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in February 1990.

VOLUNTEERS/HELPERS REQUIRED

Surrey Inns Kanteer (Jan 1 1990)
Keith Chesterton is organising this but may be unable to run it on the day.
Please contact him if you could take responsibility for the event on the day or
are willing to help.

Punchbowl Marathon (Feb 4 1990) and Surrey Summits (Mar 31/Apr 1 1990)
John Westcott or Jeff Ellingham (Wormley 3374) would like to hear from people
that can help out at either of these events.

Social Walks Leaders
The secretary would like to hear from people willing to lead social walks during
the period May 1990 to December 1990.

SOME PAST WALKS AND ACTIVITIES

WANDERING AROUND WOKING (report by Marvyn Harvey)

What we lacked in numbers, we made up in quality, as we had our Chairman, ex Chairman, Treasurer, and ex Treasurer. Tom found the flat mid Surrey country, hard to take, not a Munro for miles.

We set off westwards through Worplesdon, Harriet Wood, Henley Park, and through the ranges. A couple of miles along the Basingstoke canal eastwards brought us to Brookwood where a loop through the military cemetery brought us to our lunchstop at the Station Hotel. Then continuing our loop north through Bialley, Knaphill to Goldsworth Park.

We had our afternoon break (dont tell the rest) by the lake, and decided that walking was far easier than windsurfing. Through St Johns, the golf course, and back to the start. It was strange country for most of the party, me as well, I took the wrong turning after half a mile.

TURVILLE TRAVERSE (report by Tom Anderson)

On another sun drenched day of this sub tropical summer, the hardy seven assembled near the pretty village of Handledon to enjoy this lovely part of the Chilterns.

The morning passed quite swiftly, the full heat of the day was yet to come. It was a beautiful walk through beech woods and meadows (the leaves changing already) to Turville our lunch stop. Here our official beer taster, having restrained himself at Fingest (we passed through just after opening time), was allowed to quench his thirst and gave his approval of the real ale served.

After a long stop, the heat making it difficult to leave the shade of the village, the magnificent seven plus leader paraded off for aistas how. Our route took us to Crocker End and then by devious footpaths back to Handledon passing a very derelict church and an interesting round house on the way.

We all finished in fine style at the car park where we enjoyed cool melons and lemonade provided by my wife Anne.

Many thanks to all who came, you have survived another of your Chairman's walks!!

PLANNING MEETING SEPTEMBER 14

21 members attended. The Prince of Wales in Shore offered good facilities for our meeting. The location meant that some people travelled further than usual, others less. In a large county like Surrey it is difficult to find a location that is convenient for everybody.

The meeting mainly concentrated on discussing the programme and this appears later in the Newsletter.

Chris Steer, Tony Cartwright and Jeff Ellingham expressed concern that the previous meeting had removed the Winters Tanners from the programme for 1990 and that in future years it would alternate with the Funchbowl Marathon. They felt that major decisions like this should not be made at programme planning meetings where the views of the whole group would not be represented. They did not think that some of the arguments for this alternation were valid. They specifically argued that the events used different helpers and that both events were essential to the national LDWA calendar.

The Committee and other members of the meeting tried to answer these points. There are problems with helpers in view of the fact that the group runs at least 7 events over the year and there are not enough new helpers coming forward; the group would like to vary events and introduce new events but this cannot be done without changes to the existing programme. The Group does not have a constitution and decisions have often been made at programme planning meetings in the past.

