



PROGRAMME MARCH, APRIL, MAY 26

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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



NB1: 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.

NB 4: Walks with red borders are in the New Forest and may be subject to car park charges

All mileages are approximate

MARCH	
3 Tues	PAMPHILL CP Exp 118 GR ST 990 007 w3w/// diets.rushed.oddly 3.5 mls circular walk through woodland and along the river Stour.
4 Wed	WEST MOORS MEMORIAL HALL CP Exp OL 22 GR SY 078 032 w3w/// open.occurs.shades 6 mls Holt Heath circuit. Mainly level with occasional small inclines. Tracks and footpaths. There will be mud and puddles plus possibly one stile. Optional café stop at Sturts/Gullivers on return leg to car park.
6 Fri	KEYHAVEN Exp OL22 GR SZ 300 909 Meet at footbridge at junction of New Lane and Saltgrass Lane parking either side 10 mls sea breezer - Keyhaven Nature Reserve and Marshes and Lymington Sea Walls.
8 Sun	1st SCHOOL MARGARDS LANE, Verwood Exp OL 22 GR SU 082 081 (Park in the lane near school) 7.6 mls LINEAR walk via Crab Orchard, Lower Common, 3LX, Woolsbridge and Egypt then the Castleman Trailway to Ringwood and back on X6 bus at 1.50 or 3.50. £3 if no bus pass.
10 Tues	WEST MOORS MEMORIAL HALL CP Exp OL 22 GR SY 078 032 w3w/// open.occurs.shades 4 mls mainly level, no stiles but there will be some mud and puddles. Newman's Lane and Holt Heath circuit, returning via Sturts/Gullivers Farm cafe with optional coffee stop on the way back to the car park.
11 Wed	MILLYFORD BRIDGE CP Exp OL 22 GR SU 268 079 5.2 mls via Portugese fireplace, Reptile Centre, Allum Green, Cut Walk, Pilmore Gate Heath and Acres Down

14 Sat	WEST MOORS MEMORIAL HALL CP 8 mls Holt Heath environs and outlying farms circuit. Footpaths, Bridleways, Tarmac. Gentle slopes, several stiles. There will be mud and puddles.	Exp OL 22 GR SY 078 032 w3w///open.occurs.shades
17 Tues	QUEENS PARK CP B'mouth 3.9 mls figure eight walk around Queen's & King's parks with a few short steep sections otherwise relatively flat on tracks or paths.	Exp OL 22 GR SZ 106 933 w3w///games.analogy.plenty
18 Wed	POTTERNE PARK , by tennis courts 5.5 mls LINEAR walk into Ringwood via Moors Valley and the Castleman trailway, return on X6 bus from Ringwood.	Exp OL 22 GR SU 096 074
20 Fri	WIN GREEN CP 7.0 mls Wessex Ridgway, Tollard Royal, Rotherly Wood.	Exp 118 GR ST 923 204 w3w///headings.musical.tradition
22 Sun	DURLEY CHINE CP or park on West Cliff Road and walk down 5.5 mls along the beachfront to Central then Upper Gardens to and around Coy Pond then over to Branksome and down Branksome Chine and Gardens to beachfront and back.	Exp OL 22 GR SZ 078 906 Meet outside Harvester Pub
24 Tues	CASTLE HILL CP 3.7 mls Avon Valley Path, Woodgreen, Hale Park, Godshill Inclosure.	OL22 GR SU 170 166 w3w///alerting.modern.steam
25 Wed	CRANBORNE GARDEN CENTRE CP 5.1 mls via Manor and Cranborne Farms to Jack's Hedge Corner returning through Boveridge and Burwood	Exp 118 GR SU 055 131 Please park at the far end and consider taking refreshments on return.
26 Thur	ROMAN ROAD LINEAR WALK from Old Sarum to Badbury Rings see page 5 for details Walk 1 of 3 - 10 mls Old Sarum to Coombe Bissett	
28 Sat	SANDLEHEATH 9 mls Damerham and Rockbourne	Exp OL 22 GR SU 127 149 Park roadside in Old Brickyard Road Industrial Estate
31 Tues	WITCHAMPTON VILLAGE HALL CP Please car share if possible 3.7 mls walk around the Crichel estate and parklands. Grade 1 listed family pile to leer at from a distance, farm and GII listed lodge entrance and a stroll past Witchampton Mill and the river Allen. Can be muddy in wet weather.	Exp 118 GR ST 988 064
APRIL		
1 Wed	ACRES DOWN CP 5.5 mls Ringwood Ford Bottom, quiet lanes to Minstead, Furzey Gardens, King's Garn, Hart Hill	Exp OL 22 GR SU 267 097
3 Fri	POTTERNE PARK , by tennis courts 7 mls WALKABOUT 6 Verwood Circular adapted to avoid the worst parts of Stephen's Castle. Significant road walking. No lunch stop planned.	Exp OL 22 GR SU 096 074
5 Sun	BROCK HILL CP (just off A35) 8 mls Knightwood Oak, Portuguese Fireplace, Bank, Hursthill Inclosure, Poundhill Inclosure, Blackwater Arboretum, Rhinefield Ornamental Drive.	Exp OL 22 GR SU 266 057
7 Tues	WHITESHEET CP 3.8 mls circular heath walk	Exp 118 GR SU 047 036
8 Wed	THE MOOT CP Dowton 5.8 mls via Barford Down then following the course of the old railway line to Four Gates, returning via Trafalgar Park and the weir over the River Avon and back through fields.	Exp 130 GR SU 182 214 w3w/// economics.desire.unfair
11 Sat	CORFE CASTLE NT CP NOTE 9.30 start 7.7 mls LINEAR walk on the Purbeck Way across the downs with stunning views, turning south on the SWCP dropping down into Swanage where the walk will end with your choice of picnic lunch or a pastie on the prom'. 40 Breezer bus back.	Exp OL 15 GR SY 959 824 Charges apply to non-members, or adjacent roadside at w3w///neatly.ideal.cans

