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**LONG DISTANCE WALKERS ASSOCIATION**

**KENT GROUP**

**The Cinque Ports Hundred**

**100-mile CHALLENGE WALK – MAIN EVENT**

**26th, 27th & 28th May 2018**

**CHECKPOINT OPENING TIMES WILL BE STRICTLY ADHERED TO**

**TIME LIMIT – 48 HOURS**

***Welcome to the Cinque Ports Challenge Walk.*** Please ensure that your check card number is recorded at each checkpoint. Entrants who arrive at checkpoints after closing time will be retired. However, if necessary, each checkpoint will remain manned after closing time in an attempt to account for everyone. It is therefore important that anyone wishing to retire does so at a checkpoint. If this is not possible, then the organisers must be notified giving your name and walk number, without delay. Under no circumstances should anyone retire without ensuring that the organisers are informed.

***CARE – roads with no pavement – follow Highway Code Rule 2 – walk on right hand side except when approaching RH bend where cross to left then back again when round corner.***

***CARE – open sewers – the route crosses and follows many drainage ditches with varying widths, depths and vegetation.*** ***If lost, retrace steps - DO NOT attempt to cross other than at a bridge.***

***In accordance with the historical theme of this event, the route visits the five original Cinque Ports of Hastings, New Romney, Hythe, Dover and Sandwich, the two Ancient Towns of Rye and Winchelsea plus the limbs (associated towns) of Tenterden, Lydd, Folkestone and Deal. Necessarily, it will pass through many residential areas; please be as quiet as possible in these areas at night - thank you.***

**GOOD LUCK!**

 **Compass bearings are figures in brackets, e.g. (230°)**

**Abbreviations (alphabetically): ahd**—ahd; **BL**—bear left; **BR**—bear right; **bw**—bridleway; **cnr**—corner; **cont**—continue; **CP**—Checkpoint; **ECP**—England Coast Path; **encl**—enclosed; **EVW**—Elham Valley Way; **fb**—footbridge; **fld**—field; **fllw**—follow; **FL**—fork left; **fp**—footpath; **f‑post**—finger-post; **FR**—fork right; **GR**—grid reference; **immed**—immediately; **jcn**—junction; **kg**—kissing gate; **L**—left; **LF**—left fork; **LH**—left hand; **LHS**—left hand side; **LMG**—large metal gate; **LWG**—large wooden gate; **NDW**—North Downs Way; **opp**—opposite; **R**—right; **rd**—road; **RF**—right fork; **RH**—right hand; **RHS**—right hand side; **RMC(P)**—Royal Military Canal (Path); **SO**—straight on; **SMG**—small metal gate; **SSW**—Saxon Shore Way; **SWG**—small wooden gate; **thru**—through; **tk**—track; **TL**—turn left; **TR**—turn right; **wmk**—waymark; **X**—cross; **yds**—yards.

**Sussex Coast College, Station Approach, Hastings, East Sussex TN34 1BA (GR TQ 815 096)**

***After a welcome from Admiral the Lord Boyce, Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, you will be asked to make your own way to the start of the event on the seafront, with marshals marking the way. Your route will be as follows:***
*From the college entrance,* ***TL*** *across pavement and* ***descend*** *steps to R of pharmacy.* ***Ahd*** *to* ***X*** *rd at traffic lights (****CARE!****), then* ***go L****&****R*** *to* ***pass*** *Priory Meadow on L.* ***Ahd*** *on flat cobble and* ***SO*** *thru precinct.* ***FR*** *to R of Town Hall (old stone building).* ***SO*** *thru wide flat-cobbled area, then* ***pass*** *to L of toilets.* ***SO*** *to go down slope into underpass.* ***BslightlyR*** *thru underpass, then* ***TL*** *up steps to* ***TR*** *onto* ***Hastings Promenade*** *and assemble at the* ***START***. **GR TQ 817 093**

**LEG 1 – HASTINGS TO PETT LEVEL
6.5 miles 994ft ascent 1003ft descent**

***The first 100yds of the walk will be led by Kent LDWA Life President Brian Buttifant.***

**1.1 Ahd** with main rd on your L and in 100yds*,* ***(where Brian will step aside),*** **BR** with promenade away from rd. In 400yds *(after playground),* **BL** with promenade then **BR** on pavement alongside main rd. **Fllw** this broad pavement and in 350yds, immed before the Dolphin PH on L, **TL** to **X** rd. ***At this* *road crossing, and then until the top of the steps, there is likely to be some delay. Please have patience and follow the directions of the marshals – thank you****.* **Ahd** up Tamarisk steps and at f-post *(East Hill)*, **TR**, still up steps. At top, **TL** for 25yds, then **TR** up *(many)* more steps and **fllw** to the top to **reach** the open space of East Hill (**GR TQ 828 096**). **SO** on gravel fp, then **ahd** across open grass (50°) towards distant bench. **Cont** between clumps of gorse, then **X** more open grass (still 50°) to **reach** map board. **GR TQ 833 100**

**1.2 Exit** park onto gravel tk and soon **pass thru** barrier. **SO** on tarmac access rd. In 100yds, **TR** thru gap in hedge. **BL** thru trees, then **along** LHS of grass space for 300yds, to **pass** wmk on L and **reach** wmk-post on R. **Cont** (60°) thru bushes and in 100yds **join** path from R. In 10yds **reach** X-paths and dog bins. **TR** between wooden posts. **Ahd** thru bushes/trees on worn path which soon starts descending. **X** section of fenced boardwalk and **SO** to **BL** thru X-paths, passing mileage post on R. **Cont** thru bushes(70°) for 625yds on this well-worn path to later **pass** reservoir, visible to your L. **Keep ahd** thru wood, with steep drop on your L, to **reach** next mileage post on R. **GR TQ 844 108**

**1.3** **TR** up rock‑slabbed path *(sign: Barn Pond)*. **Emerge** into open and **SO** with fence on R. **X** another short section of boardwalk and **SO** past mileage post on R. **Thru** kg to R of LMG and **SO** *(path now encl)* to **reach** T‑jcn by mileage post and bench seat (**GR TQ 848 105**). **TL** and **fllw** path downhill, soon down steps with railing. **Pass** another mileage post and **keep ahd** downhill on main worn path. At next mileage post on L, **FR** downhill with fence on R to bottom *(Fairlight Glen)*. **GR TQ 852 107**

**1.4 Ahd** over bridge, thenuphill, fence still on R. **Fllw** path to L, then to R and soon **BL** upsteps to emerge from trees. **Cont** uphill on grass path thru bracken. At seat, **BL** with path, still thru bracken, soon bracken/trees. At post on R *(hidden until you reach it)*, **TR** up steps. At top, **thru** bushes and into open. **SO**, fence on L, then **down** steps into trees. **Swing R** with steps, then **BL** pastanother mileage post and **thru** kg. **SO** thru bracken/trees, then **SO** on worn path downhill. **Pass** another mileage post on L and at bottom, **ahd** over fb (*Warren Glen*). **GR TQ 857 110**

**1.5 Fllw** the worn path **ahd** as it winds uphill, then **up** steps with railing. At top of steps at T‑jcn by mileage post, **TR**. **Keep ahd**, gently uphill, occasionally up steps. Near top, **thru** kg, then **BslightlyR** (70°) with radar scanner to your L. **Ahd** with fence on R, then **BR** on worn path downhill. At end of fence, **BL** to **keep ahd** on this obvious worn path, heading broadly eastward to **pass** two benches and, later, wmk‑post on L. **Cont** and **rejoin** fence and **BR** downhill. When fence ends, **BL** to **cont** on path to **reach** barrier. **BL** to wmk‑post and **BR** thru kg. **Ahd** between fences, passing houses on L, then **SO** on gravel rd to **reach** parish council notice board on R. **GR TQ 875 115**

**1.6** **TL** on Shepherds Way, then **take** first R *(Bramble Way)*. Where tarmac turns L *(sign: Except for access)*, **SO** into Rockmead Road. **Fllw** rd as it bears L and R, then turns L to **reach** T‑jcn. **TR** into Lower Waites Lane and **keep ahd** on this residential rd, ignoring all side turnings, thru to rd end *(sign: Unsuitable for motor vehicles)*. **SO** on narrow fp past barrier and at SSW f‑post, **BR** with fence on L. **Fllw** this encl path round bends, then uphill, LHS open area. **Up** steps then **SO**, fence on L. **BR** with fence, then **into** bushes. **Keep ahd** on this semi‑open fp to **pass thru** trees with sea‑view to R. **Fllw** path, with gardens to L, as it soon starts descending. **Fllw** right down to bottom, **TL** and in 5yds, **reach** rd at Pett Level. **GR TQ 887 134**

**1.7 TR** along rd. ***CARE – single file on RHS when traffic approaches.*** In 150yds, **reach**marked Xing point ***(! toilets on R here – none at CP1)***. **X** rd toRMCP f‑post opp and **ahd** on gravel drive with canal on your R. In 180yds, **TR** across canal bridge, then **TL** to resume with canal now on your L. In 800yds, **TR** into

**CHECKPOINT 1 – Pett Level** *(****in open – no toilets****)***GR TQ 894 139 6.5 miles Opens Sat 11.20 Closes Sat 16.00**

**LEG 2 – PETT LEVEL TO RYE
5.7 miles 246ft ascent 207ft descent**

**2.1** From CP, **cont** along RHS canal. **X** concrete X‑tk and **SO** on vehicle tk. **Keep ahd** on tk and in approx one mile, **X** stile to R of fld gate. **Keep ahd** for approx half a mile to **find** concrete bridge on L. **TL** thru LWG and **X** canal *– route now leaves the SSW.* **Ahd** across fld, then **thru** LWG. **SO** towards trees and **fllw** fld‑edge up to gates. **Thru** small gate *(please close)* and **TR** on rd. **GR TQ 899 163**

