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NEWSLETTER
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Editorial

Again the Surrey Group have an action packed programme for the next few months with 26 events of various types. The group move 'overseas' for a walk on the Isle of Wight on the 9th July and there is a new challenge walk, the Surrey Tops Challenge on the 24th to 25th September. Ian McLeod is organising an interesting walk on the 27th to 28th August, a 71 mile walk to mark his 71st birthday, for details see below. Two long term events continue on their ways, the 5th part of the Downsman, on the 14th of August and the 5th part of the Surrey Border Path, on the 1st of October. One long term event finished in fine style on May 8th with celebratory drinks on Leith Hill, see cover page picture, and article. The traverse of all the 40 tops in Surrey over 150m in height started in June 2000 and took 7 social walks to complete. Like with all of these walks with a theme it will be only a matter of time before someone does the complete circuit non-stop. The thanks of the LDWA Surrey Group, and all long distance walkers, goes out to Keith Chesterton who identified the tops, and some are not so obvious, and devised the 7 walks.

With the Summer holidays pressing close it will be interesting to hear, on our Social Walks, stories of the interesting, unusual and challenging places visited by Surrey Group members .

A Septuagenarian's Shuffle 27th August

Distance; 71 miles. Explorer 145

Start; 8.00am Woking Station (S. side) GR 006586 or join me at 10.45 under Bridge St. Guildford (GR 993495) (8 miles), or join us for a pint at 'The Villagers' 12.30-13.30 (13 miles). Next stop 'Wotton Hatch' 16.30-17.00 (21 miles). Hourly bus service to Guildford or Dorking. (ETA Vincent St. GR 162488; 18.00hrs). Next contact with public transport is Reigate, 33miles to Station. (ETA Cockshot Hill GR 255494, 21.00hrs @ 2.66 mph or 20.36hrs @ 3mph from Dorking. Hopefully the latter, as the Fish and Chip shop closes at 21.00hrs! All walkers after this time, must be prepared to be self-sufficient. Next place for transport I guess will be Walton-on-Thames, 59miles. I hope we finish between 13.00 and 14.00hrs on Sunday, but remember THIS IS A SHUFFLE, a piece of birthday cake for those who complete the distance.

Contact; Ian McLeod; 01483 224142; mobile (available during walk) 077 099 78080

The Punchbowl. Sunday 13th February

In my opinion, an event account should not be simply a list of places visited. In doing so, it runs the risk of becoming a written video. It also tends to shackle the organisers to the particular route used. No, an event report should intrigue the reader; it should stimulate curiosity and entice them to participate next year.

The Punchbowl may best be described as a traditional LDWA challenge. The 30-mile course is well described in the route description. (There is a 20 mile option for those who sipped a little too well in the local hostelrys on the Saturday night). Refreshments on offer are simple, but adequate and the marshals patient, cheerful and helpful.

We make the Punchbowl a mini-holiday, for there is good food and excellent beer on offer at the Starr (Witley). A good night's sleep in the playgroup room at the Chichester Hall makes for a cracking start at the weekend. Where else can you get a bed in Surrey for £3 per night?

This year a glowering sky and falling barometer promised a wet day. In the event, this failed to fully materialize. We did have some rain, hail and even snow, but all interspersed with sufficient sunny intervals to make for an enjoyable, if windswept, day.

The Punchbowl is held in the Surrey Hills ANOB. For those who do not know the area, it is a mix of tamed, almost manicured, farmland, where the predominant crop appears to be equine, together with pine forest and apparently limitless sandy, heath. The heaths have a wild desolation quite surprising for an area so close to London. Even on a sunny day there is a feeling of solitude and sorrow reminiscent of a Thomas Hardy novel. The trackways cut vivid pale scars across the landscape, into the first snowstorm, I would not have been surprised had a Hardy heroine staggered out of the tress, cloak flying in the wind, off to meet her fate beneath some blasted oak.

