

The Ramblers' Association

Working for Walkers

The RA promotes rambling, protects Rights of Way, campaigns for access to open country and defends the beauty of the countryside

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PORTSMOUTH GROUP WALKING PROGRAMME

Correct as at 31st January 2017. Check the website for any updates.



The Portsmouth Group offers a variety of walks mainly in Hampshire, West Sussex and the Isle of Wight. On Saturdays these are moderately paced 5 to 9 mile walks whilst, on Sundays, they are faster paced 11 to 15 mile walks. The Group also has short Friday evening walks and some extra Saturday walks in more distant parts in the summer months. Most walks have a pub/cafe stop either at the end or at lunch time.

INFORMATION FOR WALKERS

New walkers always welcome. Just turn up at meeting place for shorter walks. For walks in excess of 10 miles, please contact leader first if you have not previously walked this distance.

Grade A walks – for experienced walkers; brisk pace
Grade B walks – regular pace
Grade C walks – moderate pace
Grade D walks – slow pace

These are only general indications of the pace and will vary with the individual.

All walks are circular unless otherwise stated. Wear stout footwear and carry waterproof clothing for possible wet weather. There will be stops for coffee and lunch, so please bring a flask and food. Walkers should not eat their own food in pubs/pub gardens without permission from the landlord. Walkers are requested not to walk faster than the pace of the leader and where dogs are allowed on walks they must be kept on a lead at all times.

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CAR SHARING – IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Our group encourages car sharing and drivers are requested to meet at Cosham Railway Station (CRS) to assist those without transport to get to the walks and where possible to share cars in order to reduce their numbers, and consequently their impact on the environment. **Priority will be given to those without their own transport.** If walkers require a lift please contact the leader, **unless it is stated that the leader is meeting at the start of the walk** and so would not be going to Cosham Railway Station. For Saturday walks when the leader is not going to Cosham Railway Station you will need to contact David Nichols on 02392529490 or 07765100863 as he might know if any drivers are going to Cosham, and be able to arrange a lift. On Sunday Group walks a Cosham meeting time is only given when the leader is definitely going to Cosham Railway Station. **LIFTS CANNOT BE GUARANTEED.**

Drivers often appreciate it when a voluntary contribution is made by passengers. As a guide **10p** per mile per passenger (up to a cap of **£6** per person) is considered an amount which reasonably covers the costs incurred by the driver.

Don't forget many walks can be reached by Public Transport. This is indicated in the programme, with some walks being specifically aimed at public transport users. In the case of bus travel walkers with bus passes would incur no financial cost.

PORTSMOUTH GROUP WEBSITE



Portsmouth Ramblers

website live since 23rd October 2015



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The address is <http://www.portsmouthramblers.org.uk/> This site contains news items, photos and complete and updated information about the Portsmouth Group walks taken directly from the Ramblers Walks Finder website. It is run by Malcolm Hagan who can be contacted at webmaster@portsmouthramblers.org.uk or by phone on 02392 221925.

Calendar

January '17						Next
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
Sun						
1	2	3	4	5	6	
7	8	9	10	11	12	
13	14	15	16	17	18	
19	20	21	22	23	24	
25	26	27	28	29	30	
31						

Our next walks

- **Sat, 14th January**, Middle of Hampshire Loop, 9.5mi/15.3km
- **Sun, 15th January**, A **NEW!** common walk from Liphook, 13mi/20.9km
- **Sun, 15th January**, A loopy walk from Goring-by-Sea to Littlehampton, 11mi/17.7km
CANCELLED: Engineering works, unknown at the time of the programme publication, have made

Cancelled Walks (if any)

Sorry - the following walk(s) have been cancelled

Walk: January Sunday, 15th, 9:55 am at Goring-by-Sea Railway Station, A loopy walk from Goring-by-Sea to Littlehampton, 11mi / 17.7km, Leader Chris and Angela 02392641737

Reason: Engineering works, unknown at the time of the programme publication, have made this walk impractical as long journey times would mean finishing in the dark. The walk is replaced with a walk from Liphook. Check Walks Finder for details.

Hampshire Ramblers AGM - 11th Feb 2017

[Read more: Hampshire Ramblers AGM - 11th Feb 2017](#)

About Us

Hello and welcome to the Ramblers' Association Portsmouth Group website.

We would like to invite you to walk regularly with us in a beautiful part of Hampshire characterised by chalk downland, historic towns and idyllic villages. Although our walks vary in difficulty and length they are suitable for all abilities.

This screenshot shows a section of the home page. The calendar allows the user to move through forthcoming months by clicking on "next" and then, by placing the cursor over a highlighted date, will show the walk details. If you have an Android or other mobile device with a touch screen, then this link

<http://www.portsmouthramblers.org.uk/news-future-events/50-portsmouth-calendar.html> will load the calendar nicely onto your device. Here you can touch the date to display a list of available walks on that date. Then touch one of those walks to display full details.

Any cancelled walks will appear under the "Cancelled Walks" section whilst other important notices such as changes to a walk or events such as the annual dinner will also be listed on the home page. As walks appearing in this programme are submitted up to five months before the date of the actual walk there are often changes caused by weather conditions (e.g. floods), closures of car parks, engineering works etc. unknown to the leader at the time of their walk submission. There were 9 changes in the last programme. It is therefore essential that walkers check for any changes before setting out on a walk.

It would be nice to get contributions for the website from as many different members as possible, not just the same 2 or 3 people sending in contributions. For example.... last minute information about walk changes e.g. difficulties due to bad weather (muddy, slippery, deep puddles). A few photos from the walk would be nice. Future event information.

The more up to date information that is loaded onto the website, the more likely members are to look at and use the website.

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Discounts are available from many shops on production of your Ramblers membership card. These include:

Rohan, all branches	01243 787214
Cotswold Outdoor, (all branches) 13 Lower Northam Rd, Hedge End or 51 East St, Chichester	01489 799555 01243 788167
Mountain Warehouse (all branches) nearest 83 North Street, Chichester, PO19 1LQ	01243 380058
www.aboveandbeyond.co.uk – discounted maps and rambling accessories	

By creating a login on the Rambler's website <http://www.ramblers.org.uk/> by entering your email address and membership number you will also have access to online Ramblers Routes and a vast map library.

This link is to the Hampshire Rambler Magazine site where you can download the current and past magazines: [http://www.amphotographica.com/HantsRambler/Hampshire Rambler Magazine Library \(web ver.\)/](http://www.amphotographica.com/HantsRambler/Hampshire Rambler Magazine Library (web ver.)/)

Thank You to all those who have made this programme possible.