A vote was taken on whether the decision of the previous meeting should be overturned. By a narrow majority of 6 to 5 with 10 abstentions it was decided to retain the decision of the previous meeting. However it was agreed that the subject should be discussed again at the AGM.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Annual Dinner

This will be held at The Hurtwood Inn Peaslake at 8pm on Saturday December 16 after the Hurtwood Hedonic Hike (see programme). Any member wishing to attend must book with the Secretary by November 24 using the booking form below. Numbers are restricted to 30 and bookings will be taken on a first come first served basis. Members may bring wives, husbands etc! There is a choice of menu (but you must choose when making your booking(s)) and the price of each meal is either £12 or £13.50 depending on your choice of main course. This price does not include wine/drinks. These may be ordered at the bar between 7.30 and 8. The bar will be open well before this for members who have completed the Hedonic Hike (which will finish about 8pm). In the past the hotel has made rooms available for members to change in, but they are not prepared to guarantee these this year. I shall be attempting last minute negotiations on this point. If you prefer drinking to driving you may like to stay the night at the hotel. The following discounted prices have been negotiated with the manager Mr. Da Costa for bed and full English breakfast and include service and VAT.

Single Room	£25
Double or Twin Room	£40
Double or Twin Room with bathroom en suite	£45

Bookings for rooms should be made direct with the hotel (The Hurtwood Inn, Watling Bottom, Peaslake, Guildford, Surrey, GU5 9RE Telephone 0306 730851) - mention the dinner to get our discount.

The AGM (Jan 11 1990)

There is not a definite agenda for the AGM at the present time, but the following items will appear.

There will be an election of officers i.e Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary and Events Secretary. The current officers are prepared to stand again but will willingly stand aside if any other nominations are forthcoming. Please let the Secretary know before the meeting if there are any other nominations.

The group's finances will be discussed. The membership fee will be reviewed and the Secretary will propose that it is increased to more accurately reflect the cost of producing and distributing the Newsletter 3 times a year.

The Challenge event programme and its future direction will be discussed. If you are not going to be at the meeting please let the Secretary know your views especially about alternating the Punchbowl Marathon and the Winter Tanners. It is hoped that those in favour of maintaining all the current events or introducing new ones will also volunteer to help at one or more of these events, this would make many of the arguments for nationalising the challenge event programme redundant. It would be helpful if some definite motions could be proposed so that a well structured debate can take place. Please note that a time limit may have to be placed on this debate to ensure that other items in the agenda get a fair amount of time.

The Secretary would welcome other topics/motions for discussion. Please let him have these before the meeting so that he can ensure they get a fair amount of time for discussion.

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PROGRAMME OCTOBER 1989 TO APRIL 1990

The organiser/leader of each walk/event is given in the heading line. Telephone numbers and addresses are on the first page of this Newsletter. Please enclose SAE with all written enquiries.

It cannot be guaranteed that social walks in the autumn and winter months will finish in daylight. Please carry a torch on these walks. It is also sensible to carry some food and drink, though our social walks normally include a pub stop at lunch time.

FRI-SUN WEEKEND IN ABERGAVENNY. PETER HUGHES
OCT 13-15

Last minute enquiries welcome but you may have to search around for accommodation.

SUN OCT 22 CRANLEIGH CIRCULAR. OS 166/187 COLIN WOOD

About 25 miles from Cranleigh recreation hall/swimming pool car park OS 259390. Start 9am. Colin is already volunteering to lead another walk after this one, please turn up and support his enthusiasm.

SUN OCT 29 COMMONS CLUMP. OS 174/184 CHRIS STEER

An annual classic from the President, about 12 miles from Chris's house OS 984611. Start 1.30pm. Please ring Chris in advance if you are coming; I believe this guarantees you a cup of tea and other goodies afterwards!

SUN NOV 5 CHILTERN PERSPECTIVE. OS 165 IAN HUNT

Between 20 and 25 miles from the car park at the rear of Waitrose in Berkhamsted OS 992079. Start 9am. Ian has kindly volunteered to show us some of his local Hertfordshire/Chiltern countryside. We are very keen to encourage new leaders, especially those offering new territory so lets have a good turn out for this walk.

SUN NOV 19 PATH CLEARANCE. OS 187 PETER HUGHES

Do your bit to keep the paths of Surrey in good condition. Meet 9.30am at White Downs car park OS 114494. Most of the work is likely to be vegetation clearance so bring bow saws and long handed pruners if you have them. However dont let lack of tools prevent you from coming, some will be provided. The nearest pub is at least a mile away so bring your own food and drink.