Good company, good banter and the re-appearance of the sun lifted the mood as we continued to explore the hidden corners of Surrey. The Punchbowl provides surprises around almost every corner. The stocky Exmoor ponies grazing the amphitheatre of the Devil's Punchbowl oblivious of the traffic thundering along the A3 high above them (and of the walkers tramping round them). The quintessential English cottages hidden in woodland – each a home to cherish and obviously treasured. Though if I had a job that could pay that size of mortgage, I probably wouldn't want that sort of job! The heaths and commons with their many ponds, each the colour of tea. (Beware the peat bogs!). They were also surprisingly busy, for Surrey had been enticed by the sun to come out to play. We met hearty folk walking dogs, riding horses, golfing, biking and fishing. Sections of the route call for attention to the route description, for the commons and heaths are criss-crossed by numerous tracks and paths. Follow the distances and bearings with care, for they are accurate and they are there to help you. On a different event we have met the Army rescuing a soldier who had lain undiscovered in the gorse, having fallen and broken his ankle only twelve hours previously. Even so close to London it is possible to get into serious difficulties.

All too soon we were back at Witley. My people enthused over the hot showers (mixed bathing!). They said it was a great way to end a day. Personally I can do without clean water. The beans on toast went down well though.

Thanks to John Lay and his marshals, especially those manning the outdoor checkpoints, also those who devised, checked and described the route.

Parsley the Dog, 9986

The Punchbowl Marathon, Deja-vu?

This year's event (on Sunday 13th February) was the 37th, which must make it one of the longest surviving in the calendar. Surrey Group offered a straightforward formula of a traditional challenge walk in lovely surroundings with a choice of routes – 20 or 30 miles. I chose to do the 30-mile route knowing that it would bring back feelings of deja-vu for me at several points around the course. An early alarm call in Kent was necessary to make the 7.30am start at Chichester Hall, Witley and it was nice to see familiar faces, some of whom I can remember from when I first took up this challenge in 1982.

It was raining lightly as I set off and the first section of the route was the reverse of the last section of the Surrey Summits in 1982-1984. After crossing Lower House Drive, I descended some ancient ragstone steps by an equally ancient ragstone wall. How I remember struggling up these towards the end of the Summits all these years ago, when I was still in short trousers! Near Bodford Farm, I remember years' ago seeing a helicopter's landing pad but there was no sign of it now.

The sun came out after checkpoint 1 at Little Cowdray Farm, and I lengthened my stride along the bottom of the Devil's Punchbowl on a track used by this event before. I passed the delightful Gnome Cottage, which was used as a checkpoint on the Summits around 1989. Then, its tiny front room housed old sofas and a blazing log fire to warm my bones; this oasis was very difficult to leave at 4am with about 55 miles in the bag.

The track around the Punchbowl's rim and down the western side was familiar from previous excursions and a sudden snow blizzard hit me. It lasted about twenty minutes. I recalled times past in the night when my toes kicked hidden rocks in the depths of the gullies. My route up to the trig point on Kettlebury Hill reminded me of floundering through the sandy heaths, with paths in all directions, trying to locate the secret trig point in darkness on the Summits. In those days you had to find it, as there were questions to answer on the way round!

The airy ridge towards Tilford was used for army manoeuvres and I can recall hearing night-time firing in days of yore and hoping they weren't aiming at the walkers. The hall at Tilford and Crooksbury Hill brought back memories of my nocturnal sorties on the Summits. More sandy heathland tracks led to Warren Cottage on the edge of Puttenham Common. There was always a concealed bog (not the public convenience type!) next to the cottage, which I rarely managed to avoid. The Common was an easy place in which to become mislaid from your route (which I have done several times) but this daylight crossing showed its delights to the fore.

In Puttenham village shop, which one stayed open through the night to serve passing Summiteers, had sadly closed down and this year's Punchbowl didn't pass the bus shelter where I had an hour's sleep in 1984!

Ah, I remember the open braziers which used to warm us at the 'outdoor' checkpoint on the Summits. Now, however, after the last checkpoint on Elstead Common, I followed sandy tracks used on many previous Punchbowls, back across the A3 to return to Witley past the church.

