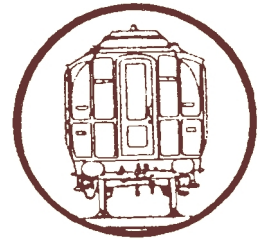


# WEST SOMERSET STEAM RAILWAY TRUST LIMITED

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## **West Somerset Railway Walk, Sunday November 27<sup>th</sup> 2011**

Thank you for your interest and participation in the West Somerset Railway Walk. All money raised will go to the Heritage Carriages Project whose aim is to restore vintage railway carriages to complement the range of steam locomotives that run on this railway. You can also raise money towards the St. Margaret's Hospice, details are on your sponsor form.

### **General information.**

There is an entry fee of £7 per walker which covers the cost of the train, refreshments, insurance and ambulance support. This can be paid on the day.

There will be two walking groups going from Williton to Bishops Lydeard. The first group will commence at 10:15am the second group will depart at mid-day. There will be a briefing prior to both groups departing.

Walkers can finish the walk at any station between Williton and Bishops Lydeard having informed a Marshall or Steward at the station.

Those that complete the whole ten mile stretch of line will be offered a complementary tea /coffee or hot soup at Bishops Lydeard.

Walkers **must** clear the line by **16:00 hrs** at the latest as the train will be operational once more to return walkers to their original station.

### **Transport information**

A train for walkers will depart from Bishops Lydeard at 09:25 and travel directly to Williton arriving at 10:00 am in readiness for the first walking group. (Unfortunately there will be no stops at the intermediate stations). The train will then run directly to Minehead arriving at 10:45 am. This will then depart from Minehead at 11:00 am with walkers and return directly to Williton arriving at 11:30am in time for the second walking group to start.

Return Journey: At 16:20 hrs the train will depart from Bishops Lydeard to return walkers to either Williton arriving 16:50 or Minehead arriving at 17:20.

## **SAFETY FACTORS**

Track beds are not foot friendly; please wear strong walking boots or shoes. **DO NOT RUN!!** Railway sleepers are slippery, especially when wet. Please also be aware of points, point rodding and signal wires as they are all potential trip hazards.

Please keep to the tracks and trackside and do not climb fences or venture into private land.

If you wish to leave the walk, please do so at the next station en-route. Please inform a Marshall so that your name can be noted.

Your walk must finish at the next station on your card before 16:00hrs. Please do not continue the walk after this time but remain at the station so that arrangements are made for the train to stop and collect you.

**THE LINE MUST BE CLEAR BY 16:00hrs.**

First Aid will be available and they will be based at Bishops Lydeard Station. First Aiders from St John Ambulance will also be present at Stogumber and Crowcombe Heathfield and will be mobile should an accident occur en-route.

A person known as a 'Sweeper' will be the last person to walk on the track for both walking groups and should be alerted if an accident occurs. They will have a Hi-Visibility vest and will be easily identifiable.

Please exercise care and caution when walking over bridges, level crossings or on embankment areas where there is a long drop. Dogs must remain on a lead at all times.

Refreshments and toilet facilities will be available at the stations en - route.

The organisers thank you for taking part in the 2011 Walk.

Whatever the weather we wish you a safe and enjoyable day and thanks also to the sponsors financing you.

The Organising Team.