



## PROGRAMME JUNE, JULY, AUGUST 25

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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.

**"TRY BEFORE YOU BUY" - WHY NOT JOIN US FOR A TASTER, CALL 01202 813693**



**NB 1:** 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.

**NB 2:** Dogs are not allowed.

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

**All mileages are approximate**

	JUNE
<b>1 Sun</b>	<b>RAMSDOWN CP</b> , Avon Causeway, Christchurch Exp OL 22 GR <b>SZ 130 971</b> w3w/// <b>nurture.nagging.sprinkler</b> <b>7mIs</b> Old railway line, St Catherines Hill. Blackwater Hill, Ramsdown Plantation. No lunch required.
<b>3 Tues</b>	<b>PIMPERNE VILLAGE HALL CP</b> Exp 118 GR <b>ST 903 097</b> w3w/// <b>sometime.crouches.outfitter</b> <b>3.8 mIs</b> circular walk around the outskirts of Pimperne then past Ferns Plantation, Pimperne Wood and Keepers Lodge, then back along Newfield Road.
<b>4 Wed</b>	<b>HAMPTWORTH</b> park opposite Cuckoo Inn (good for lunch) Exp OL 22 GR <b>SU 244 196</b> w3w/// <b>slowness.remaining.intruding</b> <b>5.1 mIs</b> along paths and farm tracks through woodland past Hamptworth Lodge returning through Langley Wood Nature Reserve.
<b>7 Sat</b>	<b>LINFORD BOTTOM CP</b> Exp OL 22 GR <b>SU 181 072, BH22 9AU</b> w3w/// <b>trappings.unhelpful.encounter</b> <b>8.3 mIs</b> Clockwise loop through Great Linford Inclosure then out over Rockford Common towards the Red Shoot pub. Passing the pub, we take a path with <b>several stiles</b> out towards the High Corner Inn. Loop through Broomy Wood to Broomy Walk and on to Milkham Inclosure for lunch before heading back to the start. Please note - between 6 and 9 stiles depending on access through some gates.
<b>10 Tues</b>	<b>DOWN FARM</b> park in farmyard Exp 118 GR <b>SU 000 149</b> w3w/// <b>showcase.clues.stint</b> <b>Pre-booking essential - details on page 5 below</b> A day at Down Farm. <b>3 mIs</b> walk with 3 stiles - please see details for full information.