**2.2** At RH bend in rd *(30yds before arch)*, **TL** thru wooden gate *(please secure)*. **TR** along RHS fld and **fllw** fence to cnr (wmk‑post). **Thru** kg and **ahd** to L of large willow. **BslightlyR** (40°) across slope to gate in middle of fence on R. **X** encl path via two stiles and **BL** (20°) up next fld to **X** stilein wall. **X** rd and **TR** on tarmac fp on opp verge. **Fllw** to L (with rd) and later, **pass** toilets (may be open) on R. **SO**, keeping to LH pavement, to **reach**, by RH bend in rd, The New Inn PH at Winchelsea. **GR TQ 904 174**

**2.3 X** rd ahd and **SO** on residential rd. At X-rds, **TL** and **fllw** to busy main rd (A259). **X** rd ***WITH GREAT CARE*** and **SO** on minor rd. At end, **ahd** thru small gate between two larger ones. **SO** over mound with trig and beacon, then **BR** down to gates. **Pass** to L of gates and **TR**. **Fllw** RHS fld downhill (320°), becoming sunken, bank on R. **Swing R** with sunken channel to small gate. **Thru** gate and **ahd** RHS fld with wood on R. At cnr, **TR** thru gate and **X** bridge. **Ahd** on encl path, going thru another gate. At concrete, **ahd** to **X** stile by gate and **reach** main rd (A259) at sharp bend. **GR TQ 903 178**

**2.4 TL** on verge and in 10yds, **TL** on rd *(sign: Winchelsea Station)*. **Ahd** on rd and in 180yds, **X** bridge with white railings. Immed after bridge, at f‑post, **TR** (80°) on fp across fld. In 80yds, **pass thru** space between three hedges and **BL** (30°) with path across fld. **X** fb and **cont** (still 30°) across next fld. At small ditch on R, **BR** (40°) with path. Where ditch joins from L, **BL** along RHS ditch. **Ahd** with ditch on L to **reach** fb on L. **GR TQ 909 186**

**2.5 BL** to **X** fb, then **BR** (45°) across rough pasture. **X** fb and **SO** with ditch on L. **X** stile next to gate and **SO** on broad grass tk, ditch still on L. **Keep ahd** on tk, keeping ditch on L. At old gateposts on L, **fllw** fp/tk as it veers R away from ditch/fld edge. At cnr, **thru** SWG and **ahd** on rough vehicular rd, soon passing house on L. **BR** with rd and **fllw** thru to main rd in Rye *(Ancient Town).* **GR TQ 917 202**

**2.6** **TL** on pavement and **fllw** to R with rd. At zebra Xing, **TR** to X rd, then **BL** for 40yds to **X** rd at next zebra Xing. **TR** on pavement opp and in 60yds, immed after Rye Heritage Centre, **TL** on rd. **SO** over Wish Ward *(X-rds)* and **SO** uphill into cobbled Mermaid Street *(smoother footway on L)*. At top *(West Street)*, **TR** then **BL** to keep L beside railings to **reach** church main door. **TL** into Lion Street and **TR** into Market Street. Keep to RH pavement as it bears L into East Street, and downhill to T-jcn. **X** rd ½R to **TL** down cobbled rd *(Conduit Hill - smoother footway on R).* **TR** into

**CHECKPOINT 2 – Rye Community Centre
GR TQ 921 205 12.2 miles Opens Sat 12.50 Closes Sat 17.50**

**LEG 3 – RYE TO WITTERSHAM
6.7 miles 508ft ascent 404ft descent**

**3.1** From CP, **TL** and in 15yds, **TR** downhill. At rd, **WITH GREAT CARE , X** and **ahd** on Rope Walk on RH pavement. **Over** level Xing, **X** rd and **cont** on LH pavement. Immed before 20mph sign, **TL** on Love Lane, Rye Academy on L. At end of rd, **go thru** kg beside LWG and **SO** on tarmac drive. Atfarm on R**,** **BL**&**R** with tarmacand **ahd** on grass, passing to L of wmk‑post *(****ignore*** *fp to R, uphill)*. **Pass thru** LMG and **ahd** *on HWLT* (250°) to **join** River Tillingham on L. **GR TQ 915 210**

**3.2 Ahd** to BLwith river, going thru LMG. **BR** (240°) with ditch on R. **Fllw** ditch as it swings R to pass LMG on R, then **ahd** (310°) to **go thru** LMG*.* **BL** (270°) across rough meadow to large tree. **Fllw** raised bwand **go thru** LMG with wmk‑post. **Fllw** RHS fld passing isolated barn and **ahd** to **X** fb. **SO** up next fld with fence on R. **Thru** LMG and **cont** uphill (300°) to **reach** bw wmk-post on R. **Join** tk from R, **BL** and **pass under** oak tree. **SO** on tk uphill, to **pass** brick building and **go thru** RH LMG. **SO** on tk and in 670yds, **pass thru** farmyard. **SO** for 540yds to **reach** rd. **GR TQ 888 218**

**3.3 BR** across rd to **X** stile opp. **BL** (320°) across fld to **find** kg. **Thru** kg and churchyard (280°) to **go thru** further kg. **Fllw** path (320°) across crop-fld for 200yds *(aim 15yds to L of further power‑pole)*. **BslightlyR** (340°) to far side of fld. **X** tk and **SO** past stile in treeline, then **X** fb. **BR** up slope to **emerge** into fld. **Ahd** (0°) across crop-fld with power‑line on R. At far side, **BR** with path, downhill, with tree-line on L. At post, **TL** thru gap to rd. **TR** on rd and at RH bend, **TL** over stile next to LWG *(red-tiled house beyond)*. **Ahd** on gravel drive and in 70yds, by LWG, **SO** to L of wmk‑post on encl fp. **X** stile and **ahd**, LHS fld (*HWLT*), hedge on L. In cnr, **X** stile and **SO**, LHS next fld. At cnr, **thru** gap ahd and **TR** RHS next fld, downhill. 40yds before cnr, **X** stile in hedge on R, then **TL** on grass, hedge on L, downhill. **X** minor rd and **BR** still beside hedge to **reach** main rd (A268). **GR TQ 883 231**

**3.4** **TL** on pavement and in 80yds, at f‑post, **TR** to **X** rd into concrete drive. **Pass between** farm buildings ***(! noisy dogs)***, then **pass** to L of LMG. **SO** on grass tk, LHS fld. At 2nd power‑pole on L *(at end of hedge/weeds)*, **FL** on path uphill (350°) in fld on L. At top, **X** grass tk, passing to L of wmk‑post. **SO** (30°) over rough ground, to join wire fence on your R and **find** plank bridge *(with wmk‑post)* on your L. **TL** across bridge and **ahd** (350°) down fld *(aim at pylon)*. **Pass** to L of pylon to **reach** edge of fld at wmk‑post on fb in tree-line. **X** bridge and **BL** (290°) across small fld to **reach** LMG by farm. **Thru** gate and in 20yds, **TR** thru double metal gates *(may be open)*. **Ahd** (350°) across meadow to **go thru** LMG *(with wmk)* in tree‑line. **Ahd** (0°) up fld to **pass thru** LMG and **TR** on rd. **GR TQ 881 247**

**3.5 Ahd** on rd and in 1000yds, **X** bridge over the River Rother *(you are now in Kent)*. In further 400yds, at RH bend in rd, **pass** white-boarded house and, just beyond, at HWLT f‑post, **TL** over stile and **ahd**, RHS fld, fence on R. At fld-cnr,thru LMG and **SO**, RHS meadow, still with fence on R. At cnr, **X** plank bridge and stile and **SO** on encl fp. ***CARE – animal burrows in path****.* At end of encl path, **thru** gap in fence and **TR** on grassy X-tk. In 25yds, **X** stile to L of LH LWG. **Ahd** (60°) up meadow and, near top LH cnr, **X** stile into orchard. **Ahd** (50°) along LHS and in 180yds, **find** HWLT wmk‑post, leaning on tree. **TR** on broad grass strip with tall wind-break hedge on your L. In 50yds, **TL** thru ‘arch’ in hedge, then **BR** (80°) on diagonal path thru orchard. **Reach** cnr, at HWLT wmk‑post, and **exit** orchard thru iron kg. **TR** on tarmac tk and **fllw** thru to rd *(opp church)* at Wittersham. **X** rd, **TL** on pavement opp and in 340yds, **TR** into

**CHECKPOINT 3 – Wittersham Village Hall
GR TQ 900 271 18.9 miles Opens Sat 14.40 Closes Sat 19.50**

**LEG 4 – WITTERSHAM TO TENTERDEN
5.9 miles 328ft ascent 282ft descent**

**4.1** From CP, **X** rd and **TL** on opp pavement, *retracing route in.* In 340yds at f‑post (*opp church*), **TR** on tarmac fp *(soon joining HWLT)*. At metal gates, **BR** between fences with cemetery on your L. **Down** steps thru trees, **X** fb, then **up** steps. **X** stileand **ahd**, LHS fld with wire fence on L. At far LH cnr, **X** stileand **SO. X** fb and **SO** on encl fp. At rd, **TR** and in 30yds at f‑post, **TL** on encl fp. **Thru** kg and **SO**, RHS fld. At far end, **thru** kg in cnr and **SO** across fld (20°). **Thru** kg in fence and **SO** across next flds (still 20°) to **X** stileto rd. **GR TQ 892 281**

**4.2 X** rd and **ahd** on tarmac drive. **Fllw** drive to L and R, passing Coom Bank. **Keep ahd** and at RH bend *(sign: Kingsgate Farm)*, **SO** thru gate. In 30yds, immed after black wooden house, at f‑post, **TL** on fp between hedges. **Thru** kg, down 2 steps, **X** plank bridge and **TL** down LHS fld. At bottom cnr, **thru** LMG and **TR** RHS of fld, hedge on R. In cnr, **TL** RHS fld, hedge on R. At next cnr, **TR** thru fld gate. In 30yds, **TL** thru LMG and **ahd** across fld (0°). At far side, **thru** LMG and **BslightlyL** (340°), soon passing to L of row of bushes. At end of fld *(ditch)*, **X** stilein gate and **ahd** to rd. **GR TQ 894 297**

