Offa's Dyke Part 1

Sat. 9 th June	Travelling day and setting up camp. The Rising Sun, Old Hereford Road, Pandy, Abergavenny, NP7 8DL Mark & Joanne Weaver Tel: 07985296949/07960863449 Email: <u>therisingsun.pandy@outlook.com</u> Website: <u>www.therisingsunpandy.com</u> While the van goes early on the Saturday morning to set up camp the minibus we depart from Upton-Upon-Severn at midday and head for Chepstow and the start of the walk. Meanwhile David and John will join the group in Chepstow and lead a half-day walk, walking from Sedbury Cliffs to Brockweir (7 miles)
Sun. 10 th June	Brockweir – Lower Hendre (13 miles) The route continues to follow the Wye Valley all the way to Monmouth, where it leaves the valley and rises above the town.
Mon. 11 th June	Lower Hendre – Pandy (11.75 miles) The path continues to undulate gently over, largely, pastoral land until we finish only a short distance from our campsite.
Tues. 12 th June	Pandy – Hay-on-Wye (16 miles) This is our longest day in terms of distance but should be quite easy to achieve. Logistically, we do not really have a choice, as the route climbs out of Pandy onto the eastern most ridge of the Black Mountains. Once we have climbed up Hatterrall Hill, we remain high all the way to the northern edge of the Black Mountains, where we drop into Hay.
Wed. 13 th June	Today we move camp Rockbridge Park, Rockbridge Park, Presteigne, Powys, Wales, LD8 2NF Steve Tel: 01547 560300 Website: <u>www.rockbridgepark.co.uk</u> After breakfast we pack up camp and while the van moves on to the next site, the rest will have a little time in Hay to explore the bookshops before embarking on a relatively short day, walking from Hay to Gladestry (10 miles). By the time the minibus picks you up camp will be established.
Thurs. 14 th June	Gladestry - Dolly Green (11 miles) We climb immediately out of Gladestry up on to the Hergest Ridge, which we follow all the way into Kington. From there

	we undulate through the wonderful Welsh border country to Dolly Green.
Fri. 15 th June	Dolly Green – Newcastle (12.5 miles) We continue to undulate north up to Knighton. From there the scenery becomes a little more dramatic with stunning views over the Teme Valley. We remain high until we descend to the small village of Newcastle.
Sat. 16 th June	Newcastle – Forden (13 miles) We climb out of Newcastle and remain high for the first half of the day. During the latter half of the day the contours spread out and the walking becomes a little easier all the way to Forden on the edge of the Vale of Montgomery. This is where we finish this stage of the walk but will look forward to returning later in the year to complete the full Offa's Dyke trail.
Sun. 17 th June	Strike camp and return home

Total distance walked: 95 miles