km 4.5 hrs 560m MS/B	Alcalali, 38.748127 -0.04595 CV 720 km40.5 (Alcalali to Parcent, just over Rio Gorgos)  Twisting through Alcalali campo, and climbing up SL-CV 119 to Mirador Coll de Rates. Then down the PR-CV158 to explore hidden trails cerca Parcent. Not written up
Wednesday 28 Oct	A Miserat Summit (optional) A via Castell Gallinera Leader Sandy Blair +44 7840 930328  No dogs	19 km 6½ hrs 850m VS/B	Pego, 38.838379,-0.121313.Plaza del Metge Almela, above Pla de la Font, Paseo Cervantes Plaza.  A toughish walk with a mixture of marked roads, tracks and footpaths (with the exception of the optional summit which is over open but not scratchy ground). Fabulous views from the summit. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/lyvvoel">https://tinyurl.com/lyvvoel</a>
Saturday 31 Oct	Vall de Ebo to the Pla Dels Corralets Leader Jo Fletcher  634 349 985  Dogs on lead at all times	9.7 km 4 hrs 323m M/B	Vall 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. (Also car park behind Bar L'Entra.)  A varied walk with views around the Val D'Ebo. The walk takes in a series of gentle climbs on roads, tracks and paths with a couple of minor but easy clambers over some rocks on a marked Y/W path. The return is on a Mozarabic path which has been disrupted by wild boars so is rough underfoot in places (mountain terrain). The walk is taken at a gentle pace. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/yacyb7jlx">https://tinyurl.com/yacyb7jlx</a>
Saturday 31 Oct	Dos Fuentes Arechinos Circuit Leader Mary Gough 655 676 118  No Dogs	10 km 5½ hrs 550m MS/C	Benimaurell. lat.38.768538 long. - 0.151607 . On entering Benimaurell take first R and follow round edge of village .past Bar Les Rogetes ( Oasis ) , L at bins and continue up to Col and park near bar /restaurantlat.38.768538 long. - 0.151607 . On entering Benimaurell take first R and follow round edge of village .past Bar Les Rogetes ( Oasis ) , L at bins and continue up to Col and park near bar /restaurant  Spectacular views from this popular ridge ,then descend down a reopened path , visit 2 Fonts , pass 2 ruins before ascending to reach and scramble up the rock strewn Arechinos and return across scrubland to the cars. <a href="http://bit.ly/2O4F6Q7">http://bit.ly/2O4F6Q7</a>

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Saturday 31 Oct	Sierra de Sireret via Rio Ebo – In reverse Leader Sandy Blair +44 7840 930328	14 km 6 hrs 680m S/C/Scr	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. (Also car park behind Bar L'Entra.)  A hard but pleasant walk with much over rough (but not too scratchy) terrain. A beautifully remote area with stunning panoramic views. Make sure you don't miss it <a href="http://tinyurl.com/lkphwq2">http://tinyurl.com/lkphwq2</a>
Wednesday 04 Nov	Celebrate the Sierras' (part 1) - Bernia. Leader Various		Variety of walks with pop up bar and picnic. For more information see <a href="https://bit.ly/2VUO8DH">https://bit.ly/2VUO8DH</a> or contact <a href="mailto:social@cbmwalkers.org">social@cbmwalkers.org</a> .  0 0  0
Saturday 07 Nov	Senija Cross and Cova Garganta Leader Eric Ferguson 965 744 061 693 754 069  Dogs on lead at all times	5½ km 3 hrs 300m M/B  NOTE START TIME 10:30	Senija. 38.727882,0.042819, Ave Cortes Valencia on new wide road to back of Senija. Note different start time. From Benissa fork right at beginning of village; from Lliber double back left at end of village and park anywhere legal on wide road.  An attractive and pleasant walk from Senija using a mix of old mule tracks, good tracks, with one short semi-scramble towards the Cave and a short road walk back to Senija. Excellent all round views of the coast and Jalon valley from the Cross and ridge at the summit of Les Basetes. Optional lunch in Senija at the end of the walk, please advise names to the leader at least 4 days ahead. Volunteer needed to write up. See Note 1 for info.
Saturday 07 Nov	Monte Castellet Short Circuit Leader Richard and Hazel Marsden  +44 7813 039 810.  No dogs	9.3 km 4¼ hrs 585m MS/A	Finestrat. 38.5962017,-0.2195298 , From the centere crossroads in Finestrat drive N to Font Moli. From here continue along the "main" surfaced road 3.4 km to a junction with a surfaced road going up R. This is the start and has parking for at least 4 cars. (N.B. More roads are being surfaced in this area).  Varied walk almost all on forestry tracks with short riverbed stretch and one mozarabic path. Taken at a moderate pace. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/l4x56bw">http://tinyurl.com/l4x56bw</a>
Saturday 07 Nov	Font d'Olbis circuit Leader Peter Greene  620 319 797  No dogs	14 km 5 hrs 675m S/B	Tarbena 38.695027, - 0.103789 From CV715 Tarbena / Parcent road turn into car park near childrens' play area in Tarbena  A delightful walk with constantly changing scenery along generally easy tracks and paths with a finish looking over Paso Tancat – a wonderful gorge. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/l6yqapm">https://tinyurl.com/l6yqapm</a>
Wednesday 11 Nov	Iberian settlement via flank of Montgo Leader Pat Moss  617 809 331  No dogs	11 km 5 hrs 260m M	Jesus Pobre. Los Lagos at Km 6. CV735 Javea to Denia Rd  A walk through the woods followed by a steady ascent up a broad track with stops to take in the views ,then carefully descend to banana break and on to the Iberian settlement and return on the lower flank back to our cars all at a gentle pace to take in the history and views. Volunteer needed to write up. See Note 1 for info.

