Kirkcaldy Online Walking Festival 1st – 9th August 2020



Welcome to the Kirkcaldy Walking Festival!

This year's festival is going to be a little different - we are going online! We have asked a number local organisations to share their favourite walking routes around Kirkcaldy and made them available for download - right here in this programme.

Thank you to <u>Kirkcaldy Ramblers</u>, <u>Fife ABE</u>, <u>Fife Walking</u>, <u>Seafield Environmental Group</u>, <u>Homestart Kirkcaldy</u>, <u>Langtoun Tots</u>, <u>Bums Off Seats</u>, Tony Wilson, <u>Kirkcaldy Civic Society</u> and <u>Walk On Kirkcaldy</u> for providing routes.

Over the next couple of pages, you will also find details of online events and competitions that will get you sharing your walking adventures, so please do get involved!

So what are you waiting for? Turn the page, find a route, grab your walking boots, get out there and enjoy!

The Greener Kirkcaldy Team



Online Events

Strolling Through Lockdown Sunday 9th August 2020

Join Craig (Greener Kirkcaldy) and Sally (Greener Kirkcaldy/Seafield Environmental Group) to reflect on the importance of walking during lockdown. Hear about their experiences of rediscovering their own local patch, about their new favourite routes and how walking has helped them cope during the pandemic period.

We also want to hear from you. What exciting new discoveries have you made? Did you find a new favourite route? What did you see, hear and learn on your own explorations? Share your favourite routes, photos and stories.

We will use your adventures as inspiration to create a visual representation of "strolling through lockdown" to share on Greener Kirkcaldy's social media.

Book your free place now!



Film Screening: Mile...Mile & A Half Download 1st - 9th August

This film is a celebration of stunning views, great friendships and one of Scotland's greatest naturalist. It will make you want to pull on your boots, grab your friends and head for the hills.

In an epic snow year, five friends leave their daily lives behind to hike California's historic John Muir Trail, a 211-mile stretch from Yosemite to Mt. Whitney. Their goal - complete the journey in 25 days while capturing the amazing sights & sounds they encounter along the way. Inspired by their bond, humour, artistry & dedication, the group continues to grow: to include other artists, musicians & adventure seekers. Before they all reach the summit, hikers and viewers alike affirm the old adage - it's about the journey, not the destination.

A link to the film will be sent out to you within 24 hours of booking your ticket. You have 3 days to watch the movie from the point you click the link and can watch it as many time as you like during this time. The screening is free, but booking is essential as places are limited.



Competition Time

Win £25 Trespass Vouchers

To enter, post your entries on the Greener Kirkcaldy Facebook page using **#KirkcaldyWalkFest2020**, direct message us or email craig@greenerkirkcaldy.org.uk. The winners will be announced the following week. Closing date: 5pm Wednesday 12th August.

Walking Marathon

We challenge you to walk as far as you can during the Walking Festival Week (1st – 9th August). Over as many walks as you like, complete as many steps as you can during the festival period. Send us a screen-shot from a distance measuring or step counting app to enter. Whoever walks furthest wins!

Get Creative

We want to see your most beautiful, spectacular and funny walk inspired photos, poems, stories or art. If you have been inspired to create whilst out walking, then send it, or a photo, to us and you could win.



Downloadable Routes

The routes have been provided by a number of local organisations, not all of whom are regular walk organisers and who have different goals, so there should be something for everyone, no matter what your ability or interests.

The routes have been mapped using either the <u>Viewranger</u> or <u>Komoot</u> walking apps. You can simply follow the routes online, but if you want full functionality, such as live navigation option, you may prefer to download the app to your phone. Both apps can be downloaded for free from Google Play Store and Apple App Store. You do not have to pay to download any maps, so please decline or ignore any requests for payment.

