

VERWOOD & DISTRICT RAMBLING CLUB
PROGRAMME: SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER & NOVEMBER 2008

WEB SITE: www.verwoodramblers.org.uk

All leaders must carry a first aid kit when leading a walk. These kits are the property of the club (one for each walk day). Leaders can get first aid kits from Geoff Batts, David Lanigan, Graham Jakes or Hazel Crowe and return them after their walk.

A PLEA FOR NEW TUESDAY/WEDNESDAY WALK LEADERS

Members will notice that a number of Tuesday and Wednesday walk dates are still blank. If Tuesday and Wednesday walkers wish to see a full programme then please, please consider becoming leaders. If each walker led just one or two walks each year, we would have a full programme. Prospective leaders can seek advice and assistance from other leaders or from the committee.

NB: Meeting at Morrisons' 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.

SEPT

- Tues 2nd M/SONS C.P. **09:30** or **WHITESHEET HILL C.P 10:00. GR SU 047036.** Explorer 118. Holt Heath plantation. 2½ to 3 miles. Leader at start.
- Wed 3rd M/SONS C.P. **09:50** or **POTTERNE PARK CP 10:00. GR SU 095075.** A walk around Moors Valley Country Park. 5 miles approx. Leaders at start
- Sat 6th M/SONS C.P. **09:15** or **CANADIAN MEMORIAL 10:00 GR SU 240 093.** Explorer 118. Withybed Bottom, Furzey Gardens, Minstead, Acres Down, Bolderwood Walk. Stiles, lanes and forest tracks - could be muddy. 8 miles approx.
- Tues 9th M/SONS C.P. **09:40** or **CRANBORNE GARDEN CENTRE 10:00. GR SU 056132.** Cranborne village and Estate Farm. One long incline. No styles. *No dogs.* Could be muddy if wet. Options for light lunch or coffee. 3 miles.
- Wed 10th M/SONS C.P. **09:30** or **BROADCHALKE CHURCH C.P. 10:05. GR SU 043 254.** Explorer 130. Field Barn, Knowle Hill, The Hut, Church Bottom. Tracks and lanes, gentle hills. 5 miles.
- Fri 12th M/SONS C.P. **09:00** or **WORTH MATRAVERS CP 10:15. GR SY 975 776.** OL15. Priest Way, Dancing Ledge, Seacombe, Winspit, St Aldhelms. 8½ miles. There is one long descent & ascent much of which is steps. (There is an alternative, flat, self-guided route back to the car park for those who prefer that option. Leader will hand out copies of the easy-to-follow route.) Leader at start.
- Tues 16th *NO WALK SUBMITTED.*
- Wed 17th M/SONS C.P. **09:30** or **WILVERLEY INCLOSURE CP 10.00. GR SU 252007.** Blackhamsley Hill, Cater's Cottage, Hinchelsea Wood, Horseshoe Earth. 5 miles. One incline.
- Sat 20th M/SONS C.P. **09:00.** or **CP SOUTHWEST OF KINGSTON 10:15. GR SY 954795** Map OL15 Coastal path to Clavell Tower, Kimmeridge, and Swyre Head. Fairly strenuous, could be muddy. Approx. 9 miles. Leaders at start.

Tues 23rd M/SONS C.P. **09:50** or **POTTERNE PARK CP 10:00. GR SU 095075.** A flat, easy walk to Moors Valley Country Park and back, with coffee in the tea room. 2¾ miles. Leaders at start

Wed 24th **NO WALK SUBMITTED.**

SAT 27th M/SONS C.P. **08:30** or **LYMINGTON FERRY TERMINAL 09:15. GR SZ333 955** Map OL29 to **catch the 09:45 ferry.**

(note change of day)
Choice of 3 walks

1. For Tuesday walkers, an option of 3½ miles to Freshwater.

OR

2. Yarmouth to Freshwater and return 8 miles easy walking , stop at tea rooms if required

OR

3. Yarmouth to Freshwater via Hamstead, Wellow , Compton Down (and tea rooms if thirsty at Afton Garden Centre) 12½-13 miles, hilly in parts.

Please note that none of these walks will be reced in advance.

Car Park £5 (8 - 16 hours) , Ferry fare £10.80+ 25p fuel surcharge as at June

If weather doubtful DO NOT go to Lymington, phone leaders before leaving home

Tues 30th M/SONS C.P. **09:30** or **BREAMORE CHURCH CP (park by wall) 10:00. GR SU 154 188.** OL22. 3 – 3½ miles. Possible two stiles with alternative routes. Leader at start.

OCT

Wed 1st M/SONS C.P. **09:30** or **APPLESLADE CP 10:00. GR SY 185092** Map OL22. Rockford Common and Ibsley Common, two inclines, could be muddy. Approx 5 miles. Leaders at start.

Sat 4th M/SONS C.P. **09:20** or **DOWNTON MOOT C.P. 10:00 G.R. SU 182 213 Explorer** 130/131. Charlton All Saints, Trafalgar Park, Standlynch Down and Barford Down. Steady climbs to downland. 9 miles approx. Leaders at start.

Tues 7th M/SONS C.P. **09:30** or **FERNDOWN – PARLEY COMMON 10:00. GR 087 991.** PARK AT THE END OF LONE PINE DRIVE. 3 miles. Leader at start.

