



PROGRAMME : DECEMBER 2021, JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2022

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GENTLE EXERCISE FRESH AIR GOOD COMPANY

Our club, formed in 1972, offers three walks of 3-4 miles, 5-6 miles, and 9-10 miles, each week, enjoying the stunning downland of Cranborne Chase, woodland and heath in the New Forest, and coastal paths of the Purbecks and World Heritage Jurassic Coast.

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NB 1: CANCELLED WALKS: If you have any doubts, for whatever reason, that a walk may not go ahead as published, **IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO CONFIRM BY CONTACTING THE LEADER** before going to the starting point.

NB 2: Dogs are not allowed.

NB 3: All walks start at 10:00 unless shown otherwise

All Mileages are approximate

DECEMBER

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| 1 Wed | BROCKENHURST VILLAGE CP, Brookley Road SO42 7RA. Exp OL22 GR SU 298 023
£2.50 for 3 hours. Free with NFDC Parking Disc.
5.1 mls Black Knowl, Bolderford Bridge, Ober Water, North Weirs. Mainly tracks and good going. |
| 3 Fri | ANGEL PUB CP Ferndown Exp 118 GR SZ 069 991
Park either in the pub CP or on the road, please consider a coffee on return
8 mls down Angels Lane, along Pompey's Lane, through Hampreston Woods and fields to Hampreston Church. Round Longham Lakes and past the stables into Pompey's Lane, Holmwood & Poor Common, past ww2 bunker. 3 Stiles, cross roads 4 times, muddy in parts. |
| 5 Sun | WALK NOT SUBMITTED |

- 7 Tues STEAMER POINT C.P. Christchurch BH23 4TA** Exp OL22 GR SZ 195 928
 Winter charges apply 70p. On-street parking available nearby
3.5 mls Coastal walk to Highcliffe (Cliffhanger) and return via Highcliffe Castle for coffee.
 Two slopes down and up.
- 8 Wed 1st SCHOOL MARGARDS LANE, Verwood (in Lane)** OL22 GR SU 082 082
5.5 mls Woodlands Common, Woodlands, Woodlands Park, Knob's Crook, Redman's Hill.
 Maybe some mud, inclines. Small amount of road walking.
- 11 Sat STOURPAINE VILLAGE HALL/RECREATION GROUND CP** Exp 117 GR ST 858 095
8 mls Hod Hill, Durweston and Blandford Forest
- 14 Tues MIDDLE ST. REC'N GRD Off A3094 Harnham** Exp 130 GR SU 133 294
 From East on A3094, after "grass" island turn Rt. to Lower & then Middle St. Road Parking
3 mls but more of an outing than a walk. A 30 min stroll to Salisbury via the water meadows. **Free time for Charter Market/Coffee.** Return via Cathedral Close All on good paths.
- 15 Wed POTTERNE PARK CP** Exp OL22 GR SU 096 074
~6 mls walk to Woodlands and back across Crane Valley golf course.
- 16 Thur VADRC CHRISTMAS LUNCH**
- 17 Fri WEST MOORS MEMORIAL HALL CP One way walk** Exp 118 GR SU 077 032
 Catch the 09:33 X6 bus [timetable](#) from Verwood Memorial Hall or bus back after coffee.
5.7 mls following the suggested route of the proposed Trailway following the line of the disused Salisbury & Dorset Junction Railway, back to Verwood. Don't forget your bus pass!
- 19 Sun WALK NOT SUBMITTED**
- 21 Tues BROOMY WALK CP** Exp OL22 GR SU 197 100
3.25 mls Woodford Bottom, Black Barrow, Lin Wood
- 22 Wed WOODFALLS SOCIAL CLUB CP (next to Woodfalls Inn)** Exp 131 GR SU 198 198
5.5 mls via Lover, Loosehanger Copse/farm, Hatchett Green and North Chalford. Consider having a drink or lunch in the Woodfalls Inn afterwards?
- 25 Sat VERY BEST WISHES FROM YOUR COMMITTEE, FOR A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS**
- 28 Tues BADBURY RINGS CP** Exp 118 GR ST 960 032
 NT car park, fee payable for non-members
3.8 mls Rings, Lodge Farm, King Down Drove. Maybe some mud. Slight inclines.
- 29 Wed WHITE SHEET CP** Exp 118 GR SU 048 036
5.2 mls around the tracks on Holt Heath. Will be muddy in places.
- 31 Fri PARLEY ROADSIDE PARKING** Exp 118 GR SZ 084 977
 Meet at corner of Longfield Drive and New Road, dispersed parking nearby
7 mls Stour Valley Way to Throop Mill, following the otherside of the Stour back through Muscliffe, Stour Valley Nature Reserve to Ensbury. Some pavement walking back to the car. Maybe some mud. Reasonably flat walk. Couple of stiles.

