# Forest Of Dean/Wye Valley

## Date: 15th October 1983

## Distance/Ascent: 19 miles with 2300 ft ascent

## Leader: Andrew Clabon

## Route Description:

* Start at Forestry car park (Biblins) near Symonds Yat – Wye Valley.
* Through Mailscot Wood and Marian’s Inclosure to standing stone and A4136.
* South-east for short way to junction with B4431.
* Forestry tracks and paths through Blake’s/Dingle Woods to road junction at (SO 549 117). Along road to (SO 546 114).
* North-west through Birchen Wood and across Staunton Meend to the Buck Stone.
* Through Rodge Wood to A4136 at (SO 540 124).
* West along road then up track to Beaulieu Farm.
* Uphill through fields to the Kymin and Naval Temple.
* Return north-eastwards through field and wood to A4136 at (SO 532 130).
* Take road east for a short way then forestry tracks through Highmeadow Woods to the Suck Stone and Near Harkening Rock.
* Through forestry to Biblin’s bridge across the River Wye.
* Track then path up through Lord’s wood past old quarry to King Arthur’s Cave.
* Eastwards through Lord’s Wood and along bank of River Wye past Symond’s Yat ferry.
* Continue beside River Wye through fields to B4229 at Old Forge (SO 559 184).
* Road then field paths beside River Wye to Huntsham Bridge.
* Road south-westwards past Huntsham Court to Symond’s Yat Rock.
* Forestry track south to car park.

## Weather: Foul weather all day – steady rain, very heavy at times. Windy, strong at times. Low cloud and overcast.

## Participants: Andrew Clabon, Gwyn Howells, Tony Clarke, Nicholas & Julia Kaye, Alan Fox, Ron Dix, David John, Marcus Harling