**LDWA ELEPHANT, BEAR AND BULL 100 2023**

**ROUTE DESCRIPTION (May 2023)**

**Please refer to Route Information & Abbreviations document. Changes from February issue are in purple.**

**START (MOSELEY RFC) SP 086 811 TO CP1 (NORTHFIELD FIRE STATION) SP 017 788**

**Via: Billesley Common, Haunch Brook, Chinn Brook Nature Reserve, Stratford-upon-Avon Canal, Kings Norton Junction (Worcester & Birmingham Canal), Kings Norton Park & Nature Reserve, Northfield.**

**10.2 km / 6.3 miles 105 m / 345 ft ascent**

**0.1** Walk from RFC buildings to **START AREA** at top of Billesley Common by line of trees/earth bank. **BL** (178°) across grass, passing play area & gym equipment on L, to join surfaced path on LHS of common. **AH** down path, passing *Butterfly* NB on R, into trees at bottom (LB on R). **AH** on winding path thru trees. Pass bench on L. In 10m, at path JCN, **TR**. X FB to path JCN. **TL**, passing another bench on R. **AH** on winding path thru trees. Emerge via wooden rail fence to pavement behind bus shelter.

**0.2 BR** X RD (CARE – observe marshals’ directions) to bus shelter on opp side (*Haunch Lane/Yardley Wood Road*). **TL** on tarmac path behind bus shelter, SP *Stratford-upon-Avon Canal/Warstock Lane*. **AH**, apartments on L. Path bends **L** & becomes gravel. **AH** on winding path thru trees. X FB (grey metal railings). In 10m, at path JCN/LB, **BR**. In 30m, **FL** on worn grass path (beware low branch). In 50m, **TL** onto surfaced path. **AH** uphill, passing bench on R, to tall wooden post/path JCN at top. **BR** to corner of mesh fence. **TR** towards RD. Do NOT X. Before RD, **TL** down steps to Stratford-upon-Avon Canal.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 1A) – CHINN BROOK NATURE RESERVE / BRIDGE 4 STRATFORD CANAL – SP 085 797**

**0.3 TR** on towpath under bridge 4. **AH** on towpath, canal on L, for 850m. Beware shared users. Just before *The Horseshoe*, X side arm bridge (beware raised bricks). **BL** under bridge 3 (beware raised bricks). **AH** on towpath for 1.3 km to *Brandwood Tunnel*. **AH** on path up ramp, thru white barriers, pass pylon on R, thru black bollards to path JCN.

**0.4 TL** to *Brandwood Crescent*. **TR** X main RD using ped Xings (CARE). **TR** on opp side. Keep **L** at concrete bollard & **L** again at black bollard onto wide tarmac pavement. **AH** to *Shelfield Road*. **TL** on wide pavement downhill. In 60m, at lamp post number 4, **TR** X RD (CARE) to tarmac path on RHS of grey metal railings. **AH** on path down ramp, thru white barriers, to rejoin towpath at other end of Brandwood Tunnel. **AH** on towpath, canal on L, for 1.5 km, passing *Guillotine Lock* & under bridge 1 (beware low bridge) to Kings Norton Junction (SC/WBC).

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 1B) – KINGS NORTON CANAL JUNCTION – SP 053 793**

**0.5 AH** X packhorse bridge (beware raised bricks). **FL** towards toll house restoration project. In 5m, **FR** on surfaced path (*NCN 5*) towards *Kings Norton/Longbridge,* passing toll house on L. X FB. **AH** on path X playing fields to yellow barrier on opp side. At barrier, **FR**, low green barrier & car park on L, to main RD.

**0.6** X RD using ped Xing (CARE). **BL** **&** **BR** thru bollards into *Kings Norton Park* onto tarmac ped/CW. *NCN 5*. SP *RVR, Northfield, Waseley Hills*. Beware shared users. In 20m, **TL** X brook bridge. **TR** on wide tarmac path, keeping brook on R. Ignore bridges on R & all side paths. In 250m, path bends **L**. **AH**, hedge, benches & play area on L, to RD. **TR** down tarmac path, SP *RVR, Northfield, Waseley Hills*. X bridge over River Rea. In 40m, **TL** X RD using ped Xing (CARE), SP *RVR, Northfield, Waseley Hills*.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 1C) – PEDESTRIAN CROSSING, WESTHILL ROAD – SP 044 793**

**0.7 AH** thru bollards on surfaced path (*NCN 5*) into *Kings Norton Nature Reserve*. X FB. At path JCN, **BR**, ignoring bridge over river on L. **AH** into trees, green mesh fence on R. Emerge at turning circle. **TL** X brook bridge, black railings on L, reservoir dam on R. In 70m, **TR** past bollard (*NCN 5*). SP *RVR, Northfield, Waseley Hills*. **AH** on surfaced path, passing *Kings Norton Nature Reserve* NB on R. In 400m, X FB (river on L) to RD. X RD (CARE). **TL** X river bridge (black railings).

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 1D) – RIVER REA BRIDGE, POPES LANE – SP 035 792**

**0.8** At end of bridge, **immed TR** (SP *RVR, Longbridge, Waseley Hills, NCN 5*). **AH** on surfaced path, river on R, for 250m. X RD (CARE). **TR**. In 5m, **TL** thru metal rails/wooden posts. Do NOT X river bridge. **AH** on surfaced path, river on R. Down ramp. In 10m, at path JCN, **BR** on wider path, keeping river on R. In 380m, at grey metal railings & pollarded tree, **TR** X river bridge (*NCN 5* arrow).

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 1E) – RIVER REA CYCLEWAY BRIDGE – SP 029 788**

**0.9** At end of bridge, **TL** on surfaced path, LB/red DPB on L. **AH** to RD (SP *Longbridge, NCN 5*). X RD (CARE). **TL** on RH pavement to RD JCN (West Heath Road). **TR** towards RLY arch. In 15m, **TL** X RD using ped Xing (CARE). **TL** on RH pavement around *Texaco* garage on R into *Station Road* (SP *RVR, Northfield Station, Longbridge, Waseley Hills, NCN 5*). X *Station Road* (CARE). **TR** on LH pavement. At SP, **AH**, *RVR, Longbridge, Waseley Hills, NCN 5*. At *NCN 5* CW sign, **TR** X RD (CARE). **TL** on RH pavement. **TR** (*Coleys Lane*), under RLY bridge. **TR** & **TL** X RD at traffic lights (CARE) to *Quarry Lane* sign.

**0.10 TR** on LH pavement, leaving RVR (ignore CW signs). **AH** up pavement, passing *Gospel Hall* Church on L. In 80m, **TL** into *South Road*. **AH** up RD on LH pavement. X *Ellerside Grove* & *Pine View* side RDs (CARE). At T-JCN (A38 dual carriageway), **TL** on LH pavement. In 50m, just after speed camera, **TL** thru metal gates into:

**NORTHFIELD COMMUNITY FIRE STATION** **East Yorkshire**

**CHECKPOINT 1 Open: Saturday 1115 Close: Saturday 1515 SP 017 788 Cold food & Cold drinks**

**Total distance: 10.2 km / 6.3 miles Total ascent: 105 m / 345 ft**

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**CP1 (NORTHFIELD FIRE STATION) SP 017 788 TO CP2 (RUBERY COMMUNITY & LEISURE CENTRE) S0 979 767**

**Via: Rea Valley Route, Hollymoor Hospital, Balaam’s Wood, Frankley, Gannow Green, Waseley Hills Country Park.**

**7.2 km / 4.5 miles 162 m / 532 ft ascent**

**1.1** Exit Fire Station. **TL** down pavement, A38 dual carriageway on R. X *Steel Road* (CARE). In 100m, before *Hawkesley Mill Lane*, **TR** X A38 using ped Xings (CARE). **TL** on pavement, passing *Sparkle Hand Car Wash* on R. **AH** for 120m, passing shops on R. **TR** into *School Close*. In 100m, where RD bends R, **AH** onto enc tarmac path, passing school gates/hedge on L, black railings/play area on R.

**1.2** At end of path, **BL** X RD (CARE) to grey metal railings. **AH** on path behind railings between houses 64 & 66 to RD. X RD (CARE). **TL** on RH pavement to roundabout. **TR** uphill on RH pavement (*Tessall Lane*). In 125m, at *Josiah Road*, **TL** X Tessall Lane (CARE). **TR** on LH pavement uphill. At top of hill, **AH** X *Farren Road*, passing shops on L. In 100m, **BL** with pavement into *No Through Road* (*NCN 5* signs on lamp posts). At end of cul-de-sac, **AH** between concrete bollards to RD (*Hollymoor Way*).

**1.3** X RD using island refuge (CARE) to *Hill Top Lodge*. **TL** on ped/CW (*NCN 5*). In 100m, **TR** into *Sovereign Heights*. **AH** on RH pavement. Where RD bends L, **AH** onto plastic mesh path (*NCN 5*), houses on L, Hollymoor Hospital water tower on R. **BL** thru bollards to RD. **TR** on pavement, school on R. As RD bends R, **BL** X RD (CARE), passing grey telecoms box. **AH** X grass onto wide ped/CW (*NCN 5*). Ignore path on L. **AH** via barriers downhill between gardens. In 250m, **TL & TR** to RD.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP2A) – PEDESTRIAN CROSSING HOLLYMOOR WAY – SO 999 781**

**1.4** X RD via barriers using ped Xing (CARE). **AH** on ped/CW. In 175m, at CW JCN, **TR**, SP *NCN5, RVR, Waseley Hills*. **AH** on ped/CW for 175m, via barriers, Xing estate RD, passing Rubery & Hollymoor Hospital cemetery on R, to RD.

**1.5 TR** for 15m. **TL** X RD using ped Xing (CARE). **AH** thru wooden barriers into *Balaam’s Wood,* SP *NCN 5, RVR, Waseley Hills*. Follow tarmac path thru wood, Xing FB over River Rea. **AH** thru wooden barriers. **Immed TL** on tarmac path, SP *NCN 5, RVR, Waseley Hills*. **AH**, wood on L, houses on R. Bend **R & L** to T-JCN.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 2B) – PEDESTRIAN / CYCLEWAY T-JUNCTION, BALAAM’S WOOD – SO 992 783**

**1.6 TL** on tarmac path, green railings on R; then enc between green railings. **AH** X RD (CARE). Thru concrete bollards onto paving slabs. **AH**, passing shops on R. At end of shops, **BL** onto ped/CW; then **TR** (*RVR, Waseley Hills* sign), river on L. In 100m, **FL**, green LB on R. **AH** on tarmac ped/CW for 120m, passing red lamp posts, river on L. **AH** on pavement (*Waseley Hills* signs), ignoring 2 FBs on L. **AH** onto tarmac path, black LB on R, thru wood, river still on L. Pass medieval moat on R.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 2C) – MOAT, FRANKLEY / GANNOW GREEN – SO 984 783**

**1.7** X bridge (grey metal railings). Ignore paths to R. Keep **AH** on tarmac path, bending **R** to RD. **TR** on RH pavement, passing *Lickey Banker* on R. At phone box, **TL** X RD (CARE) into *Lismore Close*. **AH** on LH pavement (*Waseley Hills* sign), then LHS of RD to end of cul-de-sac. Ignore FB on L. **AH** thru bollards to end of another cul-de-sac. **AH** on LH pavement, bending **R**, to RD T-JCN (*Skomer Close*). **TL** on ped/CW (*RVR, Waseley Hills* sign). **AH** to next T-JCN (*Boleyn Road*). **TL**, then **TR** X RD using ped Xing (CARE).

**1.8 TR**, then **BL** thru gap between wooden rail fences onto gravel path. Follow winding path between bushes for 700m, ignoring MKG on L. At 2nd MKG on L & TK JCN, **keep AH** thru WKG, SP *Source of River Rea*. **TL** around gate, then **TR** uphill, passing gates on R. **AH** uphill to toposcope on summit of Windmill Hill.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 2D) – TOPOSCOPE, WINDMILL HILL – SO 972 778**

**1.9 BL** (152°) downhill, joining fence on R. **TR** thru large MKG. X TK, ignoring gates L & R. Thru another large MKG opp (NWP WM). **BL** (164°) uphill towards LHS of pine trees. **AH** on same bearing X field. Thru wide hedge gap, bench on L. **AH** downhill X field. Thru WKG (NWP WMP).

**1.10 AH** down TK, wood on R, tall hedge on L. Thru large MKG. **AH** uphill on wide path on top of bank, trees on L. Thru hedge gap (NWP WMP). **AH**, trees on L. In 60m, at short WMP, **BL** down bank on TK, bench up to R. **AH** on path downhill. Thru large MKG (NWP WM). **BL** downhill on wide path, passing NWP WMP into car park. **AH** thru car park, bending **R**, then **L**, to RD. **BR** X RD (CARE) to:

**RUBERY COMMUNITY & LEISURE CENTRE** **South Wales**

**CHECKPOINT 2 Open: Saturday 1210 Close: Saturday 1630 SO 979 767 Cold food & Hot/Cold drinks**

**Total distance: 17.4 km / 10.8 miles Total ascent: 267 m / 877 ft**

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**CP2 (RUBERY COMMUNITY & LEISURE CENTRE) S0 979 767 TO CP3 (THE ARK, ST LAURENCE’S CHURCH, ALVECHURCH) SP 026 724**

**Via: Lickey Hills Country Park, Barnt Green.**

**9.0 km / 5.6 miles 230 m / 755 ft ascent**

**2.1** Exit CP. **BR** X RD (CARE). **TR** on pavement, Xing *South Car Park* entrance (CARE), towards RD JCN. At *Holywell Lane* sign & NWP WM, **TR** X RD (CARE) onto grass, wooden fence on R. **AH** on RH verge (CARE). X A38 bridge. At end of bridge, **immed TR** (NWP) onto BW TK, passing red DPB on L. In 10m, **TL** thru gap on L of LMG. **AH** up enc TK for 450m, ignoring all hedge gaps. At WMP, **TL** onto FP (NWP). Ignore hedge gap on R. **AH** thru gateway into enc path, mesh fence on L, trees on R. Pass bench. Then wooden fence on L. Thru MKG (NWP WM) on R of LMG to RD.