14 Tues	POTTERNE PARK , by tennis courts 3.9 mls circular walk into Moors valley with the Visitor Centre 1/2 way for toilets and a break	Exp OL 22 GR SU 096 074
15 Wed	CORFE MULLEN HILL VIEW CP , Springdale Road Overflow on-street parking diagonally opposite in Ivor Rd. w3w///slickr.rollover.skirt 5.8 mls exploring Upton Heath Nature Reserve. Roman road, Castleman Trail and views over Poole Harbour to the Purbecks. Banana break/toilets at Upton Country Park.	Exp 118 GR SY 986 958
17 Fri	CRANBORNE GARDEN CENTRE CP Please park at the far end and consider taking refreshments on return. 9 mls through Cranborne and on to the Pump at Edmondsham then Birches Copse, Boys Wood, Maldry Wood and Edmondsham. Hopefully the best bluebells in the area. Stiles and maybe still muddy.	Exp 118 GR SU 055 131
19 Sun	RINGSTEAD CP 10.0 mls South West Coastal Path, Osmington Mills, White Horse, Hardy Way, Upton, Ringstead.	OL15 GR SY 751 815 w3w///coughed.ruler.raven
21 Tues	GARSTON/PRIBDEAN WOOD CP 3.0 mls Upwood, Deanland, Newtown, Shermal Gate Undulating woods and fields.	Exp 118 GR SU 003 195 w3w///assess.creeps.bitters
22 Wed	HIGH CORNER CP on the road to the pub. 5.7 mls through Milkham and Broomy (bluebells) Inclosures, Easy walk mostly on gravel paths walkable at all times of the year.	Exp OL 22 GR SU 200 104
23 Thur	ROMAN ROAD LINEAR WALK from Old Sarum to Badbury Rings see page 5 for details Walk 2 of 3 - 10 mls Coombe Bissett to near Down Farm	
25 Sat	PIDDLETRENTHIDE SCHOOL/REC CP 10 mls Doles Ash Fm, Plush Hill, Cross Dykes, Thorncombe Fm, White Lackington. Undulating with hilltops providing extensive views.	Exp 117 GR SY 706 995 w3w///minds.blossom.reception
28 Tues	FERDOWN LEISURE CENTRE CP 3.8 mls via Ferndown Common and Hampreston Woods.	Exp 118 GR SU 072 107
29 Wed	FORDINGBRIDGE RUGBY CLUB CP , A338 N slip road First turn left after exiting A338. Not the NFDC pay & display CP on the right 5.6 mls around the Stuckton Iron Works Trail with a history of iron works, Swing riots, smugglers paths and smallpox.	Exp OL22 SU 149 138 w3w///gratitude.texted.expansion
MAY		
1 Fri	DRUSILLA'S INN CP 9.9 mls figure of 8 walk taking in Ferndown Forest, Holt Wood and Forest, Gaunts Common, Chalbury Common, Horton Tower and Haythorn,	Exp 118 GR SU 039 075 w3w///dabbing.reassured.campers
3 Sun	MILTON ABBAS park roadside near Hambro Arms pub. Limited parking so please car share 6.5 mls Milton Abbas to Winterbourne Clenston, undulating with 750ft cumulative ascent.	Exp 117 GR ST 806 018 w3w///political.months.tenses
5 Tues	JANESMOOR POND CP 4 mls Kings Garn Gutter Inclosure, Sir Walter Tyrell pub, Rufus Stone, Long Beech Inclosure.	Exp OL22 GR SU 247 135 w3w///folds.stooping.buddy
6 Wed	CUCKOO INN Hamptworth (layby opposite, good for lunch) 5.5 mls Langley Wood Nature Reserve, rhododendron lined tracks, varied ancient woodland and farm tracks.	Exp OL 22 GR SU 243 196
9 Sat	ST GILES ESTATE CP off Park Lane 11 mls (optional 8 or 9 mls) CARRIAGE RIDE WALK . No hills, no stiles. Partly on private estate land, by kind permission of the Earl of Shaftesbury. In addition to the usual 'banana' and lunch break, there will be frequent stops for talks about the history around the walk that ranges from the Bronze Age through to recent years.	Exp 118 GR SU 035 118 w3w///contained.motored.clicker