**4.3 *CARE – busy road – single file on RHS, when traffic approaches step onto verge.*** **SO** for 150yds, **ignore** fp to R and in further 15yds, **TR** on bw *(leaving HWLT)*. In 200yds, **thru** concrete blocks and in 10yds, **TL** (*leaving bw*). **Ahd** on tk *(private farm track - permission given for this event).* **Pass** large barns on R and soon **fllw** tk to R. **SO** on tk between large flds to **join** hedgeline and ditch on L. At end of hedge/ditch, **SO** between flds to **swing L** with tk and **join** deep ditch on R. In 80yds, by concrete bridge on R, **TL** (260°) on fpalong RHS fld with ditch on R. **Fllw** this headland path to the R, then at LH bend in fld-edge, **TR** to **X** fb with railing and gate. **BL**, hedge on L, for 25yds to **find** *(but* ***not*** *X)* fb on L. **TR** to **X** fld (40°) and **pass** tall wmk‑post at start of hedge, then **SO** with hedge on L *(joining HWLT).* **Fllw** hedge to L, then **BL** thru LMG in cnr. **X** small fld to **X** stilein hedge opp, then fb. **BL** with path thru scrub, passing collected machinery. **Pass** large container/skip on your L, then **BR** thru gapto **cont** LHS fld with hedge/treeline on your L. **X** stilein cnr and **SO** (10°) acrossfld. **X** fb via kgs. **GR TQ 900 313**

**4.4 Ahd** LHS fld with fence and ditch on L (10°) and **thru** kg. **X** ditchand **up** steps in bank, then **ahd** on grass fp, lake on R. At end of lake, at wmk, **SO** thru trees, then **thru** grass area between trees. **BR** thru gap and **ahd** with ditch on L. **X** fb and stile and **SO** on LHS of narrow meadow. In cnr, **X** fb via two gates and **SO** LHS of next meadow. At fence cnr, **BL** with meadow and at end, **SO** thru trees to **go thru** small gate. **Down** steps to **X** fb, then **BR** up steps thru wood. **Keep ahd** on this winding path thru wood, ***ignoring*** fb to L . **X** next fb and **TR**, then in 50yds, **X** another fb. **BL** up steps and at top, **emerge** from wood. **TL** LHS fld (280°) and at wmk‑post on L, **TR** across fld to **pass** along LHS of large copse. **Ahd** (0°) to **X** fb in hedge, then stile. **BL** (300°) across fld. **Pass** pond on R and in cnr, **thru** kg in fence. **TL** on drive and **keep ahd** to rd (**GR TQ 887 324**). **TsharpR** onto tarmac fp, fence on L, hedge on R. At end of hedge, **TL** and in 10yds, **TR** between builders’ fences to end. **Cont** and **pass** between houses to **reach** High Street. **SO** over pedestrian Xing and **TL** on pavement opp. In 40yds, **TR** into Church Road and in 120yds, **TL** into

**CHECKPOINT 4 – St. Mildred’s Church Hall, Tenterden
GR TQ 884 334 24.8 miles Opens Sat 16.20 Closes Sat 21.50**

**LEG 5 – TENTERDEN TO APPLEDORE
6.7 miles 269ft ascent 439ft descent**

**5.1** From CP, **X** rd up steps into churchyard. **BR**&**L** to pass church and **reach** High Street. **SO** to **reach** pelican Xing and **X** rd. **BL** across pavement to end of railings and pelican Xing. **X** rd to recreation ground and **BR** across grass (120°) to **pass** play area and **reach** hedge cnr. **BR** to pass tennis courts on L then **BL** (120°) to **find** f-post in hedge behind goal posts. **Thru** gap and **TR** on tk. In 150yds, 12yds before gate ahd, **TL** thru barrier. **Ahd** on encl fp, passing thru two more barriers. **BR** with path down steps to **TL** overfb, then **ahd**, gently uphill on tarmac fp. **SO**, Xing two residential rds, then at next rd, **SO** to pass between two rd-name signs. **SO** between trees and garden fence, then **SO** LHS fld. **Fllw** fld-edge R and L and at cnr, **TL** on tarmac tk. **GR TQ 896 331**

**5.2** In 10yds, **BR** across rough grass/weeds and **thru** kgin fence. **X** fld (150°) and **descend** to far LH cnr. **Thru** kg, **X** fb and **thru** kg. **X** next fld (150°), joining hedge-line from L, to **X** fb and **thru** kg in cnr. **SO** (still 150°) to **X** fld with hedge on R and **thru** kg near cnr. **SO**, RHS next fld, and **thru** kgand **X** fb in cnr. **Ahd** on encl path between ponds. **Thru** LWG and **TL** on farm tk. **Fllw** tk thru to rd. **GR TQ 904 326**

**5.3 TR** along rd. ***CARE – fast cars – single file on RHS, when traffic approaches step onto verge.* Fllw** rd to L, then **BR** across side-rd and **thru** white gate. **BL** with tree-line on your L and **X** stile under oak trees. **X** fld (120°) on faint grass path, soon passing tennis court on R. **Pass** lone tree on R and **cont** (initially 140°) still on faint path. In far cnr, **X** stile and **TL**, LHS fld. **Fllw** fld-edge path to wmk‑post in cnr. **TR** to **fllw** fld-edge around to L. In 60yds, **find** wmk‑post hidden in trees ***(easily missed!)***. **TR** (130°) across fld towards power‑pole. **Pass under** power‑line and at far side, **X** fb in gap in hedge. **GR TQ 912 320**

**5.4** **SO** to R of rows of young trees and at end of trees, **BL** towards barn. In 15yds, **BR** (130°) to **pass** upright concrete slabs on L. **SO** thru wide tree gap. **BR**, with trees on R. At end of trees, at cnr, **X** fld (165°)*.* At far side, **X** fb and **TR** on tarmac rd. In 25yds, at wmk‑post, **TL**, RHS fld with trees on R. At end of trees, **X** fld (150°) *(aim for gap in hedge)*. **Thru** gap and **TR**, RHS fld with hedge on R. In 100yds, where hedge bends R, **BslightlyL** (130°) and in 25yds, **find** hedgeline. **Fllw** RH fld-edge as it descends with hedge on R. ***CARE – eroded gully in path****.* **Fllw** *(ignoring two fbs to R)* thru to rd. **GR TQ 919 310**

**5.5 TR** on rd. ***CARE – fast cars – single file on RHS, when traffic approaches step onto verge.*** **Fllw** rd for 540yds thru hamlet of Reading Street and at sharp LH bend, immed after garden centre, **SO** on side rd. In 240yds, immed after bridge over ditch, **TL** on drive. In 20yds, **TR** thru small gate. **X** fld (150°) and at far LH cnr, **BL** across fb. **Ahd** RHS fld on broad verge with ditch on R. In cnr, **BslightlyL** thru kg in tree-line. **BslightlyR** up fld (140°) and **thru** kg in fence/hedge. **TR** on broad verge, RHS fld and **fllw** gently uphill. Near top at wmk‑post with seat beyond, **swing L** with this broad grass tk and in 95yds, at wmk‑post under tree, **TR** between posts. **GR TQ 928 298**

**5.6** **Ahd** on faint fp on LHS of old cemetery. **Pass** wmk‑post and **exit** cemetery. **X** tk and **ahd** (120°) on grassy path. In 70yds, **SO** (now 140°) down fld on hill-side. At bottom, **SO** on concrete farm rd. Immed before bridge, **TL** on fp (SSW) on broad headland with sunken ditch on R. At pumping station, **BR** thru gap between building and gate. **BL** on gravel access rd, sewer now on L, and **fllw** thru to rd *(The Ferry Inn opp)*. **GR TQ 942 289**

**5.7 TL** on rd, **X** bridge and immed, **TR** thru kg. ***CARE – sudden drop between kg and barrier.*** **Ahd**, fllwing fld-edge, keeping earth mounds on R with sewer beyond. At far cnr, **SO** acrosslandbridge with ditch on L. Before earth mounds, **BL** (70°) across fld-cnr to **join** and **BR** along LHS fld with small ditch on L. **Fllw** this fld-edge, keeping ditch on L, as it meanders. **Pass** willow trees to **reach** cnr. **GR TQ 952 290**

**5.8** **BL** to **X** fb and stile, then **BL** (60°) up LHS of grassy rise to pick up faint path. **SO** *(aim at LH end of rustic fence ahd)*. **X** stile beyond L side of gate and **down steep** steps. **TL** on drive and in 15yds, **TR** on rd. **Ahd** to T‑jcn and **TL** on pavement beside main rd at Appledore. In 450yds, **TL** into

**CHECKPOINT 5 – Appledore Village Hall
GR TQ 956 297 31.5 miles Opens Sat 18.20 Closes Sun 00.50**

**LEG 6 – APPLEDORE TO LYDD
10.0 miles 194ft ascent 207ft descent**

**6.1**  From CP, **TR** on RH pavement. In 120yds, at lamp post, **X** rd and **TR** on LH pavement. **SO** thru Appledore and **pass** The Black Lion PH on L to **reach** church gate on L. **TR** to **X** rd and **TL** down rd to **pass** R turn to Iden Lock. **X** bridge over RMC and immed, **TR** on side rd. In 8yds *(sign: Except for access)*, **TL** down steps in bank. ***CARE – deep step down****.* **TR** to f‑post, then **TL** to find fp into bushes. **Ahd** to **emerge** and **cont** along LHS fld, ditch on L. In 230yds, **pass** earth bridge on L. **Cont ahd** for a further 110yds and**BR** (180°) with path across fld to **X** fb to rd. **TL** on verge. **GR TQ 961 288**

**6.2 Cont** on rd for 1.5 miles, passing Priory Farm on R, to **X** level Xing. In 400yds, **pass** f‑post and LMG. In a further 230yds, at wmk on L, **TL** thru SMG. **Descend** and **fllw** low causeway (50°), ditch on L. **Swing R** to **X** fb and **pass** church on R. **X** two further fbs, to **BL** (90°) and **X** another fb. **BR** (140°) to **X** fld. **Thru** SMG and **X** fb to **X** rd *(Brack Lane)*. **GR TQ 968 264**