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INFORMATION FOR WALK LEADERS

New walk leaders are always welcome. Every assistance will be given to those wishing to lead a walk for the first time.

The Portsmouth Group has a Walk Leaders Guidelines document which can be downloaded from the Portsmouth Group Website. The address is <http://www.portsmouthramblers.org.uk/> This document has a great deal of useful information, especially for new leaders, and is recommended reading. Further information is available here <http://www.portsmouthramblers.org.uk/leaders/42-future-walk-program.html>

As walks are submitted for the next walking programme they are uploaded to an **electronic calendar**. This calendar can be viewed on the [calendar website](#) itself. **This allows leaders to see the locations of walks already submitted and the current availability of dates in real time.** In addition the current and future programme of walks can also be added to any electronic calendar programme held on a smartphone or PC. It will then be automatically updated whenever a change is made to a walk or a walk added. Instructions on how to do this are available on the Portsmouth Ramblers Website as shown above.

If a leader is willing to change the date of their walk this is indicated by two stars before the title of the walk on the online calendar but priority will always be given in order of receipt. However the aim is to provide a full & varied programme for the Group and occasionally dates have to be re-arranged or a walk carried forward to the next programme.

WALK SUBMISSIONS Leaders can now add their walks directly onto Walks Finder and the majority of leaders currently use this method to submit their walks. For those leaders without internet access walks can be submitted using the submission form at the end of this programme or you can contact David Nichols for extra paper copies. **NB: Please ensure walk distances are as accurate as possible. **NEWLY AVAILABLE**** on the [Portsmouth Ramblers Website](#) are a few videos showing how to log on, add a walk and copy a previous walk etc.

Leaders should report any incident or accident to the Secretary (secretary@portsmouthramblers.org.uk) and any obstructions or broken stiles etc. to the Footpaths/Walking Environment/Access Secretary - Mark Page, (footpath.secretary@portsmouthramblers.org.uk) 16 Stansted Road, Southsea PO5 1SA, including grid references where possible.

Any walk leader who has led a minimum of 8 walks over the last three programmes may apply to the Treasurer for reimbursement of the cost of a maximum of three new Explorer maps per annum, group funds permitting. The maps must cover the area normally walked by the group and the application must include a receipted bill and dates of walks led.

All walks appear on **WALKS FINDER (Ramblers national database of walks on the WEB)**. Would leaders please advise David Nichols or Chris Mac Arthur if walk details change so **WALKS FINDER** can be updated and walkers contacted.

USEFUL WEB LINKS – ALSO AVAILABLE ON THE PORTSMOUTH RAMBLERS WEBSITE

These links are for current footpath closures:

Isle of Wight

<http://www.iwight.com/Residents/Environment-Planning-and-Waste/Rights-of-Way/Public-Rights-of-Way/Current-Closures>

Hampshire

<http://www3.hants.gov.uk/publicnotices.htm>

Sussex

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/land-waste-and-housing/public-paths-and-the-countryside/public-rights-of-way/>

Dorset

<http://www.dorsetforyou.com/rightsofway>

These links are for bus, train and ferry web sites.

First Bus

<https://www.firstgroup.com/portsmouth-fareham-gosport>

Stagecoach buses

<https://www.stagecoachbus.com/>

Bus timetables for the whole of the UK

<http://www.traveline.org.uk/>

South West Trains

<http://www.swtrains.co.uk/>

Southern

<http://www.southernrailway.com/>

National Rail Travel Planner

<http://ojp.nationalrail.co.uk/en/pj/jp>

Wightlink

<http://www.wightlink.co.uk/>

Weather sites

This link is for the UK Met office. A very useful feature on this site is the live rain radar map as it enables you to see exactly where it is raining before setting out.

<http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/>

Given the extreme weather over the past few years I have included this link to the Environment Agency which has details of flood warnings.

<http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk>

Ramblers Worldwide Holidays; The Walking Partnership. Under a new initiative we can obtain a financial contribution for the group every time one of our members books a holiday with Ramblers Worldwide Holidays. This is £10 per person booked on UK holidays, £20 per person on short haul holidays and £30 per person on long haul holidays. To qualify you must nominate the Portsmouth Group to RWH before you travel. This costs members nothing and would obviously be a welcome addition to group funds. If you are able to do this you can obtain more detailed information from our secretary Sue Chilton on 01243 936520 or email her at secretary@portsmouthramblers.org.uk

The Walking Partnership



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Call us or go online for more information

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Ramblers
Worldwide Holidays

Dates to remember

Sunday 9th April 2017 Group Annual Meal

To be held at the The Half Moon PH, Sheet, north of Petersfield on the old A3, at 12-30 for 1pm, space in a room to ourselves. Choice of main courses and choice of sweets as below.

Menus to be available from Dave Nichols on the Saturday walks. Please book through David Nichols by sending the cost of **£17.00** to include tea/coffee, and tip by cheque payable to David Nichols to 3 Walton Road, Gosport, PO12 3QG, or give the money to him on any Saturday walk excluding the 11th February (the date of the Area AGM). Payment and choices as early as possible please. Regrettably there can be no refunds for non-attendance. Final booking date is **Saturday 25th March**, a bit earlier owing to General Council on 1st / 2nd April 2017

There will be a 4.5 mile walk prior to the meal starting from a layby on the A272 0.6 miles after Rogate towards Midhurst on the left hand side at 10.00am with a pickup at Cosham at 9-15am.

Menu choice of one of the following

Roast Beef	Fish dish of the Day	Vegetarian
Roast Lamb		
Roast Pork		Alternative
Roast Chicken and White Wine sauce		

Dessert Choice from Trolley, Home-made Crumble, Sponge pudding

Friday 19 May The Portsmouth Group Annual Skittles Evening.

This will take place on Friday 19 May at 7.30pm at The Crofton, 48 Crofton Lane, Hill Head Fareham PO14 3QF. Bookings to me made to Bernie Tulk 117 Serpentine Road Fareham PO16 7EF. Cost is £11 a head includes a pub meal, menu selection must be made with Bernie on a walk or email bernadettetulk@ymail.com or 01329 829342. The last date to book is 5 May as the Crofton needs to know before the night. Do come along, its lots of fun with silly prizes.

Volunteers for GC2017 at Southampton University 1-2 April

Hampshire Ramblers will host the Ramblers General Council at Southampton University on Saturday 1 April and Sunday 2 April. GC2017 will run from Saturday afternoon until Sunday afternoon.

General Council is the national AGM for Ramblers. It elects the Board of Trustees which runs the organization on behalf of its members. Council holds the Trustees to account and approves the Annual Report and Accounts and offers guidance on future policy. Delegates at General Council can present motions on behalf of Areas on matters of concern and future policies to be pursued.