This was a splendid walk and one which was well worth that early morning alarm call. Thank you for the deja-vu, Surrey Group

Keith Warman (3800), Kent Group

The Hangers Way Sunday 13th March

On a crisp March morning we started by scrapping the frost off the car windscreens and headed for Petersfield Station. There we left half of our cars and took the others to Alton Station. 23 walkers assembled to be led by Elizabeth Bryan and Molly Groundsell.

The Hangers Way is a 21 mile linear path from Alton to Queen Elizabeth Country Park. It runs through a series of steep-sided wooded hills know as *the hangers* (from the old English *Hangra* for wooded slope). The route is well waymarked (Hampshire County Council seem to look after these footpaths rather well!) and is marked on the sheet 133 Explorer map.

As we started the sun came through and a sunny spring day blessed the walk thereafter. The route is a delight and gives impressive views of the North and South Downs. The first section took us through rolling countryside where the remains of hop poles and square oast houses reflect Alton's past as a brewing town. We also saw the first lambs of the spring, some of which looked to be newly born. Then to Selborne, home of Gilbert White whose 1789 book, *The Natural History of Selborne*, was one of the first major studies of British natural history. We took coffee St Mary's Churchyard, passed White's museum and then to a hilly section to reach the Hawkley Inn. A range of good beers and quality food were enjoyed in our own backroom. Refreshed we went up Shoulder of Mutton hill, which some might have regarded as unsporting as a post-lunch climb! This was the hangers (and is also locally known as Little Switzerland). The top of the hill gave a rewarding vista across the downs and, passing Edward Thomas's *Poet's Stone*, we descended to Steep. A gentle stroll then took us back to Petersfield.

We did 16 miles of the full route (missing Bariton - the end of the South Downs Way extension- and QE Country Park). Returning to Alton Station we saw *The Watercress Line* steam trains in steam. It was good to see a few new faces join us this Surrey Group walk, they certainly saw the group at its best. For those who failed to join us, the walk could easily be undertaken at any time (and more information is available at www.hants.gov.uk/walking/hangers). Thank you Elizabeth and Molly.

Marshals and Friends Event Extravaganza 17th September

A thank you extravaganza, from the Surrey Group to all the Surrey Group is to be held

- WHY** to say thank you to all our members, helpers and friends for organising walks, organising events and hosting CPs
- WHEN** 17th September 2005; 1300hrs onwards
- WHERE** CHAPMAN TOWERS - 63 YOCKLEY CLOSE, CAMBERLEY, SURREY
- CONTACT** Janet and Reg on; 01276 65168, mobile 07770 807137
email: janet@the-chapman.co.uk

Please advise by end of August if coming so that enough supplies of rice pudding and grapefruit can be purchased

Please note. You will be comforted to know that all out of date provisions (over ten years old) have now been removed from the loft and disposed off.



Cheap day return to Epsom; 12th May 2005

On a bright sunny mid-May morning, seven Surrey Group members and Timber left the viewpoint on Epsom Downs for a 17 mile walk in a cold wind. The temperature was 12°C. Some wore gloves, while two brave gentlemen sported shorts and goose pimples. We were soon on the Roman road of Stane Street with the sun filtering through the trees on either side; by the time we reached Mickleham Down, some of us were warm enough to discard our top layer of clothing. As we climbed the grassy path up Box Hill, we had photo call from the chairman. Soon we all gathered near the top for our drinks stop. We watched swallows flying overhead and could see for miles with perfect visibility. We then followed the old Summits routes steeply down the south side of Box Hill to the pretty village of Brockham. We walked the Greensand Way passing the lovely church at Betchworth with all the blossoms looking stunning in the sunshine. By this time we had ignored at least three inviting pubs before we reached the Red Lion by the cricket ground, where we sat in the garden and enjoyed a well-earned drink and generous portions of food. It was on the Reigate Heath and the windmill, then seeing Colley Lane alas, we knew what was in store for us. Our leader called "Shall we go for it?" A reply came "No". But we did. The hill did not seem so hard as the previous time that I had climbed it and to my surprise, I was not the last up! It was a joy to sit on Colley Hill and cool off amongst masses of wild flowers, good company and perfect clear views across the horizon. This called for another photo from our cameraman. Walton Heath followed with the golf course on our left and then the pretty pond at Walton-on-the-Hill. We passed many coal-tax posts on both sides of the path and we approached Walton Down and later encountered an unavoidable cold shower as we crossed Epsom Downs, on through the tunnel and back to the car park where we could clearly see London in the distance. Than you John for a most enjoyable walk