**2.2 AH** X RD (CARE) into *Valley Farm Drive* opp. In 5m, at WMP (NWP), **TR** onto boardwalk. **AH** up path thru trees, parallel to RD on R. In 100m, at WMP (NWP), **BL** on wide path uphill thru trees. In 250m, emerge into open area at WMP (NWP). **BL** (114°) thru line of benches to Castle Toposcope on Beacon Hill. Views of Birmingham skyline, Cannock Chase, Clent Hills, Malvern Hills, Bredon Hill.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 3A) – CASTLE TOPOSCOPE, BEACON HILL – SO 987 760**

**2.3 BR** (140°) to red DPB on edge of wood. **TR** & in 10m, **TL** onto TK. **AH** on TK downhill to T-JCN. **TR** for 40m to fork (NWP WMP). **FL** downhill for 80m to T-JCN (NWP WM). **TL** on wide TK downhill (beware anti-erosion logs). At T-JCN (NWP WMP), **TR** steeply downhill (CARE). In 60m, **TL** down all steps into open area.

**2.4 AH** downhill, trees on L, then fence/hedge on R. **AH** thru hedge gap onto path, passing bowling green, then putting green on R. **AH** thru car park, large brick barn over to R. At end of barn, X access RD (CARE) to *Fire Assembly Point* sign. **AH** onto gravel path by line of benches, passing LB on L. At tall wooden post, **TR** on path downhill & **AH** X grass to stony path at bottom. **TL** along path, passing tree stump on R to RD. Ignore *BW* SP on L.

**2.5 BL** X busy RD (CARE) towards blue sign *Lickey Hills Visitor Centre*. X wooden FB (BW/NWP WMs). In 10m, ignore WM. Do NOT go AH. **BL** steeply uphill on stony path, leaving NWP. Ignore all narrow side paths. At seat on L, **BR** uphill & **BR** at top to TK (bench in front). **TL** on wide stony TK uphill to Bilberry Hill viewpoint on R. View Beacon Hill & Waseley Hills in distance.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 3B) – VIEWPOINT, BILBERRY HILL – SO 997 756**

**2.6** **AH** on TK, passing bench on R. **BL**, wooden rail fence on L. Follow blue/yellow arrow WMs, ignoring 2 unsurfaced TKs on R. **AH** on gravel path, passing benches on R & NBs on L. Car park appears over to R. Where path forks, **AH** on ‘upper’ path, wooden rail fence on L. Path bends **R** to WMP. Ignore BW WMs. **TL** (blue/yellow WMs) X gravel parking area thru gap in tree-trunk logs. **AH** thru trees to wide stony TK. **AH** on TK uphill. Ignore all side TKs/paths. Pass bench, red DPB & tree stump with red/blue/yellow WMs on R. Pass Cofton Hill viewpoint on L. View Birmingham city, Bittell reservoirs & Wast Hills.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 3C) – VIEWPOINT, COFTON HILL – SP 000 751**

**2.7** **AH** on TK, passing tree stumps with red/blue/yellow WMs. Descend on wide stony TK. Beware raised tree roots. Ignore all side TKs/paths. In 300m, before main TK bends L, ignore WMP. **TR** down steps into wood. At bottom of steps, **AH** downhill thru trees to TK at bottom (CARE – steep bank). **TL** on TK, bending **L**. Ignore TK on R & steps on L. Pass bench on R. In 10m, **TR** X ST (WM).

**2.8 AH**, fence on L for 15m, then **TR** down field, parallel with wood 25m to R. At bottom, X ST. X PB over brook. **AH** on path uphill, bank/ditch initially on R. **AH** at X paths. Step over fallen tree trunk. **TL** alongside trunk. **AH** around another fallen tree. **AH** for 50m to path JCN. **TR** uphill, passing bench on L. At top, **TL** on main stony BW TK. **AH** for 500m on TK thru Pinfield Wood, passing benches on R. Ignore all side TKs/paths. At TK JCN with concrete circular stone in middle, **keep** **AH** on main path. In 140m, exit wood thru gap on L of LWG (WM).

**2.9 BL** X LN (CARE). **TR** X wooden FB (WMP). **AH** on path, gardens on R, wood initially on L. Beware raised bricks/stones. In 350m, thru gap on R of LWG. **BL** X RD (CARE) thru gap (orange handrails) on LHS of *Barnt Green Station* NB. **Immed TL** up steps. **TR** X bridge only over Platform 1. **TR** down steps to middle platforms. Pass waiting shelter on L. **AH** along Platform 2 to end (CARE – keep away from platform edge behind yellow line). **BL** up steps to RD on LHS of RLY bridge. Do not X RD here (beware blind summit on bridge). **TL** down LH verge to house number 4. **TR** X RD (CARE). **TL** down RH pavement. X *The Longlands* (CARE). At T-JCN, **AH** X RD (CARE) to *Blackwell Road* sign.

**2.10 TR** on LH pavement. Pass *Barnt Green Social Club* on L. In 50m, after house number 11 & before *Barnt Green Scout & Guide Centre* entrance on L, **TL** on enc gravel path, wooden fence on L. SP *PFP Cobley Hill*. Beware open ditch on R. Thru MKG (WM). **AH** uphill on enc path, hedge/trees on R & horse electric fence (beware) on L. At top, thru large MKG (WM). X M42 bridge. Thru gap (WM). **BL**, passing mast on L. **BR** on surfaced TK. **AH** on TK for 300m, wood on L. X ST (WM) on L of LMG to LN.

**2.11** X LN (CARE). **AH** down *Foxhill Lane* opp. In 350m, pass *Foxhill Barns* on L. At high brick wall on L, SP *PFP* *Withybed Green*, **TL** onto gravel path, high brick wall on R. **AH** X ST (WM).

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 3D) – STILE, OFF FOXHILL LANE – SP 010 722**

**2.12** **AH** on enc path, initially hedge on R, wire fence on L. Beware raised bricks/roots. Field opens out. **AH** thru gateway, keeping parallel to wire fence on L. Pass small tree enclosures on R. **AH**, passing fenced pine trees & lake on L. **AH** downhill to bottom R corner of field. X ST on R of LMG. **BL** (048°) X field, passing bench on R. Thru MKG (WM). **AH** X field towards RHS of houses. Thru large MKG on R of LMG.

**2.13 AH** down gravel drive, then tarmac LN. Pass *The Crown Inn* on L. **AH** X canal bridge, then under RLY bridge, keeping to LHS of LN (CARE). Pass red DPB & *Withybed Lane* sign. **AH** on LH pavement, bending **R**. X *Withybed Close* (CARE). **BL** still on LH pavement for 300m to T-JCN.

**2.14** **TR** X RD (CARE). **AH** uphill towards Church on RH pavement for 250m, Xing *Latimer Road* (CARE). Near top, **FL**, passing bench & *Snake Lane* sign on R, to T-JCN. X RD (CARE) towards *Bear Hill* sign. Up steps on L of sign. Thru barrier. **AH** up tarmac path. At top, **TR** **&** **TL** to entrance of:

**THE ARK, ST LAURENCE CHURCH,** **ALVECHURCH Beds, Bucks & Northants**

**CHECKPOINT 3 Open: Saturday 1315 Close: Saturday 1820 SP 026 724 Cold food & Hot/Cold drinks**

**Total distance: 26.4 km / 16.4 miles Total ascent: 497 m / 1632 ft**

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**CP3 (ALVECHURCH THE ARK ST LAURENCE CHURCH) SP 026 724 TO CP4 (TANWORTH-IN-ARDEN VILLAGE HALL) SP 111 705**

**Via: Rowney Green, Hob Hill, Heath Green (Attwell Farm Park), Branson’s Cross, Aspley Heath.**

**10.6 km / 6.6 miles 170 m / 558 ft ascent**

**3.1** Exit The Ark. **TL** on tarmac path. **TL** again, keeping church on L. Follow path downhill towards LMG. Before LMG, **TR** on tarmac path, passing bench & cemetery on L. **AH** into enc path, bushes/wooden rail fence on L, gardens on R. **AH** thru concrete bollards, down RD to T-JCN. **TL** on RD (CARE), passing *School House* on R, to T-JCN.

**3.2 TR** on RH pavement (*Redditch Road*) for 30m. **TL** X RD (CARE). **AH** between stone pillars (*Lodge Farm*) onto tarmac LN, SP *PBW*. **AH** down LN for 300m. X bridge (River Arrow). Under RD bridge. Bend **R** **& L** uphill on LN. Keep **AH** uphill (BW). Ignore FP/ST on R. In 150m, pass *Lodge Farm* on R. **AH** into enc BW (WM) between hedges, SP *PBW*. Do NOT go AH onto drive. **AH** on BW for 700m. Thru MBG. **AH** on gravel TK, passing stables on L, to RD (opp *Rowney Green Farm*).

**3.3 TR** on RD uphill (CARE). In 180m, **TL** into *Home Farm* drive, SP *BW*, between fences. **AH** down gravel TK for 500m, passing farmhouse on L, thru 2 LMGs, & passing large barn on R. At next LMG/ST (WM), **BR** (096°), passing ST on L. Follow worn path uphill X field towards RHS of bushes. **AH** on path, keeping bushes on L, to fence, SP *PFP*. X ST in L corner. **TR** up steps, then **TL** (097°) on path X field. **BL** down to X ST in L corner.

**3.4 BR** X gravel TK. X ST on R of LMG. **AH** (110°) X field downhill, passing trees/pond on L. **BslightlyL** to X ST. **BR** down path, fence on L. X ST into field. **AH** down field, parallel to fence/trees on R, Xing TK, to bottom. Ignore ST on R. **TL** X FB (WM). **BslightlyR** along field edge, wire fence on R. Thru SMG to LN.

**3.5 TR** on LN (CARE). In 15m, **TL** thru Bristol gate (WM). **AH** on gravel TK, hedge on L. Thru gateway. **AH** on TK X next field. At gateway/LMG into yard, **BL** off TK, thru SMG into field. **BR**, hedge/fence on R, to rejoin TK at end of yard. **AH** uphill on TK, passing dead tree on L, then fence/hedge on R. Thru SMG on R of LMG to RD.

**3.6** X RD (CARE). X ST into field. **BL** (070°) up field, passing power pole on R, towards LHS of trees. At top, **BR**, passing trees on R. **AH** to trig point on summit of Hob Hill.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 4A) – TRIG POINT, HOB HILL – SP 068 723**

**3.7 AH** thru LWG (ST on R). **BR** X field towards double power poles. **TR** along top of bank, passing large barn on L, down to X ST in L corner. Descend bank (CARE – use wooden handrail on L) to tarmac drive. Ignore FP/SWG on bank opp. **TR**, then **TL** on drive, passing houses on R. At JCN, **AH** on tarmac TK between wooden rail fences. Thru hedge gap. **AH** still on TK, hedge on R, gallops on L. Where TK bends R into yard, **keep AH**, Xing sandy gallop, onto grass, hedge on R. In field corner, thru ST gap (WM) to BW. **TR** on path between trees/bushes. In 25m, at path JCN, **TsharpL**, large holly bush on L. **AH** between trees/bushes for 550m, ignoring side FPs, to LN corner.

**3.8 AH** on LN (CARE), passing *Chapel Farm* & *Carpenters Hill* sign on R. In 200m, pass *Heath Green Farm* on L. In further 180m, ignore FPs on L & R. In 10m, before LN bends R downhill, **TL** X ST (FP SP) into field.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 4B) – STILE, EAST SIDE OF LANE, CARPENTERS HILL – SP 077 707**

**3.9 AH**, fence/trees on R. X ST & thru large MKG. **AH**, fence on R (beware electric wire), animal enclosures on L (Attwell Farm Park). Thru MKG next to fence. At end of field, thru large MKG, X PB, to LN.

**3.10 BL** X LN (CARE) & X *Cherrypit* drive to SP *PFP*. **AH** thru bushes to wire fence (WM). **TR** on enc path thru holly bushes, wire fence on L. In 120m, beware hefty low branch. **AH** thru large MKG. **BslightlyL** (115°) X field towards gap on LHS of wood & red-brick house in distance. Thru gap. **BslightlyL** again (114°) X field still towards red-brick house. Thru large MKG to wide grass verge & RD.

**3.11** X RD (CARE). Ignore MKG opp. **TL** on RH grass verge. X *Branson’s Cross Farm* drives. **AH** on verge. At roundabout, **BR** down RD. In 10m, **BL** X RD using island refuge (CARE). **TR** on path on LHS of RD. Under main RD bridge. **AH** for 200m. X slip RD (CARE) onto triangle. **TR** X RD (CARE) onto tarmac path into *Blind Lane* (*30mph* & *Aspley Heath* signs). **AH** on RH pavement. In 350m, at gravel TK & *Pinkfield Lane* sign on R, **TL** X RD (CARE) into path opp (BW WMP). **AH** on enc path (beware open ditch on R) between holly bushes & house gardens to LN.

**3.12** Ignore enc path opp. **BR** X LN (CARE) thru gap on L of LMG, green DPB on L. **AH** on gravel drive, passing double power pole on L. **AH,** passing garage on R. Thru MKG (WM) on R of LMG. X concrete yard. **AH** thru SMG onto enc path between wire fences (beware barbed wire on R). X gravel TK. Thru MKG. **BL** (107°) X field downhill to bottom L corner. X bridge/culvert over infant River Alne (beware hole in middle).

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 4C) – RIVER ALNE CROSSING – SP 103 705**

**3.13 AH** (120°) up next field towards LHS of left-most large oak tree on skyline. Thru MKG (WM). **AH** (124°) X field corner. **TL** thru MKG. Pass pond on L. **AH**, trees on L, towards LHS of house. **AH** thru MKG/gateway. **AH** on TK, fence/hedge on R. Thru Bristol gate to RD corner.

