

VERWOOD & DISTRICT RAMBLING CLUB
PROGRAMME: DECEMBER, JANUARY, FEBRUARY 2009/10

WEB SITE: www.verwoodramblers.org.uk

NEW LEADERS ALWAYS NEEDED AND WELCOME

Tuesday walks are about 2 to 3 miles long and are slower than Wednesday walks, with easier gradients and no stiles unless stated in the programme.

Wednesday walks have stiles, slopes, moderate pace and should be about 4 to 5 miles long, in the lower range perhaps where there are known difficulties such as several stiles or difficult terrain. These should be of 2 or 3 hours duration and are intended for the average walker.

Friday/Saturday walks are for the walker who enjoys the longer distances and are unrestricted.

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. Leaders can decline someone on a walk if they do not feel that person is appropriately dressed or if they are of the opinion that the walk is unsuitable for the member.

A gentle reminder of information given to you when you joined the club:

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. Damage by dogs is not covered by the Club's insurance policy. This is the owner's responsibility. Accidents to any person on a walk should be reported immediately to the Club's secretary.

NB: Meeting at Morrison's Car Park, Verwood is an opportunity for car sharing, but it cannot be guaranteed that anyone will be there. ("Leader at start" means the leader/s will not be at Morrisons.) The time given is the latest departure time; please arrive at least a few minutes before. All mileages are approximate.

DECEMBER 2009

01 Tues	M/SONS CP 09:30 or BROCKHILL (Off Rhinefield Drive) 10:00 2.5 mls Flat walk no stiles via Pondhill Enclosure, Arboretum.	OL 22 GR SU 267 058
02 Wed	M/SONS CP 09:15 or CANFORD SCHOOL 10:00 (opposite church) 988 5 mls Via Stour Valley Way Knighton Farm, Magna Rd, towards Gravel Hill to Stoats Hill	Exp 118 GR SZ 031
04 Fri	M/SONS CP 09:00 or COMPTON ABBAS AIRFIELD 10:00 188 9 mls 1 or 2 steep climbs, Fontmell Down, Compton Abbas, Melbury Abbas Mill, Melbury Beacon	Exp 118 GR ST 897
08 Tues	M/SONS CP 09:30 or SHAPWICK CHURCH CP 10:00 3 mls via Swan Lane, The Beech Avenue Ram Lane.	Exp 118 GR ST 937 017
09 Wed	M/SONS CP 09:30 or ROCKFORD COMMON CP 10:00. 5 mls Forest Circular. Undulating	OL 22 GR SU 164 082
12 Sat	M/SONS CP 09:00 or PADDY'S GAP CP 10:00 Milford on Sea (free Nov/Mar) 8.5 mls Sturt Pond, Keyhaven, Pennington. Fairly flat, clifftop paths, tracks, stiles and mud.	OL 22 GR SZ 281 916
15 Tues	M/SONS CP 09:30 or MARTIN DOWN CP 10:00 (off A 354) 3.5 mls A walk on Martin Down.	Exp 118 GR SU 037 201
16 Wed	M/SONS CP 09:30 or WOOD'S CORNER CP 10:00 5 mls Gentle Forest walk, mud. Please wear novelty hats and bring coffee etc. A 20 min stop for carol singing (song sheet provided). A Story, Joke, Reading or Song contribution appreciated.	OL 22 GR SU 222 044



- 18 Fri M/SONS CP 09:00 or **BERE REGIS 10:00** Exp 117 GR **SY 846 948**
(Meet at main car park, free. Up High St, left Manor Farm Rd follow signs)
10 mls 4 undulating hills, Black Hill, Turners Puddle, Briantspuddle, Cullpeppers Dish, Southover Heath, Tolpuddle
- 22 Tues M/SONS CP 09:30 or **HURN FOREST CP 10:00.** OL 22 GR **SU105 023**
BOUNDARY LANE ST LEONARDS
2.5 mls, Fairly level.
- 23 Wed M/SONS CP 09:15 or **THE MOOT CP DOWNTON 10:00** Exp 130 GR **SU 182 214**
5 mls Barford Down Standlynch, Trafalgar Pk, Avon Valley Path.

XMAS SEASON'S GREETINGS TO EVERYONE

- 29 Tues M/SONS CP 09:30 or **BREAMORE CHURCH 10:15.** (park by wall) OL 22 GR **SU 154 188**
3.5 mls via Steeple Lane, Whitsbury Wood
- 30 Wed **NOTE : VERWOOD HUB (off Station Road, Verwood) 10:00** OL 22. GR **SU 085 091**
5 mls Boundaries and byeways No. 1. A mainly level 2-hour walk around the Northern end of Verwood.