JANUARY

- 2 Sun BEACHERN WOOD CP near Brockenhurst** Exp OL 22 GR SU 283 026
8.5 mls Aldridgehill, Blackwater Arboretum and New Park Plantation. Flat and no stiles
- 4 Tues GUSSAGE ALL SAINTS CHURCH** dispersed roadside parking EXP 118 GR ST 999 108
3.5 mls over Shaftesbury Estate, Ackling Dyke, Harley Down, Tenantry Down. Easy walking, no stiles, short lane stretch,
- 5 Wed CRANBORNE GARDEN CENTRE CP (at top end)** Exp 118 GR SU 056 132
(Consider a coffee or drink on return. Car share if possible)
5 mls Burwood, Boveridge, Jack's Hedge Corner, Cranborne Fm, Manor Fm. Moderate undulating.
- 8 Sat THE MOOT, Downton** Land Ranger 184 GR SU 182 213
8.2 mls up to Pepperbox Hill back via Trafalgar Park, over the weir and along the Avon Valley Path by the river.

- 11 Tues** **BADBURY RINGS** NT car park, fee payable for non-members Exp 118 GR **ST 960 032**
4 mls walk on tracks and paths around the rings
- 12 Wed** **GUSSAGE ST MICHAEL** Exp 118 GR **ST 986 115**
Park in lay-by opposite garage. Please car share as parking is very limited.
5.2 mls walk along Dorset Curcus past Long Barrows and Tumuli and back along Ackling Dyke
- 14 Fri** **OAKLEY CP, New Forest (Burley to Lyndhurst road)** Exp OL22 GR **SU 226 045**
8 mls South Oakley Inclosure, Berry Wood, Anderwood and Burley Old Inclosures. Likely to be muddy in places. No stiles. Picnic tables and toilets at lunch stop.
- 16 Sun** **KEYHAVEN** Exp OL 22 **GR SZ 300 909**
Meet at footbridge at junction of New Lane and Saltgrass Lane parking on either lane nearby.
10 mls sea breezer - Keyhaven Nature Reserve and Marshes and Lymington Sea Walls round walk.
- 18 Tues** **BLACKWATER GROVE, Alderholt** Exp OL 22 GR **SU 113 123**
3 mls Alderholt circular, could be muddy after rain.
- 19 Wed** **STRECHE ROAD CAR PARK, Wareham** Exp OL15 GR **SY 920 873**
£2.80 (cash) for 4 hours or park nearby on Worget Road.
5.8 mls along Wareham Walls on to Poole Harbour Trail and back along the banks of the River Frome.
- 22 Sat** **1st SCHOOL MARGARDS LANE, Verwood (in Lane)** Exp OL22 GR **SU 082 082**
8.4 mls Bridge & Oakfield Farms, Horton Common, Old Railway to 3X , Moors Valley Lakes & Potterne. Moderate on Mainly good paths but could be mud.
- 25 Tues** **BROOMY WALK CP** Exp OL22 GR **SU 197 099**
3.5 mls Broomy Plain, Broomy Inclosure, High Corner Wood. Mainly cycle tracks. No stiles.
- 26 Wed** **CRANBORNE GARDEN CENTRE CP (at top end)** Exp 118 GR **SU 056 132**
(Consider a coffee or drink on return. Car share if possible)
5.5 mls Tracks and footpaths around Cranborne
- 28 Fri** **CHURCH LANE, West Lulworth** Exp OL 15 GR **SY 823 806**
dispersed roadside parking
9 mls Daggers Gate, Beacons, Durdle Door and Lulworth Cove. Hilly but great views.
- 30 Sun** **NORTH DORSET TRAILWAY CP, Shillingstone** Exp 129 GR **ST 821 120**
Another car park on the industrial estate for the restored station
7.8 mls Shillingstone to Child Okeford then a steep climb up Hambledon then Hod Hill rewarded with great views, Stourpaine and North Dorset Trailway back to the station and a chance to admire the painstaking restoration and sample the lovely pasties.