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Wednesday 11 Nov	Pinos Marnes Barranco del Baron Sella de Cau Circuit Leader Paul and Marion Saunders +44 7799 955 679 639 033 966. .  Dogs on leads at all times.	11.8 km 4½ hrs 544m MS/A	Benissa. 38.678307, -0.017166 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 700meters to a bridge. Cross the bridge and immediately turn R onto surfaced road and park (Walk ends here).  Walk through a barranco to Refugio Marnes and then onto the impressive Barranco Del Baron which ends at an old well and ruin. This is followed by an ascent, flat path and steep climb up to the saddle below the Cau. Long path back with excellent views. Small section near the end off piste. <a href="http://bit.ly/2Y1qmDS">http://bit.ly/2Y1qmDS</a>
Wednesday 11 Nov	2000 Steps Clockwise Leader Eric Ferguson 96 574 4061 693 754 069  No dogs	13 km 5 hrs 599m MS/B	Benimaurell 38.773696 -0.127234 On entering village take first right (Blue P sign) and follow road around edge of village in the direction of Alahuar Hotel. Large car park (The only one in the village) on right opposite Bar / Restaurante Jalisco  Ascend over Cabello Verde round head of Vall de Laguar & descend and ascend through 2000 steps <i>Volunteer needed to write up. See Note 1 for info.</i>
Saturday 14 Nov	Tormos easy circuit via Isbert's dam. Leader Pat Moss  617 809 331  Dogs on lead at rear	8.8 km 3 hrs 252m M/A	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 pleasant afternoon stroll or pre-lunch appetizer in dramatic countryside. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/lw9tber">http://tinyurl.com/lw9tber</a>
Saturday 14 Nov	Penon de Mediodia Leader Ralph Phipps  +44 7927 621 421  Dogs on a lead at all times	10 km 4 hrs 407m MS/B	Vall d'Ebo. 38.815386, -0.130259. Summit of col between Pego and Vall d'Ebo on track side opposite windmill.  An easy way to reach the summit of the Mediodia ridge. A Bob Stansfield route re-visited.. The walk along the forest road above the Ebo descends gently to the start of our ascent which is across an easy but steep open hillside. Views from the summit are outstanding. The descent may be scratchy but the final return of 2km is on our outgoing slightly uphill track. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/ktf46wl">http://tinyurl.com/ktf46wl</a>
Saturday 14 Nov	Sierra del Sireret from Alcala de la Jovada Leader David Harbach 96 597 7139 608 304 342  Dogs on lead at all times	16 km 5 hrs 525m MS/B	Alcala de la Jovada. 38.79408, -0.25385. 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 and park on the furthest edge of village near the public swimming pool.  A circular walk mainly on wide tracks and clear paths. The route along the ridge, which is optional, is "off piste". <a href="http://tinyurl.com/jrjumpy">http://tinyurl.com/jrjumpy</a>
Wednesday 18 Nov	Caseta del Moros Leader Pat Moss  617 809 331  No dogs	8½ km 4 hrs 385m M/A  NOTE START TIME 10-30	Tarbena 38.695027, - 0.103789 Note different start time. From CV715 Tarbena / Parcent road turn into car park near childrens' play area in Tarbena  Easy walk with lots of stops to take in the views. Slightly rougher ascent to summit can be missed out.Optional paella lunch. Tell leader at start. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/lrer37c">https://tinyurl.com/lrer37c</a>

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Wednesday 18 Nov	A Forada ridge - extended from Alcada de la Jovada A Leader David Harbach 96 597 7139 608 304 342  Dogs on lead at all times	13 km 4½ hrs 610m S/B	Alcala de la Jovada. 38.79408, -0.25385 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 and park on the furthest edge of village near the public swimming pool (swimming).  A pleasant walk with splendid views of the Gallinera valley Volunteer needed to write up. See Note 1 for info.
Saturday 21 Nov	Pedro Paseo from Ermita de San Juan Leader Jean Russell 96 583 6261 626 522 161  No dogs	12 km 4½ hrs 380m M/B	Calpe. 38.64810, 0.05009. Calpe 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).  Explore a little walked area of the countryside on the outskirts of Calpe. We meet at the Tennis Club and drive in convoy from there to the start the walk at the Ermita de la Cometa.Varied tracks and stunning views to the coast and mountains Volunteer needed to write up. See Note 1 for info.
