LONG DISTANCE WALKERS ASSOCIATION. SURREY GP NEWSLETTER Oct 91

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PROGRAMME

Treasurer.

Sun 17 Nov Gillian's Jaunt Revisited. A 20 mile walk from Bourne car park (GR001678) OS176 near Virginia Water Station starting at 9am. Pub lunch. Leader Gillian Bull, Abbots Corner, Abbots Drive, Virginia Water, Surrey, GU25 4SE Tel 0344 842508. Tea afterwards. Please ring Gillian a couple of days before if you are coming.

Sun 24 Nov Path Clearance. A chance to do your bit to keep Surrey's paths open. Footpath 223 near the Sussex border south of Chiddingfold badly needs clearing through the wood at TQ972327, two stiles need new steps and a ditch needs a sleeper bridge. Sadly there is no pub within 2 miles, so you may like to bring your own food and drink. Arrangements for car parking have yet to be made. If you can come, please ring Tony Youngs any evening in November, preferably between 8 and 10pm. Tony Youngs, 17 Linkfield Lane, Redhill, Surrey, RHI 1JF, Tel 0737 778615.

Sat 14 Dec Xmas walk and dinner. Walk starts 10am from Peaslake (GR086448) OS186. About 15 miles, probably with morning coffee, lunch and afternoon tea stops. Dinner to follow in the evening at the Hurtwood Inn. Dinner must be booked in advance. Organiser Louise Cartwright, 12 East Meads, Guildford, Surrey, GU2 SSP Tel 0483 503768.

Fri 27Dec Winter Windsor Wander. OS 176. About 15 miles from Royal Air Force Memorial car park (GR995718). Walkers 9am, runners 10am. Details from Ralph Henley, 42 Metcalfe Rd, Ashford, Middlesex, TW1 51EZ.

Wed 1 Jan Surrey Inns Kanter. 20 and 12 miles from St Catherines Hall, Chestnut Av. Guildford (off Portsmouth Rd) GR 992485. Start 9.15 to 11.00. Finish by 16.30. Enter on day only. (70p adults, 50p OAP & UB40, 30p under 16. less 10p LDWA) Bring maps, OS 1:50,000 186 and 187; compass and pencil. Follow own route on new course between pubs. Organiser Keith Chesterton, "Firle", Chestnut Av., Guildford, Surrey, Tel 0483 63392.

Sun 12 Jan Winter Tanners. See attached form.

Thur 16 Jan AGM Prince of Wales, Shere (GR072476) 08186 7.30pm for 8.00.

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Sat 1 Feb Munroe Marathon. Evening slide show and talk by Tom Anderson who has completed all the Munroes. 7.30 pm. Methodist Church Hall, Victoria St, Egham, Surrey. Light refreshments. There will be a small charge. Tom Anderson Carn Dearg, 8 Laurel Av, Engelfield Green, Egham, Surrey, TN20 OQE Tel 0784 432507.

Sun 2 Feb Punchbowl Marathon. Details on attached form.33 mile event (or 15 which is open only to families of 33 milers or to early/late marshals). Offers of help to Jeff Ellingham, "Farthings", Wheeler Lane, Witley, Godalming Surrey, GUS 5QU Tel 0428 683374 please.

Sun 16 Feb Richard's Romp. 08.45. 20miles from Farnham Castle car park, GR838474. OS186. Richard Ireson, The Laurels, 54 Church Road, Crowthorne, Berks, RG11 7LX, Tel 0344 777444

Sat 29 Feb/ Sun 1 March Surrey Summits 100km Marshalls Walk. Phone Jeff Ellingham on 0428 683374.

Sun 22 Mar Cartwright's Crawl. 08.45. 20 miles from Haselmere Station (GR898331), OS186. Tony Cartwright (0483 503768)

Sat 4/ Sun 5 April Surrey Summits. Offers of help please to Jeff Ellingham on 0428 683374 or "Farthings", Wheeler Lane, Witley, Godalming, Surrey, GU8 5QU. Entry forms from Dave Challenger, 44 Agates Lane, Ashtead, Surrey, KT21 2ND. Please enclose sae.

Sun 26 Apr Ditchling Diversion. 22 miles on Roman Roads, field paths, a tow-path, the oldest railway in Sussex and downland tracks. Start 9am from the free car park behind Ditchling Village Hall (off Lewes Road, B2116; TQ327151). Illustrated route sheet in advance from Tony Youngs in April (please send sae) or on the day. OS198 or Pathfinder series 1288 + 1289. Tony Youngs (address under path clearance on 24 Nov). (Tony has included Pathfinder numbers because he has been bullying the OS to do something about their lack of marketing for Pathfinder maps which they complain make a large loss. I remember Wilf Lynham pushing the OS to produce a 25,000 tourist edition of the Surrey Hills about 15 years ago so Tony is not alone in identifying the need).