Wed 8th
Brownsea Island M/SONS C.P. **08:45** or **SANDBANKS FERRY 10:00. G.R. SZ 037870.** Guided walk circa 5 miles around **Brownsea Island** with John Gibbons who will describe its history, geology, wildlife and archaeology. Please bring packed lunch. Returning on the 15:45 ferry. Ferry £4.50. Island £4.90 - N.T. Members free.
Contact Joanna Booth (Programme Secretary, who will be going on the walk) to reserve a place as maximum is 20 people.

Fri 10th M/SONS C.P. **09:30** or **TARRANT MONKTON 10:15. G.R. SY 944088.** Explorer 118. Walk around the Tarrant villages. Gentle hills, stiles & mud. 8½ miles.

Tues 14th **NO WALK SUBMITTED.**

Wed 15th M/SONS C.P. **09:30** or **MILKHAM C.P. 10:10. G.R. SU216102.** OL22. Kings Gardens, Red Shoot Inn, High Corner Inn. 5 miles approx. Leader at start.

Sat 18th M/SONS C.P. **09:30** or **WHITE SHEET HILL 10:00 G.R. SU 048036** Explorer 118. Holt Forest, Chalbury Farm, Woodlands Manor Farm, Holt Lodge Farm. 9 mls approx. Leaders at start.

- Tues 21st M/SONS C.P. **09:30** or **HURN - THROOP MILL C.P (off A338 onto A3060) 10:00. G.R.SZ111958.** A level riverside and lanes walk. 3 miles approx.
- Wed 22nd M/SONS C.P. **09:30** or **WOODLANDS CRICKET PITCH 10:00. GR SY 051090.** Stiles & mud. Bagman's Lane, Chalbury & Haythorne. 5 miles.

WALKS FOR NEXT PROGRAMME BY THURSDAY 23 OCTOBER 2008, PLEASE

To the Programme Secretary:
Joanna Booth:

Please also include the relevant two letters in your Grid Reference, eg G.R. SY904 816 as these are required by those members who use the Ordnance Survey web site to ascertain the start point of the walk.
Thank you.

(Advanced notice of deadlines for the March, April, May 2009 Programme: By post or telephone = 6 January 2009; by Email = 23 January 2009).

- Fri 24th M/SONS C.P. **09:30** or **BADBURY RINGS C.P.10.00. GR ST 959 031.** OS Explorer 118. King Down, Hemsworth, Chetterwood, Manswood, Witchampton, Bradford Barrow, King Down. 9-10 miles.
- Tues 28th M/SONS C.P. **09:30** or **WICK FERRY C.P.,** Christchurch. **10:00** (Probably no car park charges.). **G.R. SZ 156922.** Top of Hengistbury Head (coffee optional at Hiker Café). 3½ miles approx. Leaders at the start.
- Wed 29th M/SONS C.P. **09:45** or **ALBION INN C.P. 10:00. G.R 077 094.** Burrows Farm, Gotham, Pinnocks Moor. Mud & stiles. 5 miles approx. Leader at start

NOV

- Sat 1st M/SONS C.P. **09:30** or **PAMPHILL C.P. NEAR CHURCH 10:00. GR SU 991 006.** Explorer 118. King Down, Hemsworth, King Down Farm, Lodge Farm. 10 miles approx . Leaders at start.
- Tues 4th M/SONS C.P. **09:30** or **MARTIN VILLAGE NT C.P. half a mile West of village green along Sillens Lane 10:05. GR SU 058 192.** Explorer 130. Downs & lanes, slight incline. 3.6 miles. Leader at start.
- Wed 5th M/SONS C.P. **09:30** or **LINFORD BOTTOM CP 10:00. GR SU181072.** OL22. Forest circular. Some hills. 5 miles. Leader at start.
- Fri 7th M/SONS C.P. **09:30** or **BADBURY RINGS C.P.10.00. Explorer map 118. GR 960 032.** Approx 9 miles.
- Tues 11th *NO WALK SUBMITTED.*
- Wed 12th M/SONS C.P. **09:30** or **VERELEY CP 10:00. GR SU196051.** OL22. Forest circular. Could be muddy. 5 miles. Leader at start.
- Sat 15th M/SONS C.P. **10:00 G.R. SU 088085** Explorer OL22 & 118. Woodlands, Edmondsham, Cripplestyle. 10 miles approx.
- Tues 18th M/SONS C.P. **09:30** or **BROADCHALKE CHURCH C.P. 10.05. GR SU 043 254.** Explorer 130. 3-3½. Miles. One very slight incline, minor road from Stoke Farthing. Leader at start.
- Wed 19th *NO WALK SUBMITTED.*
- Fri 21st M/SONS C.P. **09:30** or **MARTIN DOWN C.P. 10.00. off A354 GR SU 037 200.** Explorer 118. Pentridge, Sixpenny Handley, Deanland, Pribdean Wood, Woodyates. 10 miles approx Leaders at start

Tues 25th M/SONS C.P. **09:30** or **THE ANGEL P.H. FERNDOWN 10.00. GR SZ 068 992** OL 22 3- 3½ miles. Leader at Start.

Wed 26th *NO WALK SUBMITTED.*

Sat 29th M/SONS C.P. **09:30** or **KEYHAVEN CP 10:30 GR SZ 306 914.** Map OL 22. By popular request, a walk to Lymington and back taking in the coastal and inland routes. Bring binoculars for birds and views. 8 miles.

NEW LEADERS are always welcomed and needed

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.



If anyone wishes to organise a pre- or post-Christmas lunch or dinner for the Tuesday or Wednesday or Friday/Saturday walks and wish to publicise the event in the next programme please forward details to Joanna Booth no later than 20 October.