12 Tues	HALE PURLIEU (National Trust) CP (free) 3.4 mls Stricklands Plantation, Godshill Inclosure, Densome Corner. Could be muddy, some inclines, 2 stiles. (Rhododendrons may be out)	Exp OL22 GR SU 188 177
13 Wed	POTTERNE PARK , by tennis courts 5.8 mls WALKABOUT 4 via Ebblake to the Lookout then Tree Top Trail, Hawk House and Visitor Centre	Exp OL 22 GR SU 096 074
15 Fri	FIDDLEFORD MANOR CP 8.9 mls Shillingstone Station, Child Okeford and Hammon.	Exp 118 GR ST 800 135
17 Sun	CADMAN'S POOL CP 9.5 mls via underpass over towards Furzey Gardens returning via Ocknell Pond	Exp OL22 GR SU 229 122
19 Tues	BURBUSH CP Limited parking please car share if possible. 3.8 mls Moorland walk via Dur Hill Inclosure, Bisterne Common & Dur Hill.	OL22 GR SU 202 018
20 Wed	STOUR VALLEY NATURE RESERVE CP Granby Road, Muscliffe, B'mouth. 5.7 mls Stour Valley Way via Throop Mill.	Exp OL22 GR SZ 096 958
21 Thur	ROMAN ROAD LINEAR WALK from Old Sarum to Badbury Rings see page 5 for details Walk 3 of 3 - 8.5 mls near Down Farm to Badbury Rings	
23 Sat	THE GLEBE, Iwerne Courtney/Shroton Roadside parking around the Village Green 10 mls Iwerne Minster, Claysmore, Sutton Waldron and Hambledon Hill.	Exp 118 GR ST 860 126
26 Tues	POTTERNE PARK , by tennis courts 4.0 mls into Moors Valley via Ebblake Bog	Exp OL 22 GR SU 096 074
27 Wed	WIMBORNE TOWN NEW FOOTBALL CLUB CP Access to the Football Ground has drastically changed, Parmiter Drive is closed. From Canford Bottom r'bout, take the Wimborne direction along Leigh Road. 100 yds after the Shell garage, at the traffic lights, turn left along Lonsdale Road through the Barrett Homes, Quarterjack Park. Bear right, half way and then on to the football ground at the end. 5 mls along the River Stour, no stiles, gentle inclines.	Exp 118 GR SZ 026 995 w3w///distorts, cloak, soldiers
29 Fri	POTTERS WHEEL CP 11 mls Stephen's Castle, Mt Ararat Cottage, North Plumley Farmhouse, Harefield House, Reservoir Cottage, MV Look Out, Golf Centre, Potterne Wood, Bugdens Copse	Exp 118 GR SU 087 091
31 Sun	JANESMOOR POND CP 5.5 mls figure 8 walk around Salisbury Trench, Kings Garn Gutter and Janesmoor Plain.	Exp OL 22 GR SU 247 135

FIND THE WALK START POINT: On a computer use <https://gridreferencefinder.com> enter the Grid Ref e.g. SU962032, press "GO" and the map location will appear. On a smart phone, download the OS Maps App (free), enter the GR in the search field, then click on 'Get Directions' and choose Google, Apple or Waze.

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