**3.14 AH** on RHS of RD (CARE) for 350m, passing *20mph* sign. 20m before T-JCN, **TL** X RD, up steps. **TR** **& TL** around building to entrance of:

**TANWORTH-IN-ARDEN VILLAGE HALL Marches**

**CHECKPOINT 4 Open: Saturday 1500 Close: Saturday 2130 SP 111 705 Hot food & Hot/Cold drinks**

**Total distance: 37.0 km / 23.0 miles Total ascent: 667 m / 2190 ft**

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**CP4 (TANWORTH-IN-ARDEN VILLAGE HALL) SP 111 705**

**TO**

**CP5 (HENLEY-IN-ARDEN MEMORIAL HALL) SP 150 662**

**Via: Forde Hall, Mockley Wood, disused Henley Golf & Country Club.**

**7.6 km / 4.7 miles 93 m / 305 ft ascent**

**4.1** Exit VH. **TR** on RH pavement. X *Bates Lane* (CARE). **BL** into *The Green*. **AH** on RH pavement. Pass the War Memorial, *The Bell* & picnic benches on L. **AH** down *Well Lane* on RHS (CARE – no pavement), passing Church on L. In 60m, at WMP, **TR** up bank under yew trees. **AH** on enc path between wooden fences. Then barbed wire fence on L.

**4.2** At path JCN (WMP), **FL** downhill, barbed wire fence, then high metal fences on L (new houses). Path bends **R**. **AH** on enc path downhill, fences on L, trees on R. At bottom, X FB over brook. **BR &** **BL** on grass TK up field edge, hedge/trees on R. Ignore gaps on R. **AH** up bank. TK bends **R**, trees on R. At wood corner on L, **TL** up grass TK, wood on R. At top corner, **AH** thru MKG. **AH** (155°) down field, parallel to hedge on R, towards farm buildings (Forde Hall). [Possible dairy cows, electric fence/gate across field.] At bottom R corner, X ST on R of LMG to concrete TK.

**4.3 TL** on TK, wooden rail fence on L, large barn on R. Thru gateway/LMG. At end of barn, TK bends slightly **R** **&** **L** (BW WM). **AH** on TK, fence/hedge on R. Thru gateway in field corner. **TR** down grass TK, hedge on R. Bend **L** on TK around edge of field, now barbed wire fence on R. Thru LMG on L of dead tree. **BR** (106°) X field. Join trees/brook on R. In far R corner, **TR** X wooden BB over brook. **AH** (178°) up field, parallel to fence on L. Near top of field, pass 3 single trees on L. **AH** thru taped LMG (BW WM) – CARE – twine across at head height. Gate slides on fence post. **TL** up path inside wood edge. Step over fallen tree – CARE. **AH** to path/wood corner.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 5A) – PATH CORNER, EAST SIDE, MOCKLEY WOOD – SP 124 689**

**4.4 TR** uphill, still inside wood edge. Path bends **R** uphill thru wood (beware low branches). At top, leave wood thru MKG (WM). **BslightlyR**, wooden rail fence/wood on R. Ignore all gaps on R. Pass wooden bench on R. **AH** on grass TK, bushes/trees on R. At large mesh LMG in front, **BR** thru MKG (WM). **AH** (176°) down field, parallel to fence/trees on L. X ST (WM) or thru gateway. **AH** (164°) X field. X ST in hedge to LN JCN.

**4.5 AH** on *Perry Mill Lane*, SP *Ullenhall*. (CARE along LNs). Pass *Elm Tree Farm* on L. Ignore all side FPs/MKGs. In 600m, at LN JCN, pass grass triangle on R. **AH** on *Perry Mill Lane*, yellow GB on L. In 400m, at next LN JCN, pass grass triangle on L. **TR**, SP *Henley-in-Arden*. In 20m, **TL** thru MKG (WMP) on R of LMG. **AH** around large oak tree & pond on L. Thru SMG (WM) in outward hedge corner. **BR** down field on enc path, wire fence on L. Path bends **R**. Beware openditch on R. In corner, X concrete PB. Thru MKG. **AH** on enc path, horse paddocks on R (beware electric fence). Thru Bristol gate.

**4.6 BR** (144°) X field towards large oak tree. Thru MKG in wire fence. **AH** X field, farm buildings over to R. Thru MKG (WM). X concrete PB. **AH** (120°) X field on tractor tramlines, initially parallel to hedge on R. Near end of field, **AH** thru crop to BW TK. **TR** on TK for 40m. At yellow-topped WMP, **BL** off TK, passing SMG on R. **AH** (126°) X field. X wooden FB over brook. Thru SMG. **AH** (122°) X field, under power lines, to far R corner.

**4.7** Thru SMG, X PB, up steps, thru MKG (WMP) into disused Golf Course. **Immed TR**, bushes/trees on R, intermittent young trees/bushes on L. Follow path around edge of golf course for total of 1.2km: Xing several PBs, passing *Danger* sign by pond on L, thru trees, then keeping wire fence on R. **AH** thru MKG (WM) on R of LWG, leaving golf course.

**4.8 AH** to RD corner. **AH** on RD (CARE) under RLY bridge to T-JCN (*Bear Lane*). **TL** on LH pavement, passing *Orchard Rise* on L. Bend **R** with RD. In 80m, **TL** up steps to:

**HENLEY-IN-ARDEN MEMORIAL HALL Thames Valley**

**CHECKPOINT 5 Open: Saturday 1620 Close: Saturday 2345 SP 150 662 Hot food & Hot/Cold drinks**

**Total distance: 44.6 km / 27.7 miles Total ascent: 760 m / 2495 ft**

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**CP5 (HENLEY-IN-ARDEN MEMORIAL HALL) SP 150 662**

**TO**

**CP6 (ASTON CANTLOW VILLAGE HALL) SP 138 599**

**Via: Beaudesert Mount, Kite Green, Preston Green, Stratford-upon-Avon Canal, River Alne Valley.**

**10.6 km / 6.6 miles 90 m / 295 ft ascent**

**5.1** Exit Hall. X RD (CARE). **TL** down RH pavement to T-JCN (*Station Road*), passing Fire Station on L. **TR** on RH pavement. **AH** for 150m, passing 17th century *George House* and medieval market cross over to L. **TL** X RD using ped Xing (CARE). **TR** on LH pavement, passing 15th century Guild Hall on L. Immed after Church, **TL** into *Beaudesert Lane*. **AH** on RD (CARE), Xing River Alne bridge.

**5.2** At end of RD, **AH** thru MKG by *Henley Heritage Trail* NB, (MW/HoEW WMs). **AH** uphill on worn path. Pass bench on L at top. **AH** along Beaudesert Mount (Castle), Xing ditches, to another bench on L.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 6A) – BENCH / TOP OF STEPS, BEAUDESERT MOUNT – SP 156 661**

**5.3** Descend steps (CARE). Up bank. **AH** downhill to path JCN in dip. **AH** uphill on path towards power poles & top of ridge. **BL** to pass 1st power pole on L. **BR** to bench. **TL** for 5m. **TR** (beware low branches) to X ST (WM) next to 2nd power pole. **AH** on field edge, hedge on L. In field corner, **TL** X ST (WM). **BR** (064°) X field to outward hedge corner. X ST to LN.

**5.4 BL** on LN (CARE). Ignore *No Through Road* LN on L. Bend **R** with LN. In 80m, where LN bends L, **AH** thru gateway/SMG onto *Fair Acres* drive. **AH** on drive. At LWG *Private* sign, **BR** thru SMG into enc path. **AH** on path (beware low branches) for 150m. Thru gap. **AH** on grass TK, barn on R. Thru MKG (WM) into field. **AH** (164°) X field. Thru gateway. **AH** X next field, parallel to hedge on L. Before end of field, **BL** into L corner by double power pole. X ST on R of LMG.

**5.5 AH** on gravel drive. Take enc path on L of drive. Thru SWG. **AH** on drive. **AH** on tarmac LN, short wooden posts initially on L, for 220m to main RD (A4189).

**5.6** X busy RD (CARE) into *Pettiford Lane*. **AH** to T-JCN. X RD (CARE) towards *Wootton Wawen* sign. Just before sign, **TL** onto grass (ignore surfaced drive). **AH** down enc path between bushes. Beware badger holes. Thru Bristol gate. **AH** downhill into field. **AH** (120°) X field to WMP (yellow top) on opp side. X FB over brook (CARE – wash-out at start of bridge on RHS). **AH** up bank. Thru SMG (WM) to SC.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 6B) – FOOTPATH/STRATFORD CANAL JUNCTION – SP 172 648**

**5.7 TR** on towpath, canal on L, for 2.6 km, passing bridges 49-53, to Wootton Wawen aqueduct (beware mooring rings/posts; beware shared users). X aqueduct via steps. **AH** on towpath for 350m to bridge 54. **TR** down TK, bungalows on R, to LN.

**5.8** **TL** on LN (CARE), passing *The Rickyard* on R. In 30m, at end of garden fence, **TR** thru ornate SMG (WMP). **AH** down field, houses on R. **AH** thru another ornate SMG, fence on L. Thru WKG. **AH** down field, wooden rail fence on R. Thru gateway (LWG) or WKG in corner (WM). **BR** X field, passing wooden barn on R. Thru WKG (WM) in fence. **BR** X narrow field to R corner. **TL** X stepped FB over River Alne.

**5.9** At end of FB, **TL**, river on L, wire fence on R, joining MoW. Thru gate on L of LMG (WM). **AH** to end of field. **TL** around bushes on L. **TR** thru MKG (WM). **AH**, river still on L. Thru another ornate SMG (WM) on L of LMG. **Immed BR** X old concrete FB. **BL** along top of bank towards LHS of conifer trees. Thru MKG (propped WMP) at fence corner.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 6C) – KISSING GATE / SEWAGE WORKS FENCE CORNER – SP 150 624**

**5.10 AH** on narrow winding path, grey mesh fence on R, around sewage works. Beware low branches & steep bank down to river on L. Thru SMG (WM). **AH** to corner, where fence turns R. **AH** X field (191°) on worn path. Thru MKG (WM) in wooden rail fence. **TL** on concrete TK to tarmac LN corner.

**5.11 AH** X river bridge (green metal rails), RLY viaduct on R, leaving MoW. At end of bridge, **TR** under RLY arch, river on R. **AH** thru MKG (WM) on R of LWG. **AH** towards solitary old gatepost (WM). **BL** (210°), line of old fence posts & intermittent hedge on R, for 400m. Near end of field, **BslightlyR** thru hedge & **AH** thru LWG (WM). **BslightlyR** (218°) to LHS of trees in front. X wide stony bridge over ditch. **AH** X field (204°). Thru MKG (WM). X FB over brook. Thru SMG. **AH** on narrow winding path between bushes/trees (flagged). In 200m, before dip to flooded area, **TL** thru gap to grass TK. **TR** on TK, bending **R** **& L**. **AH** up TK, thru gap on L of LMG, to RD.

**5.12 TR** down RHS of RD (CARE). In 150m, before river bridge, at power pole on R, **TL** to climb over LMG (broken ST on R). **AH** X field (210°) on grass TK, parallel to hedge on L. Pass WMP at fence corner on L & young trees on L. Pass black water trough on L. **AH** thru gateway/LMG.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 6D) – GATEWAY / EDGE OF WATER MEADOW – SP 139 608**

**5.13 AH** on TK between wire fences; then wire fence/hedge on L, water meadow on R. In 300m, at fence corner & end of hedge, **BL**, passing black water trough on L. Thru WKG (WMP AW) on R of LMG. **AH** X dismantled RLY. Thru WKG (WM). **BR**, fence on R. Thru SWG (WM AW) on R of LWG.

**5.14 AH** on gravel drive, then tarmac LN on RH pavement. In 150m, at RD JCN, **BR** on RH pavement. In 200m, at *The Kings Head*, **TL** X RD (CARE) to:

**ASTON CANTLOW VILLAGE HALL Irregulars**

**CHECKPOINT 6 Open: Saturday 1800 Close: Sunday 0300 SP 138 599 Cold food & Hot/Cold drinks**

**Total distance: 55.2 km / 34.3 miles Total ascent: 850 m / 2790 ft**

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**CP6 (ASTON CANTLOW VILLAGE HALL) SP 138 599**

**TO**

**CP7 (STRATFORD METHODIST CHURCH CENTRE) SP 200 543**

**Via: Wilmcote, Stratford Canal, Shakespeare Attractions.**

**10.8 km / 6.7 miles 96 m / 315 ft ascent**

**6.1** Exit VH. **TR** on RH pavement. X *Guild Road* (CARE). Pass *Aston Cantlow Club* on R. In 200m, **BR** into *Bearley Road*. In 120m, when RH pavement ends & before green DPB & *30mph* sign, **TR** onto surfaced BW TK. **AH** on TK between fields. **AH**, thru gateway, TK bends **L**, then **R**. **AH** uphill towards wood. Thru gateway. **BL** on TK uphill in wood. Near top, TK bends **R** to exit wood.

**6.2** **AH** on enc TK, then X field. **AH** X earth bridge over ditch (WMP). **AH** on TK (beware deep ruts), between wire fences, towards LHS of large barn. [Heart of England Forest]. Pass barn on R to TK JCN (WMP). **TL** on TK, wire fence on L. In 200m, **TR** X ST (WM) on L of LMG. **AH**, wooden rail fence on L. X ST (WM) in corner. X PB.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 7A) – STILE / PLANK BRIDGE, NEWNHAM – SP 156 599**

**6.3 BR**, trees/ditch on R. Beware possible electric fences in next 2 fields. In field corner, thru SMG (WMP). X PB. **AH**, trees/ditch on R. X ST (WM). **AH** (139°) X field towards hedge on R. Down small bank. X ST (WM) in R corner. **BR**, parallel to hedge on R, towards tall tree. **BR** around tall tree & hedge corner. **AH**, wire fence on R. **TR** thru wide gap. Ignore ST/LMG opp. **TL** joining wire fence on R. **AH** for 650m, wire fence & intermittent hedge on R, thru 2 large fields via wide gap.

**6.4** X ST (WM) onto enc path, trees on R. X ST (WM). **AH**, trees on L. X ST in field corner. **AH** thru bushes. Thru ST gap (WM). **BR** on enc path, wire/electric fence on L (beware), passing Mary Arden’s Tudor Farm on L. As path widens, join wooden palisade fence on L. **BR** onto tarmac drive. **AH** to RD.

**6.5** X RD (CARE) to *Wilmcote Stores*. **TL** on RH pavement. See Mary Arden’s House on L. Pass *The Mary Arden Inn* on R. **AH** X side RD (CARE). Pass Church & School on R. When pavement ends, **BL** X RD (CARE). **AH** on LHS of RD (beware – no pavement) for 50m. **TL** into *Manor Drive* (SP *PFP* & NB). **AH** down LN. In 75m, **BL** onto gravel TK (WMP/LMG – *No Entry* sign). TK bends **R**, then X field to SC. **AH** X canal (Canada Bridge). **Immed TR** onto surfaced towpath (CW NCN5). Beware shared users.