Gillian Bull

Dorking Daunder; 2005 Version

Following a highly enjoyable, though, in retrospect, quite abnormal walk-out in terms of length (25 miles) and time (11 hours minus 1 hr 24 mins spent in the Plough at Coldharbour) with one of the originals, namely Ian McLeod, I decided to follow a shortened version on the day as this was supposed to be a SOCIAL walk and I certainly was not out to break any records.

It was very encouraging to have such a good turn out including three of the originals who were with Tony in April 1986, namely Richard Ireson, Dave Challegger and Ian McLeod (walk-out), especially as we also welcomed several friends from other Groups, one from Sussex and four from London. The first shortcut was made immediately after starting off when we headed due north across Denbies vineyards to pick up the North Downs Way at Westhumble. The Mole, by the Stepping Stones, was not exactly in full spate and most of us got over quite easily although the smallest member of the party decided to swim across, a very courageous short-legged, longhaired, corgi.

From our first vantage point, the trig point at Box Hill, we were able to see most of the route through the Mole Valley and Holmwood Common laid out before us. Following the old coach road, passing Betchworth Park Golf Course, turning south, passing Pondtail Farm, crossing the Greensand Way, continuing southwards passing numerous more farms, crossing and re-crossing the old London - Brighton railway line, all these landmarks probably very similar to the situation as it was nineteen years ago!

The second shortcut was made to avoid the swamps around Stockrydons and thereby skirting around the south of Holmwood village and picking up the original route by Arnolds Farm. Under the circumstances we made very good time and arrived at the Plough Inn in Coldharbour soon after noon. Here we enjoyed excellent food and to those of us, who appreciated real ale, then the very best is on tap here, they have their own Leith Hill Brewery now, and the Tallywacker (5.6%) is a must.

By now we had completed 12 miles and so we knew that the afternoon would be a pleasant stroll back to Dorking. Dave led us on the 'Floral Route' up to Leith Hill; this took in a number of viewpoints to the south, which surprisingly cannot be seen from the usual tourist area around the Tower, which was very popular on this particular afternoon. Here, half an hour after leaving the pub, we had our afternoon tea stop, very leisurely and very enjoyable.

The third shortcut was now taken, we headed north across Wotton Common, picking up the Greensand Way and then, just to make it more interesting, we climbed Ranmore via the steepest path which is just to the west of Spectacle Wood.

Apologies to Tony for not completing all of the original route but we did 20 miles of it, and judging by the comments afterwards, a good days walking was had by all.

Easter Sunday – 27th March Cocking Constitutional

On a bright but chilly morning, 21 intrepid souls set out from the Car Park above Cocking to enjoy a 22 mile invigorating walk, led by Dave Challenger. The group included our friends from Wessex, Elaine Edwards, son John and Grandson eleven year old Richard. Richard had come to test Long Distance Walking for himself, before he commits himself to walking hundreds. He has a lot to live up to as Elaine has completed 13 one hundred mile walks and holds the record as the oldest lady to complete a 100. I must stop embarrassing Elaine and return to the walk.

Dave Challenger has taken up the challenge (whoops) to revisit the route designed and led by Tony Youngs in 1979, now an elder statesman of the Surrey group. The walk is part of a series of walks enjoyed by early Surrey members of the LDWA (even before my time). The walk took us over Colwell Down to Bow Hill, where the morning break was taken. Behind the hillocks it was almost a heat wave, so much that when Ian McLeod, realised that the group was to be taken down dale to Kingsley Vale and return uphill to the same spot that he decided to enjoy 40 winks (well 40 minutes).