Saturday 21 Nov	Liber Circuit, including the Hidden Valley and Font D'Aixa Leader Awaiting Leader. Watch Stop Press for details  No dogs	14 km 5 hrs 450m MS/C	Liber.38.743335, 0.003090 Approach Liber from Jalon and turn left by the bridge just before the traffic lights at the start of Lliber village. Park down on the road adjacent to the riverbed.  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.  <a href="http://tinyurl.com/m2q8xto">http://tinyurl.com/m2q8xto</a>
Saturday 21 Nov	A Cavall Summit from Pego A Leader Sandy Blair +44 7840 930328  No dogs	22.6 km 9 hrs 900m VS/B	Pego, 38.838379,-0.121313.Plaza del Metge Almela, above Pla de la Font, Paseo Cervantes Plaza.  Small amount on roads but mainly on marked paths albeit a short stretch of path is a little rocky under foot. The final section to the summit and back is "off piste", rocky in parts and a little scratchy. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/yc92uxd5">https://tinyurl.com/yc92uxd5</a>
Wednesday 25 Nov	Montnegre circuit from Vall d'Ebo Leader Awaiting Leader. Watch Stop Press for details  Dogs on lead at all times	13 km 5 hrs 560m MS/B	Vall 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. (Also car park behind Bar L'Entra.)  A walk around Montnegre from the village of Vall d'Ebo. Wonderful views down to the coast and the Pego valley before returning on a steep Mozarabic path back to Vall d' Ebo. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/kt6slu9">http://tinyurl.com/kt6slu9</a>

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Wednesday 25 Nov	A Murla Peña Roig long circuit A Leader Ralph Phipps  +44 7927 621 421  No dogs	14 km 6 hrs 670m S/B/Scr	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.  Up to the ermita and then steeply on rough tracks to the summit of Peña Roig. An exposed traverse takes us to a short (3m) exposed down scramble before following the ridge line west. Just above Benimaurell we descend and start our return on good tracks along the flanks of the ridge. The scramble can't be avoided and provides the main entertainment for the day. A classic mountaineering day. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/n8966o3">http://tinyurl.com/n8966o3</a>
Wednesday 25 Nov	A Ponocho Summit and Carrasca A Leader John and Clodagh Mail 96 584 6505 J 620 865 267 C 647 894 157  No dogs	14 km 6 hrs 720m S/B	Finestrat. 38.5778, -0.2086 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 after the font and wait for a convoy to the start of the walk.  Ascent to summit of Ponocho using main path to avoid exposure & scramble. Ridge route will be available to the foolhardy. Return via barranco Carrasca & Buddhist retreat Volunteer needed to write up. See Note 1 for info.
Saturday 28 Nov	Pinos Valleys Leader Paul and Marion Saunders +44 7799 955 679 639 033 966. .  Dogs on leads at all times.	14.5 km 5 hrs 570m MS/B	38.678148, -0.017282 Coming from Benissa on the CV749 Benissa to Bernia road. Pass through Pinos towards Bernia. 1km after the Pinos restaurant take the road to Marnes just after crossing the bridge. Park after 200m.  An undulating ramble on good paths in the valleys between Pinos and the Bernia. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/zfl7549">https://tinyurl.com/zfl7549</a>
Saturday 28 Nov	Circuit to Cova Blanca clockwise Leader Awaiting Leader. Watch Stop Press for details  No dogs	15½ km 5½ hrs 630m S/B	Pego, 38.838379,-0.121313.Plaza del Metge Almela, above Pla de la Font, Paseo Cervantes Plaza.  An interesting walk on marked tracks and paths Lovely views. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/y9mgcb5s">https://tinyurl.com/y9mgcb5s</a>
Saturday 28 Nov	Vall d'Ebo circuit from Benimaurell reversed Leader Sandy Blair +44 7840 930328  No dogs	18 km 6½ hrs 856m VS/B	Benimaurell 38.773696 -0.127234 On entering village take first right (Blue P sign) and follow road around edge of village in the direction of Alahuar Hotel. Large car park (The only one in the village) on right opposite Bar / Restaurante Jalisco  A testing walk partly over well established paths and tracks, some over less well established paths and animal tracks and about 2km "off-piste" over rocky terrain. Wonderful views from start to finish over sections of Sierras Caballo Verde and Carrasca. <a href="http://bit.ly/2CWwWP4">http://bit.ly/2CWwWP4</a>
Wednesday 02 Dec	Gata de Gorgos Circuit Leader Peter Greene  620 319 797  No dogs	12 km 5 hrs 300m M/B	Gata. 38.772474,0.088945 Car park off N332 at Correos, main road Gata.  A walk in this pleasant valley, in part along side Riu Gorgos. Volunteer needed to write up. See Note 1 for info.