**6.6 AH**, canal on R for 2km, passing 11 locks (Wilmcote flight). **AH** under bridge 62A (A46). At RD bridge 63 & *NCN5* sign on gatepost, **BR** down under low bridge (beware). **BL** up thru SWG. **AH** on towpath, canal on R, for 1.7km, passing under RD bridge 64, then under 2 RLY bridges 64A/64B (beware low bridges). At *Premier Inn* on L, *McDonalds* on R, & immed after lock 52, **TR** down step onto steep cobbled slope (utmost CARE – slippery – keep to LHS) to pass under RD bridge 65 (low – beware). Do NOT X RD – NOT possible to rejoin towpath on opp side. Beware mooring posts. **AH** under bridge 66. In 250m, pass bench on L, *Maidenhead Road Lock* 53 on R & before brick wall/bridge 67, **BL** thru gap on R of LWG, leaving canal. **AH** on gravel drive to RD (opp *Summer Court*).

**6.7** X RD (CARE). **TR** X canal bridge. **AH** on LH pavement along *Great William Street*. At T-JCN, see Shakespeare’s Birthplace in front. **TL** on LH pavement. In 20m, **TR** X RD using ped Xing (CARE). **BL** into enc tarmac path, past concrete bollard, high brick wall on R. Path bends **R** **&** **L** on paving. **AH** to ped area. Shakespeare’s statue in front; birthplace to right.

**6.8 TL**, passing *Library* & shops. RD bends **L** to roundabout (JCN of *Henley Street*/*Bridge Street*). **TR** in front of *Barclays Bank*. X *Wood Street* using island refuge (CARE) to *Fraser Hart*. **Immed TL** X *High Street* using island refuge (CARE). **TR** on LH pavement. Pass *Accessorize* on L. **AH**. See *The Garrick Inn* on R. X side RD (CARE) to *Town Hall*. **AH** along *Chapel Street* (*Town Hall* on L, *Old Bank* on R).

**6.9** Pass *The Shakespeare Hostelrie* on L, then *Shakespeare’s New Place* on L. **AH** X side RD (CARE) to *The Guild Chapel*. **AH** along *Church Street*, passing *Shakespeare’s Schoolroom*, *Guild Hall* & *Cottages* on L. At RD JCN, **TL** into *Old Town* on LH pavement. In 30m, **TR** X RD using island refuge (CARE). **TL** on RH pavement. See *Hall’s Croft* on L. X *College Street* (CARE). RD bends **R**. Pass *Holy Trinity Parish Centre* on R. See *Holy Trinity Church* on L. At end of brick wall on R & NB, **TR** to:

**STRATFORD METHODIST CHURCH CENTRE Staffordshire**

**CHECKPOINT 7 Open: Saturday 1950 Close: Sunday 0615 SP 200 543 Hot/Cold food & Hot/Cold drinks**

**Total distance: 66.0 km / 41.0 miles Total ascent: 946 m / 3105 ft**

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**CP7 (STRATFORD METHODIST CHURCH CENTRE) SP 200 543 TO CP8 (NORTON LINDSEY VILLAGE HALL) SP 223 633**

**Via: Welcombe Hills Country Park, Monarch’s Way, Snitterfield, Heath End Plantation, Briery House.**

**13.2 km / 8.2 miles 259 m / 850 ft ascent**

**7.1** Exit Centre. **BR** X RD (CARE). Thru gate towards *Holy Trinity Church* (Shakespeare’s Grave). **AH** on paving slabs to west door. **TL**, then **TR** on path, passing north door on R. **AH** to River Avon. **TL** on gravel path, river on R. In 50m, path bends **L**. **Immed** **TR** thru gateway in wall. **TL** up steps, then **TR** down steps. **AH**, large conifer on L, river on R. Join surfaced path.

**7.2 AH**, passing large sycamore tree on L, river on R. Pass painted 18th century orangery on L. Down thru *Ferry* access area. **AH** on boardwalk, then surfaced path, to *RSC* NBs on R. **BR** onto boardwalk, Royal Shakespeare Theatre on L. At end, **BR** thru gap, then **BL** down steps. **BR**, passing another large sycamore tree on R & wide steps on L.

**7.3 AH** (033°) on grass thru trees, Xing paths. Pass large oak tree surrounded by low metal circular fence on L. X path to LH end of horizontal railings in front. **Immed TR** behind railings to X curved bridge over JCN of SC & River Avon. At end of bridge, follow path round to **R**, passing circular *Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Memorial* on ground on R. At T-JCN with tarmac LN, **TL**, wall on L. **AH** on LN, passing *Cox’s Yard* on R, then *Stratford and Moreton Tramway* NB on R, to pavement.

**7.4 BL** on pavement, wall still on L. Pass *Gower Memorial* on L to traffic lights. **TR** X RD using ped Xing (CARE). **BR** around flowerbed on L to X another RD using ped Xing (CARE). **BslightlyR**, then **AH** on tarmac path X open grass area to opp corner. **TR** on paved path, passing black LB on L. **AH** on red surfaced ped/CW, passing Marina & car park on R. **AH** thru bollards to X ped/CW bridge.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 8A) – PEDESTRIAN / CYCLEWAY BRIDGE, STRATFORD RIVERSIDE – SP 206 549**

**7.5 AH** on surfaced ped/CW (beware shared users), River Avon on R. X second bridge. At JCN by WMP, **BR** onto tarmac riverside path towards *Fisherman’s Car Park.* **AH** on path for 300m. Pass large pond on L, then end of tall hedge into meadow. Pass seat on R. At end of brambles on L, **BL** (000°) off tarmac path onto worn path X meadow towards LHS of large willow tree. **AH** on grass TK, passing willow tree on R. Rejoin tarmac path thru hedge gap. Follow path, river on R for 70m, then **TL** away from river towards car park. **AH** thru *Fishermans Car Park* to main RD (A439).

**7.6 BR** X busy RD (CARE). X ST on R of LWG (WM *Conservation Walks*). **AH** (340°) up field on worn path to top corner, passing house on R. At top, **TL** uphill thru gateway. **BslightlyR** uphill, joining hedge on R. **AH** on field edge, passing several wooden tree enclosures. **BR** into R corner. Thru WKG.

**7.7 TR** on field edge, hedge/trees on R. Pass bench on R. **AH** thru gap in trees into next field. **AH** on broad grass path between bushes, passing another bench on R. Aim towards green DPB. See Clopton Tower up to L. Thru MKG on R of LMG.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 8B) – KISSING GATE, WELCOMBE HILLS COUNTRY PARK – SP 207 562**

**7.8** **AH**, passing *Welcombe Hills and Clopton Park Local Nature Reserve* NB on R, on broad grass path uphill, bushes/wood on L. Over brow of hill (obelisk & Welcombe Hotel in view). **BslightlyL** downhill, then **BslightlyR** X valley. **AH** still on broad grass path, parallel with hotel drive on R. Pass another NB on R by car park. **AH** steeply uphill. Where climb eases, keep bushes on R & **AH** downhill thru gap. **BslightlyL** downhill on broad grass path, passing telegraph pole on L. **AH** X 2nd valley. **AH** uphill, over brow, parallel to buildings with chimneys & wall to R, then downhill Xing 3rd valley. At wall corner to R, **AH** X paths & **AH** uphill on grass path (obelisk over to R). In 70m, thru WKG. Ignore direction of WM.

**7.9 Immed TL** on stony path uphill, fence/hedge/trees on L. **AH** to LMG in top corner of field. Do NOT go thru. **TR**, joining MoW (WM), fence/hedge/telegraph poles on L. **AH** to corner. Thru WKG (WMs). *Ingon Manor Golf Club* sign on L. **AH** on enc path, between bushes/trees. X ST (WMs). **AH** (004°) X field along top of ridge, passing wooden posts on L. X ST (WMs). **AH** down path thru golf course (beware flying golf balls), keeping tall hedge on R. **AH** X 2 surfaced paths. **BslightlyR** to X brick FB (WMP). **AH** X narrow grass strip onto path thru bushes. Up steps (WMP) into field.

**7.10** **AH** (346°) X field. X wooden FB (WM). Thru SMG onto enc path. **AH** uphill, hedge on R. Thru SMG (WM) at top (*The Apple Farm*). **TL**. In 10m, before LMG in front, **TR** thru MKG (WMs). **TL**, wire fence/LMG on L. **AH** on surfaced TK, greenhouses/barn on R. At TK corner, ignore field entrance in front. **TR** on concrete TK uphill between trees. At top, **AH** thru black metal gates. Pass benches on R. Views of Edge Hill & Cotswold escarpment to R.

**7.11** Where main TK bends L, **AH** thru MKG (WMs) on R of LMG. *Welcome to the Farm* sign. **AH** on TK between fences towards farm buildings. **AH** up gravel ramp, wooden building on R. **AH** on gravel/plastic mesh path, car park on L, buildings on R. **AH** thru WBG in wooden rail fence (WM). **TL** on tarmac drive, herb gardens/wooden rail fence on L, to RD.

**7.12 TR** on RHS of RD (CARE), passing *Reduce Speed Now* sign. In 580m, just before T-JCN, **TL** X RD (CARE). **TR** on pavement to T-JCN. **TL** into *Kings Lane*, SP *Snitterfield*. **AH** X A46 bridge. RD bends **R**. Pass *Snitterfield* village sign. In 20m, at WMP, **TL** down path & steps (CARE), leaving MoW. Double power pole on L. Thru WKG. **AH** (005°) X narrow part of field to outward conifer hedge corner. **TL**, conifer hedge on R. In field corner, **TR** thru WKG (WM). **AH** on enc pathbetween gardens. **AH** on gravel drive, keeping tall hedge on L. **BL** thru SWG (WM) under foliage. **AH** on another gravel drive (*The* *White Horse House*) to RD.

**7.13** **TL** on pavement on LHS of RD. **AH**, passing *Village Stores* on L & X *Frogmore Road* to XRDs. X *The Green* (CARE), then **TR** X Bearley Road (CARE) into *School Road*, SP *Claverdon* & *Wolverton*. Pass Primary School on L. **AH** on RD for 170m. Ignore bridges on R (*Bell Brook*). Bend **L** with RD (*Wolverton Road*)*.* In 5m, **TR** (CARE – blind bend) into *Brookside*, *No Through Road* sign. **AH** to end of LN.

**7.14** **AH** on enc path on R of LWG/traffic cone, Bell Brook on R, hedge on L. **AH** thru leaning SWG (CARE) on L of metal barrier. **AH** in field, trees/brook on R. **AH** thru KG. X concrete FB. WMP on L. Ignore KG/FB on R.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 8C) – PATH JUNCTION, BELL BROOK – SP 216 602**

**7.15 AH** thru trees, keeping brook & lake on R. **AH** on enc path, wire fence/lake on R, trees on L. X concrete FB (WM), metal rail on R. **TR** onto surfaced TK. X brook bridge. **Immed TL** (WMP) onto grass TK, brook on L. In field corner, **BslightlyL** onto raised path, brook on L, sewage works (mesh fence) on R. In 20m, X PB. **AH** on path for 200m. Near end of fence, beware hefty low branch. At WMP, **AH** to RD.

**7.16** X RD (CARE). **TL** X brook bridge. **AH** on RHS of RD (CARE) for 700m, ignoring SMG after 90m on R. Near top of hill, **TR** thru WBG on R of LMG. **AH** on path, hedge on R, then between hedges (beware raised concrete blocks). Thru WBG to LN.

**7.17 BL** X LN (CARE) to BW WMP. **AH** on enc path, wire fence on L, bank/trees on R. **AH** thru gap (WM) into wood. **AH** downhill on wide path thru wood, small ditch/bank on R. At bottom, **BslightlyR** to step over fallen trees (CARE). **TR** for 10m. Thru WBG (WM) on R of LMG into field. **AH** (064°) X field. X BB (WM). **AH** X field. Thru MBG (WM), may need to unclip chain, X BB, to tarmac drive.

**7.18 TR** on drive, trees, then hedge on R. In 200m, X CG (CARE). **BL** on gravel TK between wooden rail fences. **AH** on TK, passing houses (*Gunpowder Cottage*) on R. TK bends **R**. In 10m, **TL** thru gateway (WM/LMG) into field. **AH** on grass TK, hedge initially on L, then X field to wood corner on opp side.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 8D) – WOOD CORNER, BRIERY LAND – SP 237 620**

**7.19 TL** up field edge, wood on R. In corner, **TL**, hedge/trees on R. In 150m, **TR** X BB. Thru MBG (WM). **AH** up, then down, field edge, keeping hedge on L. In bottom corner, thru MBG on R of LMG. **TL** **&** **TR** thru farmyard around brick barn on R. **AH** up tarmac farm drive, passing bungalow on L, then hedge & telegraph poles on L. In 250m, immed after house on R (*Cherrytrees*), **TL** onto LN.

**7.20 AH** on LN, telegraph poles on R, for 730m to T-JCN (*Canada Lane*). X RD (CARE). **TR** on LH pavement. Follow RD thru village for 400m, passing *The New Inn* on R. Beware section with no pavement. At RD JCN (*Main Street*), **TL** on LH pavement, SP *Alcester*. Where pavement ends, **TR** X RD (CARE). **TL** on RH pavement. Immed after *Norton Croft* drive, **TR** thru metal barriers & trees into sports field. **TL** along edge of field, passing play area on L, to **TR** into:

**NORTON LINDSEY VILLAGE HALL Essex & Herts**

**CHECKPOINT 8 Open: Saturday 2200 Close: Sunday 0945 SP 223 633 Hot food & Hot/Cold drinks**

**Total distance: 79.2 km / 49.2 miles Total ascent: 1205 m / 3955 ft**

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**CP8 (NORTON LINDSEY VILLAGE HALL) SP 223 633 TO CP9 (WARWICK SPACE COMMUNITY CENTRE) SP 289 653**

**Via: Horsley House Farm, Grove Park, Budbrooke, Grand Union Canal, Warwick Racecourse, West Gate, Lord Leycester Hospital, views of St Mary’s Church [& Warwick Castle Tower], East Gate, St John’s House Museum.**

**10.2 km / 6.4 miles 103 m / 338 ft ascent**

**8.1** Exit Hall. **TL & AH,** passing play area on R, along edge of sports field, to corner. **TR** thru trees & barriers to RD. **TL** on LH pavement. At RD JCN, keep **AH** on LH verge (SP *Warwick*), passing back of *Norton Lindsey* village sign & *50mph* signs. Beware inset drains. In 200m, at XRDs, **TL** into *Brittons Lane*, SP *Hatton*. **AH** on LN (CARE) for 550m to main RD JCN (*A4189*).

