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**GENTLE EXERCISE FRESH AIR GOOD COMPANY AND WONDERFUL SCENERY
"TRY BEFORE YOU BUY" WHY NOT JOIN US FOR A TASTER
JUST TURN UP AT ANY OF THE WALKS AND INTRODUCE YOURSELF
OR ENQUIRE ON 01202 822874**



NB 1: 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 Morrison's.) The time given is the latest departure time; please arrive at least a few minutes before. **All mileages are approximate.**

NB 2: CANCELLED WALKS Please be aware that if you have any doubts, for whatever reason, that a walk may not go ahead as published, **it is your responsibility to confirm by contacting the Leader** before going to the starting point.

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MARCH 2011

- 01 Tues** NOTE: POTTERNE 11:45 Walk to lunch For 12:15/30 At Seasons Restaurant, Moors Valley, For Tuesday walkers, past and present, A 2 course lunch with tea or coffee @ £10.00 per person. You can of course just opt for the lunch.
- 02 Weds** M/SONS CP 09:30 or **ANDERWOOD CP 10:00** Exp OL22 GR **SU 248 058**
5.5 mls Anderwood and North Oakley Inclosures; Mark Ash Wood; Wooson's Hill and Knightwood Inclosures.
- 05 Sat** M/SONS CP 09:30 or **MARTIN DOWN CP (off A354) 10:00** Exp 118 GR **SU 037 201**
9.5 mls Bokerley Farm, Garston Wood, Pribdean Wood, New Town, Drow Coppice, Sermal Gate, Middle Chase Farm, Cutlers Corner, Kit's Grave. Undulating
- 08 Tues** WALK NOT SUBMITTED
- 09 Wed** M/SONS CP 09:30 or **ROCKFORD COMMON NT CP 10:00** Exp OL 22 GR **SU 164 083**
5 mls Avon Valley path, Whitefield Plantation, Rodens Bottom, Bigsburn Hill.1 slight and 1 steep incline, muddy, no stiles

- 11 Fri M/SONS CP 09:15 or **WIN GREEN 10:00** Exp118 GR **ST 206 925**
10 mls Berwick St John Whitesheet Hill.Strenuous with Steep hills & stiles
- 15 Tues M/SONS CP 9:30 or **VERELEY CP 10:00** Exp OL22 GR **SU 197 051**
3 mls Smugglers Road, Vales Moor, Castle Hill, Burley Street, Whitemoor.1 steepish and 1 slight
incline, could be muddy, no stiles
- 16 Wed M/SONS CP 09:15 or **WICK LANE CP TUCKTON 10:00** Exp OL22 GR **SZ 153 922**
(Car Park should be free in March but if not, possibly alternative Roadside parking)
5.5 mls Stour Valley Way, Hengistbury Head and return
- 19 Sat WALK NOT SUBMITTED
- 22 Tues M/SONS CP 09:30 or **MARTIN DOWN CP 10:00** Expl 118 gr **SU 037 201**
3.5mls Vernditch Chase, Roman road.
- 23 Wed M/SONS CP 09:15 or **WASHERS PIT CP ASHMORE 10.00** Exp 118 GR **ST 897 167**
6mls Stubhampton, Ashmore & Well bottoms Ashmore . **(Parking Limited Car share if possible)**
- 25 Fri M/SONS CP 09:15 or **FARNHAM 10:00 (Park beside Museum Inn)** Exp118 GR **ST 958 151**
10 mls New Town Bussey stool,Stubhampton, chettle. Generally level walking
- 29 Tues WALK NOT SUBMITTED
- 30 Wed WALK NOT SUBMITTED