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Wednesday 02 Dec	Morro Blau Circuit Leader Sandy Blair +44 7840 930328  No dogs	14 km 5½ hrs 893m S/B	From Callosa d' En Sarria take the CV715 to Bolulla. Ignore the road into the village, which is opposite the bridge, and continue for a few hundred meters to the next road sharp left. 200 meters up this road is the Bar Era plaza with usually enough parking. If this parking is full there is plenty more back down and across the bridge on the other side of the river.  An arduous walk that starts at Bolulla with a steep climb up a surfaced road offering fine view of the village. A little known old mule path continues the climb up to Foia Selles where spectacular views can be enjoyed. A short decent into the Barranco del Negra offers a little respite before climbing steeply once again to arrive just below the summit of Morro Blau. A short track walk followed by a no path, find your own way down, to below the Serra del Raco Roig. Fine views of Bollua Castle can be enjoyed from the path to El Collada. The walk ends with a relaxing walk down to Bolulla on sections of old mule paths. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/yc2fbuwy">https://tinyurl.com/yc2fbuwy</a>
Wednesday 02 Dec	Beniali to Al Patro circuit via Pintures Rupestres Leader Ralph Phipps  +44 7927 621 421  Dogs on lead at all times	16½ km 6 hrs 770m S/B	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.  A complex walk starting by visiting some excellent cave paintings and then with some sections with great views along the flanks on both sides of the Gallinera valley. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/zutxfd6">http://tinyurl.com/zutxfd6</a>
Saturday 05 Dec	Senija to Lliber circuit excluding hidden valley Leader Lizzie Spall 96 646 0941 +44 7970 633 274. (Best as Whatsapp)  Dogs on a lead at all times	11 km 3 hrs 225m M/B	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.  We ascend from the village and take the higher marked path to Lliber passing the top of the hidden valley to approach Lliber. We return via the vineyards and the original drovers' trail connecting the two villages. Optional restaurant lunch. Volunteer needed to write up. See Note 1 for info.
Saturday 05 Dec	▲ Puig Campana long circuit clockwise ▲ Leader Richard and Hazel Marsden  +44 7813 039 810.  Dogs on lead at all times	15 km 5½ hrs 790m S/B	Finestrat. 38.5778,-0.2086 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.  Clockwise circumnavigation of Puig Campana with a lunch next to a frog pond. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/y7uk8s37">https://tinyurl.com/y7uk8s37</a>
Tuesday 07 Dec	Xmas Lunch		We are hoping to hold a Christmas Lunch - more details will be found on the website at <a href="https://bit.ly/2MI1fCV">https://bit.ly/2MI1fCV</a>
Wednesday 09 Dec	Marnes Circuit anticlockwise Leader Jo Fletcher  634 349 985  Dogs on lead at all times	10 km 4½ hrs 300m M/B	Benissa. 38.67821,-0.01726 1 km after Pinos restaurant on Benissa-Bernia road (CV749) take right hand junction just over bridge towards Marnes. Park after 200m.  The route starts with a moderate climb up to the Col del Cau which allows great views out to the coast, before dropping into the Marnes high valley. The second half of the walk gives you excellent views towards the Sierra Bernia as you undulate gently to the finish. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/zuecyt7">http://tinyurl.com/zuecyt7</a>

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Wednesday 09 Dec	Tarbena circuit to Font d'Olbis and Castell dels Moros Leader Richard and Hazel Marsden  +44 7813 039 810.  No dogs	17 km 6 hrs 870m VS/B	Tarbena 38.695027, -0.103789 From CV715 Tarbena / Parcent road turn into car park near childrens' play area in Tarbena  A circuit through the hills around Tarbena providing exquisite views and scenery all day. Considerable climb after lunch. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/mv2dxdu">https://tinyurl.com/mv2dxdu</a>
Saturday 12 Dec	Sender de Seguilí - Variation Leader Angela Colgate 96 640 4192 652 596 973  Dogs on Lead at all times	11 km 4 hrs 360m M/B	In Benidoleig exit the roundabout right, between the Farmacia and Grupo Marco to continue up the road to the Ayuntamiento.  Gradual climb up to the Urbanisation of Aldea de las Cuevas on rocky paths, then onto road and track to the very top. Tossal Verde. Descent mostly on good tracks but the last 20 minutes quite steep to the village. Volunteer needed to write up. See Note 1 for info.