JANUARY 2010

- 02 Sat M/SONS CP 09:15 or **SHERMAL GATE 9:45** Exp 118 GR **SU 992 188**
10 mls Limited Parking. Car share if possible Stonedown Wood, Ox Drove, Rushmore Est.
Some hills and mud.
- 05 Tues M/SONS CP 09:30 or **MOYLES COURT (By Sandpit) 10:00** OL 22 GR **SU 164 081**
2.5 mls Easy walk around Blashford Lakes **Note NO DOGS**
- 06 Wed M/SONS CP 09:30 or **BURBUSH HILL CP 10:00** OL 22 GR **SU 203 018**
5 mls Bisterne Common, Whitefield Hill, Whitten Bottom (1 hill and muddy)
- 08 Fri M/SONS CP 09:30 or **MARTIN DOWN CP 10:00** (off A354) Exp 118 & OL 22 GR **SU 037 201**
10 mls A walk over Downland
- 12 Tues **NOTE: HERITAGE CENTER (POTTERS WHEEL) CP VERWOOD 09:45** OL 22 GR **SU 086 091**
3 mls Forest Walk around Stephens Castle
- 13 Wed M/SONS C.P 09.30 or **ANDERWOOD CP 10:00** OL 22 GR **SU 248 058**
5.5 mls Anderwood & North Oakley Inclosures; Mark Ash Wood; Wooson's Hill & Knightwood Inclosures.
- 16 Sat M/SONS CP 09:00 or **ASHMORE POND 10:00** Exp 118 GR **ST 913 180**
10 mls Steep hills, strenuous via Wessex Ridgeway, Preston Wood Iwerne Minster Baredon Down, Washers Pit Copse.
- 19 Tues M/SONS CP 09:20 or **PENNY LANE CP CRANBORNE 10:00.** Exp119 GR **SU 056 134**
3.5 miles Jubilee Trail. No stiles.
- 20 Wed **NOTE : POTTERNE PARK adj TENNIS COURTS 10:00.** OL 22 GR **SU 095 076**
5 mls Boundaries and Byeways No. 2. A mainly level 2-hour walk around the Southern end of Verwood.
- 22 Fri M/SONS CP 09:15 or **FARNHAM 10:00 (park beside Museum Inn)** Exp 118 GR **ST 958 151**
10 mls via New Town, Bussey Stool, Stubhampton, Chettle. Generally level walking.
- 26 Tues M/SONS CP 09:30 or **FERNDOWN SPORTS CENTRE CP 10:00.** OL 22. GR **SU 070 008**
TOP PARKING AREA
2 mls Great Barrow & Ferndown Common.

27 Wed M/SONS CP 09:30 or **PAMPHILL CP 10:00** Exp 118 GR **SU 990 007**
5.5 mls Kingston Lacy Estate, Lodge Farm, King Down. Roads & tracks.

30 Sat M/SONS CP 09:30 or **MARTIN DOWN CP 10:00** Exp 118 GR **SU 037 200**
9 mls via Roman road, Church Bottom, Knight Hill, Ox Drove, Long Barrow.

FEBRUARY 2010

02 Tues M/SONS CP 09:30 or **WIMBORNE St GILES 10:00.** Exp 118 GR **SU 032 121**
Limited parking at Post Office
3.5 mls.

03 Wed M/SONS CP 09:30 or **ASHLEY CP 10:00** OL 22 GR **SU 186157**
5 mls Undulating Forest walk Godshill, Folds Farm, Godshill Wood and inclosure.

05 Fri M/SONS CP 09:00 or **CHALLOW HILL Walkers CP 10:00 (limited)** OL 15 GR **SY 964 822**
9-10 mls via Corfe Common, Knowle Hill, Ridgeway Hill, Grange Arch, Kilwood Coppice, Purbeck Way

09 Tues M/SONS CP 09:15 or **MARTIN DOWN CP 10:00.** Expl 118 GR **SU 038 219**
3.25 mls. No stiles.

10 Wed M/SONS CP 09:30 or **MUSCLIFFE RIVERSIDE WALK CP 10:15** OL 22 GR **SZ 096 958**
5 mls River walk. Throop Mill, Hurn.

13 Sat M/SONS CP 09:30 or **BREAMORE CHURCH 10:15** OL 22 GR **SU 152 188**
8.5 mls Stiles gentle hills & mud, via Mizmaz, Hale & Woodgreen.

16 Tues M/SONS CP 09:30 or **BREAMORE CHURCH 10:15. (park by wall)** OL 22 GR **SU 154 188**
3.5 mls via Whitsbury Church through Stud Farm.

17 Wed M/SONS CP 09:15 or **DROVERS, GUSSAGE ALL SAINTS 10.00** Exp 118 GR **SU 003 108**
6 mls 1 hill, stiles & mud. Bowerswain Farm, Brockington Lane, Wimborne St Giles Monkton Up Wimborne, Brockington Down.

19 Fri M/SONS CP 09:30 or **ANGEL INN CP FERNDOWN 10:00** Exp118 & OL 22 GR **SZ 069 991**
9 mls via Dudsbury Longham, ,Stapehill and Ameysford

23 Tues M/SONS CP 09:30 or **RAMSDOWN C.P. nr HURN 10:00** OL 22 GR **SZ131 971**
(Track off Sopley Rd near Hurn Airport – Avon Causeway).
2 mls Wet heath and woods

24 Wed M/SONS CP 09:15 or **MINSTEAD 10:00** OL 22 GR **SU 281 110**
Park on other side of road to Trusty Servant. Car Share parking limited.
5.5 mls Highland Water,Kings Garn,Furzey Gardens

27 Sat M/SONS CP 09:30 or **SMUGGLERS RD CP (Burley) 10:00** OL 22 GR **SU 186 040**
9 mls via Castle Hill, Chubb's Farm and Burley