FEBRUARY

- 1 Tues** **CRANBORNE REC, Penny's Lane** Exp 118 GR **SU 057 133**
4 mls Burwood, Boveridge, Jack's Hedge Corner.
- 2 Wed** **BEACHCOMBER CAFE, Barton on Sea** OL22 GR **SZ 239 929**
Triangular area where Marine Drive becomes Marine Drive East. Roadside parking or adjacent CP £4 for 4 hours
5.5 mls along the beach and the cliff path then out to Downton and back over the golf course.
- 5 Sat** **GORLEY COMMON CP** Exp OL22 GR **SU 165 119**
7 mls via Dorridge Hill, Hasley & Broomy Inclosures, Black Barrow, Furze Hill and Gorley Common. Lunch stop.
- 8 Tues** **APPLESLADE CAR PARK** Exp OL22 GR **SU 184 093**
Beware of deep gully behind car park – best not to reverse in!
3.9 mls 2 pub (non-stopping) walk. Red Shoot Inn, Toms Lane, pasture land to High Corner Inn with 6 “easy” stiles in a short stretch, return along forest tracks.
- 9 Wed** **ASHLEY WALK CP** Exp OL22 GR **SU 186 156**
5.5 mls Forest circular via 'Submarine' pen. Mainly tracks and paths, two steep slopes, one stream. May be muddy after rain.
- 11 Fri** **POTTERNE PARK CP** Exp OL22 GR **SU 096 074**
8.5 mls through Moors Valley Country Park and Forest to Bakers Hanging and return.

- 13 Sun** **HOLWELL FARM (6d Brewery Tap CP)** Exp 118 GR **SU 067 132**
8 mls round walk North East of Cranborne via Burwood, Boveridge, Bouldsbury Wood and Farm, Four Corners, Lopshill and Jordan Hill. Consider a drink or coffee on return.
- 15 Tues** **WHITE MILL Surminster Marshall** EXP 118 GR **ST 958 007**
Small NT free car park please car share if possible
3.5 mls River Stour, fields and droves. Easy walking, 2 stiles, short lane stretch.
- 16 Wed** **ROSE & THISTLE PUB CP, Rockbourne** Exp OL22 GR **SU 113 183**
4.5 mls Whip's Hill Copse, Radnall Wood, Whitsbury Wood, Manor Farm, 9 stiles(!)
- 19 Sat** **EBBLAKE BRIDGE (NORTH) CP** Exp OL 22 GR **SU 108 078**
7 mls circumnavigation of Verwood following a suggested route for a Community Footpaths Around Verwood project. Some (~2 mls) road walking. No lunch stop planned.
- 22 Tues** **CRANBORNE SPORTS CLUB CP** Exp 118 GR **SU 057 134**
3.5 mls walk to Norman Castle and back
- 23 Wed** **1st SCHOOL MARGARDS LANE, Verwood (in Lane)** Exp OL22 GR **SU 082 082**
5 mls Verwood Manor & Crab Orchard Fms. Horton Common, Fishing Lakes, Wedge Hill, Crane Valley Golf Course. Moderate and mud possible.
- 25 Fri** **THE GLEBE, Iwerne Courtney/Shroton** Exp 118 GR **ST 860 126**
Roadside parking around the Village Green
9 mls Iwerne Minster, Clayesmore, Sutton Waldron, Farrington Church, and Hambledon Hill.
- 27 Sun** **WALK NOT SUBMITTED**

FIND THE WALK START POINT: Use <http://www.streetmap.co.uk> Enter the Grid Ref e.g. **SU962032** in the "GO" box and the map location will appear. To convert to Post Code or other ref. for SAT NAV click on "here" below white arrow below the Map.

DISCLAIMER: Walking is inherently safe, but people should be aware of their own fitness levels and ability to complete a walk before they start out. Walkers should be appropriately dressed and prepared for a wide variety of terrain and weather conditions.

A third-party Insurance is held by the Club, **which does not cover personal indemnity**. The Club or any of its agents acting on behalf of the Club shall not be held responsible for the death, injury, accident or damage, etc to the person or property of any member, guest or any other person, occurring during and arising from participation in any of the activities advertised in the Club's programme.

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