**Petersfield to Rowlands Castle, Saturday 22nd August 2015**

6 walkers, 19 miles – leader Peter Buchwald

Mushrooms grew in the grass of the fields  
And blackberries ripe for the picking  
Quaint country paths of Victorian times  
A torrid walk up Butser Hill's chalk slopes.  
  
That old early Norman church in the village  
Fields laid out in colourful patchwork  
Cooling Easterly breezes under the trees  
Earthy fields where wheat had been harvested.  
  
Old Idsworth church in the middle of a plain  
Its ancient wall paintings, once whitewashed.  
Gathering clouds a portent of autumnal rains  
A friendly beer festival at walk's end.

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