A number of volunteers will be required to assist with GC – scrutineers for counting election votes, tellers for counting votes on motions, timekeepers for speakers presentations, manning the reception desk and directing delegates around the site, meeting delegates at the railway station, and leading one or two local walks. **We hope that members from a number of Hampshire groups will volunteer for some of the tasks.**

When volunteers are not on duty they should be able to sit in on presentations and debates so that they can see first-hand how Ramblers works and how it aims to develop.

To find out more please contact John Catchlove (Southampton group) john.catchlove@btinternet.com 023 8055 3883

David Nixon Area Secretary

Don't forget to check [Portsmouth Ramblers Website](#) near to the date of the walk to confirm walk details, or contact the walk leader if you have no internet access.

Don't be one of the people who missed walks in the last programme because the start time or start location had to be changed due to car park closures, road closures, engineering works, footpath closures and a number of other causes outside the control of the leader.

In the event of extreme weather, or any other doubt, it is the responsibility of the walker to check Walks Finder or to contact the leader to confirm the walk is taking place.

Email If you have an email address, please notify David Nichols david.nichols@portsmouthramblers.org.uk This will enable you to receive the PDF version of this Programme as well as emailed updates in the event of walk alterations.

In the PDF version of the programme just click on the Walk Title to see the latest information on Walks Finder about that particular walk.

MAP NUMBERS AND OTHER CHANGES

Ordnance Survey have recently changed the map numbers and designation for any maps covering the South Downs National Park. The majority of maps in our area are now part of the Outdoor Leisure series (OL) instead of the Explorer series (EX). If anyone buys one of these new maps Ordnance Survey also allows you to download it at no extra cost to a smartphone or ipad using a free phone app and the unique registration code shown on that map.

The table below shows the old and new map numbers.

Old map number	New map number
EX119 Meon Valley	OL3
EX120 Chichester	OL8
EX121 Worthing	OL10
EX122 Brighton and Lewes	OL11
EX123 Eastbourne	OL25
EX132 Winchester	OL32
EX133 Petersfield and Haslemere	OL33
EX134 Crawley	OL34

No muddy boots in cars please

Leaders do their best to ensure safe walks.
However those taking part do so at their own risk.



The Walks

A proverb for walk leaders. *May you have the hindsight to know where you've been, the foresight to know where you're going, and the insight to know when you're going too far.*

Sat 4 March 2017 10:00 - 9 miles/14.5 km - Leisurely (Finishes 15:00 approx.)

Meet the Golfers from Droxford

Starts at 10:00: Droxford Church Car Park off A32 (SO32 3RF, SU606182)

Meet at 09:20: Cosham Railway Station North side short term parking area (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Steynes Farm, Betty Mundy, Exton. Map no. OL3.

Leaders to meet at start

Circular walk

Local grade: C+

Contact: Liz & John, 07779 121439

Suitability: Dog friendly

Sun 5 March 2017 11:00 - 11 miles/17.7 km - Moderate (Finishes 17:00 approx.)

Walk From Havant To Fareham Along Portsdown Hill

Starts at 11:00: Havant Railway Station (PO9 1PY, SU717065)

Finishing point: Fareham Bus Station. (PO16 0BX, SU579061)

Recommended train to catch to Havant: 10:37 Portsmouth & Southsea, 10:41 Fratton, 10:21 Fareham (change at Fratton), 10:26 Portchester (change at Fratton). Map no. OL3 and OL8

Linear walk

Local grade: B

Contact: Adrian P, 07825 984476

Suitability: Dog friendly, No car needed

Surroundings: Farmland, City, town

THERE ARE TWO WALKS ON Saturday 11 March 2017

Walk 1

Sat 11 March 2017 10:00 - 5 miles/8.1 km - Leisurely (Finishes 13:30 approx.)

Fort Nelson circular

Starts at 10:00: Fort Nelson Portchester Hampshire Car Park (PO17 6AN, SU607069)

Meet at 09:30: Cosham Railway Station North side Short term Parking area (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Portchester and Cams

OL3 (EX119)

Leader To meet at start

Circular walk

Local grade: C

Contact: Jan and Richard, 02392266619

Suitability: Dog friendly

Walk 2

Sat 11 March 2017 10:00 - 8.5 miles/13.7 km - Leisurely (Finishes 14:45 approx.)

The lady loves Milk Tray! (from Finchdean)

Starts at 10:00: Finchdean village centre near George pub (PO8 0AU, SU737127)

Meet at 09:15: Cosham Railway Station, north side (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Chalton, Lady Holt, Eckensfield, Compton Down. Map no. OL8. Small hills only taken slowly.

Circular walk

Local grade: C

Contact: David N, 02392 529490 or 07765 100863

JOE NOON OBITUARY

A MEMORIAL WALK TAKES PLACE ON SUNDAY 12 MARCH 2017 IN CONJUNCTION WITH SOUTH EAST HANTS GROUP

Born in Nelson on 10 February 1940 to Gus and Mary – a garage clerk and a primary school teacher respectively - Joe was a Lancashire lad who went on to swap the Pennines for his beloved South Downs.

After taking his A levels at St Mary's College in Blackburn and with the help of a scholarship, he read a BA in Modern History at Pembroke College, Oxford, where one of his tutors was the well-known historian A.J.P. Taylor. In 1962 he obtained a Diploma in Education, also from Pembroke College, successfully qualifying as a teacher. In an open testimonial at the time his lecturer wrote: "I would say, from my knowledge of him as a man, that he will certainly be a good teacher and possibly a quite outstanding one."

And indeed he was. As Head of History at Manor Court Secondary School in Portsmouth from 1968 to 1972, Joe threw himself not only into teaching but also the sporting side of school life, helping with athletics and cricket. As a keen archaeologist he took pupils out on digs and it was while at Manor Court that Joe wrote *King Cholera Comes to Portsmouth* for the Portsmouth Museums Society Local History Series – sadly not available at all good bookshops although it certainly should be!

Adventure beckoned and, in 1972, Joe rented out 77 Station Road – which he had bought for the princely sum of £4600 – and set off, young family in tow, for pastures new. Limassol in Cyprus in the first instance to work as a teacher in one of the Ministry of Defence's children's schools and later, in the wake of the Turkish invasion in 1974, to Dusseldorf before returning to Portsmouth to take up a teaching post with Mayfield School where he remained until retirement.

In 1995 Joe jumped at the chance to take early retirement and spent the next 21 years doing just what his boots were made for – walking! As some of Hampshire Rambler's readers will be lucky enough to know, he organised many memorable group walking holidays in the UK and overseas for the Portsmouth, South East Hants, Meon and Reading walking groups among others and dedicated himself to recceing the walks beforehand. His Christmas Day and Boxing Day walks were a perennial fixture of the calendar, as were the Christmas drinks at 77 Station Road.