**8.2 BR & BL** Xing main RD (CARE) into *Norton Curlieu Lane*. **AH** on LN (CARE) for 270m. At *Horsley* sign, **TR** up gravel TK. **AH** on TK, hedge on R. **Keep AH**, passing *Horsley House* on L, X concrete yard, then past black barn on R (*permissive path*). **AH** down gravel TK between mounds. Thru wide gateway. **AH** on TK between fields, then downhill, hedge on R. **AH** between fences up & over M40 bridge.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 9A) – M40 BRIDGE, HORSLEY HOUSE FARM – SP 233 646**

**8.3** Thru heavy LMG. Ignore WMP/LMG on R. **AH** up concrete TK into field. **TL** (352°) up field, keeping on high ground, M40 down to L, intermittent hedge in valley down to R. After passing hollow on R, **BR** towards tree line in front. At tree line, **TR**, trees & fence on L. **AH** into field corner.

**8.4** X ST on L of double LMGs. **AH** up TK, hedge/trees on L. TK bends **L** towards cottage. At TK JCN, **TR** on gravel TK, cottage on L. **AH** on TK for 500m, passing large barns on L, then wood on R to T-JCN (WMP). **TR** on tarmac drive, wood still on R. In 200m, X CG (CARE). Pass *Park Lodge* on R. In 350m, at WMP (ignore direction of arrow), **TL** thru MKG into field. **AH** on grass TK for 500m, bending **R** & keeping hedge/ditch on L. Beware ditch is deep in places. Near end of field, **BL** on TK thru hedge gap. **TR** on TK, hedge on R, for 100m. Thru MKG on R of double LMGs to LN/RD JCN.

**8.5 TL** on LN between *National Speed Limit* signs. **AH** on LN (CARE) for 500m. Pass LMG on R by large pollarded oak tree. Immed behind tree & before brook bridge (grey metal rails), **TR** thru MKG into field. **AH** on field edge, trees on L. In 150m, **TL** thru Bristol gate. **AH** for 5m. **TR** onto grass TK. **AH**, trees on R, for 70m. Thru MKG into field.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 9B) – KISSING GATE, CHURCH FARM BREWERY– SP 254 653**

**8.6 BslightlyL** (081°) up field towards house on R of Church tower. X ST in top L corner. **AH** on gravel TK to LN. **TL** on LN (CARE), passing house (*Church Cottages*) on R. In 60m, ignore R turn into car park. **BR** on tarmac drive towards Church (WMP), passing white flagpole on L. **AH** thru SWG into churchyard. **AH** on block-paved path, passing 2 benches on L. At bench on R & corner of Church tower, **BR** onto grass path between yew tree on R, laurel bush on L. **AH**, passing Royal Warwickshire Regiment war graves.

**8.7** Thru SWG, then WKG (WM) into field. **BR** (074°) X field to outward hedge corner. Thru KG (WM). X PB. **AH** (106°), initially trees/moat on R, then downhill X field to bottom L corner. **TL** thru Bristol gate (WMP). **AH** under RLY bridge into field.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 9C) – RAILWAY BRIDGE, BUDBROOKE – SP 261 655**

**8.8 TR**, fence/RLY on R, to corner. **TL**, wooden rail fence/hedge on R. In 30m, **TR** thru SMG. **BL** X car park. **TR** thru gateway. **AH** along edge of another car park, wooden rail fence on L. At barrier, **TL** thru fence gap. **Immed TR** X FB (sloping, but solid!). **TL** on car park access RD to traffic lights.

**8.9 TL** on LH pavement up RD. X canal bridge. At end of bridge, **TL** between lamp post & telegraph pole. Down steep bank (CARE) to path at bottom. **TL** on path to GUC. **TL** under bridge 51C. Beware shared users. **AH** on towpath, canal on R, for 550m, passing under A46 bridge (51B). Canal bends **L** (*Saltisford Canal Centre* in front). Under bridge 51 (beware low bridge). At *Welcome to Warwick* NB, **TsharpL** up block-paved ramp to main RD (A425).

**8.10** X busy RD (CARE). **TL** on RH pavement Xing canal bridge. **TR** into *Budbrooke Road* on RH pavement. X canal bridge. Where RD bends R, X RD (CARE), passing *Wilmhurst Road* on L, into enc path (SP *PFP*). **AH** between high fences to end. **TL** up steps. X RLY bridge. Down steps. Thru metal barrier. **BslightlyR** down path to *Diamond Jubilee Wood 2012* sign on R. **TL** onto path. **AH** on main path thru wood, ignoring all side paths & passing orienteering post *1B* on L. At end of wood & path T-JCN, **TR** uphill. Thru large MKG at *St Mary’s Lands* NB.

**8.11 AH** thru fence gaps, Xing racecourse (view of St Mary’s Church tower to L). **AH** X surfaced TK onto grass path. Pass green LB, then *Danger* sign on L. **AH** on path between bushes thru golf course. In 300m, **AH** X TK (*Warwick Golf Club 9 holes* sign on R) onto grass, hedge on R, fenced tree on L. **AH** up bank, group of trees/bench over to R. **BslightlyL** (156°) downhill to LHS of hedge at bottom. **TL** thru gap by LMG & another *St Mary’s Lands* NB. **AH** X TK.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 9D) – TRACK JUNCTION, WARWICK RACECOURSE – SP 276 647**

**8.12** Xracecourse to exit thru main gates. **AH** X car park access, then X side RD using island refuge (CARE). **BR**, passing LB. **BL**, brick wall, then black railings on L. **AH** up *Friars Street* on LH pavement towards West Gate tower. At T-JCN at top, X *Bowling Green Street* (CARE). **TR**, passing *Almshouses* on L. **TL** under medieval West Gate. Pass red pillar box on R.

**8.13** **AH** on LH pavement along *High Street*. Pass *Lord Leycester Hospital* on L. X *Brook Street*, *Swan Street* & *Church Street* (CARE). See St Mary‘s Church up to L & Tourist Info Centre (*The Court House*) on R. **AH** still on LH pavement, now along *Jury Street*. In 175m, **AH** X *The Butts* using ped Xing (CARE). **AH**, passing red pillar box on R, thru medieval East Gate. **AH** down *Smith Street* on LH pavement. X *Chapel Street* & *Cross Street* (CARE). Pass *The Roebuck* on L.

**8.14** At RD JCN, **BL** X *St John’s* using zebra Xing (CARE). **TR** on LH pavement, passing *Taste of India* on L. **AH** X side RD (shops) to main RD JCN. See *St John’s House & Museum* on R. **AH** X *Coventry Road* using ped Xing (CARE) into *Coten End*. Pass *Castle Limes Hotel* on L. **AH** still on LH pavement. X *Guy Street* & *Cherry Street* (CARE). X *The Black Pug* car park access. **TL** into:

**WARWICK SPACE COMMUNITY CENTRE** **Kent**

**CHECKPOINT 9 Open: Saturday 2345 Close: Sunday 1250 SP 289 653 Hot food & Hot/Cold drinks**

**Total distance: 89.4 km / 55.6 miles Total ascent: 1308 m / 4293 ft**

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**CP9 (WARWICK SPACE COMMUNITY CENTRE) SP 289 653 TO CP10 (KENILWORTH TENNIS, SQUASH & CROQUET CLUB) SP 292 733**

**Via: St Nicholas Park, River Avon,** **Saxon Mill, Warwickshire Golf Course, Centenary Way, Oaks Farm, Kenilworth Castle, Abbey Fields, Ladyes Hills.**

**12.9 km / 8.0 miles 156 m / 512 ft ascent**

**9.1** Leave Centre. **TL** on LH pavement, passing postbox. **AH** X *Broad Street* using large island refuge (CARE), blue sign *Leamington CW 41*. **TR** X *Emscote Road* using ped Xing (CARE). **AH** down wide block-paving thru benches. Then on tarmac, bending **R**, then **L,** to path JCN. **AH** on tarmac ped/CW (LB on R) between newly planted trees. See Warwick Castle tower to R.

**9.2** At boathouse on R, do NOT X River Avon bridge in front. **BL** X grass, passing newly planted tree on R. X tarmac path towards bushes on R. **AH** X grass to corner of ‘diagonal’ wooden fence, bench down to R. **BL** on broad grass path, houses on L, bushes/river on R. In 130m, at *Riverside Walk* post, where broad grass path bears L, **BR** onto narrow path close to river on R, trees on L. **AH** thru white barriers. **AH** on riverside path. Pass double power poles on L. In 35m, **AH** under low RLY bridge (beware).

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 10A) – RAILWAY BRIDGE, RIVER AVON – SP 298 652**

**9.3** Thru white barriers. Pass LB on L. Ignore paths on L (*Emscote Nature Conservation Area*). **AH**, river on R. Thru more white barriers. In 30m, **AH** under canal bridge (aqueduct). Ignore path on L. **Keep AH** on path to X FB. **BL & BR** around bushes. **AH** on grass, houses to L, river to R. Pass ‘jagged’ apartment block on L. **FL** up path/steps. **TR**, passing house numbers 4 & 228 on L (yes, this is correct!). **AH** thru gap on L of white barrier to pavement.

**9.4 Immed TR** X river bridge. At end of bridge/LB, **TsharpR**, then **TL** down concrete steps (CARE). **TsharpR** under RD bridge, river on L. **AH** on surfaced path, keeping river on L. Ignore paths on R. **AH** under next RD bridge. **Immed TR** on path to corner. Up thru SMG. **AH** up steep bank, X drive, pass black gates (*Rock Cottage*) on L.

**9.5** At SP *PFP Saxon Mill Walk,* **TL** up enc path. Ignore steps on R. **AH** on enc path, between gardens. Emerge into open area. Keep grey metal railings on L for 300m, passing play area on R. Ignore all paths to R. At corner, where railings turn L, **AH** on path between bushes to concrete path JCN. **TL** to X FB (metal rail) over brook. **BL** up steps thru trees to field.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP10B) – TOP OF STEPS, FIELD CORNER ABOVE RIVER AVON – SP 300 665**

**9.6 AH** on field edge, trees/river on L. In 250m, at path JCN, **TL** steeply downhill to riverbank. **TR**, trees/river on L. **AH** on field edge path for 700m, passing pylon on L & ruins of Guy’s Cliffe House up to L. At mapboard/path JCN, **TL** around MKG/bush on L. Up steps, X long FB, then enc path between fences on rough cobbles (CARE), up steps, X FB over River Avon. **TL** thru SWG. **BR** thru tables, passing *Saxon Mill* on R. See working water wheel on R. Beware low beams. **AH** thru wooden bollards. **AH** on path, stone wall on L, car park on R, to main RD (A429).

**9.7** X busy RD (CARE). **TR** on ped/CW (NCN 52) for 550m. Beware shared users. X A46 slip RD (CARE). **AH** for 150m. **BL** under A46 bridge. **AH** X slip RD (CARE) to green ped *Leek Wootton* sign. **AH** up tarmac path. At top, **TR** on LN, houses on L. In 100m, immed after *Avenue Lodge* & before WMP, **TL** on tarmac drive. In 10m, at WMP on R, **TR** thru MKG. **TL** on broad grass path along field edge, parallel to drive on L. In 90m, **keep AH** on narrow path between bushes to WMP. **TsharpR** onto grass verge of drive.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 10C) – CLUB HOUSE DRIVE, WARWICKSHIRE GOLF COURSE – SP 289 679**

**9.8** **AH** on verge, drive on L, for 200m. Pass *Slow Children Playing* sign. In 20m, where drive bends L, **AH** on FP, passing propped WMP on birch tree on R. **AH** on grass path into trees, passing impressive conifers (beware raised roots). At log circle on R, **BL** onto narrow path between bushes. **AH** on worn path X open area, thru bushes, under arbour, X another open area, pass more large conifers. **AH** thru narrow gap by WMP.

**9.9** X access RD to surfaced path. **AH**, passing houses on R. X Golf Club access RD (CARE). **AH** thru gap in wooden rail fence (WMP – ignore direction of arrow). **BL** (298°) diagonally X grass field for 250m uphill to concrete TK in top corner. **TR** on TK between bushes. Follow TK **L & R**, wooden rail fence on R, bushes on L. **TR** with TK still uphill. In 10m, after passing bush on R, **BR** off TK. **AH** on worn grass path along edge of golf course, fence on R. **AH** at WMP. Ignore MKG on R. Follow path around edge, passing several mounds on L & Woodcote House (Warwickshire Police HQ/mast) on R.

**9.10** From House, **AH** for 100m to WMP. **TR** on path. **AH** between bushes, ditch on L. In 225m, enter trees. At short WMP, **AH** down path. X brook bridge. **AH** up path, passing white arrow *trail* sign on tree on R. In 30m, at path JCN, ignore white *trail* arrow. **TR** to WMP. **AH** thru hedge gap (beware wooden blocks) into field, joining CeW. **AH** (336°) X field. Thru open MKG (WMP) to lay-by.

**9.11 TL** thru lay-by. **AH** on LH verge of RD for 125m, ignoring FP/WKG on R. At wooden SP *Kenilworth Castle* on R, **TR** X RD (CARE) onto BW, joining MW. **AH** on enc gravel TK, hedge/trees on R, wooden rail fence on L. Follow TK for 1 km. Beware shared users. Thru MBG (WMP) into field.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 10D) – BRIDLE GATE, CENTENARY WAY, OAKS FARM – SP 276 705**

**9.12 AH**, parallel to wire fence/hedge on R, thru long narrow field. Thru MBG on R of LMG in fenceline. **AH** thru next field, parallel to Oaks Farm buildings & wire fence on R, to far R corner. X BB over brook (beware raised bricks at ends). **BR**, keeping bushes on R. Thru MBG (WMs). **BslightlyR** (021°) X field towards green sign. Thru MBG (WMP). **AH** on stony path. Ignore MKG on R. At end of path, **TL** thru gap into field. **AH** up field, hedge on R, then between fence on R & paddocks on L. At top of field, **TR**, trees on L, more paddocks on R. **AH** thru MBG on R of double LMGs.