**6.3 X** fb with stile. **BslightlyR** and **X** fld (160°) to meet sewer on R. **Fllw** to RH cnr to **go** **thru** L of 2 LMGs. *(Do not stray into farmyard.)* **Fllw** (130°) to meet LHS of fld and **X** stile. **X** fld (140°) to pass metal shed and **X** stile to R of LMG. **X** fld (160°) to end of sewer. **BL** and **X** fb to **X** rough ground (110°). **X** stile and concrete rd. **Cont** to **X** fld (140°)to far side *(R of house if visible)* to **reach** rd at f‑post. **GR TQ 975 256**

**6.4 X** rd and **pass** Poplar Hall on L. **TL** and **swing R** with rd. **Fllw** for 250yds to **pass** L turn. **SO** for 150yds. At f-post, **TL** thru SMG down steps. **X** fb to **fllw** sewer on R and **reach** treeline at end of fld. **Cont** into next fld and, in 50yds, **TR** to **X** fb. **BL** to **X** (120°) to gap in cnr. **Cont** to **X** next fld (100°) to f‑post and stile *(50yds in from cnr)* at main rd. **GR TQ 985 255**

**6.5 TL** on pavement. In 60yds, at house, **X** rd. ***CARE – fast traffic.*** **Ahd**, fence on L, for 10yds to **TL** with path. **X** stile and **X** fld (90°) to treeline. **BL**, trees on R, and **cont** to end of fld at garden fence. **TR** to **TL** at cnr. **SO** to **X** stile to L of LMG. **Fllw** LHS small fld to squeeze **thru** kg and **TR** on rd. In 100yds, **TR** on Clubb’s Lane. In 100yds, swing R with rd and in a further 100yds, opp LWG, **TL** thru SMG. **GR TQ 989 256**

**6.6 Ahd** (140°) along LHS of fld. Where fld‑edge and ditch swing away to L, **BslightlyR** (150°) across fld to **X** large ditch via walled earth bridge. **BL** (90°) across fld and, 30yds to R of LH cnr, **X** railed fb. **BL** (90°) across next fld to **pass** close to ditch **BR** across rd to **BL** thru SMG. **Ahd** (140°) along LHS fld. Where fld-edge and ditch swing away -cnr on R, then **BR** (110°) to **reach** double LMGs. **GR TQ 997 254**

**6.7** **Thru** gap beside gates, **X** lane, then **thru** gap beside double LMGs opp. **BL** and **X** fld (120°) to **X** fb, then **X** next fld (120°) to f‑post. **X** lane and landbridge, then **X** fld (90°) *(aim at large tree on skyline)*. In cnr, **thru** gap and **BR** across encl farm tk and ahd LHS fld with railway immed to L. At cnr, **X** fb and **SO** LHS next fld ***- BEWARE LARGE HOLES***. **Pass** railway Xing gate on your L and in 220yds, **TL** to **X** stile and railway. **X** next stile and immed **thru** LWG. **GR TR 011 247**

**6.8** **SO** RHS fld with wooden fence on R. At cnr, **thru** double LWGs *(please close)* and immed **TR** **thru** double LWGs *(also please close unless already open)*. **Fllw** fp (140°) to **X** large fld towards two tall trees. At far side, **TL** and in 15yds, **TR** to **X** fb. **BL** to **X** next fld (80°) to reach rd at T-jcn. **BR** and **fllw** rd (140° initially) for 0.5 miles to **reach** T‑jcn immed before large farm (*Wheelsgate*). **GR TR 023 241**

**6.9** **TL** on rd and in 250yds, at f‑post, **TR** across walled concrete bridge. **Ahd** LHS fld with large ditch on L. In 200yds, where ditch swings away to the L, **SO** (110°) with line of old concrete fence posts on L. **Pass** ditch-end (*with bushes*) on your R, then immed **TR** across fld (185°). At far side, **X** fb and **TL** on broad grass tk. In 100yds, at RH bend in tk, **BL** across small bridge with railing*(may be hidden in reeds)*. **GR TR 028 238**

**6.10 Ahd** LHS fld and in cnr, **SO** across fb into fld. *If reinstatement obvious:* **Ahd** (130°) on path and in 160yds, at Xing path, **BR** (190°). *Otherwise:* **X** fld (160°). At far side, **X** fb with handrail over small ditch. **SO** (170°) across next fld, passing to R of old church remains. In far cnr, **X** stile and **TL** alongside railway line between fences then **TR** across railway line. **Down** steps and **X** stile to **BL** across fld (160°) *(aim to L of pylon)*. Approaching pylon, **reach** post at ditch cnr and **BL**, LHS fld with ditch on L. At fld cnr, **SO** across fb. **X** fld (135°) and at far side, **X** stile and **TR** on rd *(Denge Lane)*. **GR TR 035 226**

**6.11 Ahd** on rd pastWestbrook Farm and, opp white farmhouse, **X** stile on R. **X** fld (200°) and at far side, **X** lane via two stiles***.* X** fld (160°) to **X** stile in fence/hedgeline and **X** ditch. **Ahd** (140°) across next fld and, at far side, **X** stile to rd. **TR** and in 15yds, **thru** LMG on R. **BL** to **X** fld (170°) to **X** stile under tree. **TR** on rd then, after LH bend, **cont** on LH pavement. Where LH pavement ends, **switch** to RH pavement and **fllw** thru to Lydd. At end of rd, at T‑jcn, **X** rd and **thru** gap in wall into churchyard. **FR** on tarmac path to **pass** church on your L and **exit** churchyard by another gap. **X** two rds to reach shop opp. **TR** on pavement and **X** rd. **TL** on pavement to pass Usher Motors. **X** rd to

**CHECKPOINT 6 – Hardy Hall, Lydd
GR TR 043 207 41.5 miles Opens Sat 21.10 Closes Sun 05.40**

**LEG 7 – LYDD TO NEW ROMNEY
3.2 miles 52ft ascent 56ft descent**

**7.1** From CP, **T½L** to **X** rd to LH pavement *(Queens Road)*. **Ahd** and in 100yds, at 5-way jcn, **X** South Street. **Ahd** (60°) to **X** Queens Road and grass. **Join** and **BL** alongside small rd *(Mill Road)* from R and **fllw** grass to end. **Over** X-rds to **cont** on Mill Road. **SO** on pavement to LH bend in rd. **SO** thru gate on path thru cemetery. **Exit** thru gateway and **TR** on rd. At T‑jcn, **TL** on LH pavement. In 50yds, at lamp post, **X** rd and **TL** on RH pavement. At *NO ENTRY* signs, **X** Ash Grove and **SO** on grass verge. At end of grass, at jcn with main rd, **BslightlyR** on rough rd. **Over** level Xing and **SO** to **reach** main rd. **GR TR 050 217**

**7.2 *CARE – fast cars – single file on RHS, when traffic approaches step onto verge.*** In 70yds, at fence cnr, **BslightlyR** to drop down and **cont** on grass fp parallel to rd. **X** entrance rd to Lydd Airport, then **BL** to **X** small access rd, rejoining main rd at bus stop. ***CARE – fast cars – single file on RHS, when traffic approaches step onto verge****.* In 150yds, **X** gravel access rd and **SO** on wide verge. In 400yds, **X** entrance rd to golf course. In 70yds, **reach** fallen f‑post. **GR TR 053 225**

**7.3** **TR** on fp between wall and fence with bungalow on R. At end of wooden fence on R, **BR**&**L** to cont on LHS grass area. **Fllw** around scrub on L, then **pass thru** gap to L of fence-end. **SO** with golf course on your R and in 30yds, near small green bin, **TL** over earth bridge. **Thru** gap in hedge to **TR** along RHS fld with hedge on R. Where hedge turns R, **SO** (100°) across fld. At tree-line, **TL** RHS fld(now 15°). **Keep ahd** along fld-edge to **TR** then **L**, then **cont** with sewer on R. **SO** to pass thrudouble LMGs (may be open) and **X** drive to Belgar Farm. **GR TR 058 229**

**7.4 SO**, still RHS fld with sewer on R *(beware steep drop on R)*. At fld-cnr, **SO**, keeping sewer on R. **Keep ahd** to reach fb across sewer. **X** fb and **TL**, sewer now on your L. At wmk‑post *(and redundant stile)*, **BR** (25°) across fld. **BL**to **X** earth bridge, then **BR** to **X** fld (still 25°) *(aim at church if visible)*. At fld-cnr, **thru** LMG *(with yellow-taped post)* and **BL** (0°) to **X** fld over mound. **Thru** LMG to L of barn. **Ahd** with wire fence on L and **thru** gate. **Fllw** thru to **TR** on rd and **fllw** to church. **TL** *(Church Square)* and in 40yds, **TR** into

**CHECKPOINT 7 – New Romney Assembly Rooms
GR TR 065 248 44.7 miles Opens Sat 22.00 Closes Sun 07.10**

**LEG 8 – NEW ROMNEY TO DYMCHURCH
4.5 miles 79ft ascent 89ft descent**

**8.1** From CP, **TL** on pavement and immed before church, **TL** on Church Road. At traffic lights, **TR** into Station Road. In 100yds, at pelican Xing, **X** rd. ***GREAT CARE – speeding traffic – X ONLY when green man shows.* Cont** on LH pavement. **Keep ahd**, passingRH&D Light Railway Station on L. **X** Warren Road and in 200yds, **TL** into Links Way. **GR TR 077 247**

**8.2** **Ahd** to **X** St. Nicholas Road and **SO** on Links Way. At T‑jcn, **TR** into Blenheim Road. **X** rd to LH verge and at next T‑jcn, **TL** on St. Andrews Road. **Keep ahd** on LH verge and at X-rds, **BL** into Madeira Road. **Ahd**, still on grass verge and, at some point, **X** to RH verge. At red-brick tower, **swing R** with rd to T‑jcn at seafront. **GR TR 086 252**

**8.3 TL** on rough rd with concrete wall on R and in 90yds, **go thru** gap in wall to **cont** on concrete promenade.
*The promenade, and/or parallel grass option, is now followed for 2.6 miles to Dymchurch. For those in daylight, the view to the R is across the bay to the chalk cliffs of Folkestone.*
**Pass** Romney Bay House (*large white building*) then, after last house, **cont** for 40yds to **reach** gap in wall. **GR TR 087 258**

