

## Beagle Club walk schedule 2021

All walks except the waterfront walk begin at 2.00pm

Date	Walk Venue	Event
21 February	Red Rocks	Longest stay
21 March	Titahi Bay boatsheds	Best trick
18 April	Petone beach	Best recall
23 May	Wellington waterfront	Best heel walk. <b>2.30pm start</b> (parking)
20 June	Camborne walkway	Best trick
18 July	Mana	Seven legged race
22 August	Trentham Memorial Park	Spud, spoon, and Beagle race
19 September	Seton Nossiter Park	Best trick
11 October	AGM – Petone Community Centre	Commencing 2.30pm
24 October	QE II Park	Longest stay
21 November	Botanic Gardens	Best trick
12 December	Wilton Bush Christmas Walk	Best dressed Beagle

### Walk Leaders

February	Russell & Sharon
March	Bill & Ruth
April	Rose McGregor
May	Terry & Sandra
June	Bill & Ruth
July	Terry & Sandra
August	Esme
September	Russell & Sharon
October	Tess
November	Rose McGregor
December	All

## Directions and Details

### **February            Red Rocks**

Directions: Travelling on the Inner City Bypass/Karo Drive: From the North turn right, from the Eastern suburbs turn left at the lights into Victoria Street. Turn right into Webb Street and immediately left at the lights into Willis Street, then veer right onto Brooklyn Road. Follow that road through the lights at Brooklyn and all the way until it becomes Happy Valley Road and ends at Owhiro Bay. Turn right into Owhiro Bay Parade and follow that road to the point where Red Rocks Walkway begins, and park in the car park on your left. You'll no doubt be able to see other Beagles and owners milling about there waiting for the walk leader!

Details: This is an off-lead walk, but we should be aware there may be seals present in the Red Rocks area. Fortunately vehicle access to the area is prohibited on Sundays, so we should enjoy a pleasant walk. After the walk we'll enjoy a cold drink and a snack, and there will be a prize for the longest stay.

Note: The walk is suitable for cross-country type buggies only, due to the heavy shingle drifts which tend to bog you down in places.

### **March                Onepoto Road, Titahi Bay**

Directions: From the North take the second off ramp from SH1 at Porirua and follow the roundabout to cross the overbridge above the motorway. From the South take the off ramp and turn left at the roundabout. Follow Titahi Bay Road along the Western shore of the harbour and turn right into Onepoto Road. Pass the large car park on your right, then Gloaming Hill Road on your left, and park in the car park behind the boat sheds.

Details: The walk follows the foreshore (and the seabed if the tide is out) from behind the boat sheds to a point opposite Mana. It can be an off-lead walk for the Beagles, although be aware that sometimes they have been known to find all sorts of alluring but disgustingly smelly things washed up on the shingle. After the walk there will be a get-together with light refreshments back at the car park, and a prize for the winners of the best trick competition.

Note: Suitable for buggies, although if the tide is in, you may need to push them through a bit of water and over some rocks!

### **April                 Petone Beach West**

Directions: via SH2 from the North

After the Normandale overbridge keep to the left, leave the motorway at the Dowse Drive interchange and keep to the left lane taking the first exit to Hutt Road heading South. Stay on Hutt Road until the Jackson Street traffic lights then turn left into Jackson Street and take the first right into Te Puni Street, proceed South on Te Puni until you reach the Esplanade. At the Esplanade drive straight across to the Southbound lane and keeping left proceed to the Southwest until you see an off lane. Take that lane and enter the Petone Beach West area at Honiana Te Puni Reserve, then turn right and follow the road to the Wellington

Water Ski Club building at the Western end of the beach area. Park in the car park just past the Ski Club building.

via SH2 from the South

Enter the roundabout at Petone Esplanade and take the second exit to the Esplanade. Keep to the right and take the first exit after the roundabout to the beach at Honiana Te Puni Reserve then turn right and follow the road to the Wellington Water Ski Club building at the Western end of the beach area. Park in the car park just past the Ski Club building.

Details: The Petone beach is divided into three areas, Petone Beach West, Petone Beach, and Petone Beach East.