**9.13 BL** on gravel TK, telegraph pole on R. **BL** onto tarmac drive. **AH** on drive thru gateway & downhill thru trees. At bottom, at T-JCN (WMP on L), **TR**, still on tarmac drive. **AH,** leaving CeW/MW & passing car park on R. See Kenilworth Castle on L. **AH** to RD.

**9.14** X RD (CARE). **TL** on RH pavement, SP *Coventry*. **AH** downhill. Green railings appear on L. X bridge (Finham Brook). **Immed TR**, green railings on R, various NBs on L. **AH** thru white barriers into Abbey Fields. Do NOT go AH on tarmac path. **TL** on surfaced path, bench on L. Follow surfaced path, bending **R**, passing house & fallen tree trunk on L. Pass another bench on L. In 30m, at path fork, **FR** onto lower path.

**9.15 AH** on path, lake on R, line of trees & green benches on L. At last bench, **AH** on worn path. Thru wide gap in wall. **AH** to X tarmac path. Pass St Mary’s Abbey Barn on L, then St Nicholas’ Church wall on L. See Abbey ruins over to L. At wall corner, X tarmac path. **AH** onto grass, passing part of Abbey wall on L. **BslightlyR** down bank. **AH** X grass, passing green bench on L, to end of high metal fence & yellow/black striped barrier. **TR** past barrier onto wide tarmac path, low chain-link fence on R. **AH** to RD.

**9.16** X RD (CARE). **TR** on LH pavement, passing bus stop/LB. **AH** to bridge. Do NOT X. At blue ped/CW sign, **BL** down ramp, SP *University of Warwick, NCN 52*. **AH** X bridge. Beware other users. Follow surfaced ped/CW for 500m, brook on L. Ignore 2 paths on R towards houses. **BR** up thru wooden barriers to pavement. **TL** (SP *University of Warwick/ NCN 52*) to T-JCN.

**9.17** X RD (CARE). **TL** on RH pavement (*Manor Road*). X brook bridge. Follow pavement round to **L**. Ignore FP on R. X *Tainters Hill* (postbox). CARE. **Immed TR** on LH pavement uphill. X *Water Tower Lane*. See windmill/water tower to L. At top of hill/T-JCN, **TR** X *Tainters Hill* (CARE). **AH** on RH pavement of *Coventry Road*, wall on R. In 30m, at *Upper Ladyes Hills* drive, **TL** X main RD (CARE) into *Crackley Lane* (brown sign to *Kenilworth Tennis, Squash & Croquet*). **AH** on pavement on RHS. In 350m, **TR** into:

**KENILWORTH TENNIS, SQUASH & CROQUET CLUB BREAKFAST STOP East Lancs and Norfolk & Suffolk**

**CHECKPOINT 10 Open: Sunday 0150 Close: Sunday 1645 SP 292 733 Hot/Cold food & Hot/Cold drinks**

**Total distance: 102.3 km / 63.6 miles Total ascent: 1464 m / 4805 ft**

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**CP10 (KENILWORTH TENNIS, SQUASH & CROQUET CLUB) SP 292 733 TO CP11 (COVENTRY KOCO COMMUNITY CENTRE) SP 321 791**

**Via: Kenilworth Greenway, Warwick University, Tocil Wood, Gibbet Hill Wood, Canley Brook, Canley Ford, War Memorial Park, Spencer Park, Coventry 3 Spires.**

**13.1 km / 8.1 miles 96 m / 315 ft ascent**

**10.1** Leave Club. **TR** on RH verge of RD. Bend **L**. **AH** downhill, passing houses on R. At RD corner (chevrons), **TR** onto *Crackley Farm* TK (BW). **AH** on TK for 300m, passing farm buildings, to X disused RLY bridge. At end of bridge, **TsharpL** thru MBG. Down ramp to join Greenway. **TsharpL** under bridge. **AH** for 450m. **TsharpL** down ramp on ped/CW (*NCN52*), SP *University of Warwick*. Beware shared users.

**10.2** **BR** X grid (CARE). Up concrete ped/CW, hedge on R. X 2nd grid. In 75m, **TL** onto tarmac ped/CW. Follow CW between fences (HS2 works). **TR** to X line of HS2. At CW JCN (fork), **FR**, still between fences. **AH** to join surfaced ped/CW. Pass tree sculpture (*Diamond Wood* NB) on R. **BL** X 3rd grid. **AH**, hedge on L. X 4th grid to LN.

**10.3** X LN (CARE). Thru wooden barriers (*NCN 52*). In 20m, **TR** off ped/CW onto path over wooden FB to lake. **TR** on path around lake on L, bending **L**. **AH** thru bushes, brook on R. At grass bank (sports field), **BR**, bushes on R, bank on L. In 100m, **BR** thru hedge gap. **AH** along edge of another sports field, bushes on R. **AH** into R corner. X ST on R of double LWGs to RD.

**10.4** X RD (CARE). **TL** on pavement. In 20m, **TR** thru WKG on R of double LWGs. **AH** on tarmac path, lake to R. At end of lake, **TR** (SP *Life Sciences & Warwick Medical School*) onto broad tarmac ped/CW. **AH** X brook bridge.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 11A) – CANLEY BROOK BRIDGE, WARWICK UNIVERSITY – SP 302 755**

**10.5 AH** on ped/CW. In 130m, pass 2 grey metal cabinets on R. In 30m, at blue shared space sign, **TL** X cobbles onto gravel TK to *Woodland Trust* NB. **FL** on surfaced path into bushes. **AH** thru wood for 500m. At path JCN by *Gibbet Hill Wood* sign on R, **AH** X concrete FB over ditch. **AH** for 20m to another path JCN. **TL**. In 5m, **BR** off surfaced path onto worn path thru a few trees, then grass towards bushes. Follow path, bushes/brook on L. In 400m, **FR** X grass thru hedge gap (brown bollards) to RD (opp *Cannon Park Road*).

**10.6** **BL** X RD (CARE) to pavement. **TL** to X brook bridge. At bus stop at end of bridge, **TR** down steps. **AH** on grass, brook on R. In 130m, **BL** thru hedge gap next to large oak tree on L. **Immed** **TR**, bushes on R. Thru wide hedge gap. **BL** on grass. **AH**, keeping brook on R. Pass WMP (*500m*) on R into large grass area (new posts/saplings on L). **AH**, passing WMP (*600m*) & tree clump on R, towards gap in trees. **AH,** passing another WMP, onto narrow path thru trees to large field. **BL** (334°) thru saplings & X grass to far LH corner (towards A45). **TL** by side of green barrier. **AH** up side RD on pavement, A45 dual carriageway on R. In 150m, at blue *ped/CW* sign on R, **BR** X RD (CARE) to railings. X A45 using ped Xings (CARE) towards *ESSO* garage.

**10.7 BR** X grass towards RHS of garage. X garage exit (CARE), then thru grey bollards (SP *no motorcycles/cars*). **AH** down TK between trees/bushes for 160m to Canley Ford. **BL** onto raised walkway, green rails on R. Ignore WKG on L. At end of walkway, **TR** X TK, up wooden steps. **AH** thru gap. **TL** up meadow path, trees on L. Pass phoenix sculpture on L.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 11B) – PHOENIX SCULPTURE, CANLEY FORD MEADOW – SP 314 770**

**10.8** Bend slightly **R** to top corner. **TL** thru bushes. Thru gap. **BR** to tarmac LN. **TR** for 500m to RD JCN. **BL.** X main RD using island refuge (CARE). **BR** **&** **BL** along *Coat of Arms Bridge Road* (SP *20 mph* zone) on LH pavement. In 250m, pass mini-roundabout on R. In further 75m, at black railings on R, **TL** thru black elephant-topped bollards into War Memorial Park. Beware shared users. **AH** X grass (014°) diagonally to bottom corner of field. **TL** on gravel TK for 15m. **TR** X concrete brook bridge. **AH** on wide tarmac path, green lamp posts on L. At top, ignore wide tarmac tree-lined path on L. **AH**, passing Visitor Centre & leaf sculptures on R.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 11C) – VISITOR CENTRE (LEAF SCULPTURES), COVENTRY WAR MEMORIAL PARK – SP 325 771**

**10.9** **AH** on tarmac path X field. Thru hedge gap to path JCN. **AH** (SP *War Memorial 230m*), green lamp posts, skate park & play area on L. Go around Memorial to opp side. **AH** down wide tarmac path, green lamp posts on R. Thru bollards. **AH** to exit Park thru wrought iron gates (Coventry Coat of Arms). **AH** up to RD JCN/traffic lights.

**10.10** X main RD, using ped Xing (CARE). **AH** up steps to *Top Green*. **AH** on gravel path. **BR** along edge, green railings on L. At end of Green at path JCN, **BL** thru wooden bollards to RD. **TL** on LH pavement for 10m to RD ‘pinch-point’. **TR** X RD (CARE) to *King Henry VIII School* gates. **TL** on RH pavement, school buildings, fence & playing fields on R for 220m. At corner of fence (*Spencer Park* NB), **TR** onto tarmac ped/CW, fence on R. **AH** X bridges over RLY & car park (view of Coventry’s Three Spires). **AH** down ramp.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 11D) – RAILWAY BRIDGE, SPENCER PARK – SP 328 782**

**10.11** **AH** X RD (CARE) onto RH pavement, passing car park on R. **AH** down wide paved steps. **BL** under RD bridge, then **BR** under Ring RD subway (blue SP *City Centre*). **BR** up ramp to James Starley monument, passing *Loveitts* estate agents on L. **BL** on wide pavement. X side RD using zebra Xing (CARE). **AH** to open area (*Bull Yard*). **BR**, passing ice cream stand on R. **AH** thru seating area, passing fountain & play area on R, *Methodist Central Hall* on L. See Christchurch spire (Spire 1) on R (*Dhillons Spire Bar*).

**10.12 AH** thru silver bollards. **BL & BR** on grey paved area, passing *The Wave* on R. See timber-framed Fords Hospital on L. **TL** X RD at zebra Xing (CARE). **TL**, wall on R. **TR** into *Shrub Walk*. **AH** on paving between buildings. X *Salt Lane*. **AH** on LH pavement, passing *Citizen’s Advice* on L. **AH** X RD at zebra Xing (CARE) into *Assembly Gardens*. **TL** on paving thru gardens/trees, passing benches on L, towards Coventry City Council House. X RD using zebra Xing (CARE). **TR** on wide pavement, Council House on L. In 35m, **TL** into *St Mary Street*. At cobbled T-JCN, see Cathedral Church of St Michael (Spire 2) in front, plus St Mary’s Guildhall & Bailey Lane cottages to L. **TR & BL** into *Priory Street*. **AH** to bottom of steps on L.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 11E) – CATHEDRAL STEPS, COVENTRY CITY CENTRE – SP 336 790**

**10.13 TL** up steps between old & new Cathedrals. **AH** on path thru gardens to cobbled T-JCN. See *Slug and Lettuce* to L (Old County Hall & Courts). **TR**, passing *Holy Trinity Church* (Spire 3) on L, to *Priory Row*. **TL**, blue railings on R, Church on L. See black/white Lychgate Cottages AH. In 50m, before *Priory* *Visitor Centre & Gardens* NB, **TR** X bridge over Priory ruins. **BR** down 2 flights of steps, passing *Nando’s* on L. **BR** on paving slabs. In 30m, at column on L (*World Food* flag), **TL** down steps, passing *BBC Coventry & Warwickshire* on L. **AH** down paving slabs to The Whittle Arch. X bus gate (CARE) to Sir Frank Whittle’s memorial. See medieval Swanswell Gate & remains of city wall beyond.

**10.14 TL**, passing *Coventry Transport Museum* on R. **AH** on RH pavement to *The Old Grammar School* on R. **AH** X side RDs (CARE) into *Corporation Street*. Pass *Study Inn* on R. At *Telegraph Hotel* on R, **BR** to X side RD on zebra Xing (CARE). **BL** thru raised flower beds to pass *Belgrade Theatre* on R. **AH** on RH pavement to X *Hill Street* (CARE).

**10.15 BR** into *Fleet Street* *leading to* *Spon Street*, *St John the Baptist Church* on R. **AH** along Spon Street, passing the only surviving medieval shops in Coventry! X side RD (CARE), pass *My Dhabba* restaurant on R. X *Watch Close* (CARE). At *Spon End* NB, **BR** down steps. **AH** under Ring RD subway. Up ramp. **AH** on wide tarmac path, black railings on R, to RD JCN.

**10.16 AH** X RD (CARE) into *Upper Spon Street*. Pass *The Weavers House*, School & ruin of St James and St Christopher weavers’ chapel on R. **AH** X bridge over River Sherbourne to RD JCN opp *Old Dyers Arms***.** Major roadworks (configuration of cones may change; please follow *Pedestrian* signs): **TR** on pavement for 80m. **TL** X main RD using ped Xing (CARE). **TR** on pavement Xing *Broomfield Park* entrance. **AH** under LH RLY arch, X *Melbourne Road* (CARE), to traffic lights. X *Hearsall Lane* using ped Xings (CARE). **TR** X main RD using ped Xing (CARE). **TR** on pavement. **AH**, passing *National Tyres & Autocare* on L, into path between barriers. Before RLY viaduct, **TL** around *Nissan Westway* on L into *Arches Industrial Estate*. **AH** for 40m thru small car park to entrance of:

**COVENTRY KOCO COMMUNITY CENTRE Wiltshire**

**CHECKPOINT 11 Open: Sunday 0400 Close: Sunday 2045 SP 321 791 Cold food & Hot/Cold drinks**

**Total distance: 115.4 km / 71.7 miles Total ascent: 1560 m / 5120 ft**

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**CP11 (COVENTRY KOCO COMMUNITY CENTRE) SP 321 791 TO CP12 (MERIDEN HEART OF ENGLAND SOCIAL CLUB) SP 244 818**

**Via: Spon End, Lake View Park, River Sherbourne, Coundon Wedge, Allesley, Harvest Hill, Alspath Hall Farm, Eaves Green.**

**10.4 km / 6.5 miles 116 m / 381 ft ascent**

**11.1** Leave Centre. **TL** onto RD thru industrial estate, RLY viaduct on R. **AH** to end of RD (*Coventry Motor Factors* on R). **BslightlyL**, crash barrier & grey metal railings on R, into enc gravel TK between fences. Follow TK for 200m, bending **R** **&** **L**, Xing FB. At end of TK, **AH** on pavement, grey metal railings, then brick wall on L, to RD JCN.