11 Wed	<b>POTTERS WHEEL CP</b> choice of 2 walks with <b>FISH &amp; CHIPS</b> lunch Exp 118 GR <b>SU 087 091</b> <b>Pre-booking essential - details on Page 6 below</b> <b>3.5 mls 10.30 start</b> through Stephen's Castle and Ringwood Forest to Mount Ararat returning via Pistle Down and the SANG.. Mostly forest tracks, no stiles. <b>5.3 mls</b> through Stephen's Castle and Ringwood Forest to Mount Ararat Cottage then through Telegraph Plantation down to Burrows Lane and through the SANG
13 Fri	<b>CASTLEMAN TRAILWAY Part 1 9.40 start</b> Exp OL 22 GR <b>SU 147 053</b> Meet outside Ringwood Gateway building, after 8.49 bus from Harlees, Verwood <b>11 mls</b> walk along the Castleman Trailway to Canford Bottom then along the Ferndown Stour and Forest Trail over to Haskins. X6 leaves White Hart at 15.17 then 16.24
15 Sun	<b>VERELEY CP</b> Exp OL 22 GR <b>SU 196 051</b> w3w///vest.seashell.trouser <b>8 mls</b> circular walk through Ridley Wood and beyond. Typical New Forest tracks
17 Tues	<b>RINGWOOD ROAD</b> , Ashley Heath by pedestrian footbridge Exp OL 22 GR <b>SU 122 038</b> Service Road parallel to A31. Please park on one side of road only <b>3.5 mls</b> circular walk taking in Avon Heath Visitor Centre.
18 Wed	<b>WITCHAMPTON SPORTS GROUND CP</b> Exp 118 GR <b>ST 994 072</b> Moor Criche! Estate have asked that we maximise car sharing please <b>5 mls</b> circular walk from Witchampton via Moor Criche!. Some road walking, only one stile.
19 Thur	<b>CERNE VALLEY TRAIL - Walk 3</b> details on Page 5 of Spring Programme <b>10 mls</b> Cerne Abbas (Kettle Bridge Lane car park) walk back to near Sydling St. Nicholas and continue trail to Dorchester centre (Acland Road Car Park).
21 Sat	<b>HALE PURLIEU CP</b> Exp OL 22 GR <b>SU189 177</b> <b>10.3m</b> Downton Moot, Hale & Woodgreen Common.
22 Sun	<b>THE ALBION PUB CP</b> , Station Road, Verwood <b>18.30 Start.</b> Exp OL 22 GR <b>SU 077 093</b> <b>4 mls</b> SANG, Burrows Lane, Pistle Down, Stephen's Castle. Return to pub for a drink.
24 Tues	<b>FERDOWN LEISURE CENTRE CP</b> Exp 118 GR <b>SU 072 107</b> <b>3.5 mls</b> via Ferndown Common and Longham Lakes return by x6 bus to Ferndown.
25 Wed	<b>THE MOOT CP</b> , Downton. Exp 130 GR <b>SU 182 214</b> <b>5.5 mls</b> along the bank of the Avon to the Downton Millennium Green and then via Woodfalls and Redlynch and return to The Moot.
27 Fri	<b>CASTLEMAN TRAILWAY Part 2</b> Exp 118 GR <b>SZ 065 985</b> Meet outside Haskins entrance 10 am after 9.10 bus across from Harlees, Verwood <b>11 mls</b> back to Canford Bottom along the FS&FT then along the Castleman Trailway into Upton Park then around Holes Bay to Poole coach station. X6 back at 45 mins past the hour.
29 Sun	<b>BURLEY CP</b> (opp. cricket ground) Exp OL 22 GR <b>SU 213 028</b> w3w///hatter.tango.garlic <b>7.35 mls</b> figure of eight with opportunity to drop off after approx. 4.75 miles. Black Bush, Burley Street, Forest Rd, Turf Hill.
<b>JULY</b>	
1 Tues	<b>ROCKFORD COMMON CP</b> Exp OL 22 GR <b>SU 165 082 BH24 3NA</b> w3w///stripped.gratuity.hood <b>3.4 mls</b> anti clockwise loop of Dockens Water, Blashford Lakes and on through Chatley Woods to skirt past Rockford Common before returning to the start point. You might want to pack some binoculars for possible wildlife opportunities around the lakes.
2 Wed	<b>MARCHWOOD CP</b> Exp OL22 GR <b>SU 391 073</b> w3w///stuff.hurt.hill <b>6 mls</b> Rush Bush, Beaulieu Heath, Dibdon Inclosure.
5 Sat	<b>LYMINGTON FERRY TERMINAL 08.40 to catch 09.00 ferry</b> Exp OL 22 GR <b>SZ 333 955</b> <b>Walk 1)</b> No.7 bus at either 09.50 or 10.20 to Alum Bay then <b>8.5 mls</b> walk including a short visit to <a href="#">Needles Battery NT</a> then via Tennyson Down to Freshwater Bay, over the golf course to pick up the old railway trackbed back to Yarmouth. Don't forget bus pass and NT card. <b>Walk 2)</b> <b>4 mls</b> Yarmouth to End of the Line cafe, Freshwater, returning via the old railway trackbed Terminal car park £9, Return ferry £18 Senior, £23.50 adult Please register your interest with the appropriate leader in case of last minute changes. In the event of bad weather, do not go to Lymington before phoning the leader early to check.