An intrepid traveller, Joe fulfilled his lifelong dream of walking on all seven continents and Brazil, Sri Lanka, Argentina, Chile, Singapore, New Zealand and Australia are just some of the visa stamps in the passport he held when he died. He had a particular love of wild flowers.

Despite having lived in Portsmouth for nearly 50 years, he still followed Burnley FC's progress – or otherwise – closely and was delighted to see them make it into the Premier League once more.

Joe died peacefully at the Rowans Hospice in Waterlooville on 4 November, was buried at the South Downs Natural Burial Site, and is survived by his children Ann and Tony, both keen walkers themselves (but reluctant map readers).

JOE NOON MEMORIAL WALK

Sun 12 March 2017 10:00 - 10 miles/16.1 km - Moderate (Finishes 15:30 approx.)

[STOUGHTON DOWN \(Joe Noon Memorial walk\)](#)

PLEASE NOTE THE BOLDED SECTION BELOW FOR THOSE WANTING TO ATTEND BUT ARE UNABLE TO WALK THE WHOLE DISTANCE.

Starts at 10:00: Meet at Stoughton Down CP (PO18 9JG, SU814125)

Via Chilgrove Hill, E Marden (coffee), Handle Down, Compton (lunch) & Up Marden. Map no OL8.

Leaders David N & Ken M Contact details 023 9273 2649 023 9245 1083 or 0778 1437 943 0787 34211. This walk is a joint walk with SE Hants Group.

Two options will be available for the lunch stop at Compton. (1) A 20 minute stop for people who do not want to visit the tea room or coffee shop after eating lunch in the churchyard, or (2) A 1 hour (or so) stop for people who want use the tea room or pub. The second leader will take this group back to the car park, via an extended route if people want to do more miles.

The walk is about 6 miles to Compton. If people want to make their own arrangements to leave a car at Compton to get back to Stoughton Down they can do a 6 mile version of the walk.

Circular walk

Local grade: B or C for the shorter walk.

Sat 18 March 2017 10:15 - 5 miles/8.1 km - Leisurely (Finishes 14:00 approx.)

[Westbourne Wander](#)

Starts at 10:15: North from Emsworth on B2147-over Westbourne roundabout into Redlands Lane-First right into Skylark Ave-Right into Yarrow Road to Car Park at end (PO10 7GE, SU752074)

Meet at 09:45: Cosham Railway Station (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Flat. Mainly field and woodland. Map no. OL8.

Pub available after finish

No dogs

Circular walk

Local grade: C

Contact: Roy O, 02392668002 or 07523562532

Surroundings: Open country

Facilities: Parking

Sun 19 March 2017 10:20 - 14 miles/22.5 km - Moderate (Finishes 17:45 approx.)

[Across Hindhead Common](#)

Starts at 10:20: Haslemere Station (GU27 1DB, SU897329)

Walk via Hindhead, Brook (pub) and Gibbet Hill

Train times; Fratton 09:41, Havant 09:50, Petersfield 10:03.

Circular walk

Local grade: B

Contact: Michael L, 01329 849987

Suitability: No car needed

Surroundings: Moor, heath

Facilities: Toilet

THERE ARE TWO WALKS ON Saturday 25 March 2017

Walk 1

Sat 25 March 2017 10:00 - 6 miles/9.7 km - Leisurely (Finishes 13:30 approx.)

[Rowlands Castle circular](#)

Starts at 10:00: Rowlands Castle Railway Station. Train times Fratton 09:28, Hilsea 09:32, Havant 09:40 (PO9 6BP, SU734108)

Walk via Holme Farm, Lumey Seat and Staunton Way. Map no. OL8.

Circular walk

Local grade: C

Contact: David H, 07899459426

Suitability: Dog friendly, No car needed

Walk 2

Sat 25 March 2017 10:00 - 8 miles/12.9 km - Leisurely (Finishes 15:00 approx.)

[Petersfield Ponders](#)

Starts at 10:00: Petersfield Heath Pond free car park on B2146. (GU31 4HS, SU755226)

Meet at 09:15: Cosham Railway Station North side short term parking area (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Walk via Nursted House, Old Ditcham wood, SDW, Buriton pond. Moderate pace with some steepish slopes. Map no. OL8

Leader to meet at start

Circular walk

Local grade: C

Contact: Bob Cs, 02392696251 or 07833772056

Suitability: Dog friendly

Sun 26 March 2017 10:00 - 12 miles/19.3 km - Moderate (Finishes 16:00 approx.)

[Apples and Watercress \(Bramdean\)](#)

Starts at 10:00: Bramdean Common Car Park, Wood Lane Bramdean (SO24 0JL, SU626293)

Meet at 09:15: Cosham Railway Station (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Via Cowdown Copse, Titchborne Down, Cheriton and Bramdean. Map no. OL32

Circular walk

Local grade: B

Contact: Peter C, 01243936520 or 07999519141

DON'T FORGET IN THE PDF VERSION OF THIS PROGRAMME JUST CLICK ON THE WALK TITLE TO SEE THE LATEST UPDATES ABOUT THAT WALK.

ALWAYS CHECK BEFORE SETTING OUT AS THERE WERE 9 ALTERATIONS IN THE LAST PROGRAMME CAUSED BY SUCH THINGS AS CAR PARK AND FOOTPATH CLOSURES.

Sat 1 April 2017 10:20 - 9.9 miles/15.9 km - Leisurely (Finishes 15:15 approx.)

[Shawford Circular](#)

Starts at 10:20: Parking near Shawford Station, turn left 100 metres west of station and drive along LandRover track to parking. (SO21 2BS, SU471248)

Circular walk along Itchen River via Owslebury and Brambridge

Train from Portsmouth and Cosham arrives Shawford at 10:19 changing at Eastleigh.

Meet at 09:30: Cosham Railway Station (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Contact: Malcolm H, 02392221925 or 07747547727

Ascent: 183 meters

Ascent: 600 feet

Suitability: No car needed

Sun 2 April 2017 10:00 - 13 miles/20.9 km - Moderate (Finishes 16:00 approx.)

[Walk in the Valley \(Iping\)](#)

Starts at 10:00: Iping and Stedham common car park. (GU29 0PB, SU853219)

Map no. OL33.

Circular walk

Local grade: B

Contact: Barbara, 07906066548

THERE ARE TWO WALKS ON Saturday 8th April 2017

Walk1

Sat 8 April 2017 10:00 - 5 miles/8.1 km - Leisurely (Finishes 13:30 approx.)