The culture visit to Kingsley Vale was well worth the effort, the National Nature Reserve contains the finest Yew wood in Europe. It also gives people the opportunity to view the animal droppings and guess the species that the droppings belong to.

After having collected Ian, the group continued on its way to Stoughton, as we reached Stoughton we were welcomed with a carpet of daffodils, heralding Spring and Easter Sunday. The Hare and Hounds was our lunch venue where it was warm enough to enjoy drinks and food outside and although having pre-ordered, after seeing the extensive menu, some changed their minds and made alternative selections.

The rest of the Edwards family were there to greet us and managed to convince young Richard that he had a blister and couldn't possibly walk any further (or was it Father John (not a priest).

After lunch it was a climb up and onto the Downs. We passed over Telegraph Hill, from where Up Park could be seen in the distance, we saw the Devil's thumb and viewed the Norman Church at Up Marden. The afternoon siesta took us to The Devil's Jumps, bronze-age hill barrows. After checking that Ian was with us we continued along the Downs back to Cocking.

Thanks to Dave and Tony



Tilford Trudge

24 March

We all gathered at the Village Green car park in Tilford early enough to watch the rest of humanity on their way to work. Not long after setting off towards Crooksbury Common Dave's mobile rang – it was news of the birth of his grandson Olaf. Congratulations Grandpa Dave!! and we carried on with springs in our respective step. The countryside by Elstead and the Wey was vibrant with Spring too and at our morning coffee stop by Forked Pond on Ockley Common we were greeted by a pair of Mute swans who had come across the lake to see us. Otherwise we met few people even on Thursley Common, the village too was deserted – no wonder they lost their pubs. Tony's route took us into the Devil's Punchbowl by a track which no-one knew down a gently sloping hillside before meeting the familiar stepped exit route used by various Summits and Punchbowl routes. Travelling south and upwards across the bowl we moved faster than the traffic grinding its way upwards on the distance road. By then our mind was on lunch at the NT Café. After a pleasant interlude in the sunshine we continued on along the Western edge of the bowl, down Hyde Lane and through ancient orchards taking us between two herds of Alpaca. One of these woolly wide-eyed creatures was lying prostrate – "ooh do you think its dead?" – only to see it rise and confound the nature lovers in our group. Thoughts of what should be done with a dead Alpaca quickly evaporated... Walking 15 miles brings on this kind of reverie; never having done a 100 I wonder what happens 90!! Devil's Jump next stop to admire the view across the 'Flashes' which we took in our stride and on the Kings Ride and the ridge barrows between the Frensham big and little ponds returning to Tilford through woodland that had been taken over by a pig farm.

It was a great day, excellent walking weather, loads of nature and back in time for tea! What more could you want. Many thanks Tony for organising and many thanks to my fellow walkers for their good company.

Barry Hobson – visiting from Germany.

The Final Surrey Tops

On May 8th, the Surrey Group summited the last of the 40 150m tops in Surrey.

A beautiful sunny day had 8 walkers set off from the side of Leith Hill, at Starvealls Corner, to start by going up the steep South face of Holmbury Hill, newly shorn to show off its fort. After we'd regained our breath, by the traditional route to Pitch Hill passing Woolpit Hill on the way. This is on private land, so, in accordance with the tops' rules, we went as close as we could by public path. Then to Pitch Hill, with its monument to Alan & Chris, the LDWA founders, Windmill Hill and Reynard's Hill.

There was a long gap to the next top, so to keep our hearts in trim, and to please Peter Waterhouse, we did the Winterfold switchback, and the climb to Radnor on the way to the King's Head at Holmbury St Mary. A good pint, or two, and good food, before another undulating route to Redlands summit (226m but NOT a top as it doesn't have a 10m drop all round it), often traversed on Surrey Summits.

On to Anstiebury Hill, just to the East of Coldharbour, not so far as I know, done before by Surrey Group, but with well trodden paths. A slight deviation round the back of it in pursuit of a different way to Coldharbour. Then on past the cricket pitch for another top, I call "Coldharbour Hill", 288m, before getting to the Everest of Surrey, Leith Hill - 295m.