<b>6 Sun</b>	<b>FERNDOWN FOREST GOLF CLUB CP 18.30 Start</b> Exp OL 22 GR <b>SU 070 024</b> 3.3 mls walk through Uddens Plantation. Return to the Forest Inn for a drink.
<b>8 Tues</b>	<b>VERELEY HILL CP</b> Exp OL 22 GR <b>SU 195 050</b> 3.5 mls walk through Ripley Wood back across Picket Plain
<b>9 Wed</b>	<b>WHITE SHEET CP</b> Exp 118 GR <b>SU 047 036</b> 6 mls northern loop around Holt Forest, Paradise Farm, Holt Heath and environs. Ancient forest, badger setts, summer foliage. Several stiles, some mud likely.
<b>11 Fri</b>	<b>WHITE SHEET CP</b> Exp 118 GR <b>SU 048 037</b> 7 mls southwest circular walk to Holt, God's Blessing Green, Garden Copse returning via White Sheet Plantation. Muddy if wet, some stiles. Lunch stop planned.
<b>13 Sun</b>	<b>SHELL BAY NT CP</b> and toilets. Exp OL 22 GR <b>SZ 035 863</b> Free parking possible on road adjacent to CP for non NT members. 8 or 10 mls Linear walk, via SW coast path to Swanage centre. Optional extra 2 mile loop to Peveril Point with possible fish 'n chips stop enroute. Return directly after arrival, or later, by Number 50 Breezer from Swanage bus stn, back to walk start. Hourly at 5 min past the hour. Then 18:25 & 19:25. Magnificent coast views. Initial walking along Studland beach, then hilly, strenuous in parts, with some steep sections and descending steps. Mud, possibly slippery, is likely descending towards Swanage. Suggest taking walking poles if you use them.
<b>15 Tues</b>	<b>POTTERNE PARK</b> , by tennis courts Exp OL 22 GR <b>SU 096 074</b> 4.0 mls into Moors Valley via Ebblake Bog
<b>16 Wed</b>	<b>ANDERWOOD CP</b> (& toilets) choice of two walks OL 22 GR <b>SU 249 059</b> <b>All members are invited to join us for a picnic lunch afterwards (est. 12:15)</b> 3.6 mls <b>10.30 start</b> east over Eagle Oak then through Knightwood Inclosure turning north to Wooson's Hill then SW to Anderwood. May still be muddy in places. 5 mls east through Eagle Oak to visit the Knighthood Oak then north to Holidays Hill Inclosure, west to Wooson's Hill before turning south back to Anderwood
<b>19 Sat</b>	<b>RINGWOOD GATEWAY 09.40 start</b> Park in Ringwood long stay car park or take X6 from outside Harlees Verwood (8.49) 12 mls linear walk to Lyndhurst. Trough Ringwood to Elm Tree pub then on via Foulford, Dogwood and Soarley Bottoms to Wooson Hill and Emery Down leading to the library car park Lyndhurst. Red route Tour Bus back to Ringwood. Times and fares on bus T.B.C. but fare about £7.00.
<b>20 Sun</b>	<b>MONMOUTH ASH PH CP 18.30 Start</b> Exp OL 22 GR <b>SU 087 085</b> 3.5 mls. Crab Orchard, Horton Common, Bridge Farm. Return to pub for a drink.
<b>22 Tues</b>	<b>WEST MOORS MEMORIAL HALL CP</b> Exp OL 22 GR <b>SU 078 032</b> 3.6 mls Newmans Lane, Holt Heath, (level, no stiles, maybe some mud) returning via allotments, Gulliver's Farm coffee shop and toilets. Slightly later than usual "banana break" and optional coffee stop. It will be also be possible to return directly into West Moors the half mile back to the walk start from here.
<b>23 Wed</b>	<b>BEAULIEU ROAD CP</b> (opposite the Drift Inn) Exp OL 22 GR <b>SU 351 063</b> w3w/// <b>fonts.silence.clumped</b> 5.7 mls Shatterford, Denny Lodge Inclosure, Bishop's Dyke, Denny Wood.
<b>25 Fri</b>	<b>MILTON ABBAS</b> park roadside near Hambro Arms pub. Exp 117 GR <b>ST 806 018</b> 5 mls Bingham's Melcombe, Anstey and Hilton.
<b>27 Sun</b>	<b>TISBURY</b> , Cranborne Chase Exp 130 GR <b>ST 951 299</b> w3w/// <b>duties.insist.expiring</b> Park at National Trust hub/The Mess Café car park, Chilmark Road, Tisbury 9.0 mls Cranborne Chase - West Wiltshire Downs AONB, River Nadder. 800ft of cumulative ascent.
<b>29 Tues</b>	<b>BLASHFORD LAKES CP</b> Exp OL 22 GR <b>SU 151 083</b> w3w/// <b>property.aims.condition</b> Voluntary £1 donation to the H&IOW Wildlife Trust 3.3 mls Rockford, past the Alice Lisle pub, yachting club and back. Mostly all-weather tracks
<b>30 Wed</b>	<b>STUD FARM FITNESS CENTRE CP</b> , Down Road, Pimperne Exp 118 GR <b>ST 907 098</b> Please consider refreshments in the cafe afterwards. w3w/// <b>blame.managed.whisk</b> 5.3 mls Pimperne Long Barrow, Hinton Bushes, Pimperne Woods, Newfield Farm. May be muddy.