[Walderton Circular](#)

Starts at 10:00: Starting place: Park at Walderton Junction B2146 on lane to Stoughton. (PO18 9EA, SU788104)

Meet at 09:30: North side Short term parking area Cosham Railway Station Leader to meet at start (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Via Devils Humps. Map No. OL8 (EX120)

Circular walk

Local grade: C

Contact: Jan and Richard, 02392266619

Suitability: Dog friendly

Walk 2

Sat 8 April 2017 10:00 - 8 miles/12.9 km - Moderate (Finishes 15:30 approx.)

[Test Valley Trails](#)

Starts at 10:00: Horsebridge car park

M27 to Junction 3 - A3057 north- about 6 miles past Romsey turn left to Horsebridge - left on Houghton Road to Car park 30 yards on left. About 34 miles/50 minutes from Cosham (SO20 6PX, SU345304)

Meet at 09:15: Cosham Railway Station (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Crosses River Test several times

Minor hills with wonderful views

Pub available at finish

No Dogs

Circular walk

Local grade: C

Contact: Roy O, 02392668002 or 07523562532

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Sun 9 April 2017 10:00 - 4.5 miles/7.2 km - Leisurely (Finishes 12:30 approx.)

[Annual meal walk](#)

Starts at 10:00: Layby North side of A272 0.6 miles East of Rogate (GU30 7JL, SU818283)

Meet at 09:15: Cosham Railway station

North side Short stay station car park (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Short annual Meal walk before meal at Half Moon Pub at Sheet, Petersfield

OL33 EX133

Bordon, Terwick Common, Fyning

Meal needs to be booked and paid for in advance. Walkers not having a meal are welcome to join us on the walk.

Circular walk

Local grade: C

Contact: David N, 02392 529490 or 07765 100863

Sun 9 April 2017 13:00

Annual Meal

13:00 Half Moon 32 London Road, Sheet, Petersfield, GU29 9LL

See Dates to Remember for details.

Contact: David Nichols 02392 529490 or 07765 100863

Sat 15 April 2017 10:15 - 9 miles/14.5 km - Leisurely (Finishes 16:00 approx.)

[Battling around Cheriton](#)

Starts at 10:15: Park on street in Cheriton near War Memorial, on B3046. (SO24 0QA, SU583284)

Meet at 09:15: Cosham Railway Station North side short term parking area (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Walk via Cheriton Wood, Tichborne church, Hill Houses. Site of 1644 Battle Field. Fairly flat woodland.

Map no. OL32

Leader to meet at start

Circular walk

Local grade: C

Contact: Bob Cs, 02392696251 or 07833772056

Suitability: Dog friendly

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Sun 16 April 2017 10:00 - 14 miles/22.5 km - Moderate (Finishes 16:45 approx.)

[A trip to the dentist from Duncton](#)

Starts at 10:00: Duncton Down View Car Park (GU28 0NA, SU954160)

Meet at 09:15: Cosham Railway Station (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

A hilly walk with great views. Walking through Sutton, up and over Bignor Hill. Lunch at Houghton. Return through The Denture and back over the hill and Barlavington Down. Map EX121 new map number OL10

Circular walk

Local grade: B

Contact: Terry & Rita, 02392666439

Surroundings: Open country

THERE ARE TWO WALKS ON Saturday 22 April 2017

Walk 1

Sat 22 April 2017 10:10 - 7.5 miles/12.1 km - Leisurely (Finishes 14:15 approx.)

[Hayling Puffer](#)

Starts at 10:10: Start at car park at end of Hayling Billy Trail, West Town. Extra parking available in nearby Furniss Way. Bus route nearby. (PO11 0EH, SZ709997)

Meet at 09:30: Drivers to Cosham Railway Station if possible so that lifts may be offered. (PO6 3DR, SU657051)

A flat walk taking in some lesser-known parts of Hayling Island and with coastal stretches. Coffee and lunch breaks. Toilets en route. Map LR197

Circular walk

Local grade: C

Contact: Steve & Carol, 023 9278 8664

Suitability: Dog friendly, Child friendly, No car needed

Surroundings: City, town, Coast

Walk 2

Sat 22 April 2017 10:30 - 4.7 miles/7.6 km - Leisurely (Finishes 14:00 approx.)

[5 and under - Cowdray Crawl](#)

Starts at 10:30: Easebourne free car park. Go through Midhurst on A272 then turn right immediately after church to car park on left (GU29 0AJ, SU895224)

Meet at 09:35: Cosham Railway Station (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Flat country and some walking by river

Pubs and tea rooms available in Midhurst after walk

No Dogs

Circular walk

Local grade: C

Contact: Roy O, 02392668002 or 07523562532

Sun 23 April 2017 09:50 - 15 miles/24.1 km - Moderate (Finishes 17:00 approx.)

[Church Walk from Basingstoke](#)

Starts at 09:50: Basingstoke Railway Station. Trains Fratton 08:26, Cosham 08:35, Fareham 08:46. (RG21 5NE, SU637525)

Walk from Basingstoke Station to Oakley pub stop at Hannington. Visit the church at Wootton St Lawrence in afternoon. Map no. Ex144

Circular walk

Local grade: B

Contact: Mark P, 02392 830803 or 07799376796

Suitability: No car needed

THERE ARE TWO WALKS ON Saturday 29 April 2017

Walk 1

Sat 29 April 2017 10:00 - 7 miles/11.3 km - Leisurely (Finishes 14:00 approx.)

[West Sussex Church Walks 10](#)

Starts at 10:00: Stoughton Down Car Park, West Sussex (PO18 9JG, SU814125)

Meet at 09:20: North side Short term Parking area Cosham Railway station (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Up Marden Church, (Bluebells) North Marden church, East Marden church.

OL8

One Steep Hill taken very slowly, plus other lesser hills

Circular walk

Local grade: C+

Contact: David N, 02392 529490 or 07765 100863

Suitability: Dog friendly

Walk 2

Sat 29 April 2017 10:35 - 6 miles/9.7 km - Leisurely (Finishes 13:30 approx.)

[West Dean to Chichester](#)

Starts at 10:35: West Dean village bus stop on A286. (PO18 0QX, SU857124)

Meet at 10:00: Chichester Bus Station in order to get the No.60 bus at 10:13 on bay 3.

The bus station can be reached by Southern trains from Portsmouth/Cosham and the twenty minutely

700 bus from Portsmouth and Havant. (PO19 8DJ, SU859043)

Finishing point: Chichester Bus Station (PO19 8DJ, SU859043)

Walk via New Lipchis Way and Centurion Way. Map no. OL8.

