

WESTBURY ON TRYM

Elvyn Griffiths

Tues 8 March 2.00 – 4.00

The history of the village and its continuing development as a suburb of Bristol. Walk starts by the War Memorial (outside the Estate Agents), finishes at Carlton Court mall.

STOKE BISHOP

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Tues 15 March 2.00 – 4.00

This suburb, once farmland on large estates, is a fairly recent development. How and why did this come about? Walk starts and ends outside Stoke Lodge Adult Learning Centre.

HOW BRISTOL BEGAN

Elvyn Griffiths

Tues 29 March 2.00 – 4.00

How the Saxons settled in an area that became Bristol, their life there, the development of the port, and the beginnings of slavery. Walk starts at St Peter's Church, Castle Green, and ends at Bristol Bridge.

LITERARY HERITAGE OF CLIFTON

Elvyn Griffiths

Tues 5 April 2.00 – 4.00

Why famous writers were attracted to the area, and what they wrote about. Starts at Clifton Hill House, ends at Victoria Rooms.

HOTWELLS

Angela Nutbrown

Sat 9 April 10.30 - 12.30 **AND/OR**

Wed 20 April 2.30 – 4.30

The story of this interesting area, and of the rise and decline of the original Bristol Hotwell spa. Starts at the Pumphouse pub, Merchants Road, and ends close by.

SNEYD PARK & LEIGH WOODS BY OPEN TOP BUS (not a walk), with commentary by

Angela Nutbrown

Sun 8 May 2.30 – 4.30 **AND/OR**

Tues 17 May 6.00 – 8.00pm

Get the best view of these wonderful suburbs- the trees, the architecture, the layout – and hear about their history without getting your feet tired.

Cost £7.50. Pick up and drop off in the Centre at Cascade Steps, Broad Quay, Stop 1, Open top bus

OBSERVATORY HILL, CLIFTON

Angela Nutbrown

Thurs 12 May 2.30 – 4.00 **AND/OR**

Sun 15 May 10.30 – 12.00

An Iron Age hill fort, a *camera obscura*, a cave, a snuff mill, a 'slippery slope', and the best view of the Suspension Bridge... Come and explore. Starts at the Victorian fountain on Clifton Down Road/Suspension Bridge Road, ends nearby.

THE STORY OF THE DOWNS (1)

Elvyn Griffiths

Tues 24 May 2.00 – 4.15 **AND/OR**

Mon 6 June 2.00 – 4.15

The walk explores how the Saxons used the Downs as a resource; how it was saved from development in Victorian times and why; and how it is managed now. Starts and ends at Seawalls.

TEA & CAKES! – See below

CLIFTON VILLAGE

Angela Nutbrown

Thurs 9 June 6.00 – 8.00 **AND/OR**

Sat 11 June 10.30 – 12.30

A summer walk to discover the architectural and other delights of Clifton, and to hear some of its stories. Starts at Rodney Hotel, Rodney Place, ends at Boyce's Avenue.

BRISTOL in the first decade of the 19th century

Elvyn Griffiths

Sat 18 June 2.00 – 4.00

A walk examining changes in culture and society as Bristol began to expand, and citizens' contrasting qualities of life. Starts outside Wills Tower, Park St, and ends in Corn Street.

THE STORY OF THE DOWNS (2)

Elvyn Griffiths

Sun 26 June 2.00 – 4.15 **AND/OR**

Tues 5 July 2.00 – 4.15

The walk looks at the leisure pursuits of more than a hundred years. Practically the whole of the Downs was used for organised recreation...even polo! Begins and ends at Sea Walls

TEA AND CAKES! See below

After each of Elvyn's DOWNS walks, Angela invites you to have tea and homemade cake at her house very close to Sea Walls. The cost will be £3.00. The house is Grade 2 listed, and designed by EW Godwin, the Bristol-born Victorian polymath whose work features in the V & A 'Aesthetic Movement' exhibition in 2011. Angela will give a brief introduction to Godwin's work.

Please contact Angela or Elvyn if you would like a tailor-made walk for a private group

Cost: All walks are £5.00 per person. Payment to be made on the day.

Bookings can be made by email or phone call to Elvyn or Angela. Please leave contact details. There is a minimum of 5 people for each walk and a maximum of 25. It is advisable to book early.

Footwear: It is advisable to wear boots or shoes suitable for all surfaces, including cobbles.

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Walking into HISTORY!

SPRING/SUMMER 2011



An opportunity to visit the past and to find out more about the history and development of Bristol through a series of guided walks. The walks are designed to highlight life and living through the ages and the events that influenced people and places in and around Bristol.