**11.2 AH** X dual carriageway using central reservation (CARE). **TL** on RH pavement. In 50m, **BR** X *Lake View Road* (CARE). **BR** on path thru trees, passing LB on R, into Park. **BL** down path, joining trees/bushes on L. At bottom, **TR**, trees/River Sherbourne on L. **AH** for 200m, via gap in bushes, passing bench, *Lake View Park* NB to FB on L (do NOT X).

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 12A) – LAKE VIEW PARK NOTICEBOARD, RIVER SHERBOURNE – SP 314 795**

**11.3** **BslightlyR**, passing trees on R. **AH** along RHS of Park, house gardens on R, for 300m. Ignore FB over to L. In far R corner, **BR** on path thru trees. **AH** on enc TK between fences. **TR** thru metal barrier. **AH** up TK to green DPB on L. In 5m, **TL** around green mesh fence corner. **AH** along shopping parade, passing *Tesco Express* on L, to RD JCN.

**11.4** **AH** X RD using ped Xing (CARE). **BR** on pavement. **TR** X *Holyhead Road* using ped Xing (CARE). **TL** on pavement, passing *Holyhead Road Service Station* on R. In 100m, **TR** into *Private Drive*. X River Sherbourne bridge (low brick walls). **AH**, passing LB on L. **TL** thru wooden barrier. **AH** X grass towards far R corner & tall poplar tree. **BR**, still on grass, keeping river on L. At surfaced path & LB, **TL** on path thru large MKG.

**11.5** X wooden FB over river. **TR** on surfaced path between bushes, river on R. **AH** for 200m, ignoring path Xing/MKGs. Bend **L** with path at corner. In 5m, **TR** X wooden FB. **Immed TL** on surfaced path, river now on L. Follow path round to **R**. In 10m, at path JCN, **TL** slightly uphill, then down. **AH**, passing bench/LB on L. **AH** X wooden FB over sluice, lake on R.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 12B) – WOODEN FOOTBRIDGE, LAKE OUTLET, COUNDON WEDGE – SP 307 807**

**11.6** Ignore path on R. **AH** on path, wooden rail fence on L. Thru large MKG into field. **AH** (290°) X field into far L corner, river on L. Thru large MKG. Under RD bridge. **BslightlyR** thru MKG into field. **AH** (284°) X field. In 100m, **TL** X brick-arched bridge over river. **BR** for 20m. Thru large MKG into field. **TR**, hedge on R. **AH** thru hedge gap. **AH** X next field. Thru large MKG. **AH** X large field, keeping parallel with trees/river on R, slope up to L. Ignore ford on R. **AH** (293°) thru middle of 2 trees. **AH** on worn path. Thru narrow hedge gap by telegraph pole. Thru WKG. **TR** **&** **TL** thru bushes to LN.

**11.7 AH** X LN (CARE) into *Whitelaw Crescent*. Follow RD round to **L** & up to T-JCN. **TR** into *No Through Road.* **AH** on RD (CARE) for 800m, passing thru black/red bollards, then *Townfields Saddlers* on R & white railing fence on R. At RD JCN, **AH** X *Browns Lane* (CARE) into *Washbrook Lane*. **AH** on RH pavement, Xing *Streamside Close*, to end of houses on R.

**11.8 BL** X RD (CARE) to SP *PFP* just beyond *Allesley Parish* sign. **TL** thru WKG. **BR** (306°) X field. Thru wooden gate. X FB. **AH** up field, hedge on L. As hedge bends L, **keep** **AH** X field towards RHS of pylon. Thru WKG (WMP). **AH** (280°) up field, ignoring MKG on L, towards LHS of trees on skyline, passing pylon on L. Thru WKG in top R corner. **TR** around field edge, wire fence, then hedge/ditch on R, to gateway on R. **TR** thru Bristol gate. **Immed TL**, hedge on L. Pass pond on L, then LMG. In 10m, **TL** thru large MKG.

**11.9 TR** on field edge, hedge/trees on R. In 150m, at field corner, **AH** X wooden FB, thru large MKG under power lines. **AH** thru small field, fence/hedge on R. Thru WKG. **AH** on enc path between fences. Thru another WKG (WMP). **AH**, still in enc path, fence on L, trees/hedge on R. **AH** thru WKG. **BslightlyR** X field, passing pond on L. **AH** thru SWG. **AH** down field, trees/bushes on L, to bottom L corner. Thru WKG on R of LWG to LN.

**11.10 TL** on LN (CARE) for 70m, passing *Harvest Hill Car Sales* on L, ignoring FP on R, & passing farmhouse on R. At end of row of stones on R, at LN corner by telegraph pole, **BR** thru gap by conifer tree. Up steps. Thru WKG. Ignore WM arrow direction. **TL & BL** into field. **TR** on worn path, keeping bushes on R. **AH** to far R corner. Thru WKG (WMP). **BL** thru bushes into field. **BR** on narrow path. In corner, **BslightlyR** thru brambles. **TR** X wooden FB. Thru WKG (WM). **TL** down field edge, hedge on L. In bottom corner, **TL** thru WKG. **BR** X earth bridge over brook.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 12C) – KISSING GATE, PICKFORD BROOK CROSSING – SP 276 825**

**11.11 TR** up field, fence/hedge on R. In 80m, at fence/hedge corner, **TL** (265°) X field up & down for 175m to X wide earth bridge over ditch. **AH** uphill on grass TK for 100m. Thru MKG on L of LMG (WM). **AH** (286°) X field on grass TK for 450m. At LMG, **BslightlyL**, fence on R, for 20m. X ST in fence onto TK. **TL** on TK, passing pond on R. **AH** on TKthru gateway (LMGs), passing farm buildings on L, to TK T-JCN. **TR** onto concrete TK. **AH** uphill for 300m. X CG (CARE), or thru MKG on R, to RD corner.

**11.12 AH** down RHS of RD (CARE), ignoring TKs/FPs on R. Pass *Eaves Green Park Home Estate* on R. At RD JCN (grass triangle), **AH** down *Eaves Green Lane*, SP *Meriden*, joining ACW. **AH** on LN (CARE) for 800m, passing under A45 bridge, to LN JCN. **BL**, passing green GB on R. **AH**, passing black/white bollards on R. 5m after last bollard, at SP *PFP*, **TR** thru gap on L of double LMGs into field. **BL** on field edge. Follow path around winding field edge, large ditch/hedge on L, for 300m. In corner, **TL** X wooden FB (WM). **AH** X field to far R corner, passing telegraph pole on R. Thru MKG to RD.

**11.13 TR** on pavement, joining main RD. **AH** on RH pavement for 450m, passing *Manor Hotel* on R. **TL** X RD using island refuge (CARE). **TR** on LH pavement, passing pond on L. In 25m, **TL** into *Berkswell Road.* In 100m, **TL** into:

**MERIDEN HEART OF ENGLAND SOCIAL CLUB A Coventry Way Association**

**CHECKPOINT 12 Open: Sunday 0530 Close: Monday 0000 SP 244 818 Hot/Cold food & Hot/Cold drinks**

**Total distance: 125.8 km / 78.2 miles Total ascent: 1676 m / 5501 ft**

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**CP 12 (MERIDEN HEART OF ENGLAND SOCIAL CLUB) SP 244 818**

**TO**

**CP 13 (BARSTON ST SWITHIN’S HOUSE) SP 207 780**

**Via: Berkswell, Hampton-in-Arden.**

**11.6 km / 7.2 miles 137 m / 450 ft ascent**

**12.1** Exit Club to RD. **TL** on verge path. In 75m, before *Broadwell Guest House*, **TL** thru ST gap, SP *PFP*. **AH** on path between brambles to field. At fence/hedge corner on R, **TR** up field, hedge/trees on R. At top, ignore MKG/WMP on R. **TL** along top edge of field, hedge on R. In 150m, **TR** up steps thru hedge gap. **TL** on enc path, hedge on L, barbed wire fence on R (CARE). Follow path around field edge. In 350m, **TsharpL** into enc TK. Follow TK round to **R** & **AH** between hedges. Thru gap on L of LMG. **AH** X gravel to LN corner.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 13A) – MERIDEN, CHURCH LANE CORNER – SP 250 816**

**12.2 TR** thru gap on L of LMG (SP *PFP*), ACW/HoEW (WMs). **TL** up field edge to top corner. **TR** down field edge, hedge on L.[New fence posts may have barbed wire (CARE) creating enc path next to hedge.] **BR** at bottom corner. In 5m, **TL** X PB. **AH** up field, hedge on L. Thru MKG. **BL** (132°) X field. Thru gateway (ST on R). **AH** up field, hedge on L. Where hedge bends to L, **AH** X field corner. Thru Bristol gate. **BslightlyL** (148°) up field towards LHS of wider wooded area on skyline. Thru WKG. **BL** diagonally X field to far L corner. Thru WKG. **AH** on gravel drive, bending **R** to RD.

**12.3** X RD (CARE). **AH** thru MKG (WMs) on L of LMG (SP *PFP*). **AH** on gravel TK, hedge on L. Bend **R** **&** **L** with TK (WMP on L). **AH**, hedge on R, ignoring wide hedge gap on R. Bend **L**, pond on R. In 5m, at corner, **TR** X wooden FB (CARE – broken handrail). Thru open WKG. **BslightlyL** (174°) to WMP, pond on R. **AH** (190°) X field to far R corner/LMGs. **TR** thru WKG on R of double LMGs, leaving ACW, still on HoEW (WM). **AH** on grass TK, trees on L. Pass cottage on L.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 13B) – BLIND HALL FARM, BERKSWELL ESTATE – SP 248 798**

**12.4 AH** downhill on gravel TK for 750m: passing *Blind Hall* on R, Xing CG (CARE) (WKG on R), bending **L** **&** **R**, to RD. **TL** on pavement into *Berkswell Village*. 30m after *Reduce Speed Now* sign, **TR** X RD (CARE). Thru WKG (WM). **AH** thru trees. Thru WKG. **AH** on enc path, beware barbed wire on fence on R. Thru 2 more WKGs to churchyard. **BL** on gravel path, wall on L. Thru MKG to RD opp Bercol’s Well. **TR** on RD. **AH** thru gates into churchyard. **AH**, passing Church on R.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 13C) – ST JOHN BAPTIST CHURCH, BERKSWELL – SP 243 791**

**12.5 AH** thru WBG on L of LWG. **AH** on gravel path, wall on L. Thru WKG, green DPB on L. **AH** thru trees. Thru MKG. **AH** X meadow on enc boardwalk, Berkswell Hall up to R. Beware open ditch on L. X FB over brook. **AH** on enc path thru bushes. At end of path, ignore HoEW WM. **TR** thru gap, passing tall post on R. **AH** on path thru bushes/trees to field. **AH** (284°) up field, lake over to R, then down to far L corner. Thru WKG. **AH** thru wood, wire fence on R. **BR** out of wood. **AH** up enc path, wire fence on L, fence/hedge on R. Thru hedge gap at top.

**12.6 AH** between fences, hedge, then wood on R, HS2 works on L. In 200m, step over low barrier (CARE). Thru WKG. **TR** on enc path for 150m between fences, bending **L**, *mitigation area* on L, wood on R. Step over low barriers (CARE). **TR** thru WKG (MW WM) into wood. **AH** for 10m to path JCN. **TL** on narrow path around pond on L. Low black plastic barrier appears on L. At end of pond, step over barrier (CARE). **AH**, barrier now on R. **Keep AH** on wide path between fences. Beware tree felling brash. Path winds around edge of remaining wood on R (beware boggy areas); then becomes grass, hedge on R, still between fences.

**12.7** Near end of path, 10m before WKG on R, **TL** over stones uphill on grass between high fences. **AH** X line of HS2. Thru large MKG & red gate. **AH**, hedge on R, to field corner. **TR** thru hedge gap onto TK. **BR** on TK towards farm buildings. Beware electric fences. Do NOT go thru LMG into farmyard. **TL** thru taped LMG/gap into small field. **AH**, wooden fence on R. At fence corner (black garage on R), **TR**. Thru WKG onto gravel TK. **TL** on TK for 150m, passing cottages on R, to main RD (A452).

**12.8 AH** X dual carriageway using central reservation refuge (CARE). **AH** on opp path to tarmac LN (*No Through Road* sign). **AH** on LN (CARE) for 400m, passing houses on L, then bending **L** under RLY bridge. **TR**, RLY embankment on R. At end of tarmac, **AH** thru gateway onto path or on raised walkway between trees. X packhorse bridge over River Blythe.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 13D) – PACKHORSE BRIDGE, RIVER BLYTHE – SP 213 801**

**12.9 AH** to small parking area (just after NB on L). **BL** past LB/green lamp post on L. **TL** thru gap (WM) on RHS of LMG. In 5m, **TR** (SP *PFP/Hampton in Arden*) onto boardwalk, wooden rail on L (beware low branches). **AH** thru MKG. **BR** (304°) X field towards houses. Thru MKG (WM). X PB. **BL** X next field still towards houses. Thru MKG. **AH** (280°) X grass field, thru MKG. **AH** on enc path (CARE – raised drain), then tarmac drive, to RD corner.

**12.10 AH** for 25m along end of cul-de-sac. **TR** (SP *PFP*) up stepped paving slabs. Thru MKG. **AH** on paving slabs, trees on R. In 10m, **BL**, ignoring MKG on R. **AH** on path up field, wooden rail fence on L, wire fence/hedge on R. At end of field, **BL** into next field corner, ignoring another MKG on R.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 13E) – PATH JUNCTION, HAMPTON-IN-ARDEN – SP 204 804**

**12.11 TL** on field edge, hedge on L. In corner, **AH** on enc path (paving slabs) for 5m. Thru MKG/gap into next field. **AH**, hedge on L. Ignore gap on L. Thru MKG in corner. **AH** (167°) X field. X FB over brook. **AH** up next field, newly planted hedge on R. X gravel TK. Thru narrow hedge gap. **AH** (160°) X field towards LHS of wider oak tree on opp side. Pass WMP on L. **AH** down field, passing oak tree on R, then newly planted hedge on R. **AH** on path thru narrow hedge gap. Follow winding path thru young trees.