Linear walk

Local grade: C

Contact: David H, 07899459426

Suitability: Dog friendly, No car needed

Sun 30 April 2017 10:00 - 13 miles/20.9 km - Moderate (Finishes 16:00 approx.)

[Ramble from Tillington](#)

Starts at 10:00: Park by Cricket ground on Upperton Road

Nr. Petworth (GU28 9AD, SU961221)

Map no. OL33

Circular walk

Local grade: B

Contact: Barbara, 07906066548

Sat 6 May 2017 10:00 - 8.5 miles/13.7 km - Leisurely (Finishes 14:45 approx.)

[Solent Breezes](#)

Starts at 10:00: Hookgate Coppice Carpark (PO14 4JU, SU523056)

Meet at 09:15: Cosham Railway station North side short term parking area.

Leader to meet at the start. (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Solent Breezes, Hook, Warsash. Map No OL3 (EX119)

NO Dogs

Circular walk

Local grade: C

Contact: Nigel T, 01329829342 or 07804092933

Sun 7 May 2017 10:00 - 13 miles/20.9 km - Moderate (Finishes 16:00 approx.)

[Blackdown and \(maybe\) Bluebells](#)

Starts at 10:00: Fernhurst Car Park (behind shops; near Doctor's Surgery)

Leader to meet at start (GU27 3HL, SU894284)

via Lurgashall. Map OL33 (old map EX133)

Circular walk

Local grade: B

Contact: Linda P, 02392291324 or 07443528575

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Fri 12 May 2017 18:30 - 6 miles/9.7 km - Leisurely (Finishes 20:30 approx.)

[Evening Walk from Wickham](#)

Starts at 18:30: Free car park next to trail in Wickham (PO17 5DJ, SU571113)

A walk along Old Meon Valley railway line to Kings Mead and back. Map no.OL3

Flat walk no big hills to climb.

Circular walk

Local grade: C

Contact: Mark P, 02392 830803 or 07799376796

THERE ARE TWO WALKS ON Saturday 13 May 2017

Walk 1

Sat 13 May 2017 10:00 - 8.5 miles/13.7 km - Leisurely (Finishes 14:45 approx.)

[Finchdean Blender!](#)

Starts at 10:00: Finchdean near to George Inn (PO8 0AU, SU737127)

Meet at 09:15: Cosham Railway Station. North side short term parking area. (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Blendworth, Chalton, Markwells Wood

Some hills, taken slowly. Map no. OL8

Circular walk

Local grade: C

Contact: David N, 02392 529490 or 07765 100863

Walk 2

Sat 13 May 2017 10:30 - 5 miles/8.1 km - Leisurely (Finishes 14:00 approx.)

[Woolbeding Wander](#)

Starts at 10:30: Easebourne Free Car Park. Go through Midhurst on A272. When it bends right, pass the church and immediately turn right into car park on left opposite tea rooms (GU29 0AJ, SU895224)

Meet at 09:35: Cosham Railway Station North side Short stay parking area

Note meeting point time (PO6 3DR, SU657051)

Flattish Parkland including permissive paths. Map Number OL33 (Old EX133)

Via North Bridge Weirs - Woolbeding House - Woolbeding Bridge

Pubs and Tea rooms in Midhurst

No Dogs

Circular walk

Local grade: C

Contact: Roy O, 02392668002 or 07523562532

Sun 14 May 2017 10:00 - 16 miles/25.8 km - Moderate (Finishes 17:30 approx.)

[From England to France \(in the New Forest\)](#)

Starts at 10:00: Car Park on B3078 at Bramshaw Telegraph just before a turn off to Deadman Hill Road. (SP5 2PX, SU228166)

Meet at 09:00: Cosham Railway Station. (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Hamptworth Common, Sherfield English, East Wellow. Map no. OL32

Circular walk

Local grade: B

Contact: Mark P, 02392 830803 or 07799376796

Fri 19 May 2017 19:30

Skittles Evening

19:30 The Crofton 48 Crofton Lane, Hill Head, Fareham, PO14 3QF

Contact: Bernie Tulk, 01329 829342 See Dates to Remember for details.

TIME IS RUNNING OUT TO ADD WALKS FOR THE JULY TO OCTOBER PROGRAMME AS THE PROGRAMME WILL BE GOING TO THE PRINTING PRESS IN JUST A FEW DAYS' TIME.

Sat 20 May 2017 10:00 - 6 miles/9.7 km - Leisurely (Finishes 13:30 approx.)

[Bluebells from Droxford](#)

Starts at 10:00: Droxford Church car park, If full other Car Parking nearby (SO32 3RB, SU606182)

Meet at 09:20: Cosham Railway station Short Stay Car parking on North Side (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Bluebell walk with lunch at Soberton by the river. Map no. OL3 Old map no. EX119

Leader to meet at start

Circular walk

Local grade: C

Contact: Jan and Richard, 02392266619

Sun 21 May 2017 10:15 - 15 miles/24.1 km - Moderate (Finishes 17:00 approx.)

[Worsley Trail](#)

Starts at 10:15: Shanklin Railway Station (PO37 7AR, SZ580818)

Meet at 09:00: Meet at Wightlink passenger ferry terminal for 0915 catamaran to Ryde and onward train to Shanklin (PO1 3PS, SU628000)

Finishing point: Eastbound bus stop outside Sun Inn (PO30 4JR, SZ424868)

A linear walk from Shanklin towards Brighstone Down.

Linear walk following Isle of Wight trail via Freemantle Gate, The Wilderness and Limerstone Down to Brighstone Down. Return to Ryde by bus from Calbourne via Newport.

Map OL29

Linear walk

Local grade: B

Contact: Bob Cy, 07742719811

Suitability: No car needed

Facilities: Toilet

Fri 26 May 2017 18:30 - 4.5 miles/7.2 km - Leisurely (Finishes 20:30 approx.)

[Valderi Valdera from Walderton](#)

Starts at 18:30: Meet in car park area at junction of B2146 and road to Stoughton. (PO18 9ED, SU788105)

Moderately hilly evening walk with good views. Optional pub stop at Barley Mow at end of walk. Map number LR 197 Walk via Surrounding hills

Circular walk

Local grade: C

Contact: Steve & Carol, 023 9278 8664

Suitability: Child friendly

Surroundings: Hill, Farmland, Woodland

WALK SUBMISSIONS FOR THE NEXT PROGRAMME ARE NOW CLOSED.

THERE ARE TWO WALKS ON Saturday 27 May 2017

Walk 1

Sat 27 May 2017 10:00 - 10 miles/16.1 km - Moderate (Finishes 15:30 approx.)