Fortunately, unlike Everest, it has a delightful café, where I had deposited 2 bottles of sparkling wine the previous day. The Party then toasted the final top in the traditional way. As there were only 8 walkers, we each toasted it with 2 glasses!

Then downhill back to the start.

I organised 7 walks to do all 40, starting with the Haslemere group of tops in June 2000. A couple of mishaps delayed progress - I broke both my arms falling off my bike, and had to ask John Lay to lead the East Surrey group. And then, September last year, when I walked out that group myself so as to do them all, I developed Policeman's Heel! And so I had to postpone this Leith Hill walk to this May. It has taken 5 years to finish them. I'm the only person to do all 40, but the list is available - Email chestertonk@guildford.gov.uk - for anyone else to try.

We're putting on a selection of the tops on the Surrey Group's new challenge walk on September 24th/25th. John Lay will be seeking volunteer helpers.

Keith Chesterton

Group Programme

All are welcome to these walks. They last about 8 hours and are taken at a reasonable pace. Unless indicated, they always include a pub stop for lunch and sometimes a tea stop.

If you intend to go on a walk, please tell the organiser or leader beforehand

<p>Sunday 3rd July Distance: 20 miles Start: 9.00am; Grass verge opp. playing fields on B2146 Leader: Chris Haywood; Tel: 01428 722817</p>	<p>Harting Hobble Landranger 197 GR 780198</p>
<p>Saturday 9th July Distance: 19 miles Start: 9.45am; Ryde Esplanade (at other end of pier) Catch train from Woking 07.55hrs, Guildford 08.04hrs, arriving Portsmouth Harbour for KOW 09.07hrs, catch fast cat ferry from Portsmouth Harbour, 09.15hrs to Ryde Pier Head, 09.30hrs Pub and Café stop at The Barns Arreton Leaders: Janet and John Whiteman; Tel: 01983 296957</p>	<p>Isle of Wight Walkies Explorer OL29 GR 593929</p>
<p>Saturday 16th July Distance: 20 miles Start: 9.00am; Visitor Centre CP off B2145 Leaders: Peter and Elaine Edwards; Tel: 01243 262475</p>	<p>Strolling the Sussex Seaside Scenes Explorer 120 GR 857968</p>
<p>Saturday 23rd to Sunday 24th July Distance: 50 miles Start: 5.00pm; Witley Village Hall Leader: Tony Cartwright; Tel: 01483 503768, email Tony.Cartwright24@ntlworld.com Note: This is a self-supported walk (reflecting the main event) with 3 checkpoints at 13, 24 & 39 miles supplementing your own food. Bring torch & batteries to take you through the night. We shall walk as a single group with a route description distributed at the start. You MUST let Tony know if you are coming by July 20th at the latest.</p>	<p>Surrey Tops Marshals Walk Explorer 133, 145, 146 GR 948394</p>
<p>Thursday 28th July Distance: 15 miles Start: 10.15am; Pangbourne CP (guy and display) on A329 Joint walk with Thames Valley Group - Pub or picnic lunch Leaders: Avril Stapleton; Tel: 01344 776621, Peter Saunders; Tel: 01895 230730, Mobile 0774 777 3842</p>	<p>A Trip to Stanford Dingley Landranger 175 GR 634765</p>
<p>Sunday 7th August Distance: 20 miles Start: 9.00am; Newlands Corner CP Leader: John Dixon; Tel: 0208 6433166</p>	<p>South Again Explorer 145 & 146 GR 044492</p>
<p>Sunday 14th August Distance: 20 miles Start: 9.00am; CP on B2139 SW of Amberley Fifth in the series of the 1997 Downsman 100 Walk Leader: Janet Chapman; Tel: 01276 65169, mobile 07770 807 137</p>	<p>Downsman Revisited Part 5 Explorer 121, Landranger 197 GR 010112</p>
<p>Wednesday 17th August Distance: 15 miles Start: 9.30am from Ashurst House, Ashurst Drive, Box Hill Tea with Barbara Mardie afterwards. Please advise if coming Leader: John Lay; Tel: 01932 346596</p>	<p>Mike's Mogador Meander Landranger 187 GR 198519</p>