Petone Beach East is an area from about the mouth of the Hutt River to the point at which Waione Street becomes the Esplanade. Dogs are permitted off leash but accompanied by the person in control carrying the leash.

Petone Beach, the area from the Waione Street point to the wharf, is prohibited to dogs at all times.

Petone Beach West is the area from the Western end of the Beach near the Wellington Water Ski Club to the wharf, about one third of the length of the beach. The area is designated a dog exercise area and dogs are permitted on the beach at any time without a leash but accompanied by the person in control carrying a leash.

Notes: Petone Beach West is the area we will be using for our walk. Don't let your dogs stray to the East of the wharf.

## **May Wellington waterfront**

Directions: Drive into Wellington City and from the Wellington Railway Station drive South along Jervois Quay and keep left into Cable Street just past the rowing clubs lagoon and drive along Cable Street to Barnett Street just past Te Papa on the left. In Barnett Street there is car parking in the area on the harbour side of the waterfront market for \$4.00 per hour. We can meet at the end of Barnett Street which is part of the waterfront walk

Details: Dogs can be walked anywhere in the city on leash. Dogs are prohibited from a small stretch of Oriental Bay, but we won't go there. Cleaning up after our dogs will be important so don't forget poo bags!

Note: The whole waterfront walk is suitable for pushchairs or buggies.

## **June Camborne Walkway**

Directions: If you are driving North along SH1, pass through Mana and turn right into Grays Road at the traffic lights just past those at the Plimmerton Beach intersection. Follow the road over the hill, and as you get near the bottom on the harbour side, look for the car park on your right. Ensure that the road is clear of

approaching traffic before turning into the car park. If you come via the Haywards Hill road (SH58), turn right at the roundabout into Pauatahanui village, then left into Grays Road and proceed around the harbour until you see the Water-ski Club shed and car park on your left. Meet on the grass at the Grays Road entrance to the walkway.

Details: This is an off-lead walk, but some Beagles have been known to get a bit side-tracked by delicious smells emanating from some of the baches at the Mana end of the walkway. We'll turn around on the beach South of the baches and return to the Grays Road end of the walkway. After the walk we'll be having light refreshments and a chat, and a prize for the Beagle with the best heel walk.

Note: The walkway is in very good order and is suitable for pushchairs, buggies, etc. Look out for cyclists who share the walkway with pedestrians.

## **July                      Mana**

Directions: From Mana Esplanade (part of SH1) turn West (towards the sea) at the traffic lights into Pascoe Avenue about half way along the Esplanade. Cross the railway line and take the first right. Follow that road, past the indoor cricket centre, between the Park and the Titahi Bay Canine Obedience Club, towards the Mana Squash Courts then turn right into the Mana railway station car park.

Details: This walk is a mixture of on- and off-lead sections and is partly on the Ara Harakeke walkway which runs North from the Southern end of Mana to Pukerua Bay. We will do the section from the car park to Plimmerton beach and return before walking around the park and the marina. After the walk there will be a get-together with light refreshments back at the car park, and a prize for the winners of the longest stay competition.

Note: Suitable for buggies

## **August                      Trentham Memorial Park**

Directions: From SH2 cross the Silverstream Bridge and follow Fergusson Drive past Trentham Memorial Park, then take the next left into Brentwood Street. Pass Brentwood Grove and then turn left into the car park just before Ruahine Street. Park at the far (Northern) end of the car park beyond the children's play area.

Details: The area is open and flat and dogs can be walked off-lead, except for the children's play area. After the walk there will be a get-together for light refreshments, and a prize for the winners of the spud, spoon, and Beagle race.

Note: Suitable for buggies

## **September                      Seton Nossiter Park**

Directions: The park is in the Paparangi area, East of the SH1 motorway between Johnsonville and Churton Park. The simplest route from North or South is via the Churton Park/Glenside off-ramp onto Grenada Drive (that's over the motorway if you're coming from the South). Take the third exit at the roundabout onto Mark Avenue. Follow Mark Avenue South through Grenada Village and pass Mark Avenue Park, about 200 m on your left just before arriving at the carpark for Seton Nossiter Park.