Walk Gradings

Easy - suitable for most levels of fitness (leisurely walk)

Moderate - suitable for reasonably fit people

Energetic - suitable for more experienced walkers

Walk Key

i	Walking shoes/boots recommended		
m	Dogs welcome (on a lead)		
# #	Toilet facilities available at the start/end of walk		
迭	Accessible for wheelchair users		
•••	Accessible for pushchairs		

Short Walks

Kirkcaldy Galleries to Beveridge Park (Poetry Walk)

This walk was provided by Kirkcaldy Galleries Walk ON group. With many interesting stopping points along the way, it is one of their favourites. You can watch a video showcasing the highlights of this walk too! Why not join them at Galleries on a Wednesday?

Distance: 1 mile

Grade: Easy 📸 📂 📗

Start point: Kirkcaldy Train Station











Seafield Wildlife Walk

Local nature expert Tony Wilson shares the wildlife highlights of this popular coastal stretch to Seafield Tower. What creatures can you spot?

Distance: 0.75 miles

Grade: Easy 🐶 📂



Start point: Seafield Picnic Area Walk Link: Seafield Wildlife Walk

Submitted by: Tony Wilson using <u>Viewranger</u>



Longbraes & Raith

A short walk around some of Kirkcaldy's woodlands using core paths. The ABE group love this walk as it allows their learners to get close to nature. They would be delighted if you would share your wild photos of trees, flowers, birds and other wildlife on Greener Kirkcaldy Facebook #KirkcaldyWalkingFestival.

Distance: 3 mile circular route

Start point: Beveridge Park car park, Kirkcaldy

Walk Link: Longbraes & Raith route

Walk Description: Longbraes & Raith description

Submitted by: Fife ABE using Viewranger Grade: Easy





Historical Walk, Seafield to Kinghorn

This route begins at the old Roperie Walk in what is now Morrisons car park and traces a route along the coast. A number of historical highlights are revealed, including the importance of this stretch of coast to the history of the UK.

Distance: 2.2miles

Start point: Morrisons Esplanade car park, Kirkcaldy Walk Link: Historical Walk, Seafield to Kinghorn

Submitted by: Seafield Environmental Group using Komoot

Grade: Easy



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Victoria Hospital Routes

A collection of 3 different length walks are perfect for those who regularly spend time at the hospital and are looking to get a bit of exercise

Distance: 1 mile – 2.5 miles, circular routes **Start point:** Victoria Hospital, Hayfield Roadcaldy

Walk Description:



Grade: Easy

Submitted by: Bums Off Seats, Active Fife



Foraging Walk, Seafield Coast

This beautiful route along the coast to Seafield Tower is full of useful and tasty plants. Why not see how many you can find? This information is for interest only, we do not recommend eating foraged foods unless guided by an expert.

Distance: 0.75 miles

Start point: Seafield Picnic Area

environmental group Walk Link: Foraging Walk Seafield Coast

Walk Video: Foraging walk video

Submitted by: Seafield Environmental Group using Komoot

Grade: Easy



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Short Children's Walks

Beveridge Park Scavenger Hunt (Kids)

This walk is perfect for families. The route follows the main path around Beveridge Park, as well as the Wizards Walk. Print out the scavenger hunt sheet and see if you can find all the sights as you go!

Distance: 1.5miles

Start point: Beveridge Park, Abbottshall Road entrance.

Walk Link: Beveridge Park Scavenger Hunt route

Submitted by: Homestart using Komoot

Scavenger sheet:





Grade: Easy



Beveridge Park Tots Bingo (Kids)

This walk follows the main path around the park, so the walk is easy going and perfect for families. You can download the print the bingo sheet and see if you can tick off the items as you go.

Distance: 1.3 miles

Start point: Beveridge Park, Beveridge Park Car Park

Walk Link: <u>Beveridge Park Tots Bingo route</u>
Submitted by: Langtoun Tots using Komoot

Bingo sheet:





Grade: Easy



Mid-length Walks

Around Kirkcaldy Walk: Coast

Discover a scenic route along Kirkcaldy's coast and up to Gallatown. It is a part of a series of three walks, which together go all the way around Kirkcaldy. The walk is on pavements or hardcore with some steps, and the route will include crossing one beach section.

