

Weekend trip to Hay on Wye 12-15th June 2026

For the fourth year *running* (ahem), a flock of harriers are returning to the famous literary market town of Hay-on-Wye to do the [Offa's Dyke 15-mile](#) event on Saturday 13th June, along with other - more social - activities. This long-standing multi-terrain run takes in a hilly section of the famous Offa's Dyke Path between Hay and Kington ([link to Google Earth Route](#)).

There are some tough hills along the way, but the scenery alone makes it worthwhile. As with last year, the organisers also offer the option of sharing the run between 2 or 3 runners.

A couple of shorter runs (including the local [Parkrun](#)) will also be available over the weekend for anyone who fancies something less demanding and free, ensuring there's a distance suitable for everybody over the weekend.

We're staying just a short walk from the town, at Kevin's sister's [campsite and outdoor centre](#) where there is plenty of room for runners, their partners and families to spend the weekend in town swimming, hill walking, eating, drinking and relaxing. Hay Castle has been reopened after a huge restoration project, and Hay Bluff is a lovely moderate ascent offering fantastic views just 15 minutes drive from the campsite. The site can also offer relaxed canoe trips on the Wye, and there are a number of great walks/bike rides straight from the field gate. Even wild swimming in the Wye is just 5 minute walk away to ease any stiff legs.

Main accommodation in a rather luxurious shared lodge sleeping 12 people in 2/3 bed rooms (single beds, so suitable for sharing as a bunkhouse). For the Harriers this extended weekend (Friday to Monday) is made available at a discount which works out at £62.50/head for 3 nights if we get a full group of 12 (booking secured by £25 deposit now with balance due in Spring).

Half of the lodge spaces have already been snapped up by last years cohort, but there is also ample camping (£12pppn) or campervan options available, even with a couple of rather fine glamping options with proper beds on offer...! Honestly the more Harriers the merrier, for a long weekend of activities and socialising - families very welcome!

For camping/van/glamping bookings, contact Sharon at [Outdoors at Hay](#) and perhaps let them know you're booking to join the WH Harriers for that weekend. Let us know you're booked so we can add your details to a whatsapp group, for 'campers' and 'lodgers' to communicate arrangements, carshares, cake baking etc. It's self-catered, and we might do a modest kitty for food etc. to be arranged much nearer the time.

- Arrival Friday afternoon/evening and catch up with your club buddies.
- Saturday morning 9am: Parkrun in town along the Wye River
- Saturday 11am: Offa's Dyke 15mile trail run.
- Saturday afternoon relax/recover at the lodge/campsite or stroll/bike into town for shops and refreshment*.
- Saturday evening – group social meal / BBQ / Party – the campsite has its own licensed bar and covered barn in the event of rain.
- Sunday morning – ['The Magic Roundabout'](#) returns - a comfortable, 10km trail event on an undulating naturally groomed course just 10 minutes away by car, with breathtaking 360 degree views on offer.
- Sunday afternoon – please ourselves - swimming in, or canoeing on the Wye river, sunbathing, picnic, rounders etc. another group meal or trip into town – see above.
- Monday morning depart, perhaps a walk up Hay Bluff before heading home.

Please ask any questions or contact Kevin Brady directly with any queries – see photos from the previous trips in 2023, 2024 & 2025

(p.s. dogs not allowed in the lodge, although okay on the campsite subject to some general rules)