	AUGUST
2 Sat	<b>KINGSTON CP</b> Exp OL 15 GR <b>SY 954 795</b> w3w///purist.hotspots.startles 9.1 mls strenuous walk up to Swyre Head along to Kimmeridge then back along the South West coast path up to Houns Tout and back to the CP.
3 Sun	<b>HIGH CORNER CP 18.30</b> OL22 GR <b>SU 199 104</b> w3w///aquatic.mutually.lyrics Car park at top of track, not at the Inn 3.4 mls Broomy Plain, Broomy Inclosure and High Corner. Stop for a drink at High Corner Inn on return
5 Tues	<b>DOWN FARM</b> park in farmyard Exp 118 GR <b>SU 000 149</b> w3w///showcase.clues.stint <b>Pre-booking essential - details on page 5 below</b> A day at Down Farm. 3 mls walk with 3 stiles - please see details for full information.
6 Wed	<b>BEACHERN WOOD CP</b> Exp OL 22 GR <b>SU 284 027</b> 5 mls circular route around Brockenhurst.
8 Fri	<b>CULPEPPERS CP</b> Exp OL 15 GR <b>SY 813 924</b> 9 mls Clouds Hill and Moreton
10 Sun	<b>POTTERNE PARK</b> Tennis Courts Exp OL 22 GR <b>SU 096 074</b> 7 mls clockwise circular around Verwood, mostly following <a href="#">Walkabout 6</a> . Some road walking but many opportunities to "drop-off".
12 Tues	<b>WHITESHEET CP</b> Exp 118 GR <b>SU 047 036</b> 3.8 mls circular to Paradise Farm and back
13 Wed	<b>MARSH &amp; HAM CP</b> Blandford Forum (behind Morrison's) Exp 118 GR <b>ST 883 062</b> (Toilets in car park) Post code <b>DT11 7AW</b> 6 mls North Dorset Trailway, Durweston, Stour Valley Way,
16 Sat	<b>CASTLE HILL CP</b> , Avon Valley, Fordingbridge Exp OL22 GR <b>SU 170 166</b> w3w///pats.shredder.shrimps 8.6 mls Woodgreen, Avon Valley, Sandy Balls Estate, Godshill.
19 Tues	<b>BURBUSH FORESTRY CP</b> Exp OL 22 GR <b>SU 201 017, BH24 4EF</b> w3w///hammocks.cages.upstarts 3.6 mls clockwise loop starting on the disused railway before heading up to Burbrush Hill and Slap Bottom. Then we follow the track to Shappen Hill before dropping down to Shappen Bottom. Staying low we pick up the old railway as far as Holmsley Passage. A slight incline leads us on to Holmsley Ridge and then to Whitten Bottom and round the end of Whitten Pond.
20 Wed	<b>VERELEY CP</b> Exp OL 22 GR <b>SU 196 051, BH24 4HH</b> w3w///vest.seashell.trouser 5.8 mls clockwise loop, from Vereley CP we take the old Smuggler's Road to Ridley Wood. Crossing Harvest Slade Bottom then cut through Berry Beaches before picking up Sir Dudley's Ride. After joining a quiet access road we walk through Undersley Wood towards Burley, then skirt Burley Moor before heading back up to the CP. Note - there is a stream to ford, hopefully it will be dry at this time of year, to be confirmed on recce.
22 Fri	<b>PORTLAND HEIGHTS HOTEL</b> Exp OL15 GR <b>SY 690 730</b> Park in New Ground CP follow brown sign saying High Angle, Batteries (Charges apply) 9 mls clockwise walk around the island's coast via The Verne down to Portland Bill and back via the South West Coast Path ending with the Tout Quarry and sculpture park. A rugged and interesting walk over hard rock'd ways - not for the soft soled. Muddy if wet.
24 Sun	<b>FIGSBURY RING NT CP</b> (free) Exp 130 GR <b>SU 191 338</b> w3w///gong.pointed.coached 6.5 mls starting from Figsbury Ring Iron Age hill fort with views over Salisbury Plain, Old Sarum and Salisbury Cathedral. Following the Monarchs Way around the Winterbourne villages then along the river Bourne and returning along route of old Roman road.
26 Tues	<b>WEST MOORS MEMORIAL HALL CP</b> Exp OL22 GR <b>SU 078 032</b> 3.5 mls Uddens Plantation - a circular walk on footpaths and bridleways. No stiles, on level.
27 Wed	<b>ABBOTS WELL CP</b> Exp OL22 GR <b>SU 178 128</b> w3w///overtones.breed.below 5 mls circular across Hyde then Gorley Commons, up over Furze Hill to reach Harley Inclosure before turning back through Ogdens to climb back up to the car park.

