



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

11 Wed	POTTERS WHEEL CP choice of 2 walks with FISH & CHIPS lunch Exp 118 GR SU 087 091 Pre-booking essential - details on Page 6 below 3.5 mls 10.30 start through Stephen's Castle and Ringwood Forest to Mount Ararat returning via Pistle Down and the SANG.. Mostly forest tracks, no stiles. 5.3 mls 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	CASTLEMAN TRAILWAY Part 1 9.40 start Exp OL 22 GR SU 147 053 Meet outside Ringwood Gateway building, after 8.49 bus from Harlees, Verwood 11 mls 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	VERELEY CP Exp OL 22 GR SU 196 051 w3w///vest.seashell.trouser 8 mls circular walk through Ridley Wood and beyond. Typical New Forest tracks
17 Tues	RINGWOOD ROAD , Ashley Heath by pedestrian footbridge Exp OL 22 GR SU 122 038 Service Road parallel to A31. Please park on one side of road only 3.5 mls circular walk taking in Avon Heath Visitor Centre.
18 Wed	WITCHAMPTON SPORTS GROUND CP Exp 118 GR ST 994 072 Moor Criche! Estate have asked that we maximise car sharing please 5 mls circular walk from Witchampton via Moor Criche!. Some road walking, only one stile.
19 Thur	CERNE VALLEY TRAIL - Walk 3 details on Page 5 of Spring Programme 10 mls 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	HALE PURLIEU CP Exp OL 22 GR SU189 177 10.3m Downton Moot, Hale & Woodgreen Common.
22 Sun	THE ALBION PUB CP , Station Road, Verwood 18.30 Start. Exp OL 22 GR SU 077 093 4 mls SANG, Burrows Lane, Pistle Down, Stephen's Castle. Return to pub for a drink.
24 Tues	FERDOWN LEISURE CENTRE CP Exp 118 GR SU 072 107 3.5 mls via Ferndown Common and Longham Lakes return by x6 bus to Ferndown.
25 Wed	THE MOOT CP , Downton. Exp 130 GR SU 182 214 5.5 mls along the bank of the Avon to the Downton Millennium Green and then via Woodfalls and Redlynch and return to The Moot.
27 Fri	CASTLEMAN TRAILWAY Part 2 Exp 118 GR SZ 065 985 Meet outside Haskins entrance 10 am after 9.10 bus across from Harlees, Verwood 11 mls 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	BURLEY CP (opp. cricket ground) Exp OL 22 GR SU 213 028 w3w///hatter.tango.garlic 7.35 mls figure of eight with opportunity to drop off after approx. 4.75 miles. Black Bush, Burley Street, Forest Rd, Turf Hill.
JULY	
1 Tues	ROCKFORD COMMON CP Exp OL 22 GR SU 165 082 BH24 3NA w3w///stripped.gratuity.hood 3.4 mls 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	MARCHWOOD CP Exp OL22 GR SU 391 073 w3w///stuff.hurt.hill 6 mls Rush Bush, Beaulieu Heath, Dibdon Inclosure.
5 Sat	LYMINGTON FERRY TERMINAL 08.40 to catch 09.00 ferry Exp OL 22 GR SZ 333 955 Walk 1) No.7 bus at either 09.50 or 10.20 to Alum Bay then 8.5 mls walk including a short visit to Needles Battery NT 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. Walk 2) 4 mls 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.