Saturday 12 Dec	Val d'Ebo to Col de Garga and return Leader Ralph Phipps  +44 7927 621 421  Dogs on lead at all times	17 km 6 hrs 690m S/C/Scr	Vall 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. (Also car park behind Bar L'Entra.)  A traverse above and then in the Ebo which becomes very bouldery and involves some easy scrambling for 2/3 km. Then we ascend on a mozarabic path towards Pozo de Jueves de Dalt and join a steadily ascending track to just below Col de Garga. Now an indistinct mozarabic trail rises along the flank of Carrasca to the ridge which we follow before descending on a mozarabic trail back to the village. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/kr5blxr">http://tinyurl.com/kr5blxr</a>
Saturday 12 Dec	Maigmo circuit Leader Sandy Blair +44 7840 930328  No dogs	15 km 6 hrs 870m VS/B	Travelling from Alicante to Alcoy on the A7 exit at junction 481 onto the CV827 to Agost. At approx. km 4.5 park on the hard-standing on the LHS of the road.  A circuit up to a rocky summit. After a leisurely start there's a tough ascent to the first col. and on over the rocky and slightly exposed summit. Except for the summit the route is mostly on tracks and well defined paths with a short distance on quiet roads. Absolutely stunning views. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/yddxkwxp">https://tinyurl.com/yddxkwxp</a>
Wednesday 16 Dec	Tarbena - Segue - La Montana - Penya de Tarbena Circuit Leader Lizzie Spall 96 646 0941 +44 7970 633 274. (Best as Whatsapp)  Dogs on lead at all times	8½ km 4 hrs 400m M/B	Tarbena 38.6955, -0.103793 From the north, take the CV715 from Parcent, over the Col de Rates and onwards to Tarbena. Pass the turning to Castell de Castells and at the outskirts of Tarbena on a bend continue straight ahead and uphill into Avenida Eusebio Signes. At the top of the rise turn right into the car park.  Not one but two summits! A Moorish castle, prehistoric settlement and wonderful views in every direction. A descent through the village leads across terraces and up the flanks of Segue (short steep section of hunters path, about 5mins) then a steady climb leads to the Castle & summit. Along an old mule path to stunning views of Paso Tancat then on to the summit of La Montana. Tracks & paths lead via a font back to the village, with more great views along the way. Mostly on good paths and tracks (some surfaced), with a few short rough sections of path. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/y7gmaums">https://tinyurl.com/y7gmaums</a>

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Wednesday 16 Dec	Aixorta , Cova del Cirer circuit Leader Mary Gough 655676118	12.5 km 5 hrs 720m S/B	Bolulla . lat. 38.6941 long. - 0.12804 . CV715 Bolulla to tarbena road , Just to N of Bolulla turn L and wind up to the end of surfaced road and park on col.  A tranquil walk through some beautiful countryside with extensive picturesque views and a visit to an interesting cave . <a href="http://bit.ly/33i7CnM">http://bit.ly/33i7CnM</a>
	No Dogs		
Saturday 19 Dec	Forada Ridge from Alcala de la Jovada Leader Jo Fletcher  634 349 985  Dogs on lead at all times	11 km 4 hrs 275m M/B	Alcala de la Jovada. 38.79408, -0.25385 From the Orba to Pego road near Pego take the CV712 signed to Vall d'Ebo. Continue past Vall d'Ebo to Alcada de la Jovada and park on edge of village near the swimming pool.  A pleasant walk with splendid views around the Gallinera valley. This gently undulating walk takes in the Forada ridge, a nevera, a cave house and an old abandoned Moorish village. The walk will be taken at a gentle pace to appreciate the views. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/gts2fvm">https://tinyurl.com/gts2fvm</a>
Saturday 19 Dec	Around and about Castells Leader Angie Elliott  646 930 990  No dogs	16.7 km 5½ hrs 520m S/B	Benichembla. 38.750579, -0.158159. Bridge at km30 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. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/zcaubhd">http://tinyurl.com/zcaubhd</a>
Wednesday 23 Dec	Gata Rivers & trails Leader John and Clodagh Mail 96 584 6505 J 620 865 267 C 647 894 157  Dogs on lead at all times but only on walk	9 km 3½ hrs 260m M/B/Scr  NOTE START TIME	Gata. 38.776739, 0.082817, Note different start time. From traffic lights where Xabía road meets N332 drive 200m North and take left turn (Calle Trossets). After 100m, opposite Restaurante Trossets, Turn right & park in car park. Assemble at Restaurante Trossets where you will have time for a coffee & a chat. Walk will not leave until 10.30 am.  1 hour of interesting river bed boulders, interesting rock formations, cliffs and caves to see before well-defined trails up to Font de la Mata and back to Gata for lunch at Trossets. (12€ including wine). Walking is over loose stones & boulders and a few hand-holds are needed but there is no exposure. A river bypass is available for anyone with dodgy legs. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/yabgod58">https://tinyurl.com/yabgod58</a>
Wednesday 23 Dec	Alcada de la Jovada via Forada ridge - the easier route Leader David Harbach 96 597 7139 608 304 342  Dogs on a lead at all times	15 km 5 hrs 650m S/B	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.  Two different mozarabic paths to and from the ridge - very impressive. Route over quiet roads, tracks and paths. You visit an impressive nevera (ice house), a cave house on the ridge and the Forat (stone arch). Wonderful views of the Vall de Gallinera. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/y8w32den">http://tinyurl.com/y8w32den</a>

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Saturday 26 Dec	Barrancos Salinas and Selim Leader John and Clodagh Mail 96 584 6505 J 620 865 267 C 647 894 157  No dogs	7.3 km 4½ hrs 202m M/B/Scr	Xixona. 38.4613, -0.4696 Bar "Venta Strambotik" On CV 800 (ex N340) from Campello to Alcoy, km 6.5 . 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) Convoy to start of walk.  The walk follows faint paths on a spectacular ridge before using a marked path into the barranco. The descent is steep and slippery in places. In the barranco we walk downstream through dramatic gorges to reach a dam. We return up the barranco, to reach another dam which we cross using iron rungs and chains. We continue in dramatic landscape to a well defined (but rather worn) path back to the car park. <a href="https://bit.ly/2JKWM0y">https://bit.ly/2JKWM0y</a>
Saturday 26 Dec	Bollula Figure of Eight Leader Paul Elliott 96 557 7453 679 555 081  No dogs	15 km 5 hrs 720m S/B	Bollula. 38.676865, -0.110600 On entering Bollula on the CV-715, from Parcent turn left or Callosa turn right and cross Rui de Bollula  Starting in Bollula Village, all on good tracks. Takes in part of the Somo Circuit Volunteer needed to write up. See Note 1 for info.