Details: The area is devoted to outdoor recreation, with walking tracks varying from open flat areas to bush covered hillsides. Dogs can be walked off-lead in

most parts of the park. After the walk there will be a get-together for light refreshments, and a prize for the best trick.

Note: Some areas are suitable for buggies. The access track from the car park into the park is quite steep, and parts of the park may be difficult if the ground is wet.

### **October                    AGM. Petone Community Centre**

Directions: Britannia Street is off Jackson Street, Petone's main street, and there is ample off-street parking in close proximity.

Details: The business side of the AGM is informal and quite brief. This is a good chance for you to share any brilliant ideas you might have about how we can improve the Club, include other activities, change something, or do something better. This is your club and the committee values your input and support. Tea, coffee, and sandwiches and cakes will be served afterwards, so there will be an opportunity for members to chat and socialize.

Note: Babies and their transport welcome. Beagles will have to wait until the following Sunday for their outing.

### **October                    QE II Park, Paekakariki 2.00 pm**

Directions: Take SH1 North, pass Paekakariki, and look for the signposted off ramp before the overbridge about 3.5 km North. Follow Whareroa Road right to the end at Whareroa Beach.

Details: This is an off-lead walk on tracks through the sand dunes (with some steepish bits) and along the beach, with lots of fun and interesting scents for the Beagles. After the walk there will be light refreshments on the grass by the car park, and a prize for the winners of the longest stay competition.

Note: Suitable for buggies that can handle soft sand, and you need to be fit for the hilly bits.

### **November                Botanic Gardens 2.00 pm.**

Directions: Meet just inside the gates at the Glenmore Street entrance to the Gardens. Parking can be a problem but some of the side streets nearby have parking available.

Details: You can expect plenty of interest from other visitors when they see the Beagles gathering. This is a strictly on-lead walk along the (fairly hilly) tracks to the Rose Garden area. After the walk there will be a get-together on the grassy bank behind the Rose Garden café. As usual light refreshments will be provided, and ice-creams etc. can be purchased from the cafe. There will be a prize for the Beagle with the best trick.

Notes:

1. Suitable for buggies.
2. Parking can be difficult so make sure you allow plenty of time.

### **December                Christmas Walk Wilton Bush**

Directions: Park in the Churchill Drive entrance to Wilton Bush (opposite Blackbridge Rd). This is the lower entrance to Wilton Bush. Meet on the grass area through the entrance from the car park.

Details: This is an on-lead walk. We'll do a circuit through the park, returning to our start point where we hope that Santa will be waiting. Please bring a wrapped gift for the Santa Sack valued at up to \$10, if desired. If you would prefer your children to have a present from you, please make sure it is clearly marked with your child's name so that Santa can give it to the right person. There will be a prize for the best dressed Beagle.

Enjoy wine, juice, Christmas cake, goodies, and some Christmas social time with our members.

Note: Not suitable for pushchairs, but marginally OK for the big wheel baby buggies, due to the steps on portions of the track.

## **Not included 2018**

### **Ataturk Memorial**

Directions: Drive to Lyall Bay and turn left. Follow Moa Point Rd past the Southern end of the airport runway and the dog pound (cover your Beagle's eyes for that bit), and continue another 600 m to Tarakena Bay where there is a car park on the left (you should be able to see the Ataturk Memorial up on the hill to your left). There is a walking track from there to the memorial.

Details: There are other parking areas around the start of the track to the memorial on the beach side of the road. If it's a really good day there may be a crowd so keep an eye out for a park as they may be rare. After the walk there will be a prize for the longest stay.

Notes:

1. There is a sign warning of poison stations with possum bait, so it would be advisable to keep dogs on lead.
2. One route involves quite a few steps, but there is a longer alternate route that would be suitable for buggies.

### **Awakairangi (Totara) Park, Upper Hutt**

Directions: Travel North on SH2 towards Maoribank, turn left at the traffic lights into Totara Park Road. Cross the bridge and immediately turn right into the Awakairangi Park car park.

Details: The walk goes through the park then along one side of the Hutt River and back along the other side. It's a longer walk than usual so wear good shoes and don't hurry. We'll meet for drinks and snacks back at the car park and there'll be a prize for the best trick.

Note: Suitable for all buggies.