APRIL 2011

- 02 Sat M/SONSC.P. 09:15or **STOUR VALLEY CP BLANDFORD 10:00** Exp 118 GR.**ST 885 059**
9.5 mls Quarleston Down, Winterborne Stickland, Bryanston School. 9.5 - 10 miles approx.
- 05 Tues M/SONS CP 09:15 or **UPTON COUNTRY HOUSE CP (Free) 10:00** Exp OL15 GR **SY 992 930**
2.5 mls Upton Park House & Garden and shoreline.
- 06 Wed M/SONS CP 09:30 or **APLESLADE CP 10:00** Exp OL22 GR **SU 185 092**
5 mls Rockford Common Ibsley Common 1 steepish incline.
- 08 Fri M/SONS CP09:15 or **GREYHOUND INN WINTERB'NE KINGS'N 10:00** Exp118 GR **SY 862 977**
(Park in rear Car Park and consider a coffee/drink on return. Car Share if possible)
9.5 mls Roman Rd, Great Coll wood Sth & Nth Farms, Little Coll wood. 2 stiles & Mud
- 12 Tues **NOTE : POTTERNE PARK CP 10:00** Exp OL22 GR **SU 095 075**
3.5 mls Around Moors Valley. Stop at Visitor Centre for coffee. Return via Potterne Farm.
- 13 Wed M/SONS CP 0930 or **BROOMY WALK CP 10:00** Exp OL22 GR **SU 197 100**
5 mls Forest Circular some hills usual conditions
- 16 Sat M/SONS CP 09:00 **SOUTH DOWN NT CP (Nth of Ringstead Bay) 10:15** Exp OL 15 **SY 759 823**
9.5mls Holworth, Moigns Down, Osmington White Horse, Osmington, coast path to Osmington
mills Ringstead Bay Burning Cliff
- 19 Tues M/SONS CP 9:40 or **CRANBORNE GARDEN CR (at top end) 10:00** Exp 118 GR **SU 056 132**
3 mls Cranborne Village and Estate farm. One long incline no stiles. No dogs. Could be muddy
if wet. 3 miles. Option of light lunch or coffee at garden centre.
- 20 Wed WALK NOT SUBMITTED
- 22 G'Fri WALK NOT SUBMITTED
- 26 Tues M/SONS CP 09:30 or **ALICE LISLE INN CP 10:00** Exp OL22 GR **SU 159 081**
3 mls Pleasant walk via Blashford lake, and Linbrook lake.

- 27 Weds** M/SONS CP 09:30 or **MINCHINGTON CROSS 10:00** Exp 118 GR **ST 957 167**
5.5 mls Farnham, Minchington, Woodcuts Pollards Wood. Undulating & 5 or 6 Stiles
- 30 Sat** M/SONS CP 09:30 or **DRUSILLAS CP HORTON 10:00** Exp 118 GR **SU 039 075**
(Park at North end of CP and consider a Coffee/drink on return. Car share if possible)
9.5 mls Haythorne, North Fm, Matteredly drove, Critchell Mill/Lake, Chalbury, Linen Hill Fm Priors
 Copse. Moderate & some stiles.

