

Trip Report Saturday 13 June 2026

Route	Llantysilio Mountain Llangollen
Distance	9.5 miles with 2000ft ascent
Squad	Neil (Leader), Ann, Sarah, Steve, Chrissie, Janet, Noreen, Heather, Lesley, Mike, Sue (and Edie)

With the Pavilion car park not in use due to Village Day, all car drivers made their way separately to the start point at the Horse Shoe Pass, and everyone made it by 9.15.

A very warm welcome to Noreen, for which this was her first walk with the BUMS, and it quickly became apparent that she was very much at home in the hills, and as chatty as Sarah and Lesley To Boot.

The walk set off from the car park opposite the Ponderosa and we were quickly climbing up the first of 3 ascents (Moel y Faen) as we made our way across the Llantysilio range. The weather was fine with a stiff breeze.

The route then took us onto a very defined path as we descended before rising again to Moel y Gamelin (577m) where happening upon a nice sheltered spot from the wind, a coffee stop was taken.

The route then proceeded along the mountain ridge and ascended again to the trig point at Moel y Morfydd. These first 3 miles had covered 1500ft of ascent, great training for those heading to Austria in a couple of weeks.

As we descended for the final time, the wind dropped and the weather became very warm requiring a few delaying stops as we headed down into the valley, eventually having a nice lunch spot looking over to the wind farm on the Denbigh Moors!!

Post lunch the valley path ascended gently as we crossed a few sheep farms, and the Moel y Faen quarries before reaching the car park. A splendid effort by all, definitely no dawdling today.

Many thanks to all the drivers. Hydration was taken at the DA.

Neil