Material for next newsletter, offers of walks etc. always welcomed by secretary - preferably before the agm.

We have lost 18 high visibility jackets used by marshals on events. If you have one, please let any committee member know.

Tom Anderson has climbed all the Munroes - see 1 Feb. Congratulations to Tom and his understanding wife, Anne.

WANTED New treasurer. Liz deserves a break. Potential volunteers please contact any committee member.

Walk Report. A Heros Nike by Tom Anderson.

On a bright winter's day, the heroic walkers assembled to do the Heros Hike - some even coming from West Sussex, a real sign of dedication. The early part of the walk took us past Strathfield Saye, home of the Dukes of Wellington. Then on past water mills and an interesting private chapel to our lunch stop at Sherborne St John were more than half the heros enjoyed the delights of the Swan. After the pleasures of the cup, the fortified ramblers proceeded to Silchester Roman Town and enjoyed or suffered (Tom's word, not mine!) the leaders talk about it. All arrived safely at Stratfield Mortimer station, a little tired but culturally sated. Many thanks to all who came. A very enjoyable day.

Walk Report. A Railway Ramble by Tom Anderson.

A sub-tropical day was forecast for the 1 st of September and the weather men were dead right. It was warm when the intrepid walkers left Amersham station and it got hotter as the day progressed. Even the wheat fields were warm! We were all glad to reach the Blue Ball Inn at Ashridge to find a welcome drink there but no food. The leader had to share his lunch with two members who, like the leader, thought that food would be served on Sunday. After this unfortunate problem we continued over an interesting part of the Chilterns. On arriving at Cholesbury, our route took us past the village hall where the WI were holding a sale and serving tea, home made cakes and cream scones. This proved too great a temptation for all, particularly in the heat.

We drank tea supplied by Janet Chapman, Jam Tarts by Gillian Bull and cream scones purchased by Ian Hunt! This more than made up for any disappointment at the absence of pub food. After this

the walk down to Wendover Station was an anti-climax.

The train back to Amersham was on time. There Anne (Tom's wife) supplied cool drinks for all. Tom thanks all who came and the Chorlesbury WI for the unplanned refreshments.

The National Foundation for Sport and the Arts, announced by the Chancellor in the 1991 budget, is ready to consider financial support for sports projects. Information can be obtained from Grattan Endicott, National Foundation for Sport and the Arts, PO Box 666, Liverpool L69 4JN.

1997 will be the 25th LDWA Nundred miles. It is hoped to repeat the Downsman with the obvious need for organisers from Surrey, Sussex, Wessex and nearby. Any views welcomed by the committee now or at the AGM.

The 1992 Dunsfold Kanters had only 32 participants, less than half the number of the previous year. (This was a pity as I was on the 91 event and really enjoyed it - Richard). Those who came this year had a very enjoyable day with bright sunshine after dull and damp conditions for the start. This year saw a new route including a climb up to Hydons Ball followed by gentler countryside around Chiddingfold. Thanks to Kieth Chesterton, Brian Haigh, Karen Haigh, Perry Haigh and Fiona Haigh for the organisation.

Advance notice. We are considering a night walk in June. Suggestions to AGM or any committee member please.

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The Surrey Group are responsible for the breakfast checkpoint. It will be accommodated in the village of Cuxton near Rochester. The checkpoint which is at sixty miles will be open from 2200 hours on Saturday 23rd May until 1100 hours on Sunday 24th May.

Two halls are being used, the scout hut for baggage and first aid and the village hall for catering. The food is being supplied by the Kent group organisers, so all Surrey have to organise are the helpers

Janet Chapman is co-ordinating the Surrey helpers and is looking for about twenty four people to assist her with what she hopes will be a quality checkpoint. All you 'hundred' eventers will know that by sixty miles the need to be cherished is high and as at anyone time sixty people or more could be at the checkpoint in need of cherishing, the more helpers we have the merrier. Shifts could be organised if enough people volunteer.

All offers of help will be gratefully received by Janet on 0276 65169

Surrey Group Subscriptions

Subscriptions for 1992 are welcome now. Please complete this tear-off slip and return with £1 to Liz Higgins.

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