

## WALK 15

### BRYN MAWR, GORS GOCH AND WAUN

**DESCRIPTION** This walk takes in stage one of the previous walk and then goes on through Gors Goch forest, out onto Waun moor and returns via Mawnog Bryn-glas.

The first part of the forest section can be difficult and wet underfoot, as can parts of the moorland, but the walker is well rewarded by gorgeous views over the Trannon valley. The total distance is just less than 6 miles.

**START** Llawr y Glyn village. (GR 932913)

**DIRECTIONS** From Llanidloes take the B4569 north for about 4 miles to the village of Trefeglwys and, after passing the garage on a sharp left-hand bent, turn **LEFT** at the post office and continue for about 2.5 miles to the small village of Llawr y glyn. In the village, turn **RIGHT** and after about 150 yards there is limited parking on a small grassed area by the brook.

1 Take the **LEFT** hand, single track road, signed as a cul-de-sac, which climbs up the hill and continue for just over half a mile until you reach a point where the road rises steeply then drops away as it curves round to Gwernau Farm. You will note a telegraph pole on your right opposite a broad lane entrance way-marked as a bridleway. Turn **LEFT** along the lane and follow it as it then bears right up the hillside. Go through 2 gates then turn sharp **LEFT** to continue following the track as it approaches the gate to a small holding, then swings **RIGHT** once more up the hill. (The views to your right and behind you along this stretch are particularly impressive and, after your earlier climb, this section is certainly worth a more leisurely ramble) After passing through 2 more gates, the track curves left then right before meeting a third gate adjacent to a corner of Gors Goch wood, where your track is joined by another approaching from your right.

2 Continue **AHEAD** through the gate and follow the track to the wicket gate, going through the gate into Gors Goch wood. The going here can be quite wet and rough underfoot. Follow the way-marked bridleway through the wood until you reach the hard-core topped forestry track across your front. (*Be careful at this point as this track is often used by a local car rally training school*) Cross the track and continue to follow the way marks the short distance to the wicket gate in the forest fence.

On leaving the forest take the path across the moor which first takes you **AHEAD** to the cairn on the summit then bears gently downhill and to your **RIGHT** until it meets the far corner of the forest. At the corner, go through the wicket gate and then walk

AHEAD keeping the forest fence to your right for about 500 yards until you reach another wicket gate taking you back into Gors Goch.

3 Go through the wicket gate and walk AHEAD for about 150 yards to the hard-core topped forestry track and then continue AHEAD, past a small pool on your left, to the field gate taking you out of the wood onto open fields. Follow the track on through 2 gates and, at the second gate, walk AHEAD across the field then turn RIGHT along the fence. Ignore the gateway you pass after a few yards and, keeping the fence to your left, go through the gate in the corner of the field. (*As the view ahead of you opens up, look to your right, across the valley to the route you took initially when climbing to the forest on Bryn Mawr.*) Follow the track on down Banc y Neuadd past a wood to your right, through a further gate and down into Neuadd-lwyd farm where you go through the buildings, bear LEFT in front of the farmhouse and then RIGHT, along the drive and back to your start point.