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"Blacks Traverse Challenge" (Established 1990)

The BTC is an anytime challenge. It can be attempted either east-west or west-east. It can also be attempted both ways as one walk over two days'.

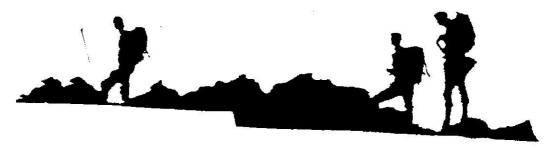
The BTC is unique in this part of the world in that it can be attempted whenever a group/individual feel ready or when the weather is deemed suitable, as compared to other challenges that have to be undertaken on specific days'. It can thus be incorporated into ones calendar at will.

The BTC is a major challenge because participants have to organise themselves more as there are no manned checkpoints and travel arrangements have to be considered at both ends - thus making the event more of an achievement upon completion.

The walk has a lot of ascent in relation to the mileage, and is therefore a serious undertaking. In order to achieve one/two of the attractive certificates, the following has to be adhered to:

- 1 submit a brief account of the walk
- 2 enclose £7.50 per certificate
- 3 enclose a large sae
- 4 groups may submit one general walk account

Further information: Google Richard Hill Black Mountains Traverse Challenge



DETAILS:

22 miles and 6,400 feet of ascent to reach the highest point of each Black Mountain ridge and to descend to the base of each valley, all within one continuous walk.

The challenge to be either east/west or west/east or both, and to be attempted at any time of the year.

Start/finish	Llangorse Church	grid ref.	135276
	Mynydd Troed peak		166293
	Telephone A479		184263
	Pen Allt Mawr peak		207243
	Tal y maes bridge		222263
	Waun Fach peak		215300
	Grwyne Fawr Reservoir		225313
	Pen Rhos Dirion peak		212335
×	Nant Uchaf		229337
	Twmpa peak		225350
	Gospel Pass		236351
	Hay Bluff peak		244366
	Olchin Brook		274338
	Black Hill peak		275348
	Black Hill car park		288326
Start/finish	Bulls Head, Craswell		278361

Maps: O.S. Scale 1:25,000. Brecon Beacons E. Area

1:50,000 Abergavenny & Black Mountains No

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There is a pub at the start/finish of each route

NOTICE OF DISCLAIMER FROM LIABILITY

All individuals who participate in the above mentioned event do so as volunteers and as such at their own risk.

Good luck

R. J. HILL.