MAY 2011

- 03 Tues** WALK NOT SUBMITTED
- 04 Wed** M/SONS CP 09:15 or **THE COMPASSES INN DAMERHAM 10:00** Exp OL 22 GR **SU 106 161**
(Consider a Coffee/drink on return. Car share if possible)
5.5mls Rockbourne, Grim's Ditch, Damerham Knoll. Some stiles and Mud.
- 06 Fri** M/SONS CP 09:00 or **CP EAST of EGGARDON HILL 10:15** Exp 117 GR **SY 549 948**
10mls Eggardon Hill, Spyway, Uploders, Loders, Watermill, Powerstock.
- 10 Tues** M/SONS CP 9:30 or **BROCKHILL CP (off Rhinefield Drive) 10:00** Exp OL22 GR **SU 267 058**
2.5 mls Pondhill enclosure, arboretum. Flat no stiles.
- 11 Wed** M/SONS CP 09:15 or **LANGTON ARMS TARRANT MONKTON 10.00** Exp 118 GR **SU 943 088**
(Use overflow car park consider coffee/drink after)
5mls Turners Lane, Chetterwood (hopefully bluebells), Common Drove.
- 14 Sat** M/SONS CP 09:30 or **BADBURY RINGS CP 10.00** Exp 118 GR **ST 959 031**
10mls Tarrant Crawford, Shapwick, Stour Valley Way, Kingston Lacy Park
- 17 Tues** M/SONS CP 09:15 or **CANADIAN MEMORIAL C.P. 10:00** Exp OL22 GR **SU 240 093**
3.7mls Highland Water Inclosure, Withybed Bottom, boating lake. Forest walk, slopes, no stiles.
 Could be Muddy..
- 18 Wed** M/SONS CP **09:30 WILVERLEY INCLOSURE CP 10:00** Exp OL22 GR **SU 252 007**
5.5 mls Naked Man, Holm Hill, Hinchelsea Moor, Horseshoe Bottom.
- 20 Fri** M/SONS CP 09:00 **WINFRITH NEWBURGH CHURCH CP 10:15** Exp OL15 GR **SY 805 844**
8.5 mls Chaldon Herring, Chideock Farm, Newlands Warren, Daggars Gate, Winfrith Drove
- ALSO BROWNSEA TRIP See page 4**
- 24 Tues** M/SONS CP 9:45 or **CROSS KEYS C.P MANNINGTON 10:15** Exp OL22 GR **SU 064 048**
(Park at far end of CP. Pub opens at 11.30 for coffee/lunch)
3 mls Holt Heath. Mud after rain.
- 25 Wed** M/SONS CP 09:30 or **OAKLEY CP 10:00** Exp OL22 GR **SU 226 046**
5 mls Forest Circular usual conditions
- 28 Sat** **NOTE : 1st SCHOOL MARGARDS LANE VERWOOD 10:00 In Lane** OL22 GR **SU 082 082**
9 mls Horton Common Woodlands Pk, Kings Wd, Maldry Wd, Romford, Crane Valley Golf
 Course Moderate with some stiles & mud **Local walk to avoid the Bank Holiday traffic.**
- 31 Tues** M/SONS CP 09.30 or **EYEWORTH POND FRITHAM CP 10.00** Expl OL22 GR **SU 229146**
3.5mls Eyeworth Wood, Longcross Plain. Undulating, may be muddy.

GENERAL INFORMATION

All leaders should 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 (01202 874347), David Lanigan (01202 893981), John Wadge, (01202 822874) or Graham Jakes (01202 825653) and return them after their walk.

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. Walkers should be appropriately dressed and prepared for a wide variety of terrain and weather conditions.

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.

******* CLUB NOTICES *******

BROWNSEA ISLAND TRIP 20th MAY 2011

As a result of requests for a trip to Brownsea this alternative has been arranged for Friday 20th May

M/SONS CP 08:45 or **SANDBANKS FERRY 10:00.**

Exp OL 15 GR **SZ 037870**

Guided Walk circa 5 miles around Brownsea Island with John G who will describe its history, geology and archaeology. Please bring packed lunch. Returning on the **15.45** ferry.

Current costs which may vary slightly. **Ferry £4.50 Island £5.80,- NT Members free.**

Please be aware that Roadside parking charges are being considered for the Sandbanks Peninsular and may be in place by 20th May. Suggest Car Share to spread costs should you need to use Public Car Parks Places are **limited to 20** and on offer on a "first come first served" basis and to be fair to all I shall not accept any requests until on or after **21st February** when everyone should have received this new programme and Notice.

**So please register your interest with me ASAP after 21st February.
Steve New 01202 824941**

NB: There is also a long walk available on this date.

A KIND INVITATION FROM SOUTHAMPTON RAMBLERS

A VADRC member is also a member of Southampton Ramblers. In 2011 and 2012 they will be walking the 88 mile JUBILEE TRAIL from MARTIN DOWN to FORDE ABBEY in 8 stages, **4 in 2011, April, May and June on Sundays** and 4 in 2012. They will travel by coach from Southampton via Ringwood to the start of each Stage and the coach picks them up at the finish. It is anticipated that 30+ walkers will be on each stage with spare places, which are being offered to interested members of VADRC. The intention being that **VADRC join at Ringwood.**

The estimated cost towards the coach is **£10** per stage which is less than that paid by the Southampton members. **The Ringwood pickup will depart at 08:50.**

Details are at: **www.sotonram.hampshire.org.uk** click on the 'Long Distance Paths' icon.
Or contact Bob Tel: 023 8023 5669

Every walker is encouraged to be self sufficient in food and drink. Although there will sometimes be an opportunity to frequent a public house or tea room, but not on all stages.

This is NOT an event organised by VADRC. So as not to cause any confusion, individuals should deal directly with Bob if they wish to reserve a place on any of the stages.