Wednesday 30 Dec	East Cocoll - Val de Almadich Leader Lizzie Spall 96 646 0941 +44 7970 633 274. (Best as Whatsapp)  No dogs	11.2 km 4½ hrs 575m MS/A	Benichembla. 38.7416777, -0.1132217 Drive from Parcent towards Benichembla on the CV-720 and after the Km 35 sign, just before the village, continue across the bridge and take the first road sharp up left. Drive approx 1.1 km and park by riverbed.  High level walk up to Cocoll fireplane landing strip and pleasant return on fire tracks back to Benichembla. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/yc5bt329">https://tinyurl.com/yc5bt329</a>
Wednesday 30 Dec	A Sanchet Circuit A Leader John and Clodagh Mail 96 584 6505 J 620 865 267 C 647 894 157  Dogs on lead at all times	14.2 km 6 hrs 680m S/B	Guadalest.38.654004, -0.177488, 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. <a href="http://bit.ly/32AbPTH">http://bit.ly/32AbPTH</a>
Friday 1 Jan	New Year's Day meet and picnic Peter Greene 620 319 797		See <a href="https://bit.ly/2ELSA1B">https://bit.ly/2ELSA1B</a> for details
Saturday 02 Jan	Famorca Loop Leader Eric Ferguson 96 574 4061 693 754 069  No dogs	12½ km 5 hrs 540m MS/A	Famorca. 38.731422,-0.245907 On reaching Famorca from Castell de Castells, take first left, on edge of village and park towards the top of the hill.  Awaiting description from leader <a href="https://tinyurl.com/kogzxnq">https://tinyurl.com/kogzxnq</a>

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Saturday 02 Jan	The Bull Run Leader Gordon Gleeson 966 482 103 635 281 284  No dogs	18 km 5 hrs 1070m VS/C/Scr/X	Fleix. 38.778276 -0.110013.Park opposite the school in the new car park in Fleix on the CV718.  From Fleix down thro' tunnel to Isbert's Dam. Climb steep 'shelf' to left of road and continue upwards for an hour. Swing round to Mozarabic Path leading eventually to Benimaurell, but leaving this path to descend the 'corkscrew' (If conditions allow). Then rejoin the path & onwards to Benimaurell. From there it is back to Fleix by way of the old road. Done at a good pace with a brief lunch stop.This is a demanding route. Please check with the leader in advance if unsure about your ability to participate. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/lx9l6bb">http://tinyurl.com/lx9l6bb</a>
Wednesday 06 Jan	Calpe Ramble NEW WALK Leader Jean Russell 96 583 6261 626 522 161  No dogs	12½ km 4 ½ hrs 150m M/B  NOTE START TIME 10:30	Calpe. 38.650258, 0.068522 Note different start time Aldi Supermarket Car Park Calle Suecia, 03710 Calpe, Alicante, Spain  A varied route, taking in Calpe's salt lake, parts of the promenades, Calpe woods and also includes some (hopefully dry) riverbed walking. Round the lake and in the riverbeds is uneven underfoot so please wear strong shoes or boots. Volunteer needed to write up. See Note 1 for info.
Wednesday 06 Jan	Beniaia Circuit Leader Carol Harbach 96 597 7139 629 283 186  No dogs	17 km 5 hrs 400m S/A	Alcala de la Jovada 38.79408,-0.25385. 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. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/hd5ch5a">http://tinyurl.com/hd5ch5a</a>
Wednesday 06 Jan	5000 Steps Leader Eric Ferguson 965 744 061 693 754 069  Dogs on lead at all times	13.3 km 5½ hrs 1030m VS/B	Benimaurell 38.773696 -0.127234 On entering village take first right (Blue P sign) and follow road around edge of village in the direction of Alahuar Hotel. Large car park (The only one on the village) on right opposite Bar / Restaurante Jalisco  The classic mozarabic trail route with three steep descents and ascents to the Rio Ebo, Barranco del Infierno and Barranco de Racons. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/hgk62e4">http://tinyurl.com/hgk62e4</a>
Saturday 09 Jan	A Caballo Verde Ridge West to East A Leader Angie Elliott  646 930 990  No dogs	11 km 4½ hrs 450m MS/B	Benimaurell 38.773696 -0.127234 On entering village take first right (Blue P sign) and follow road around edge of village in the direction of Alahuar Hotel. Large car park (The only one on the village) on right opposite Bar / Restaurante Jalisco  Circular route to the ridge before descending under Penyo Roig toward Fleix and back to Benimaurell. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/j77xo9d">http://tinyurl.com/j77xo9d</a>
Saturday 09 Jan	Barranco Calvo, Alcala de la Jovada, Barranco Malafi circuit Leader Mary Gough 655 676 118  No Dogs	21 km 6½ hrs 550m VS/ B/Scr	Castell De Castells 38.769781, -0.194966 CV720 Benichembla to Castells road at Km6 , turn R at Villa Mercedes and continue for 4kms and park on layby at RHS of road  A varied walk in this popular area , an interesting barranco, forest paths and tracks , historic landmarks and spectacular views. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/y92qg6tn">https://tinyurl.com/y92qg6tn</a>

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Wednesday 13 Jan	Albert's Peak Val d'Ebo Leader Carol Harbach 96 597 7139 629 283 186  No dogs	10 km 4 hrs 412m MS/B	Vall 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. (Also car park behind Bar L'Entra.)  A walk mostly on good tracks and paths. Optional lunch in "Bar Capri" after the walk. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/l24uhy4">http://tinyurl.com/l24uhy4</a>
Wednesday 13 Jan	El Pantanet Leader John and Clodagh Mail 96 584 6505 J 620 865 267 C 647 894 157  Dogs on lead at all times	14 km 5½ hrs 400m MS/B	Villajoyosa. 38.493, -0.287. Park at Restaurante "Venta el Charco" on N332, South of Villajoyosa and its bypass. We will drive up forest tracks to the start. Lifts can be arranged for those in posh cars.  Circular walk on good paths with views to Aitana, Puig Campana and the sea. Lunch near to El Cantal , a popular rock climbing location Volunteer needed to write up. See Note 1 for info.