**8.4 TL** thru gap, **X** rough rd, then **BR** down thru wooden kg. **Ahd** on grass with promenade above to your R (*and parallel*). **Keep ahd** and in 1000yds, **TR** thru wooden kg into small parking area. **BL** across rough road, to **pass** wide concrete ramp on L. Immed **TL** up narrow concrete ramp with railings. At top, **TR** thru gap in sea wall and **TL** to rejoin promenade. **GR TR 089 267**

**8.5 Keep ahd** on promenade, passing along the seafront of St. Mary’s Bay andlater, where promenade splits into two levels, take the LH (*upper*) level. Nearing Dymchurch, **pass** Martello Tower at far end of car park on L, then in 120yds, **TL** thru small gap in wall, leaving seafront. (**GR TR 101 291**). **Fllw** railings onto tarmac fp and **ahd** with car park of Ocean Inn PH on R, to main rd (A259). **TR** on pavement past Ocean Inn and **ahd** along Dymchurch High Street. In 150yds, **X** side rd and immed, **TL** to **X** rd at pelican Xing. **TR** on pavement opp and in 15yds, **TL** into Orgarswick Avenue. In 30yds, **TL** into

**CHECKPOINT 8 – Dymchurch Village Hall
GR TR 102 294 49.2 miles Opens Sat 23.20 Closes Sun 09.10**

**LEG 9 – DYMCHURCH TO HYTHE
8.9 miles 502ft ascent 501ft descent**

**9.1** From CP, **TR** to return to main rd. **TL** and in 350yds, immed before church on L, **TL** into New Hall Close. In 120yds **BL** thru small parking area and immed before Primary School gates, **TR** past metal gate and **X** walled bridge over ditch. Immed, **TR** (30°) across small fld to **X** stile in middle of fence. **BL** (350°) across fld, passing to L of small pond. **Thru** SMG in fence ahd and **BR** across narrow railway line. ***CARE – frequent trains.* Thru** SMG beyond and down two steps. **GR TR 102 299**

**9.2** *The next section takes you across several fields and footbridges, always trending roughly north towards Burmarsh village.
(from SMG)* **BR** to **X** fb. **BR** past fence cnr then **BL** (335°) across rough meadow to **X** stile in fence beyond. **BR** (0°) across next fld to **X** fb in gap in hedge. **X** next fld (10°), passing to L of clump of bushes in middle of fld, to **X** railedfb at far side. **TL** round field edge to **X** another fb. **X** large fld (355°) *(aim at white-walled house in distant village, if visible)* to **pass** fld boundary posts *with wmk.* Then **BR** (10°) across next fld to **X** fb. **BL** (335°), passing under power‑lines *(aim to L of distant houses with white fascias*, *if visible)* to **X** next fb. **TR** and immed, **BslightlyL** (20°) along path between flds *(with old, fallen fence on R)*. At cnr, **X** stile, **BL** thru dip, then **X** fld (340°) to wmk‑post at far side. **TL** to **X** fb then **SO** on tarmac fp past houses. At rd, **TR** and at T‑jcn, **TL** on pavement *(you are now in Burmarsh).* **GR TR 101 319**

**9.3** In 40yds, **TR** along Shear Way with Shepherd and Crook PH on L. In 550yds, **pass** house on R. **BL** with rd, then at RH bend *(and f‑post)*, **SO** *(leaving rd)* on bw **thru** LMG with ditch on L, **thru** 2nd LMG to **TR** then **ahd** on broad headland path, RHS fld. **Keep ahd** on this bw, passing farmyard on your R, later with broad ditch on your R *(Lympne Castle can now be seen near top of distant escarpment, half-right)*. At f‑posts, **X** to RHS of ditch and **fllw** headland path (approx N) right thru tord (**GR TR 102 337**). **TL** and in 120yds, **TR** on Aldergate Lane. **Fllw** this lane for 630yds to **reach** bridge over RMC. **GR TR 101 343**

**9.4 X** bridge and in 10yds, **TR** thru barrier onto cycle route (and RMCP). **Keep ahd** on this broad path with fence on L. In 750yds, **ignore** L turn by wmk‑post (*and litter bin*) and **SO**. In further 900yds, **reach** wmk‑post (*also by litter bin*) (**GR TR 116 341**). **TL** to **X** fb and **ahd** on path with fence on R. **Keep ahd** on this narrow path as it winds its way up the escarpment. ***CARE – slippery in places even in dry weather and barbed wire close on R.***
*On this ascent, you have on your left, beyond the two wire fences, Port Lympne Wild Animal Park where you may spot an exotic beast or two. Over to your right are the remains of Stutfall Castle, an old Roman fort.*
**Up** steps with wooden rail. Immed before top, **BR** to **TR** on fp (SSW) *with views of sea to your R and across Romney Marsh behind R*. **Ahd**, wire fence on R, passing bench seat on L. At end of fence, **BL** thru wood, with wooden fence on R. **Thru** barrier and at end of wood by old wooden f‑post, **ahd** to **TR** on rd (**GR TR 118 347**). **Fllw** rd thru and at entrance to Lympne Castle on R, **BL** and **R** thru car park. **Ahd** on tarmac/gravel driveway and in 480yds, **reach** jcn with rd (B2067). **GR TR 123 350**

**9.5 TR** on rd.  ***CARE – busy road – single file on RHS, when traffic approaches step onto verge.*** **Pass** Shepway Cross war memorial to your R. Keep **ahd** for 450yds to **reach** SSW f‑post on L by LMG. **Thru** gap next to f‑post and **TR** alongRHS fld. In 30yds, **pass** fence-end on L, then **BL** (80°) across fld. **Pass** cnr of wood on your L and **SO** (now 70°). **Over** X-tk and **thru** gap in hedge-line, on farm tk ahd. **BL** (50°) with this broad tk across next fld. At next hedge-line, **BL** to **go thru** SWG by SSW wmk‑post (*please* *close*). **BR** (50°) across small fld towards far LH cnr. **Thru** another SWG, 10yds to R of cnr (*please close*). **Ahd** on farm rd to main rd (A261). ***CARE – fast cars – cross rd and TL in single file on RHS.*** In 20yds, **BR** on driveway and in 80yds, **keep** to R of old chapel *(Pedlinge Church)* to **reach** LWG and

**SELF-CLIP POINT A** **GR TR 140 357**

**9.6 Ahd** with fence on R (**ignore** stile), then **BR** with fence and **ahd** RHS fld, keeping fence on your R. At fld cnr, **thru** small gate to R of larger one and **ahd** RHS fld with wood on R. At end of wood, **BslightlyL** (110°) across fld to **go thru** small gate at RH cnr of wood ahd. **SO** along RH edge of wood on encl fp which soon descends. **Fllw** down to stream at bottom and **BR**&**L** across bridge over stream. **Ahd** to **BL** uphill, keeping fence on your L, soon between fences. **Keep ahd** to reach T‑jcn with broad tk. **GR TR 152 353**

**9.7 TR**, passing house on R, then **BL** with tk and **fllw** thru to driveway. **TL** and at rd, **TR**. **X** rd to LH pavement and after joining rd from R, **X** rd back to RH pavement. **Keep ahd** on this residential rd *(North Road)*, and in 600yds, immed before churchyard of large church over to R, **TR** past blue railing and down steps. **Ahd** downhill on broad tarmac path *(Church Hill)* with central railing. Immed after Glebe Cottage on L, **TL** on Oak Walk. Opp church entrance, **TR** downhill, then at T‑jcn, **TL**. In 30yds, **TR** past metal barrier, down Market Hill. **SO** over rd and under upper storey of Town Hall to reach High Street of Hythe. **GR TR 162 348**

**9.8 X** High Street and **SO** on Marine Walk Street. **X** one‑way street and **BL** on pavement of main rd. In 20yds, **TR** to **X** main rd at pelican Xing and **SO** on tarmac path. **BR**&**L** to **X** bridge over canal *(RMC)* and **SO** along Ladies Walk. At first tarmac path to the L, **TL** and in 50yds, **TR** thru gap in border/hedge. **Ahd** RHS sports fld with tennis courts to your R, towards building. At car park, **BL** along RHS building to entrance of

**CHECKPOINT 9 – Hythe Sports Pavilion
*BREAKFAST AND BAGGAGE STOP***
**GR TR 164 343 58.1 miles Opens Sun 01.20 Sun Closes 13.30**

**LEG 10 – HYTHE TO FOLKESTONE
5.9 miles 738ft ascent 637ft descent**

**10.1 Exit** CP and **fllw** tarmac to L around building. **X** sports fld (30**°**) and at X paths, **SO** (30**°**) to **X** next pitch. In cnr, **thru** gap and **BR** to **X** grass area. In 40yds, **thru** gap in cnr to **join** fp from L beside RMC. At rd, **TL** over canal bridge and **ahd** on LH pavement. At main rd, **BslightlyL** to **X** main rd via traffic island. **SO** to L of PH on Bell Inn Road. **Over** rd and **SO** on encl tarmac fp *(Mill Lane)*, uphill. **Up** steps to rd. **GR TR 167 351**

**10.2 TR** on pavement and at LH bend in rd, **X** side rd and **SO** on tarmac drive opp *(Station Road)*, uphill. At end, **fllw** short fp to rd, **TL** on pavement and **fllw** to T‑jcn. **TR** and in 30yds, **TL** on Sene Park. At LH bend in rd, **BR** on tarmac bw *(EVW)*. **Pass** sign to Pickle Lodge on R and in 20yds **SO** on broad, sunken tk, gently uphill thru trees. At top at wmk‑post *(EVW)*, **ahd** (60**°**) on grass to R of trig column **(GR TR 172 355)** and **cont** across golf course. Soon, **X** fairway. ***CARE – flying golf balls from R.* BR** with path, now slightly sunken. **X** gravel path and **ahd** between ivy‑covered wall and golf tee. At wmk‑post on R *(and Public Bridleway notice)*, **TL** on bw between ivy‑covered walls. **Pass** houses and outbuildings on L and **SO** thru wood *(Sene Wood)* to reach