Starts at 10:00: Lay by at West Marden on B2146 (PO18 9EW, SU772136)

Meet at 09:20: Cosham Railway Station (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Circular walk via Compton Down, Eckensfield, Harting Down and Bevis Thumb. Some hills. Map no. OL8

Circular walk

Local grade: C+

Contact: Peter C, 01243936520 or 07999519141

Walk 2

Sat 27 May 2017 10:30 - 6.5 miles/10.5 km - Leisurely (Finishes 13:30 approx.)

[Hayling Island to Havant](#)

Starts at 10:30: Eastoke bus stop, South side, Hayling Island. (PO11 9TJ, SZ729988)

Meet at 09:50: Havant Bus Station. The bus station can be reached by regular trains from Portsmouth/Cosham plus the 10 minutely bus no.23 and the 20 minutely bus no. 700 from Portsmouth. (PO9 9BS, SU720062)

Finishing point: Havant Bus Station (PO9 9BS, SU720062)

Walk via Westfield and Shipwright's Way. Map no. OL8

Linear walk

Local grade: C

Contact: David H, 07899459426

Suitability: Dog friendly, No car needed

Sun 28 May 2017 09:50 - 14 miles/22.5 km - Moderate (Finishes 16:45 approx.)

[Witley to Godalming](#)

Starts at 09:50: Witley Railway Station, Surrey. Train times Fratton 08:57, Havant 09:07, Petersfield 09:24 arrive Witley 09:48. Buy return ticket to Godalming as this is north of Witley. (GU8 5TX, SU948379)

Finishing point: Godalming Railway Station, Surrey. (GU7 1EU, SU966439)

Via Thursley, Tilford, Gatwick and Shackleford. Map no OL33 and EX145.

Linear walk

Local grade: B

Contact: Chris and Angela, 02392641737 or 07889130187

Suitability: No car needed

Fri 2 June 2017 18:30 - 5 miles/8.1 km - Leisurely (Finishes 20:30 approx.)

[Evening Walk from Woodmancote](#)

Starts at 18:30: Park near Woodmancote pub in Woodmancote Lane East of Westbourne (PO10 8RD, SU775075)

Aldsworth and Racton monument. Map no. OL8

Some good views over to the coast. No dogs

Circular walk

Local grade: C

Contact: Mark P, 02392 830803 or 07799376796

Surroundings: Farmland

Sat 3 June 2017 10:00 - 6 miles/9.7 km - Leisurely (Finishes 13:30 approx.)

Wichester and St Cross

Starts at 10:00: Tunbridge Car Park near St Catherine's Hill just under old Railway Bridge travelling East to West on minor road towards Winchester. (SO23 9PA, SU483280)

Meet at 09:10: Cosham Railway station Short Stay Car parking area on North side (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Some Hill walking to start with then Riverside. Walk via St Catherines Hill, St Cross. Map no. OL32 old map no. EX132

Leader to meet at start

Circular walk

Local grade: C

Contact: Jan and Richard, 02392266619

Sun 4 June 2017 10:10 - 17 miles/27.4 km - Moderate (Finishes 16:30 approx.)

Walk From Petersfield to Chichester

Starts at 10:10: Meet outside entrance to Petersfield Station. (GU32 3EE, SU743235)

Finishing point: Chichester Station (PO19 8DL, SU858043)

A linear walk. Train to catch to Petersfield: 09:37 Portsmouth & Southsea, 09:41 Fratton, 09:03.

Chichester (change at Havant).

Via East Harting, Hooksway, Lavant.

Lunch stop at The Royal Oak, Hooksway.

Linear walk

Local grade: A

Contact: Adrian P, 07825 984476

Suitability: Dog friendly, No car needed

THERE ARE TWO WALKS ON Saturday 10 June 2017

Walk 1

Sat 10 June 2017 10:00 - 9 miles/14.5 km - Leisurely (Finishes 15:00 approx.)

Petersfield Heath Pond Circular

Starts at 10:00: Petersfield Heath Pond car park (GU31 4LD, SU754226)

Meet at 09:30: Cosham Railway Station (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Not especially hilly, but lots of styles! Via Nursted, Down Park Farm, Durleighmarsh. Map No. OL33

Circular walk

Contact: Malcolm H, 02392221925 or 07747547727

Walk 2

Sat 10 June 2017 10:30 - 4.8 miles/7.7 km - Moderate (Finishes 14:00 approx.)

5 and under - Hat Hill and Sussex Downs

Starts at 10:30: Park considerably on street opposite Singleton school (PO18 0HP, SU880132)

Meet at 09:45: Cosham Railway Station (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Some hill work taken slowly

Lovely views from the Downs

Pub and possible tea room at finish

No Dogs

Circular walk

Local grade: C

Contact: Roy O, 02392668002 or 07523562532

Sun 11 June 2017 10:00 - 14.5 miles/23.3 km - Moderate (Finishes 17:00 approx.)

[A downland walk to the Shepherd and Dog at Fulking](#)

Starts at 10:00: Meet outside Shoreham-by-Sea station - south side (BN43 5WX, TQ217053)

A walk north from Shoreham to the downs via Mill Hill and then past Tottington Mount, Edburton Hill and Fulking Hill to the lunch stop at Fulking.

Note: steep hill down to and up from Fulking

OL 10 (Brighton and Hove) was EXP 122

Cars: Various car parks in Shoreham by Sea.

Motorists could park at Mill Hill just to the north of the A27 bridge (TQ 212 067) and join the walk at 1025/1030. To get there turn off the A27 on to A283 towards Shoreham and then left into Upper Shoreham Road and second left into Erringham Road which becomes Mill Road. This would shorten walk by approximately two miles.

Trains: Cosham 0900 (Great Western), Havant 0911, Shoreham by Sea arr 0953

South West trains services from Fratton 0838 to Havant arr 0847 and Fratton dep 0857 Havant arr 0907

Circular walk

Local grade: B

Contact: Bob Cy, 07742719811

Ascent: 630 meters

Ascent: 2067 feet

Suitability: No car needed

Surroundings: Hill, Farmland

Sat 17 June 2017 10:00 - 10 miles/16.1 km - Leisurely (Finishes 17:00 approx.)

[Summer London Walk Putney to Richmond](#)

Starts at 10:00: Waterloo Station Platform 18 adj to Underground entrance (SE1 7LY, TQ310798)

Finishing point: Richmond Station (TW9 1EZ, TQ180751)

Putney to Richmond via

Barnes Bridge, Barnes Wetlands, Kew Bridge, Richmond Park, returning from Richmond Station to Waterloo

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Leader will attempt to match walkers to stations to get reductions

Linear walk

Local grade: C

Contact: David N, 02392 529490 or 07765 100863

Suitability: No car needed

Surroundings: River, canal

Sun 18 June 2017 10:20 - 13 miles/20.9 km - Moderate (Finishes 16:30 approx.)