**12.12** X PB. **AH** on field edge, tall hedge/trees on L, into corner. **AH** on enc path uphill between trees, ignoring gaps on L, then downhill. **AH** to X metal bridge over ditch. **AH** on enc TK uphill, hedge on R, trees on L. In 200m, thru WKG on R of LMG to LN.

**12.13 TR** up LN. **AH** on LN for 500m, bending **L**, then **R**, then between houses to T-JCN (*Oak Lane*). **TL** on pavement. At *Bulls Head*, **TR** X RD (CARE). **TL** on pavement, wall on R. In 20m, **TR** into *St Swithin’s Church* car park. **AH** to:

**BARSTON ST SWITHIN’S HOUSE Cornwall & Devon**

**CHECKPOINT 13 Open: Sunday 0700 Close: Monday 0400 SP 207 780 Hot food & Hot/Cold drinks**

**Total distance: 137.4 km / 85.4 miles Total ascent: 1813 m / 5951 ft**

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**CP 13 (BARSTON ST SWITHIN’S HOUSE) SP 207 780**

**TO**

**CP 14 (SOLIHULL SCOUT HUT) SP 149 813**

**Via: Nappins Covert, Waterfield Farm, Grand Union Canal (Copt Heath Wharf, Catherine-de-Barnes & Elmdon Heath).**

**9.6 km / 5.9 miles 73 m / 240 ft ascent**

**13.1** Exit House. **AH** towards church. **TR** around house on R, then green mesh fence on R. **AH** under yew tree (beware low branch), down into enc TK between fences. Thru 2 MKGs. Do NOT go AH. **BR** **&** **BL**, passing barn with blue doors over to R. **TR**, green wooden fence on R. **AH** to WMP. **TL** thru MKG. **AH** down field, wire fence on R. Thru MKG into enc path. **AH** downhill between wire fences. Thru large MKG to LN.

**13.2 BL** X LN (CARE) to SP *PFP*. Ignore FP/SMG on R. **AH** thru MKG (WM). **BR** into enc path. **AH** between barbed wire fences (CARE). **BR** X concrete stepped FB over River Blythe. **TL** on field edge, river on L for 50m. Where river/hedge bend to L, **AH** (232°) X field to far R corner & LMGs. X ST on R of RH LMG. **AH** (254°) up field, passing solitary tree on L, towards house/wood at top. At hedge, **TL**. In 40m, **TR** thru gap into enc path, hedge on R, fence on L, to X drive (gates on R). **AH** thru MKG into enc path, wood on L. Thru gap by SWG/brown LMG on R. **AH** on field edge path, wood on L.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 14A) – NAPPINS COVERT, WATERFIELD FARM – SP 194 776**

**13.3** In field corner, pylon in front, **TL** thru MKG on R of double LMGs. **TR** on field edge, hedge on R, passing pylon & double power poles on R. **AH** into enc TK between hedges for 400m. At LWGs by conifer hedge, **AH** thru narrow gap on R. **AH** on TK between trees, wooden rail fence on R, passing *Waterfield Farm* gates on L, to RD.

**13.4 AH** on LH verge (CARE), Xing gravel drive. In 25m, at start of crash barrier & SP *PFP*, **TL** thru gap by LWG. **AH** down steep ramp (CARE) to join GUC. **TsharpR** onto towpath, canal on L, under bridge 73. **AH** on towpath for total of 7.1km (beware other users, care on overtaking): beware low bridges 74, 76, 77, 78; under M42 (bridge 75B); beware mooring rings from bridge 76 (*Copt Heath Wharf*) to just beyond *Waterside Cottage*; beware mooring rings at *Catherine-de-Barnes*. [Ignore GUC Race CP at Catherine -de Barnes.]

**13.5** 25m before brick-arched bridge 81, **BR** off towpath, up steps, wooden sleeper ‘wall’ on R, metal rails on L. At top, **TL** on ped/CW X canal bridge to traffic lights. **TR** X RD using ped Xing (CARE). **TL** on RH pavement. X *Henley Crescent* (CARE). **AH**, passing *Solihull Vehicle Service Centre* on R, then green fence on R for 70m. **TR** into *The Mill Pool* / *1st Solihull Scout Group* entrance to:

**SOLIHULL** **SCOUT HUT Northumbria**

**CHECKPOINT 14 Open: Sunday 0810 Close: Monday 0700 SP 149 813 Hot/Cold food & Hot/Cold drinks**

**Total distance: 147.0 km / 91.3 miles Total ascent: 1886 m / 6191 ft**

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**CP 14 (SOLIHULL SCOUT HUT) SP 149 813**

**TO**

**CP 15 (HAY MILLS ST CYPRIAN’S MEMORIAL HALL) SP 110 850**

**Via: Grand Union Canal (Olton, South Yardley, Hay Mills).**

**6.3 km / 4.0 miles 31 m / 102 ft ascent**

**14.1** Retrace route to GUC bridge: exit Scout Hut; **TL** on LH pavement, green fence on L; X *Service Centre* entrance, then X *Henley Crescent* (CARE); **TR** X RD using ped Xing (CARE); **TL** on ped/CW X canal bridge. At end of bridge, **TR** **&** **immed** **TR** down steps on R (white rails) to barrier. **TR** on towpath, GUC on L, under bridge 81 (beware low bridge).

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 15A) – GRAND UNION CANAL, BRIDGE 81 – SP 150 816**

**14.2 AH** for total of 5.5km (beware low bridge 82 & intermittent mooring posts/rings) to bridge 88 (FB/railings in front of brick arch).

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 15B) – GRAND UNION CANAL, BRIDGE 88 – SP 111 847**

**14.3** Immed before bridge 88, **TR** up block-paved ramp to *Kings Road*. **TR** down pavement, *Tool Station* on R, to XRDs/traffic lights. **TL** X RD (CARE). **BR & BL** into *Speedwell Road*. **AH** on pavement for 100m. **TR** into *George Road* (CARE). **AH** for 190m to RD end (A45). **TL** under blue ‘arch’ into *George Road Park*. **AH** on path, blue railings on R, passing play area on L. Under another blue ‘arch’ to *KFC*. **BL** towards shops & X car park (CARE) towards RHS of *The Food Warehouse.* Go thru gap next to shopping trolley shelter. **AH** on path to:

**HAY MILLS ST CYPRIAN’S MEMORIAL HALL Dave Findel-Hawkins & Merrian Lancaster**

**CHECKPOINT 15 Open: Sunday 0850 Close: Monday 0820 SP 110 850 Cold food & Hot/Cold drinks**

**Total distance: 153.3 km / 95.3 miles Total ascent: 1917 m / 6293 ft**

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**CP 15 (HAY MILLS ST CYPRIAN’S MEMORIAL HALL) SP 110 850**

**TO**

**FINISH (MOSELEY RFC) SP 086 811**

**Via: Millstream Way, Ackers Activity Centre, River Cole, Shire Country Park, Sarehole Mill, Chinn Brook, Haunch Brook, Billesley Common.**

**8.8 km / 5.4 miles 82 m / 269 ft ascent**

**15.1** Exit Hall. **TL** to access RD. **BL** X RD (CARE). X *Fordrough Bridge* over River Cole. **TL** on pavement, River Cole & railings on L, A45 on R. In 120m, **BL** via green barriers onto surfaced path, SPs *Millstream Way*, *Ackers Activity Centre*, *Grand Union Canal*. **AH** on path, river on L, A45 on R. Thru silver barriers. X side RD using island refuge (CARE). Thru green barriers. Keep **AH** on winding surfaced path, via more green barriers to GUC.

**15.2 TR** on towpath, canal on L (SP *Millstream Way*, *Ackers Activity Centre* & *City Centre*). **AH** X canal spur bridge (beware raised bricks). Pass *Ackers Adventurous Activities* building on R. **AH** under RLY bridge 88E. In 15m, immed before bridge 88F (white railings), **TR** up steps. At top, **TL** X canal bridge.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 16A) – GRAND UNION CANAL, ACKER’S BRIDGE 88F – SP 102 846**

**15.3** In 10m, follow high metal fences on L around 3 sides (construction site) to tarmac path. **TR** on path downhill, RLY on L. **BR**, River Cole on L. In 25m**, TL** X wooden FB (Spark Brook). **BL & BR** on path, river on L, uphill, bending **R**. Thru green railings to path JCN. **BL** on surfaced path, river on L. **TL** X FB (SP *Warwick Road*). Pass green railings. **Immed TR** (SP *Warwick Road*) on surfaced path, river now on R, for 270m. **AH** thru metal barrier in wooden fence (SP *Warwick Road*) to RD.

**15.4 AH** for 20m. Then **BL** X RD (CARE). **TR** on LH pavement, low brick wall & green mesh fence on L.At corner of fence, **TL** (blue SP *Burbury Brickworks*). **TL** at next fence corner. **TR** X RD using ped/CW Xing (CARE). **BR** & follow high metal fences on L (construction site) up to zebra Xing. **TR** X RD using zebra Xing (CARE). **TR**, then **TL** into *Westwood Avenue* at SP *Millstream Way* & *Burbury Brickworks*. Thru gate in blue railings.

**15.5 AH** on block-paved path, blue railings on L, low wooden barrier on R. X tarmac access RD (CARE). **AH** thru metal barrier in wooden fence, *Shire Country Park* & *Burbury Brickworks Nature Reserve.* **AH** on surfaced path, SP *Sarehole Mill* on R. At path JCN, green DPB on R, **BL** on enc path between grey metal railings. **AH** thru metal barrier to RD.

**15.6** X RD (CARE). **AH** thru metal barrier, *Shire Country Park* & *Blackberry Way*. **AH** on surfaced path, river on R, for 550m. **AH** thru metal barrier, SP *Sarehole Mill*. **BL** on pavement. **TL &** **TR** X side RD using ped Xing (CARE), then **AH** X main RD (A34) using ped Xing (CARE). **TR**, X *Sarehole Road* (CARE). **AH** on LH pavement. X bridge over River Cole.

**15.7**  At end of bridge, **immed TL** thru metal barrier (SP *Sarehole Mill*) onto path thru *Greet Mill Meadows.* River now on L. Pass 2 benches & LB on R.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 16B) – RIVER COLE, GREET MILL MEADOWS – SP 099 827**

**15.8 AH** on path for 700m, keeping river on L. **AH** thru metal barrier. **BR** X LN (CARE), ford on L. **AH** thru metal rail barriers, LB on L. **AH** on surfaced path, river on L, for 200m. See Mill chimney. At end of meadow, **TL** X metal FB into Sarehole Mill car park.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 16C) – SAREHOLE MILL, COLE BANK ROAD – SP 099 818**

**15.9 BR** thru car park, passing *Sarehole Mill* on R, thru gateway to pavement. **TR & TL** X RD using ped Xing (CARE). **TL** for 10m. **TR** thru wooden posts onto *John Morris Jones Walkway*, SP *The Dingles, Robin Hood Lane*. **AH** on winding surfaced path, ignoring all side paths, for 600m. Thru wooden archway to main RD (*A4040*).

**15.10 TR** on pavement for 25m. **TL** X both sides of RD using ped Xings (CARE). **TL** for 15m. **TR** onto pavement into *Coleside Avenue*, houses on R. At end of pavement, **AH** over grass bank between *Parking* signs. **AH** thru car park, passing LB on L. **AH** thru metal rails/wooden posts on R of green LMG onto plastic mesh path, SP *The Dingles*. **AH** on plastic mesh path, ignoring all side paths, for 900m. Thru wooden bollards to pavement.

**15.11 TR** on pavement. In 10m, **TL** at concrete bollard. X RD (CARE) to bus shelter opp (*Trittiford Road/Chinn Brook Road*). **AH**, grey metal railings on R. **TL** to SP *Cocks Moor Woods Nature Reserve*. **TR** to corner of play area fence. **BL** thru green metal railings onto surfaced path, Chinn Brook on L, play area to R. **AH** on path for 1.1 km, ignoring all side paths/FBs, & bending **R & L**.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 16D) – CHINN BROOK, THE SHIRE COUNTRY PARK – SP 091 800**

**15.12 AH** thru green metal barrier, SP *Cocks Moor Wood Golf Course*. **AH** on tarmac path. X RD using ped Xing (CARE). **TL** for 15m. **TR** thru green metal barrier on R of double LWGs. **AH** onto surfaced path. In 15m, at path JCN, **BR**, passing black metal bench on R. **AH** on path for 50m to next path JCN. **TR** on path thru trees for 80m to path JCN/LB.

**VIRTUAL CLIP (WP 16E) – PATH JUNCTION / LITTER BIN, CHINN BROOK NATURE RESERVE – SP 085 799**

**15.13 TR** to X FB (grey metal railings). **AH** on winding path thru trees. Bend **R** onto tarmac path, apartments on R. **AH,** SP *Haunch Lane, Billesley Common*, to bus shelter. **BR** X RD (CARE) to bus shelter opp. Thru wooden rail fence behind bus shelter onto surfaced path, *Haunch Brook Pathways* NB. **AH** on path, brook on R. In 250m, at path JCN, bench on L, SP *Perimeter Walk*, **TR** X wooden FB. **AH** for 10m to path JCN. **TL**, SP *Perimeter Walk*. Pass bench on R. **AH** on winding path for 80m. Emerge into open area (Billesley Common).

**15.14 AH** on surfaced path uphill. Pass *Butterfly* NB on L. Keep **AH** (SP *Play Area & Outdoor Gym*) on path on edge of Common, passing gym equipment & play area on L. Emerge onto RD by building on R. **TL** thru car parks. **AH** into *Rugby Club* entrance. Follow access RD to Club House:

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**Total distance: 162.1 km / 100.7 miles Total ascent: 1999 m / 6562 ft**

**CONGRATULATIONS!!!**