# Went from Wood to Coast with Caer and Castles

## Date: 13th February 1988

## Distance/Ascent: 21.7 miles, 1880 feet

## Leader: Gerry Jackson

## Route Description:

* Start at Foresters’ Oaks car park/picnic site (ST 428 939).
* Up to summit of Grey Hill. South-westwards to Cil-voynog.
* Path south past Penhein and south-east through Cuhere Wood to (ST 456 925).
* Roads south to A48, road east into Caerwent and around south half of Roman Wall to road at (ST 471 903).
* Road south to track junction at (ST 476 897).
* Track south under M4 (now M48) then path south-east crossing road at (ST 484 886).
* Down drive To Caldicot Castle and B4245 at (ST 489 883).
* Roads south past Pill Farm (under M4) to coastal sea wall at (ST 491 873).
* Path westwards along the sea wall to track junction at Magor Pill at (ST 436 847).
* Track north to road at Magor Pill Farm (ST 432 856).
* Roads through Magor to cross M4 (now M48) at (ST 431 878).
* Road to Knollbury then field paths past Upper Grange to Castell Coch at (ST 420 887).
* Road to path junction at (ST 418 891).
* Path north to A48 at Penhow.
* Road and path north-west to Parc Seymour.
* Road north from (ST 406 919) to Wentwood Gate at (ST 409 927).
* Track and path north through forestry via Curley Oak at (ST 403 936) to main ridge path at (ST 406 942).
* Path/track along ridge to road junction at (ST 422 948).
* Road southwards to Foresters’ Oaks car park and finish.

## Weather: Except for a break of about 2 hours around midday it rained continuously with a strong wind in exposed situations (especially on the coast). Finished in mist on top of Wentwood. Had lunch on coast whilst waiting for firing to stop on firing range. A good pub break after lunch. Really wet.

## Participants: Gerry Jackson, Nick Kaye, Roger Blake, Keith Bennet, Marcus Harling, Peter Davies, Alun Jones, Don Henley + friend, Doug Matthews.