**SELF-CLIP POINT B** **GR TR 177 360**

**10.3 Thru** SMG, **TR** in fld and **ahd** with fence and wood on R. In 100yds, at fence cnr *(with wmk)*, **BslightlyR** (120**°** at first) on faint grass tk across fld. In 280yds, at far end of small clump of scrub on your L *(with old concrete foundations)*, **BR** under tree and **join** wide grassy path from R. **Join** gravel tk from L into cnr and **X** stileby LWG. **Ahd** on descending path thru wood and in 140yds, at wmk on tree on R, **FL** (80**°**) on sunken path downhill. **X** stile and **BR** with path, still downhill, fence on L. **Go L**&**R** acrossconcrete path and **ahd**, soon down steps, to rd. **GR TR 188 356**

**10.4 BR** across rd to **X** stileby f‑post opp. **Ahd** on fp to **go up** steps thru trees, fence on R. At top, **BL** (100**°**) on path thru wood. **Keep ahd** on fp, soon uphill, on broadly the same bearing to later **go up** steps, **X** stileand **ahd** to rd (**GR TR 192 354**). **BR** to **X** parking area and take path beside street light. In 10yds, **BL** (100° initially) on fainter, winding fp across rough open area towards RH cnr. In cnr *(tree stumps)*, **TL** on tk to rd. **TR** on opp pavement soon descending, then after Martello tower, at 2nd turning, **TL** into The Corniche *(yellow salt bin)*. **Fllw** downhill past houses, sea‑view to R, to end of rd and f‑post to L of large gates. **GR TR 197 352**

**10.5** **Ahd** on tarmac fp, wall on R. **Thru** barrier and **ahd** on fp up thru trees In 60yds, **BR** then downhill. In 100yds, **reach** path jcn to **BL** *(on brick at first)*, then **up** steps. **Cont**, soon steeply, up steps, to pass *MoD DANGER* sign on your L. At T-jcn at top, **TR** to **join** path from L. In 300yds, **down** four steps, now with fence and steep drop on your R. **Keep ahd**, with fence on R, and at fence cnr with seat to R, **ahd** thru trees at Martello Tower with encircling fence on L. **GR TR 202 353**

**10.6** **Ahd** on path as it curves L with fence. At far side, **note** *Dangerous Site Keep Out* sign (on R). At 2nd *Dangerous Site Keep Out* sign (on L), **BR** down eleven wooden steps, then **TR** (90**°**) on path, downhill. **Keep descending** with intermittent steps to **BR** on tarmac with fence on L. **Ahd** between fences, then **SO** between walls. **Down** steps and **TL** on minor rd. In 20yds, **TR** on tarmac fp, downhill. At bottom, **SO** on rd to reachmain rd (A259) at Sandgate. **GR TR 204 352**

**10.7 TL** and in 15yds, **TR** to **X** rd via small traffic islands. **Ahd** to R of Famous Ship Inn PH to reachseafront. **X** small rd and **TL** on promenade. In 250yds, **pass** Sandgate Castle *(ruins)* on L. *Part of the promenade ahd may be covered in shingle.* In further 850yds, just before coloured beachhuts, in cnr, **TL** up concrete steps. **Reach** top and immed **BR** on path. **SO** and in 110yds, **fllw** wooden fence on R to **go up** steps. At top, **TR** and in 25yds, **FL** between walls. In 160yds, **BL** uphill to take 1st R, keeping tower and flagpole on L *(toilets opp flagpole may be open).* **SO**, hedge on L, to jcn. At litter bin, **FL**. At next jcn, **SO** *(green container on L)* and in 6yds, **TL**. In 10yds, **BL** over X tk *(amphitheatre on R)*. **GR TR 223 354**

**10.8 Fllw** path and zig-zags uphill and at top, immed before bandstand, **TR** on broad walkway along The Leas, with black fence on R. **Pass** Leas Cliff Hall and **SO** for 400yds passing under the Step Short Memorial Arch. Just beyond, **BR** with pavement, to R of roundabout. At end fence **TL** to **X** rd via island and **TR** on path behind black iron fence. In 150yds, immed before single post in path, **TL** thru black iron posts into churchyard and **ahd** on stone paving. **Pass** church on R, then **TR** with church on your R. Near far end of church, **ahd** to **pass thru** black iron posts to

**CHECKPOINT 10 – St. Eanswythe’s School, Folkestone
GR TR 229 359 64.0 miles Opens Sun 02.30 Closes Sun 16.10**

**LEG 11 – FOLKESTONE TO DOVER
8.7 miles 1048ft ascent 1115ft descent**

**11.1** From CP **ahd** on paving which soon bears L. In 120yds, **TR** to **X** rd and **pass** to R of The Guildhall PH. **Ahd** on paving between building and wall. **Descend** steps, then **BL** and **R** down more steps. **Fllw** steps down, around zig-zags, and at bottom, **BR** to reach rd at Folkestone Harbour. **GR TR 232 360**

**11.2 TL** and in 20yds, **X** rd at pelican Xing. **TL** on pavement opp and **BR** to **X** open square. **Pass under** railway arch *(Fish Market)*. In 170yds, before low wall, **BL** and **thru** vehicle-restriction gate. In 20yds, **TL** **thru** 2nd arch and **ascend** steps. At top, **BR** on tarmac and in 20yds, **TR** along RHS of open grass area. **Swing R** with bushes, with rd on L. **Pass** East Cliff Pavilion *(large building)* on your L and by giant ear trumpet **thru** gap to **join** tk. In 125yds, at ECP f‑post on L, **TL** up bank. At top, at wmk‑post, **TR** along RH edge of small golf course. **Pass** Martello Tower and Coastwatch lookout station on your L, then **BR** downhill. At bottom, at ECP wmk‑post, **BL** onto gravelly tk. Where tk BsL, **fllw** 20yds in from RH edge of open grass area. **Pass** low fence with toilets (**!**), to your L, then **BL** across grassinto top cnr. **GR TR 240 372**

**11.3 Up** tarmactk (20**°**) and where it bends R *(by Martello Tower on R)*, **SO** on concrete fp uphill. Immed before start of wall on R, **BR** down steps. At bottom, **SO** on tarmac access rd. Immed before entrance to caravan park *(at wmk on wooden railing on R)*, **TR** down steps. **Cont** on narrow fp with green fence *(and sea)* on R. **SO** on this well‑worn path, gently descending, to **reach** steps. **GR TR 243 376**

**11.4** *You are now in the area of Folkestone’s Warren. You will follow the main path ahd for* ***approx one mile****, ignoring all side‑turnings to reach a self‑clipper. The bearing will vary but, on average, it is a bit north of east.*
**Ahd** *(ignoring LF)* down steps, descending steeply,and at bottom, **SO** on worn path. ***CARE – there are occasional up or down steps in this section.*** **Keep ahd** with chalk cliffs to your L and the more distant sea *(if visible)* to your R. At fork, **FR** and at X paths, **TR** towards the sea to **join** wire fence and railway on your R. **SO** to soon **swing L** up steps, *leaving railway*. **SO** on main worn path winding thru bushes/trees. **Swing** L down into clearing with rope swing. **Swing** R up and out the far side, then **thru** and beyond 2nd clearing with rope swings, still climbing. At T‑jcn, **TL** (290°) to start ascending zig‑zag path. **Up** steps and at far end of 1st handrail find.

**SELF**-**CLIP POINT C** **GR TR 255 384**

**11.5 Fllw** zig‑zags right the way to the top to **pass** Cliff Top Café. **TR** into car park and **fllw** hedge on R to **find** NDW wmk-post. **Fllw** grass strip between fence and hedge. In 50yds, at f-post on R, **TL** and **X** rd to bw opp. **Ahd** to reach busy rd. **X** rd to path opp by bus shelter. **Ahd** for 300yds to reach rd end. **SO** for a further 70yds to **TR** along LHS fld, hedge on L. From end of hedge, **SO** across fld (80°) to go down four steps and **TL** on rd. In 80yds, **BR** with rd *(sign: West Hougham)* on Satmar Lane. **Fllw** this rd for 600yds as it swings L, R, then L again to **X** bridge over A20. **GR TR 260 395**

**11.6** Immed after bridge *(opp f‑post on LHS)*, **TR** over barrier on narrow bw between bushes. **Keep ahd** on bw as it descends, re-ascends and TsL to reach fld. **TR** and in 10yds **TL** on raised grassy path between flds. **Fllw** path which joins hedge and, later, power‑line on R. **X** lane and **SO** on narrow fp, house on L. **X** rough grass area and **SO** on encl fp to R of LMG. **Keep ahd** between fence and hedge to reach fld at wmk‑post. **X** fld (90°) *(aim to L of church)*. **Thru** SWG 20yds from LH end of fence. **Pass thru** churchyard(120°) to **exit** and **BL** thru SWG. *You are now in the village of Church Hougham.* **Ahd** on lane to **reach** T**‑**jcn (*red posting box in wall opp*). **GR TR 279 400**

**11.7 TL** on lane. **Pass** turning to L *(to Elms Vale)* and **SO**. **Fllw** lane round first LH bend, then immed after second LH bend, **TR** thru kg next to LMG (**GR TR 283 402**). **Ahd** on broad tk between fences, later fence on L only. **Pass** wmk‑post *(fp EB4)* on R *(at start of bushes on R)* and in 330yds, **reach** cream-topped post *(EB4)*. **GR TR 295 408**

**11.8 TR** then **BL** on fp thru bushes. **Fllw** scrub bushes on L for 550yds. ***CARE – trip hazard – exposed roots & stubs from here to road.*** In cnr, **TR** at diversion sign. At 2nd diversion sign, **TL** into bushes, fp soon descending. At end of bushes, **FR** with fp, ignoring next fp on L, to steps down. **GR TR 303 410**