Wednesday 13 Jan	A Encimera de Cordilleras de Almadich A Leader Mary Gough 655 676 118  No Dogs	17 km 6½ hrs 840m VS/C	Benichembla. 38.748880, -0.103160 From CV720 Parcent to Benichembla at approx. Km. 36.8 (before Km 35) on an acute LH bend turn L beside a white wall onto a narrow surfaced road (with 10t sign) continue directly up for 200m and park near a small junction.  A circular walk with scenic views from the high level traverse above the Almadic valley. Incorporating some original paths of 'Dr Geoff's' <a href="https://tinyurl.com/yd2fc2sv">https://tinyurl.com/yd2fc2sv</a>
Saturday 16 Jan	Tossal Trails Extra Leader Jean Russell 96 583 6261 626 522 161  No dogs	12 km 5 hrs 550m MS/B	Benissa motorway tunnels. 38.743109,0.053247 From Benissa take the access road to the motorway and then look for the small turnoff on the right signed to the Cementerio. Do not turn off to the cemetery but continue on this track for 2,2km parallel to the motorway until reach the tunnel and park there, Be aware your GPS might try and take you onto the motorway!  Partly new route in the Benissa/Gata area. Wonderful views. Volunteer needed to write up. See Note 1 for info.
Saturday 16 Jan	Morro de la Ventolana Leader Paul Elliott 96 557 7453 679 555 081  No dogs	16 km 5½ hrs 600m S/B	Jalon. 38.727445, -0.018527. 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 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. Note that this walk is at the top end of MS, but in the bracket as S as a precaution. Volunteer needed to write up. See Note 1 for info.
Saturday 16 Jan	A Sanchet Summit & Circuit A Leader Mary Gough 655 676 118  No Dogs	17.4 km 6.3 hrs 1100m VS/C/Scr/X	Polop Helipad. 38.615675, -0.149621 From main roundabout in Polop take exit on CV715 signed La Nucua, continue up to meet roundabout on CV70 and take exit Avd. Balco de Ponoig follow up towards base of Ponoig and park on large car park nearwater depositer/ helipad  A tough alternative ascent to this iconic summit, up, up and up for some spectacular views, scramble down and follow an interesting animal path to the Sanchet circuit and return through a forest trail. This is a demanding route. Please check with the leader in advance if unsure about your ability to participate. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/lhbnliv">http://tinyurl.com/lhbnliv</a>

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Wednesday 20 Jan	Castell d'Ambra circuit Leader Fergus and Joan Fitzpatrick  Joan 678 937 258 Fergus 687 618 172  No dogs	11 km 4 hrs 390m M/B	Pego 38.841749, -0.107133 . From El Vergel/N332 take the CV700 to Pego. Turn L at the second traffic island (beside the Cooperativa) and park towards the end of the wide road before the cross roads.  Marked paths throughout. The route is initially through the lanes and orange groves of Pego to the Font del Baladrar and then on further lanes before reaching tracks and paths which climb, a little steeply in parts to the Castell d'Ambra with magnificent views overlooking Pego and the surrounding countryside. The walk will be undertaken at a gentle pace. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/z5bczkr">http://tinyurl.com/z5bczkr</a>
Wednesday 20 Jan	A La Muntanya Sud d'Alcala and part Forada Ridge A Leader Carol Harbach 96 597 7139 629 283 186  No dogs	14½ km 4½ hrs 400m MS/B	Alcala de la Jovada. 38.79408, -0.25385. 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 lovely walk over wide tracks, a short section of road and marked paths. The walk visits a nevera, a landing strip and part of the Forada ridge with splendid views of the Gallinera valley <a href="http://tinyurl.com/z3f5v25">http://tinyurl.com/z3f5v25</a>
Wednesday 20 Jan	Barranco Infierno and Cova Santa Leader Angie Elliott  646 930 990  No dogs	16 km 6 hrs 685m S/C/Scr	Fleix. 38.778276,-0.110013 Park opposite the school in the new car park in Fleix at km 5.9 on the CV721.  Descent into Barranco del Infierno, walk in to Cova Santa. Out of Barranco to join route back under the Caballo Verde ridge. Back down to Fleix. Some scrambling, some rough tracks, some loose scree. But worth the effort. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/mgb8gx6">http://tinyurl.com/mgb8gx6</a>