Distance: 5 miles, total ascent 150m (500ft) **Start point:** Basin car park (near Morrisons) Walk Link: Around Kirkcaldy Walk: Coast route

Submitted by: Kirkcaldy Ramblers using Viewranger ramblers







Around Kirkcaldy Walk: Woodlands

Explore a woodland route around the edge of Kirkcaldy. It is a part of a series of three walks, which together go all the way around Kirkcaldy. Paths are pavements or hardcore with some rougher ground (paths and grass) to cross.

Distance: 7 miles, total ascent 130m (430ft)

Start point: Rosslyn Street, Kirkcaldy

Walk Link: Around Kirkcaldy Walk: Woodlands route

Submitted by: Kirkcaldy Ramblers using Viewranger

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Around Kirkcaldy Walk: Seafield

This scenic route through some of the town's woodlands and back along the coast will help you to discover new parts of the Kirkcaldy. It is a part of a series of three walks, which together go all the way around Kirkcaldy. Terrain covers pavements, hardcore, and some uneven paths through woods.

Distance: 4 miles, total ascent 46m (150ft) **Start point:** Bottom of Oriel Road, Kirkcaldy Walk Link: Around Kirkcaldy Walk: Seafield

Submitted by: Kirkcaldy Ramblers using Viewranger





Kirkcaldy - Kinghorn Circular

The section of coastal path between Kinghorn and Kirkcaldy, although short is quite different in character from the previous sections of coastal path. Much more rocky and hugging the coastline alongside the railway. There are two options for this walk. The longer options explores the area around Kinghorn Loch and returns via Grangehill. Fife Walking

Distance: 6/7 mile circular route **Start point:** Pettycur Road, Kinghorn

Find Walking Routes in Fife and Beyond

Walk Link: Kirkcaldy - Kinghorn Circular route

Walk Description: Kirkcaldy - Kinghorn Circular description

Submitted by: Fife Walking using Viewranger

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Beveridge Park & Raith Lake

Starting at Beveridge Park, this walk takes you through the woodland section, past Raith Lake, up to through Rabbits Brae and returns to the park through woodland. The route is mostly on woodland paths,

with some pavement sections

Distance: 5.5miles, total ascent 133m (436ft) **Start point:** Beveridge Park car park, Kirkcaldy Walk Link: Beveridge Park & Raith Lake route

Submitted by: Kirkcaldy Ramblers using Viewranger



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Longer Walks

Around Kirkcaldy Walk: Full Loop (Coast, Woodlands, & Seafield)

A combination of the three shorter routes above, this walk will take you along the Esplanade, into the Gallatown, through woods at the edge of the town and back through Seafield. Paths are pavements or hardcore with some rougher ground (paths, beach and grass) to cross.

Distance: 16.5 miles, total ascent 360 m (1200 ft) **Start point:** Bottom of Oriel Road, Kirkcaldy

Walk Link: Around Kirkcaldy Walk: Full Loop route Submitted by: Kirkcaldy Ramblers using Viewranger





Burntisland - Kinghorn-Kirkcaldy Circular

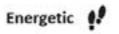
A walk along the coastal path and then returning via inland quiet roads and tracks. The section between Burntisland and Kinghorn is not possible at high tide without getting wet feet. Two options of this walk are possible either with or without including the Binn.