**11.9 Ahd** on RH pavementof this residential rd to T‑jcn at main rd. **TR** and in 30yds, **X** rd at pelican Xing (**CARE!**) to **cont** on pavement opp. In 40yds, **TL** into Maxton Road. **Fllw** rduphill and at RH bend *(becomes Mount Road),* **TsharpL** on tarmac fp uphill. Where tarmac TsR, **SO** on narrow fp between fences. **Keep ahd** on fp to end of fence on L. **BR** to kg (**GR TR 307 409**). **Thru** kg and **BL** with fence on L *(Dover Castle is again in view)*. **Fllw** fp down steps and **SO**. **Keep ahd** with houses over to your L, soon climbing gently, to **reach** wmk‑post on R. **FL** over bank (10°) to descend towards houses, passing fence cnr, to go down steps and **reach** kg (**GR TR 310 410**). ***Do not go thru******kg***but **BR** on fp with fence on L. **Keep ahd** along hillside with houses down to L. **Thru** kg in wooden fence, then **thru** SWG in next fence. **SO** (80**°**) to **go thru** SWG and **reach** tarmac car park. **GR TR 313 411**

**11.10 TL** under barrier to rd. **BR** across rd (**CARE!**) to kg by NDW f‑post. **Thru** and **ahd** up steps. At LH bend in steps, **FR** into brick revetted defile to **reach** kg and **find**

**SELF**-**CLIP POINT D GR TR 316 411**

**Thru** kg and **SO** between high walls. **Fllw** thru and in 50yds, **descend** steps. In further 100yds, **descend** more steps to **TR** round dry moat. Round 2nd cnr & ½ way to 3rd, **TR** into brick revetted defile. ***CARE – chalk is slippery when wet****.* In 30yds, **BL** with main path up steps to **go thru** kg at top. **TL** uphill *(Dover Docks now in view and also the famous Banksy mural below)* and, in 25yds, at inscribed seat *(viewpoint),* **TR** (50**°**) downhill. **BL** with fp, fence on R. **Keep ahd** along hillside (now 340**°**). In 180yds, **over** X-path and in 15yds, **descend** steps. ***CARE – steps down start suddenly.*** At bottom, **thru** kg to rd. **GR TR 316 414**

**11.11** **X** rd and **TR** on pavement opp. In 100yds, at sharp RH bend in rd *(and fp sign on lamp post)*, **TL** down steps. At bottom, **TL** on pavement and in 30yds, **X** main rd via traffic island. **TR** on pavement opp. At roundabout, **fllw** pavement to L and at pelican Xing, **X** rd. **TL** on pavement opp and in 80yds, **TR** into

**CHECKPOINT 11 – Maison Dieu House (Dover Town Council Offices)**
**GR TR 316 417 72.7 miles Opens Sun 04.20 Closes Sun 20.20**

**LEG 12 – DOVER TO ST. MARGARET’S-AT-CLIFFE
4.9 miles 645ft ascent 394ft descent**

**12.1** From CP, **TR** behind building, **TL** with bowling green on R, and at Xing path, **TR** beside river on L. **BL** with path across bridge to **fllw** encl path. At rd, **TR** and in 20yds, **TL** to **X** rd. ***CARE – one way traffic from L.***  **BL** to rejoin river on L. In cnr, **TL** across fb, then **TR** and **fllw** tarmac rd. At main rd, **X** at pelican Xing and **SO** on tarmac footway *(sign: Dover Castle)*. **Up** steps and **keep ahd** between walls to top. At rd, **BL** along LHS rd-bend to **cont** RHS of ivy-covered wall *(going thru metal posts)*. **SO** (10°) with wall on L, to **fllw** tarmac uphill. At top, **up** steps, **GR TR 323 421**

**12.2 Ahd** to **X** main rd, **TL** on pavement and **fllw** uphill and to R *(fence of Dover Castle on R)*, then **TR** into Upper Road. **Keep** to path on RHS verge beside fence and in 60yds, **TR** on rd to Bleriot Memorial. **Thru** metal gateway and **SO** on this access rd. **X** tarmac car park *(with information board and f‑post)* and **SO** thru wooden posts on tarmac tk. In 80yds, **FL** on man**‑**made tk to **reach** Bleriot Memorial. **BL** on path around LHS memorial to **TL** up 2nd exit steps and **ahd** (25°) up tarmac fp. At rd jcn, **SO** across minor rd to R *(sign: Private Road)* to **cont** inside wooden posts on RH verge of main rd. At end of posts **cont** with metal barrier on R. ***CARE – fast cars – single file on RHS, when traffic approaches step onto verge.*** **Keep ahd** to **X** bridge over rd (A2). **GR TR 330 424**

**12.3** Immed after bridge, at f‑post*,* **TR** down steps. At bottom, at power‑pole, **BslightlyL** (130°), and in 15yds, **FR** on faint fp winding thru trees. **Fllw** path thru to its end at T‑jcn with tarmac fp. **TL** uphill on fp with intermittent steps. At top, immed before wooden barrier on L, **TsharpR thru** kg, *(joining ECP)*, then **TsharpL** along top of hillside with fence on L. **Pass** metal cattle trough, above to your L, and **SO** with main path thru bushes, to **reach** SWG. **Thru** and **BslightlyR** (80°) across grass space, **thru** SWG then **TL**, fence on L. **Cont** into bushes.
*Langdon Cliffs Visitor Centre is the large building with all-window frontage over to your L. It has toilets at the rear (open 10am to 4pm). You’ll find a path to the building in 170yds.*
**Keep ahd** on this well‑used path to **go thru** SWG. In 70yds, **TL** ***before*** seat, **thru** SWG and **BL** with fence off to L *(leaving ECP)* to **reach** SWG on L. ***Do not go thru SWG*** *but* **TsharpR** uphill on man‑made fp. **GR TR 339 422**

**12.4 Pass** post on R and at top, **thru** kg and **ahd** downhill, keeping fence on R. **Down** steps with handrail to **pass** kg on R. With fence still on R, **thru** dip downhill and soon down steps. At bottom, at ECP post, **BL** (40**°**)onto broad grassy tk. **Thru** kg and **SO**, fence on L, gently ascending. At top, **thru** kg and **ahd** to **TR** on tarmac tk. **Keep ahd** on this tk, ignoring side‑tks. At end of tk, **ahd** on tarmac with lighthouse on your R. **GR TR 359 434**

**12.5** **Pass** to L of gate and immed **TL** on rough tarmac tk. In 300yds, at T‑jcn, **TR** on tk *(information post on R)*. In 600yds, **reach** speed ramp. In 3yds, at hidden f‑post, **TL** on fp thru trees. Where fence on L starts, **BR** (0**°**) across fld. At far side, **BL** with path between houses. At rd, **TR** and in 30yds, **fllw** LH pavement **L**, **R** & **L** again and along next rd. At T‑jcn, **BR** across rd to

**CHECKPOINT 12 – St. Margaret’s Hall, St. Margaret’s-at-Cliffe**
**GR TR 359 446 77.6 miles Opens Sun 05.10 Closes Sun 22.40**

**LEG 13 – ST. MARGARET’S-AT-CLIFFE TO DEAL
6.0 miles 263ft ascent 528ft descent**

**13.1 Exit** CP, **TL** to **fllw** veranda around building and down steps to rd. **TsharpL** on rough rd *(Vicarage Lane, later becoming Well Lane)* and **fllw** thru to T‑jcn. **TL** on pavement and, in 90yds, **TR** to **X** rd into Kingsdown Road. In 110yds, **BL** to **X** small parking area and **exit** on encl path. **TL** with path and **thru** kg. **BR** to **X** paddock (10**°**) to R of barn. **Thru** kg to **X** fld (20**°**) to RH end of hedge. At cnr, **BL** (350**°**). **Thru** kg in hedge to **X** narrow fld (20**°**). **Thru** gap in hedge up bank to **X** fld (20**°**). At cnr, **SO** on encl path. At X‑tk, **BR** (50°) on tk, initially tarmac. In 240yds, **fllw** tk to L (350**°**), down and up towards wood. **GR TR 360 467**

**13.2** At 5‑way jcn, **cont ahd** (350**°**). In 80yds, **BR** (0**°**) on fp, leaving main tk. In 120yds, ignore fp to R. In 160yds, at T‑jcn, **TL** on fp. **FR** and then **BL** with fence on R. ***CARE – low branches thru this wood.*** At fence/fld‑cnr, **TR** with fp. In 250yds, **SO** to pass wmk‑post and in a further 400yds **reach** wmk-stones. **Cont** for 230yds as path BsL to **TR** on path (20**°**). **BR** and then **BL** and **ahd.** At edge of wood, at T‑jcn, **TR** (70**°**). In 30yds, at bw wmk‑stone, **FL** along bottom edge of wood. **Fllw** main tk, ignoring two L turns, to **emerge** into fld and **fllw** LHS to rd. **GR TR 367 482**

**13.3** **X** to path opp and **fllw** for 1100yds along wood/fld boundary. ***CARE – animal burrows for 1st 200yds.***  **Reach** rd and **ahd**. In 600yds, at edge of settlement, **TR** into small parking area. In LH cnr, **TL** on log lined fp. At T-jcn, **TR** up steps. At top, **TR** then **BL** to **pass** benches on L. **Keep L** to ignore kg and **cont** between wooden fences to rd. **X** rd to path opp. **FL** to **X** grass and **join** tarmac in front of Walmer Castle *(note distant view of the Isle of Thanet, known locally as Planet Thanet)*. **GR TR 378 500**

**13.4 *CARE – fast cyclists – keep off cycle path on L.*** Where fp TsR, **SO** to **X** grass to RH end of hedge ahd. **Rejoin** promenade, cycle path now on R. **Fllw** past lifeboat station and Memorial Bandstand on the Green. At Deal Castle, **SO** on pavement on RHS main rd. Opp Deal Pier, **X** rd via pelican Xing and **TR** on pavement opp. At the Royal Hotel on R, **TL** into Chapel Street *(unmarked)*. **X** Middle Street into St George’s Passage and **SO** to **X** High Street. **TR** on pavement and **X** St George’s Street to