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<p>Saturday 27th August Distance; 70 miles Start; Details in Summer Newsletter Leader; Ian McLeod; Tel: 01483 224162 A walk to celebrate Ian's 70th birthday</p>	<p>The Septuagenarian's Shuffle</p>
<p>Saturday 3rd to Tuesday 6th September Distances: Variable Start; Saturday pm. Further details from organiser Walker's accommodation at HF Hotel, Corwy, North Wales The walks programme will include four walks within Snowdonia National Park Organiser; Molly Grouseell; Tel: 01483 762843</p>	<p>Autumn 4-Day Event Outdoor Leisure 17</p>
<p>Sunday 18th September Distance; 12 or 20 miles Start; 8.00am; Tilford Village Hall Organisers; Tony and Louise Cartwright; Tel: 01483 503768 Entries on day only. See Strider Events Diary for further details</p>	<p>Tilford Kanter Explorer 145 GR 873433</p>
<p>Thursday 22nd September Start; 7.30pm; The Parrot, Shalford Supper afterwards. Please inform John if coming John Lay; Tel: 01932 346596</p>	<p>Planning Meeting & Supper</p>
<p>Saturday 24th to Sunday 25th September Distance; 50 miles Start; 5.00pm; Witley Village Hall Organiser; Keith Chesteron; Tel: 01483563392 See Strider Events Diary for further details</p>	<p>Surrey Tops Challenge Landranger 186 GR 948394</p>
<p>Saturday 1st October Distance; 20 miles Start; 8.45am; CP of B269 Lingsfield Chart Tea at finish. Please advise leader if coming Leader; Jerome Ripp; Tel: 0208 5462830</p>	<p>Surrey Border Path, No. 5 Landranger 187 GR 432516</p>
<p>Wednesday 19th October Distance; 22 miles Start; 9.30am; Alton Train Station Lunch at The Choquers, Well Leader; Don Bolton; Tel: 01483 569144, mobile 07837 167378</p>	<p>Alls Well That Ends Well Explorer 144 GR 723397</p>
<p>Sunday 6th November Distance; 20 miles Start; 9.00am; St Catherine's Hill, park in Chestnut Avenue Leader; Tony Cartwright; Tel: 01483 503768</p>	<p>The Inns Path Explorer 145 GR 992485</p>

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<p>Saturday 16th July Distance; 20 miles Start; 9.00am; Visitor Centre CP off B2145 Leaders; Peter and Elaine Edwards; Tel: 01243 262475</p>	<p>Explorer 120 GR 857968</p>	<p>Strolling the Sussex Seaside Scenes</p>
<p>Saturday 23rd to Sunday 24th July Distance; 50 miles Start; 5.00pm; Witley Village Hall Leader; Tony Cartwright; Tel: 01483 503768, email Tony.Cartwright24@ntlworld.com Note. This is a self-supported walk (reflecting the main event) with 3 checkpoints at 13, 24 & 39 miles supplementing your own food. Bring torch & batteries to take you through the night. We shall walk as a single group with a route description distributed at the start. You MUST let Tony know if you are coming by July 20th at the latest.</p>	<p>Explorer 133, 145, 146 GR 948394</p>	<p>Surrey Tops Marshals Walk</p>
<p>Thursday 28th July Distance; 15 miles Start; 10.15am; Pangbourne CP (pay and display) on A329 Joint walk with Thames Valley Group - Pub or picnic lunch Leaders; Avril Stapleton; Tel: 01344 776621, Peter Saunders; Tel: 01895 230730, Mobile 0774 777 3842</p>	<p>Landranger 175 GR 634765</p>	<p>A Trip to Stanford Dingley</p>
<p>Sunday 7th August Distance; 20 miles Start; 9.00am; Newlands Corner CP Leader; John Dixon; Tel: 0208 6433166</p>	<p>Explorer 145 & 146 GR 044492</p>	<p>South Again</p>
<p>Sunday 14th August Distance; 20 miles Start; 9.00am; CP on B2139 SW of Amberley Fifth in the series of the 1997 Downsman 100 Walk Leader; Janet Chapman; Tel: 01276 65169, mobile 07770 807 137</p>	<p>Explorer 121, Landranger 197 GR 010112</p>	<p>Downsman Revisited Part 5</p>
<p>Wednesday 17th August Distance; 15 miles Start; 9.30am from Ashurst House, Ashurst Drive, Box Hill Tea with Barbara Maedle afterwards. Please advise if coming Leader; John Lay; Tel: 01932 346596</p>	<p>Landranger 187 GR 198519</p>	<p>Mike's Mogador Meander</p>