[Amberley Circular](#)

Starts at 10:20: Amberley Railway Station. This location can be reached both by train (unless there are engineering works or strikes) and by car - parking is available. Leader will meet at start. (BN18 9LP, TQ026118)

via Bignor Hill, Sutton, West Burton. Map OL10 (old map EX121)

Train details: Portsmouth Harbour 09:14; Fratton 09:22; Havant 09:30. Change at Barnham. ETA at Amberley: 10:20. Please check timetables near to date of walk.

Circular walk

Local grade: B

Contact: Linda P, 02392291324 or 07443528575

Suitability: No car needed

THERE ARE TWO WALKS ON Saturday 24 June 2017

Walk 1

Sat 24 June 2017 10:00 - 6.5 miles/10.5 km - Leisurely (Finishes 14:00 approx.)

[Gosport to Lee-on-the-Solent](#)

Starts at 10:00: Falkland Gardens by Ferry Pontoon, Gosport. This can be reached by the Gosport Ferry from Portsmouth. (PO12 1EP, SZ623998)

Finishing point: West Point bus stop, Lee-on-the Solent. The X5 bus from there goes to Fareham and Gosport. (PO13 9LL, SU562005)

Walk via Gilkicker Point and Stokes Bay. The walk is flat, stony in places. Map no. OL3

Linear walk

Local grade: C

Contact: David H, 07899459426

Suitability: Dog friendly, No car needed

Surroundings: Coast

Facilities: Toilet

Walk 2

Sat 24 June 2017 10:30 - 8.5 miles/13.7 km - Moderate (Finishes 15:30 approx.)

[Monty's March - Bentley Station](#)

Starts at 10:30: Bentley Station Car Park (Free)

A3 North on to A325. After about 8.5 miles turn left to Blacknest and continue until turning right after Railway Bridge to Station (Approximately 30 miles from Cosham) (GU10 5JZ, SU791430)

Meet at 09:30: Cosham Railway Station (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Field and Downland

Via River Hill Farm

Binsted (Viscount Montgomery's Grave)

Isington Mill (where he lived for the latter part of his life)

Pub available after walk

No Dogs

Circular walk

Local grade: C+

Contact: Roy O, 02392668002 or 07523562532

Sun 25 June 2017 10:30 - 12.7 miles/20.4 km - Moderate (Finishes 17:15 approx.)

[A circular walk east and south of Dorchester](#)

Starts at 10:30: Meet outside booking hall of Dorchester South station (north/town side of railway) (DT1 1GJ, SY692900)

This walk passes locations associated with the writer/architect Thomas Hardy (Max Gate, Stinsford Church, Hardy's Cottage) before crossing the Frome valley to West Stafford. It then passes Whitcombe before using permissive paths over Conygar Hill to return to Dorchester.

Car parking

There are numerous car parks in Dorchester

Trains: Fratton 0746, Cosham 0755, Fareham 0805 change Southampton Central and arrive Dorchester South 1023

Note: train times may change so please check.

There are two railway stations in Dorchester. Trains from Waterloo and Southampton arrive at Dorchester South.

Circular walk

Local grade: B

Contact: Bob Cy, 07742719811

Ascent: 270 meters

Ascent: 886 feet

Suitability: No car needed

Sat 1 July 2017 10:15 - 9 miles/14.5 km - Leisurely (Finishes 15:15 approx.)

[West Sussex Church Walks 17](#)

Starts at 10:15: Benbow Pond Car Park, Midhurst off the A272 (GU28 9BX, SU913222)

Meet at 09:15: Cosham Railway Station, North side short term parking area (PO6 3BD, SU657051)

Lodsworth Church, Easebourne Priory

OL33

Circular walk

Local grade: C

Contact: David N, 02392 529490 or 07765 100863

Suitability: Dog friendly

SUNDAY GROUP WALK IN EARLY JULY

A walk is being planned in the Dover area on either the weekend of the 1st July or the 8th July 2017. It has been suggested that this could be extended into a long weekend to enable a number of walks (and evening hospitalities) to take place. As soon as details of the walk options are known all Sunday walkers will be emailed before any plans are finalised.



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Walk Proposal Form



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R = required field i.e. must be filled in. **O** = optional field – i.e. you do not have to fill this in.

R1,R2 and **O1,O2** only one has to be filled in, although both can be entered.

R Proposed date in format dd/mm/yy	
O Are there any other possible dates for this walk e.g. any time in August?	
R Title of walk including a location	
R Walk description. Add useful details about walk, e.g. steep hills, train times. Map number e.g. EX 144 List of places the walk goes through	
R Starting point grid reference including the two letter code e.g. SU538208	
R Starting location details e.g park on street in front of church in Hambledon	
R Start time of walk (24 hour clock) in format HH:MM (the colon is required)	
(R if there is a separate meeting point) Meeting location grid ref (if CRS is SU657051) Delete/alter accordingly	SU657051
O Meeting location details. Delete/alter accordingly e.g. meet near IOW ferry ticket office in Portsmouth Harbour Station. If leader is not going to the meeting point add “Leader to meet at start”	Cosham Railway Station
(R if field above is entered) Time at meeting place HH:MM	
R Linear/Circular (delete accordingly)	Linear Circular
(R if linear) add finish location gridref	
(R if linear) add finish location details e.g. Berwick Station with meal options available at nearby pub.	
R Grade (A or B or B+ or C or C+)	
R Distance in miles	
O Estimated finish time HH:MM (alter if significantly different from 16:00 otherwise the default 16:00 will be uploaded to Walks Finder)	16:00
R Leader first name	

R Leader surname	
R Leader display name (as shown on web)	
R1 Leader home phone number	'
R2 Leader mobile number	'
O Leader email address	
R Can the start of the walk be reached by public transport? (y or n)	
R Dogs welcome (y or n)	
O1 If total ascent known this can be added in feet	
O2 or metres	

Please forward the completed form to Chris Mac Arthur 35 Torrington Road, Portsmouth PO2 0TP as early as possible for each programme. "Late" walks may also be telephoned through – 023 9264 1737 or e-mail programme.co-ordinator@portsmouthramblers.org.uk but please try to ensure forms are used and submitted on time.

You can also download the form from the Portsmouth Ramblers website:

<http://www.portsmouthramblers.org.uk/leaders.html>

New walk leaders are always welcome for long or short walks. Don't be afraid to try. Committee members/walk leaders will be happy to help you with any problems.

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