# Monmouthshire Meadows Group Open Meadows Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2024 Lower Gockett Fields and Wolvesnewton 10am to 4pm

Online map at:

www.google.com/maps/d/u/2/edit?mid=1uIY3FUf06zXUNFzuUgINMj4VyVZxgvY&usp=sharing



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## **Directions to Lower Gockett Fields**

Important: Don't follow Google directions to Lower Gockett Farm! The fields we are visiting are on the far side of the farm, reached by a different road. The nearest landmark on Google maps is Forest Hill Farm which is just along the road from our meadow site. If you reach Forest Hill Farm, you have gone too far!

The fields are at SO 48413 07143, the nearest postcode is NP25 4JP and What3Words what3words.com/swimmer.trappings.goose

First find your way to **St Catwg's Church** at **Cwmcarvan** (///turkey.windmill.scariest) (if using Google search for St Catwg's Church, Monmouth)

- From Monmouth go through Mitchel Troy and just before the A40 take the left fork onto the Dingestow road that runs alongside the A40 (past Square Farm Shop)
  Go past the turning to Dingestow (on your right) and 320m (350 yards) after that take the left turn to Cwmcarvan
  Follow this road for 1.5km (just under 1 mile) to St Catwg's Church (see further directions below)
- From **Raglan** take the Groesnan Road, which crosses the A40 to become the Dingestow Road Pass the Somerset Arms and after 750m (half a mile) take the right turn to Cwmcarvan Follow this road for 1.5km (just under 1 mile) to **St Catwg's Church** (see further directions below)
- From **Trellech** there are various routes. They all involve narrow roads with limited passing places, or you can go up the B4293 to Mitchell Troy and follow the route from Monmouth above (this is longer but involves less distance on narrow roads). Otherwise the shortest route is:
  - From Trellech, coming from the south on the B4293, go past Trellech Church and just after the tight right bend by the church, take the left turn to Cwmcarvan After 2km (1.3 miles), nearing the top of the hill, turn right towards Cwmcarvan After a further 750metres (not far past GWT's Croes Robert reserve) turn right again towards Cwmcarvan, going steeply downhill Follow this narrow road for 1.8 km (just over 1 mile) to St Catwg's Church

**From St Catwg's Church (Cwmcarvan Church)**: at the 3-way junction take the road to the left of the church signed N Perth Hir – No Through Road. Parking will be in a field 800 metres (½ mile) along this road, on the left.

## Directions to the fields at Wolvesnewton

The fields are at ST 45158 99871, the nearest postcode is NP16 6NY and What3Words what3words.com/displays.seagull.yachting.

Parking is by a barn opposite the rectory at <u>what3words.com/tools.showering.personal</u>, ST 45414 99713. The nearest landmark on Google is **St Thomas à Becket Church**. The walk to the fields is then 450 metres – along a road then track with a sharp right turn by some houses, to the meeting point in a field on the right. The route will be signed.

If you have limited mobility please get in touch in advance and we will arrange for you to park closer to the fields.

### From the B4293 from Monmouth

- Going south on the B4293, go through Llanishen and continue for 2.5 km (1.5 miles) to Cobbler's Plain
- At the Cobbler's Plain (staggered) crossroads and phone box, turn right towards Wolvesnewton (at ///outcasts.glass.melt)
- Continue for 3.4km (2.1 miles) (where there are forks in the road, take the right fork) until you reach the turning to St Thomas a Becket church on the right (at /// heartened.watched.corner, ST 45449 99539)

(There is no sign to the church, but there is a house on the right, and a farm, footpath fingerposts and a community notice board opposite the turning.) Turn right onto the 'no through road' that leads to the church

• Follow the road for 180 metres until you reach a junction by the rectory at ///necklaces.budgeted.boom. Parking is through a farm gate by the barn - this will be signed

#### From the B4293 from Chepstow

- Going north on the B4293, just after the 20mph sign as you enter Devauden take the left turn into Cwm Fagor Road
- Follow this road through the new houses it becomes a single-track country road that runs for 2.5km (1.6 miles) to meet the Wolvesnewton road at ///create.lavished.pumpkin ST 46285 99850
- Turn left and continue for 950 metres (0.6 mile) until you reach the turning to St Thomas a Becket church on the right (at /// heartened.watched.corner, ST 45449 99539)
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### From the A449 and Usk

- From the west, come off the A449 at Usk and take the B4235 towards Chepstow / Gwernesney / Llandenny
- Keep on the B4235 for 4.4 km (2.7 miles) through Gwernesney, towards Llangwm
- At Llangwm, after passing a left turn and a bus shelter, turn left off the B4235 towards Wolvesnewton and Cobblers Plain
- Continue up the hill and follow signs to Wolvesnewton for 3.3 km (2 miles) until you reach the turning to St Thomas a Becket church on the left (at /// heartened.watched.corner, ST 45449 99539) (There is no sign to the church, but you will see a house on the corner, and a farm, footpath fingerposts and a community notice board opposite the turning) Turn left onto the 'no through road' that leads to the church
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## Travel between the two sites: Lower Gockett Fields to Wolvesnewton

## From Lower Gockett Fields to Wolvesnewton via Trellech and Llanishen on B4293 (16km – allow 30-40 minutes)

This is the shortest route, via the B4293 through Trellech and Llanishen as shown on the map..... www.google.com/maps/d/u/2/edit?mid=1uIY3FUf06zXUNFzuUgINMj4VyVZxgvY&usp=sharing

- From Joe's fields, return to St Catwg's Church and turn left towards Hillside/Trellech
- After 1.7km (1.1 miles) turn left onto the road towards Trellech
- After a further 750 metres ( $\frac{1}{2}$  mile) turn left onto the road to Trellech
- After 2.1 km (1.3 miles) this meets the B4293 turn right into Trellech
- The Lion Inn in Trellech is a little further on, on the left
- Follow the B4293 towards Chepstow. This goes through Llanishen where the **Carpenter's Arms** is on the right
- After Llanishen continue for 2.5 km (1.5 miles) to Cobbler's Plain
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## Longer route but with not quite as much on single track roads - A40/A449 to Usk (27km)

- At St Catwg's Church turn right towards Monmouth
- After 1.5km (just under 1 mile) at the junction with Dingestow Road, turn right towards Monmouth
- Just after Square Farm Shop (on the right) at the junction, turn left to go onto the A40
- Follow the A40/A449 to the Usk turning and take the B4235 towards Chepstow/ Gwernesney (past Usk showground)
- Keep on the B4235 for 4.4 km (2.7 miles) through Gwernesney, towards Llangwm
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First find your way to the church at Cwmcarvan (///turkey.windmill.scariest) (if using Google search for **St Catwg's Church, Monmouth**):

- From the rectory, return down to the T-junction and turn left towards Cobblers Plain
- Continue for 3.4km (2.1 miles) until you reach the B4293 (if in doubt at any junctions, keep to the left)
- Turn left onto the B4293 towards Trellech
- Continue through Llanishen (passing the Carpenter's Arms on the left) to Trellech
- In Trellech pass the Lion's Inn and the church
- Just after the tight right bend by the church, take the left turn to Cwmcarvan
- After 2km (1.3 miles), nearing the top of the hill, turn right towards Cwmcarvan
- After a further 750metres (not far past GWT's Croes Robert reserve) turn right again towards Cwmcarvan, going steeply downhill
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