6 Sun	FERNDOWN FOREST GOLF CLUB CP 18.30 Start 3.3 mls walk through Uddens Plantation. Return to the Forest Inn for a drink.	Exp OL 22 GR SU 070 024
8 Tues	VERELEY HILL CP 3.5 mls walk through Ripley Wood back across Picket Plain	Exp OL 22 GR SU 195 050
9 Wed	WHITE SHEET CP 6 mls northern loop around Holt Forest, Paradise Farm, Holt Heath and environs. Ancient forest, badger setts, summer foliage. Several stiles, some mud likely.	Exp 118 GR SU 047 036
11 Fri	WHITE SHEET CP 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.	Exp 118 GR SU 048 037
13 Sun	SHELL BAY NT CP and toilets. 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.	Exp OL 22 GR SZ 035 863
15 Tues	POTTERNE PARK , by tennis courts 4.0 mls into Moors Valley via Ebblake Bog	Exp OL 22 GR SU 096 074
16 Wed	ANDERWOOD CP (& toilets) choice of two walks All members are invited to join us for a picnic lunch afterwards (est. 12:15) 3.6 mls 10.30 start 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	OL 22 GR SU 249 059
19 Sat	RINGWOOD GATEWAY 09.40 start 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.	
20 Sun	MONMOUTH ASH PH CP 18.30 Start 3.5 mls. Crab Orchard, Horton Common, Bridge Farm. Return to pub for a drink.	Exp OL 22 GR SU 087 085
22 Tues	WEST MOORS MEMORIAL HALL CP 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.	Exp OL 22 GR SU 078 032
23 Wed	BEAULIEU ROAD CP (opposite the Drift Inn) 5.7 mls Shatterford, Denny Lodge Inclosure, Bishop's Dyke, Denny Wood.	Exp OL 22 GR SU 351 063 w3w/// fonts.silence.clumped
25 Fri	MILTON ABBAS park roadside near Hambro Arms pub. 5 mls Bingham's Melcombe, Anstey and Hilton.	Exp 117 GR ST 806 018
27 Sun	TISBURY , Cranborne Chase 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.	Exp 130 GR ST 951 299 w3w/// duties.insist.expiring
29 Tues	BLASHFORD LAKES CP 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	Exp OL 22 GR SU 151 083 w3w/// property.aims.condition
30 Wed	STUD FARM FITNESS CENTRE CP , Down Road, Pimperne Please consider refreshments in the cafe afterwards. 5.3 mls Pimperne Long Barrow, Hinton Bushes, Pimperne Woods, Newfield Farm. May be muddy.	Exp 118 GR ST 907 098 w3w/// blame.managed.whisk

AUGUST	
2 Sat	KINGSTON CP Exp OL 15 GR SY 954 795 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	HIGH CORNER CP 18.30 OL22 GR SU 199 104 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	DOWN FARM park in farmyard Exp 118 GR SU 000 149 w3w///showcase.clues.stint Pre-booking essential - details on page 5 below A day at Down Farm. 3 mls walk with 3 stiles - please see details for full information.
6 Wed	BEACHERN WOOD CP Exp OL 22 GR SU 284 027 5 mls circular route around Brockenhurst.
8 Fri	CULPEPPERS CP Exp OL 15 GR SY 813 924 9 mls Clouds Hill and Moreton
10 Sun	POTTERNE PARK Tennis Courts Exp OL 22 GR SU 096 074 7 mls clockwise circular around Verwood, mostly following Walkabout 6 . Some road walking but many opportunities to "drop-off".
12 Tues	WHITESHEET CP Exp 118 GR SU 047 036 3.8 mls circular to Paradise Farm and back
13 Wed	MARSH & HAM CP Blandford Forum (behind Morrison's) Exp 118 GR ST 883 062 (Toilets in car park) Post code DT11 7AW 6 mls North Dorset Trailway, Durweston, Stour Valley Way,
16 Sat	CASTLE HILL CP , Avon Valley, Fordingbridge Exp OL22 GR SU 170 166 w3w///pats.shredder.shrimps 8.6 mls Woodgreen, Avon Valley, Sandy Balls Estate, Godshill.
19 Tues	BURBUSH FORESTRY CP Exp OL 22 GR SU 201 017, BH24 4EF w3w///hammocks.cages.upstarts 3.6 mls clockwise loop starting on the disused railway before heading up to Burbush 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	VERELEY CP Exp OL 22 GR SU 196 051, BH24 4HH 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	PORTLAND HEIGHTS HOTEL Exp OL15 GR SY 690 730 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 ways - not for the soft soled. Muddy if wet.
24 Sun	FIGSBURY RING NT CP (free) Exp 130 GR SU 191 338 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	WEST MOORS MEMORIAL HALL CP Exp OL22 GR SU 078 032 3.5 mls Uddens Plantation - a circular walk on footpaths and bridleways. No stiles, on level.
27 Wed	ABBOTS WELL CP Exp OL22 GR SU 178 128 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.

30 Sat	WIN GREEN CP 7.5 mls 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 ST 932 192
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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.

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@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.

FISH & CHIPS WALK 11 JUNE

This event is only open for walkers + partners. Both walks will end in the garden of [12 Edmondsham Road 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@downfarm.co.uk or send text or WhatsApp message to [downfarm](https://www.whatsapp.com/channel/00299a00000000000000000000000000) 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.**