



# **WEST SOMERSET RAILWAY WALK**

## **Sunday 16th November 2008**



**ST. MARGARET'S**  
**Hospice**  
Somerset

## In aid of the West Somerset Steam Railway Trust's Heritage Carriages Project and St Margarets Hospice

Thank you for your interest and participation in the "West Somerset Railway Walk". All money raised will go to the Heritage Carriages Project whose aim is to restore vintage railway carriages to complement the fine range of steam locomotives that run on this railway. The walk is from Williton Station to Minehead.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

There will be a choice of two groups leaving Williton for Minehead. The first will start at 10.00am. The second group will start at Mid-Day.

A train will leave Minehead at 09.00, calling at Dunster at 09.07, Blue Anchor at 09.20, Washford at 09.30 and Watchet at 09.40 to take walkers to the start at Williton. Here they will be briefed before starting the walk at 10.00am.

The train will then run to Bishops Lydeard to collect walkers needing transport from Bishops Lydeard. It will leave there at 10.30am calling at Crowcombe at 10.40 and Stogumber at 11.00 before arriving at Williton. The second group will then be briefed before leaving at 12.00.

Walkers can finish their walk at any station between Williton and Minehead, having informed a Marshall or Steward at the station.

Those that complete the whole ten mile stretch will be offered a complementary cup of Coffee/Tea /Soup and a bacon roll or cake at Minehead.

At 16.00hrs a train will depart Minehead to drop all walkers off at their original starting station, arriving at Bishops Lydeard at 17.00hrs.

If wanting transport from Minehead the train will depart at 09.00 am. If wanting transport from Bishops Lydeard the train will depart at 10.30 am.

We are pleased to be running this walk in conjunction with St Margarets Somerset Hospice. Walkers can choose to give all their sponsorship to the WSSRT or to split it between the project and the hospice.

### **SAFETY FACTORS**

Track beds are not foot friendly; please wear good strong walking shoes or boots.

DO NOT RUN! Sleepers are slippery.

Please keep to the tracks and do not climb fences or venture into private land.

If you wish to leave the walk, please do so at the next station en route. Please let a marshall know so that your name can be noted.

Your walk must finish at the next station on your card before 16.00hrs. Please do not continue the walk after this time, but remain at this station for collection by train.

**THE LINE MUST BE CLEAR BY 16.00hrs.**

If you have arranged to be collected at the station where you finish your walk it is essential that you let a Steward or Marshall know. First Aid will be available at Minehead Station and will be mobile should an accident occur en-route.

A person known as a "Sweeper" will be the last person to walk on the track for both walking groups and should be alerted if an accident occurs en-route. They will have a Hi-Visibility vest and will be easily identifiable.

Please exercise care and caution when walking over bridges or level crossings. Dogs must remain on a lead at all times.

Refreshments will be available at various stations en-Route. If you reach Minehead, your complementary drink and roll or cake is available by showing your sponsor form suitably signed.

Drinks and snacks will be available on the train that takes you home. Toilet facilities will be available at all stations en-route.