Group Programme

All are welcome to these walks. They last about 8 hours and are taken at a reasonable pace. Unless indicated, they always include a pub stop for lunch and sometimes a tea stop.

If you intend to go on a walk, please tell the organiser or leader beforehand

<p>Sunday 13th November Distance; 18 miles Start; 8.45am; Arena Leisure Centre, Lingfield Leader; Jackie Barker; Tel: 01883 344410</p>	<p>Jack & Ted's Round 18 Landranger 187 GR 394432</p>
<p>Saturday 19th November Distance; 17 miles Start; 9.30am; Dianna Fountain CP, Bushey Park A gentle walk through the Royal Parks & Thames Path. Café lunch Leader; Dave Challenger; Tel: 01372 277138</p>	<p>Richmond Roundabout Explorer 161 GR 160693</p>
<p>Saturday 10th December Distance; 15 miles Start; 9.00am The Parrot, off A248, Shalford Organisers; Tony & Louise Cartwright, Tel: 01483 503768 Dinner at 7.30pm The Parrot. Please book early with Louise. Walk Leader; Mervyn Harvey, Tel: 01798 344309</p>	<p>Christmas Walk & Dinner Landranger 186 GR 997468</p>
<p>Tuesday 27th December Distance; 12 miles Start; 9.00am, walkers; 10.00am runners; RAF Memorial CP, Coopers Hill Road, Englefield Green. Organiser; Ralph Henley; Tel: 01784 252104 (MAYBAC Running League) Small charge for route description</p>	<p>Windsor Winter Wander Landranger 175 GR 996748</p>
<p>Monday 2nd January 2006 Distance; 12 or 20 miles Start; 9.00 to 10.00am; St Catherine's Village Hall, Guildford Organisers; Molly Groundsell, Elizabeth Brynn See Strider Events Diary for further details</p>	<p>Surrey Inns Kuster Explorer 145 GR 992485</p>
<p>Sunday 8th January Distance; 20 and 30 miles; Start; 7.30 to 9.30am; Leatherhead Municipal CP Organiser; Barry Harrison; Tel: 0208 9491547 See Strider Events Diary for further details</p>	<p>Winter Tanners Explorer 145, 146 GR 163567</p>
<p>Wednesday 11th January Start; 7.30pm; The Parrot, off A248, Shalford Supper afterwards Please pre-book with John Lay. Tel: 01932 346596</p>	<p>AGM GR 997468</p>
<p>Saturday 21st January Distance; 20 miles; Start; 8.00am; CP at Church Lane, Witley Leader; John Lay. Tel: 01932 346596 There is no pub stop for lunch. This walk is self-supporting; bring adequate food and drink</p>	<p>Punchbowl Marathon Marshall's Walk Landranger 186 GR 947397</p>
<p>Sunday 12th February Distance; 20 and 30 miles in 10 hours; Start; 7.30am walkers, 8.30am runners/joggers Organiser; John Lay; Tel: 01932 346596 See Strider Events Diary for further details. Offers of help with marshalling urgently needed, contact organiser.</p>	<p>Punchbowl Marathon Landranger 186 Witley Village Hall GR 947394</p>

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