

**Moel y Gaer Rhosesmor: – Flintshire.**



**Height:**

**984 feet or 300 metres**

**Distance to summit:**

**0.5 miles or 0.8 kilometres**

**Time to summit:**

**20 minutes**

**Difficulty:**

**Easy. The footpath is well defined to the summit.**

**Getting there:**

**Take the A541 in the direction of Denbigh from Mold. After approximately one mile, take the first turning on the right after leaving the built up area. This is the B5123 signposted to Rhosesmor.**

**Enter the village (40 mph limit) and continue as far as St Paul's church on left.**

### **Parking:**

**Immediately after the church, turn left and sharp right into the car park for the community centre.**

### **The Area**

**Much of the land is given over to sheep grazing. However the area has been extensively mined (for lead) and limestone quarries are still worked.**

### **Directions.**



**Leave the car park, and turn right keeping the church and cemetery on your left. Walk to the road junction and follow the signposted footpath on your right.**

**Continue up the track until it ends by the cottage and bear right up the footpath. Keep the wire fence and old quarry on your left until you reach the moor covered in gorse bushes.**

**Continue for 100 yards then take the left path through the gorse bushes.**



**Continue on to the summit through the fort's ramparts.**

**At the summit.**



**This is a great place to have a picnic.**

**You will see evidence that this was once an ironage hill fort. Notice the ramparts as you make your way to the summit.**

**Don't forget to bring some binoculars with you as you get a 360 degree view.**

**To the north is Liverpool with its two cathedrals and further on is Blackpool Tower (on a clear day). Further round is the Wirral and the Cheshire Plain with Beeston Castle in the far distance.**

**Moving round to the right is Hope Mountain.**

**To the south is the Clwydian Range with Moel Famau and its Jubilee Tower.**

**Here are some questions for you to answer;**

- 1. How long does it take to walk right round the fort's ramparts?**
- 2. What is the purpose of the large flat man-made structure at the top?**

**Return walk.**

**Retrace the steps of your ascent.**

**Refreshments.**

**There is The Red Lion pub in the village (back towards Mold) and further down the B5123 at Halkyn is the Blue Bell Inn.**