**CHECKPOINT 13 – Deal Town Hall
GR TR 377 529 83.6 miles Opens Sun 06.30 Closes Mon 01.30**

**LEG 14 – DEAL TO SANDWICH
5.9 miles 118ft ascent 132ft descent**

**14.1** From CP, **X** High Street into Oak Street. **Take** first L, then first R into Brewer Street. At end, **X** rd and **TL** on promenade.
*The route continues along promenade/seafront for the next 3.7 miles, giving views across Sandwich Bay to the Isle of Thanet.*
In 1500yds, **up** steps swinging L. **BR** past lifebuoy then **BR** along shingle tk with large rocks and sea on your R. *There is a grassy path down to your L, if you prefer, which joins this upper tk further on.* **SO** with golf course on your L and after golf course ends, **go thru** wooden kg and **SO** on rd. **Keep ahd**, passing large houses on your L. In 1000yds after last house on L *(20yds after small timber palisade enclosure on R)*, at SSW f‑post and kg on L, find

**SELF**-**CLIP POINT E GR TR 359 585**

**14.2 TL** thru kg, leaving seafront and **ahd** across golf course *(Royal St. George’s – where The Open is occasionally held)*. **Fllw** this winding but obvious path, marked regularly by yellow‑topped signstones. ***CARE – flying golf balls. Please give golfers in play priority when crossing fairways.***  *For those here in darkness, the average bearing across golf course from seafront to the clubhouse (start of para 14.3) is 250°*

**14.3 Reach** clubhouse and other buildings (to your L), then **SO** across small rd and **thru** kg. **Ahd** on broad grass strip between fences. **X** small rd and **SO** *(on SSW)*. **X** bridge over large ditch and **ahd** on tarmac fp. **Keep ahd** on this small tarmac path, later with ditch joining from the L. At path jcn (with green metal gates ahd), **BR** with tarmac path, now with river on your R. **X** bridge over creek and immed, **TR** on broader tarmac tk, river on R. ***CARE – fast cyclists – keep off cycle path.* Pass** small playground on L and **SO** thru to car park. **GR TR 334 582**

**14.4** Keeping to RHS of car park, **pass** *Historic Sandwich* info board on R and immed, **TR** on brick path. **BL** with path, river on R, and **ahd** to passThe Barbican *(the chequered building on your L, featured on the event badge)*. **X** rd, bridge on R, and **SO**, still on brick path and with moored boats on your R. Between third and fourth metal ladders on wall on R, **TL** thru arch between houses. At rd, **TR**&**L** into Love Lane. Immed before church, **TR** on paved path, then **BL** past war memorial *(in wall)*. **Ahd** over X-rds and **X** next street via zebra Xing. **BL** across cobbled courtyard and into archway in building and

**CHECKPOINT 14 – Sandwich Guildhall
GR TR 330 581 89.5 miles Opens Sun 07.40 Closes Mon 04.20***Please note: toilets are available for us 50yds away in the car park*

**LEG 15 – SANDWICH TO NORTHBOURNE
4.7 miles 229ft ascent 137ft descent**

**15.1** From CP, **TL** and **ahd** along LHS car park. Beyond end of car park, at T‑jcn, **TL** on The Rope Walk *(unmarked)* and **fllw** to rd. **TR** on pavement and **ahd** over level Xing. **Pass** St. Barts Road and in 15yds, **X** rd via island to **cont** on LH pavement. In 150yds, at f‑post, **TL** on tarmac fp. **Ahd**, later between flds and then **over** metal fb. **X** access rd, house on L, and **SO**, soon between orchards. At end, **thru** barrierand **ahd** to rd - *you are now in the village of Worth.* **GR TR 338 562**

**15.2** Immed before this rd, **TR** on tarmac footway towards church. **Pass** pond and **thru** barrier, then in 20yds, **TL** to **X** rd and **thru** iron gate into churchyard. Immed, **TR** on tarmac path and **fllw** to L around church. 15yds before old iron kg, at wmk, **TR** on tarmac path thru cemetery. **Thru** iron kg, exiting churchyard, and **ahd** on encl fp. **Keep ahd** on fp, going round bends. With wire fence on L, 30yds before buildings and approaching power‑pole, **beware** guy wire trip hazard on L. Soon **emerge**, then **SO**, RHS fld. **Ahd** to **reach** and **X** main rd (A258). ***CARE – busy road with fast cars.***  **GR TR 333 557**

**15.3**  **SO** on grassy tk between flds. At lane, **BL** and **keep ahd** for 800yds, passing under power‑lines. At first turning to L *(sign: Finglesham)*, **TL** on lane. In 250yds, ignore lane to R and in 40yds, **FR** on lane passing houses on L. At T‑jcn, **TL** on rd and **fllw** thru to next T‑jcn at grass triangle. *(If you’re feeling a bit peckish, you may care to glance at the signpost on this triangle.)* **GR TR 328 541**

**15.4 TR** and in 60yds *(opp f‑post on R)*, **TL** thru gap in hedge. **Ahd**, LHS fld with wire fence on L. At end of fence, **FR** (140**°**) across fld. **Ignore** RF and **SO** under power‑lines to **go thru** kg. **SO**, RHS fld, to **go thru** next kg and **TR** on rd. In 30yds, at f‑post, **TL** on grass between gardens. At end, **X** stile, then **X** fld (130**°**). At far side, **thru** gap in fence and down to **BL** across rd. **Up** steps opp, then **ahd**, LHS recreation ground. In cnr, **thru** gap to concrete rd. *(You are now entering the area of the former Kent coalmine of Betteshanger.)* **GR TR 337 532**

**15.5** **TR** and at end, with Almond House ahd on L, **pass** rd-end on R, then **BslightlyR** on tarmac fp. At Betteshanger Social Club, **SO** on short concrete path, then **cont** along LHS of buildings. **Thru** kg and **ahd** on encl fp. **Keep ahd** on fp which emerges to **cont** between flds. At rd, immed before church, **TL** and in 40yds, **TR** into

**CHECKPOINT 15 – Northbourne Parish Hall
GR TR 334 523 94.2 miles Opens Sun 08.30 Closes Mon 06.30**

**LEG 16 – NORTHBOURNE TO MAYDENSOLE FARM
3.7 miles 269ft ascent 181ft descent**

**16.1** From CP, **ahd** **thru** gap in hedge to **X** playing fld (150**°**). **Pass** shelter to **reach** dog bin and **TR** on path. **Fllw** to **reach** cnr. **BL** to pass steps and **TR** around garden above rd. At end, **BL** out to rd. **TR**, passing Hare and Hounds PH, to **reach** jcn. **TL** on rd and in 30yds, **X** rd via island to **cont** on RHS. In 300yds, at f‑post, **TR** (180**°**) on fp across large fld. At far side, **thru** kg and **BslightlyR** (190**°**) on grass, **thru** double LMGs into farmyard *(Manor Farm)*. **BR** to **exit** farmyard thru very wide double LMGs *(or thru gap to R)* and **ahd** to rd. **GR TR 332 509**

**16.2** **TL** on rd and **X** to RHS. At LH bend, **BR** (180**°**) to leave rd on rough tk, passing *The Bungalow* on your L. At fld, **BR** (180**°**) on RH of two paths *(OS map indicates White Cliffs Country Trail)*. **Thru** wide hedge-gap and **SO** across next fld, gently ascending at first. At far side, **thru** ‘tunnel’ in hedge and **SO** (still 180**°**) down next fld. At bottom, **BR**&**L** thru hedge-gap and **SO** on next fld. At end *(beware low wooden posts)*, **thru** gap in hedge and **ahd** to rd - *this is the village of Sutton*. **GR TR 334 495**

**16.3 TL** on rd and in 100yds, at f‑post, **TR** thru LMG *(Sutton Court Farm)*. **QUIET – stabled horses – close gates carefully**. **Ahd** thru farmyard to **pass** between silos and **thru** LMG. **SO** thru two narrow paddocks *(beware possible electric fences)*, passing thru two more LMGs. **Ahd** on encl tk and in 100yds, **thru** LMG *(beware electric fence on L of gate)*. **Keep ahd** on fp for 1.4 miles, at first between hedges and later, with hedge on R only (*fp later goes R & L*). **Reach** and **go thru** LMG (*probably open),* then **FR** with farm buildings on L, to **reach**

**CHECKPOINT 16 – Maydensole Farm (marquee)
GR TR 315 476 97.9 miles Opens Sun 09.10 Closes Mon 08.20**

**LEG 17 – MAYDENSOLE FARM TO DUKE OF YORK’S SCHOOL
3.4 miles 325ft ascent 108ft descent**

**17.1** From CP, **thru** barrier and **TL** on rd. **Over** offset X-rds and in 120yds, at f‑post, **FL** on encl byway *(NDW)*. **Keep ahd** on this obvious tk, ignoring side-paths, and in 1300yds, **BR** with tk to **BR** onto rd. In 20yds, with care, **X** rd and **BL** at f‑post to resume on NDW. In 500yds, **emerge** onto rd and **ahd** (180**°**) at Pineham. **GR TR 316 457**

**17.2 Fllw** rd R then L, passing f‑post on R. In 100yds at next f‑post, **BR** *(leaving rd)* to resume on NDW. In 1000yds at f‑post, **BL** with NDWwith main rd (A2) on your R. In 700yds, **reach** rd. **GR TR 323 443**

**17.3 TR** on pavement across rd bridge. Immed before *Copthorne* on L, **TL** to **X** rd (**CARE!**) and **ahd** for 20yds to **go thru** kg *(partly hidden in RH cnr)*. **Ahd** on fp with galvanised metal fence on R. **Fllw** fp and fence (*later between fence and wall*) for 1200yds to rd. **TsharpR** thru entrance of school. **GR TR 330 435**

**17.4** *From here, please follow the signs to check‑in which will direct you thus:*
**Ahd** on driveway and in 30yds, just before gatekeeper’s hut, **BL** on tarmac rd. **Fllw** rd thru, passing athletics tk on R. At T‑jcn *(Clive House)*, **SO** on fp. At Xing fp, **TR** to check‑in and

**FINISH – Duke of York’s Royal Military School
GR TR 327 434 101.3 miles Opens Sun 10.00 Closes Mon 10.00
total ascent 6807ft total descent 6420ft**

***WELL DONE!***