Distance: 10/11 mile circular route **Start point:** Links Car Park, Burntisland

Walk Link: <u>Burntisland - Kinghorn - Kirkcaldy Circular route</u>
Walk Description: <u>Burntisland - Kinghorn - Kirkcaldy Circular</u>

description

Submitted by: Fife Walking using Viewranger





Virtual Walks

Kirkcaldy High Street Heritage Walk (Video)



Walk Link: Kirkcaldy High Street Heritage video

Submitted by: Kirkcaldy Civic Society



Seafield, Invertiel & Linktown Heritage Walk (Video)



Walk Link: Kirkcaldy High Street Heritage video

Submitted by: Kirkcaldy Civic Society



Gallatown & Sinclairtown Virtual Heritage Walk (Video)

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Walk Link: Gallatown & Sinclairtown Heritage Video

Submitted by: Kirkcaldy Civic Society



Socially Distanced Walks

Kirkcaldy Old Kirk Graveyard guided walk - Friday 7th Aug 2pm - explore the "stories from stones" in the centuries-old graveyard - this walk is organised by Kirkcaldy Old Kirk Trust - walk commences at the Old Kirk front porch.

Sumitted by: Kirkcaldy Old Kirk Trust 01592 265499

In the Footsteps of Adam Smith in 18th century Kirkcaldy

- Saturday 1st and 8th Aug- explore the life of Adam Smith, globally renowned moral philosopher and economist, in his native Kirkcaldy (includes visit to Adam Smith Global Foundation's Adam Smith Heritage Centre in Adam Smith Close) - walk commences at the Old Kirk front porch

Sumitted by: <u>Kirkcaldy Civic Society</u> kirkcaldycivicsociety@gmail.com

More Walks and Walking Groups

You can find even more routes in Kirkcaldy and beyond by following the links below

Fife Coast and Countryside Trust

Fife Walking

Kirkcaldy Ramblers

If you would like to get together with other who enjoy walking, there are a number of groups based in Fife.

Fife Walking Club

Kirkcaldy Ramblers

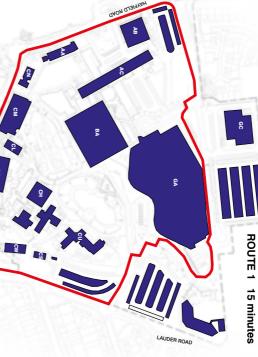
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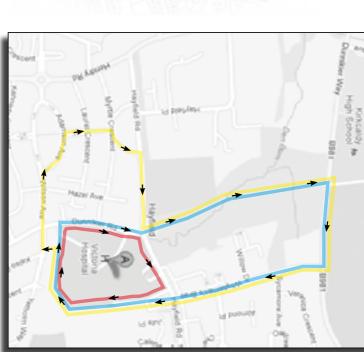
Walk ON Kirkcaldy

And read about the benefits of walking with Paths For All.









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OIL TANK FARM
CLINICAL WASTE COMPOUND
GAS METER HOUSING

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ROUTE 1 15 minutes

ROUTE 2 25 minutes

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ROUTE 3 35 minutes

Kirkcaldy Walking Festival 2020 Beveridge Park Family Walk Activity Sheet

Start at any point on the main path and follow it right round the park See how many of the things on this sheet you can spot.

Please don't pick any plants or flowers – spot them and cross them off.

Lion	Bowling Club	Rugby Club	Changing Pavillion
Dog Area	Wizards Walk Entrance	Fountain	Something that you think is treasure
Swan	Something fuzzy	A leaf that's been chewed	Pink Flower
Bee	Someone on a scooter	Dog	Something squishy



Tots' Bingo Walk

See if you can spot the following. Circle the ones you find, writing or drawing in what it is where relevant.

Something round	Something yellow	A duck		A leaf
Something with wheels	Something green	Something tall		A bench
Something that flies	Something red	Something small	*	A feather



Greener Kirkcaldy is a community-led charity and development trust working on a local scale to benefit people and our environment. We would like to see a future where everyone is able to heat their home affordably, eat well, and tread more lightly on our planet. Our Walking Festival is part of our Transport project funded by the Scottish Government's Climate Challenge Fund. Find out more on our website: www.greenerkirkcaldy.org.uk





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