Saturday 23 Jan	Extended Bernia circuit Anti-clockwise from Restaurante Leader Peter Greene  620 319 797  No dogs	13 km 5 hrs 620m S/B	From Jalon, take the CV749 and at a T-jnc after km 11 where the road turns L continue ahead to pass a large building (Restaurante Sierra Bernia) on your LHS and park on rough ground just after this on the LHS. From Benissa follow the CV749 until after km 12 reach a T-jnc and turn L, pass the Restaurante Sierra Bernia and park on the LHS.  A circular route of the Bernia in an anti-clockwise direction. The walk is on tracks and good paths and visits a fort and several fonts. It takes in fantastic views in all directions as you circumnavigate the Bernia. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/ya5gtjh7">https://tinyurl.com/ya5gtjh7</a>
Saturday 23 Jan	Fleix Geocentric Leader Gordon Gleeson 966 482 103 635 281 284  No dogs	14 km 5 hrs 680m S/B	Fleix. 38.778276 -0.110013. Park opposite the school in the new car park in Fleix on the CV718.  From Fleix head thro the tunnel to Isbert's Dam then along the valley floor before climbing to Fontilles. After which we climb thro pleasant woodland and good paths past Font De Gel and continue upwards before swinging round to walk back down to Fleix. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/mfednqu">http://tinyurl.com/mfednqu</a>
Saturday 23 Jan	Tarbena Algar valley circuit Leader Mary Gough 655 676 118  No Dogs	19½ km 6½ hrs 1030m VS/C/X	Tarbena 38.695027, -0.103789 From CV715 Tarbena / Parcent road turn into car park near childrens' play area in Tarbena  A beautiful walk through some of the Algar valley , a long ascent upto the Carrascal ridge and enjoy the impressive scenery on the return route. This is a demanding route. Please check with the leader in advance if unsure about your ability to participate. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/ya6aweym">https://tinyurl.com/ya6aweym</a>

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Wednesday 27 Jan	Rotova Castle Circuit Leader Martin Dunkley  635 113 988 or +447966466175  Dogs on lead at all times	10 km 5 hrs 550m MS/B	Rotova 38.932469, -0.255255 From the N332 Gandia bypass, take the slip road off signposted to L'Olleria and CV60, after about 6kms take filter lane at junction 32 to Rotova. Continue straight on and 250 metres after roundabout on Ave Jaime 1 turn into car park on the right.  A walk with it all! Running water, wonderful views, a very short scramble into Castell de Borro, secluded valleys and in an area away from our normal haunts. All the ascent is before lunch. Lots of stops. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/kylaj7y">http://tinyurl.com/kylaj7y</a>
Wednesday 27 Jan	Font d'Olbis circuit Leader Peter Greene  620 319 797  No dogs	14 km 5 hrs 675m S/B	Tarbena 38.695027, - 0.103789 From CV715 Tarbena / Parcent road turn into car park near childrens' play area in Tarbena  A delightful walk with constantly changing scenery along generally easy tracks and paths with a finish looking over Paso Tancat – a wonderful gorge. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/l6yqapm">https://tinyurl.com/l6yqapm</a>
Wednesday 27 Jan	Penyals Mica and Ampla and Barranco del Cao (Waterhouses) Leader Mary Gough 655 676 118  No Dogs	16 km 6 hrs 700m 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. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/lvsrync">http://tinyurl.com/lvsrync</a>
Saturday 30 Jan	Jalon Parcent circuit (A) via col de rates extended Leader Martin Dunkley  635 113 988 or +447966466175  No dogs	15½ km 5½ hrs 450m MS/B	Jalon 38.734862, -0.010401 In Jalon take the cemetery road that runs between the petrol station and the Ferreteria, Cami del Cementeri. The parking is a few hundred metres along this road on the RHS.  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. <a href="https://bit.ly/3e9rHRC">https://bit.ly/3e9rHRC</a>
Saturday 30 Jan	Λ Carrasca Ridge de Val d'Ebo Λ Leader Paul Elliott 96 557 7453 679 555 081  No dogs	14 km 5½ hrs 700m S/C/Scr	Vall 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. (Also car park behind Bar L'Entra.)  A mixture of tracks, paths, and road for first 5 km to get to far end of the mountain, a tough long ascent to the ridge over rough (but not scratchy) terrain and back along the ridge. The views from the ridge are well worth the effort. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/mva5tqg">http://tinyurl.com/mva5tqg</a>
Saturday 30 Jan	Barranco de la Canal and D'Alambra Castell (optional) – extended Leader Dave Harbach 96 597 7139 629 283 186  No dogs	15½ km 5½ hrs 630m S/B	Pego, 38.838379,-0.121313.Plaza del Metge Almela, above Pla de la Font, Paseo Cervantes Plaza.  Small amount on roads but mainly on marked tracks and paths. <a href="http://tinyurl.com/n7agcud">http://tinyurl.com/n7agcud</a>
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