<b>30 Sat</b>	<b>WIN GREEN CP</b> <b>7.5 mls</b> to Fern, Flaherty House. Charlton Manor Farm. Steep hill down at start, and steep hill back up at end. Both will be taken slowly. Stiles and may be mud.	Exp 118 GR <b>ST 932 192</b>
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**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, what3words or other ref. for SAT NAV click on "here" below white arrow below the Map.**

**DISCLAIMER:** 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, arising from participation in any of the activities advertised in the Club's programme.

**Third Party Damage or Accidents to any person on a walk should be reported immediately to the Club secretary.**

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### **DAY AT DOWN FARM 10 JUNE and 5 AUGUST**

The day will start at 10am with a 3 mile walk taking in Ackling Dyke Roman Road, Gussage Down long barrow and the Dorset cursus. Back at Down Farm there will be a picnic lunch (bring your own) and then guided tours of Martin Green's museum and excavations in Fir Tree Field. Afterwards, there will be tea and cakes provided by Lindsey Dedden, no charge but donations requested for a charity of Martin's choice. We are now open to book places so please email [Alan.Dedden \(](mailto:Alan.Dedden@downfarm.co.uk) to reserve your place, stating which date you would like. Essentially first come, first served but to allow maximum flexibility, please let me know if either date is acceptable and I will confirm which you are booked on.

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### **FISH & CHIPS WALK 11 JUNE**

This event is only open for walkers + partners. Both walks will end in the garden of [12 Edmondsham Road](https://www.edmondsham.co.uk/) [BH31 7PE](https://www.edmondsham.co.uk/) by 12.30 latest when any walkers partners are welcome to join. Partners please note that there will be no space for parking on the drive or nearby roadside. There is usually roadside parking closer to town.

Catering will be by Seafoods Fish & Chips who visit Verwood weekly and park by Irvings. For this event they will park on the drive. On offer will be the following:

Fish & Chips £12.50

Scampi & Chips £8.50

Sausage & Chips £6.00

Chicken & Chips £7.00

Veggie burger or Spring Roll & Chips £6.00

Extras available will include mushy peas, curry sauce, soft drinks, bottled water

Condiments & wooden knives & forks provided.

Adam expects to serve everyone within 25 minutes

Tea and coffee will be available later. The garden will have seating and rain/sun shelter for 50 maximum.

To book please e mail [alan.dedden@downfarm.co.uk](mailto:alan.dedden@downfarm.co.uk) or send text or WhatsApp message to [12 Edmondsham Road](https://www.edmondsham.co.uk/) simply listing names and menu choices (e.g. Mike fish, Sue Veggie etc). Cancellations up to 30 May when final numbers will be fixed. **For the caterers this is a commercial activity so if you book then as a minimum please come and buy your food.**