SUN NOV 26 MEON MEANDER. OS 185/197 TONY YOUNG

About 20 miles from Petersfield Station OS 743235. Start 9am. Walk will go up Butser Hill, down to the source of the river Meon, to East Meon (Butser Bitter) and back by Stoner Hill and Steep. Illustrated route sheet on the day.

SAT DEC 16 HURTHOOD HEDONIC HIKE. OS 186/187 PETER HUGHES

The annual Xmas bash. About 15 miles from Peaslake OS 086448, with coffee, lunch and afternoon tea stops! Bring torch. Start 10am. This is followed by dinner at the Hurthwood Inn (see elsewhere in this Newsletter for details). You may do the walk and/or attend the dinner, however dinner must be booked in advance.

WED DEC 27 WINTER WINDSOR WANDER. OS 176 RALPH HENLEY

About 15 miles from Royal Air Force Memorial Car Park GR 995718. Walkers 9am, runners 10am.

MON JAN 1 SURREY INNS KANTER. OS 186/187 KEITH CHESTERTON

13 or 20 mile Kanters between pubs. Start 0915-1100 from St Catherine's village hall, Chestnut Avenue, Guildford GR 992485. Finish by 1630. Enter on day only - fee in the range 10 - 60p depending on your age and associations! Bring maps 186 and 187, compass and pencil. Free tea and soup at the end.

THU JAN 11 AGM + PLANNING MEETING. OS 187 PETER HUGHES

At Prince of Wales, Esher, GR 072476. 7.30pm for 8. Come, make your views known.

SUN JAN 21 SW LONDON SURPRISES. OS 175 YONG CHOO TAI

About 18 miles from the windmill car park, Wimbledon Common GR 221725, (off the A219). Start 9am. See the many varied sights of SW London including Wimbledon Common, Richmond Park, Richmond upon Thames and New Gardens (small admission fee 25p?). You will be amazed how rural London can be.

SUN FEB 4 PUNCHBOWL MARATHON. OS 186 JOHN WESTCOTT

33 miles within 12 hours. Start 0730-0800 from Chichester Hall, Witley GR 948394. Entry £3 up to Jan 20; £5 thereafter and on the day.

SAT FEB ~~24~~ TOM'S TRUDGE. OS 175 TOM ANDERSON

About 20 miles from Englefield Green cricket pavilion (near Banley Mou pub) GR 991716. Start 9am. Mrs Chairman has agreed to supply refreshments at Cairn Dearg at finish. Ring Anne the week before so that catering can be planned.

SUN MAR 4 TANNERS WALKOUT. OS 186/187 JOHN WESTCOTT

30 miles from car park west of Leatherhead town centre GR 143566. Start 8am. A Social walk instead of the Winter Tanners to try out the 1990 Tanners. Will include a pub stop. Intention is to finish in 18 hours (excluding pub time).

SAT MAR 24 GODSTONE GAO. OS 187 RICHARD STOKES

Up to 20 miles from Godstone green GR 349515. Start 9am. Another new leader raring to be let off the leash, who looks forward to seeing assembled masses. The Secretary, not Richard, is to blame for the awful title of this walk.

SAT/SUN MAR 31/APR 1 SURREY SUPPITS. OS 186/187 JOHN WESTCOTT

The big one, 42.5 miles from Chichester Hall, Witley GR 948394. Obtain an entry form for full details.

SUN APR 22 CISSBURY CIRCUIT. OS 197/198 TONY YOUNG

22 miles on the South Downs from Storrington Rise car park GR 129077 signposted from the A24. Start 9am. Lunch break at Washington ('The swipes they take in at the Washington Inn' is the very best beer I know' H. Belloc). For illustrated route sheet see Strider 34 or turn up on the day for a revised edition.