**Dorking Circular, Saturday 1st February 2020**

15 walkers, 18 miles – leader Jerome Ripp

Peter Buchwald was indisposed so I took over this walk, my 99th lead for the group with vital technological route-finding support from Ian Fairweather. Glorious early spring sunshine, daffodils and great views. Peter had kindly sent me the GPX files but I varied the route quite considerably. From Dorking we took the Pilgrims Way trackway below Denbies vineyard and the Downs which gave us a mud free start rather than the muddy North Downs Way. Wotton estate and great view across the valley to the isolated church. The Greensand Way south to Leith Hill gave us the opportunity to revel in plenty of muddy trails. A welcome cuppa by the tower and across to The Plough Inn at Coldharbour for lunch. A new path for everyone took us around Anstiebury hill fort then over to south Holmwood church, the substantial Holmwood Common and North Holmwood church. A final climb and great view on part of the Deepdene trail then back to Dorking.

Photographs by Ian Watson; more by Ian on the group Facebook site.