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The Cinque Ports Hundred

100-mile CHALLENGE WALK – MARSHALS' WALK
5th, 6th & 7th 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)

MARSHALS' LEG 1 – HASTINGS TO PETT LEVEL 6.9 miles 1013ft ascent 1040ft descent

- **1.0** 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. **GR TQ 817 093**
- **1.1** Ahd with main rd on your L and in 100yds, 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, then uphill, fence still on R. **Fllw** path to L, then to R and soon **BL** up steps 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** past another 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 and as it winds uphill, then **up** steps with railing. At top of steps at T-jcn by mileage post, **TR**. **Keep and**, gently uphill, occasionally up steps. Near top, **thru** kg, then **BslightlyR** (70°) with radar scanner to your L. **And** with fence on R, then **BR** on worn path downhill. At end of fence, **BL** to **keep and** on this obvious worn path, heading broadly

eastward to **pass** two benches and, later, wmk-post on L. **Cont** to **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 to RMCP 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 6.9 miles Opens Sat 11.20 Closes Sat 13.10

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** stile in 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 R/H 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 12.6 miles Opens Sat 13.00 Closes Sat 16.00

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. At farm on R, **BL&R** with tarmac and **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 BL with 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 bw and 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, fllwing white-painted stakes if present). 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 *(possible electric fence here step over with CARE)* 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 19.3 miles Opens Sat 14.50 Closes Sat 19.10

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** stile and **ahd**, LHS fld with wire fence on L. At far LH cnr, **X** stile and **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** stile to 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, **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** stile in 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 fp along 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** stile in hedge opp, then fb. **BL** with path thru scrub, passing collected machinery. **Pass** large container/skip on your L, then **BR** thru gap to **cont** LHS fld with hedge/treeline on your L. **X** stile in cnr and **SO** (10°) across fld. **X** fb via kgs. **GR TQ 900 313**

4.4 Ahd LHS fld with fence and ditch on L (10°) and thru kg. X ditch and 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. Fllw this winding fp thru into Tenterden. 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 25.2 miles Opens Sat 16.30 Closes Sat 22.00

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** over fb, 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. **FIlw** 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** kg in 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** kg and **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, and in 60yds, find wmk-post hidden in trees (easily missed!). TR (130°) across fld towards 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 across landbridge 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 31.9 miles Opens Sat 18.30 Closes Sun 01.10

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 and 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. **X** fld (150°) to RH cnr and **go thru** L of 2 LMGS. **Fllw** LHS of fld (130°) and **thru** LMG (*stile step collapsed*). **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°) and **X** stile and concrete rd. **Cont** to **X** fld thru crop (140°) (*beware two possible electric fences*) 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 **reach** (but **not** go thru) kg (with rd beyond). **TsharpR** to **X** same fld (160°) and **X** stile in cnr. **BL** with fence on R, **X** stile and **SO** (private garden but PRoW) with fence and gaps on R. In RH cnr, **thru** SWG to rd. **GR TQ 989 256**
- **6.6 BR** across rd to **BL** thru SMG. **Ahd** (140°) along LHS fld. Where fld-edge and ditch swing away to the 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-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) Ahd LHS fld and in cnr, SO across fb into fld. Ahd (130°) and in 160yds, at Xing path, BR (190°). At far side, X plank bridge (no hand rail) 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

6.10 Ahd on rd past Westbrook 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 41.9 miles Opens Sat 21.20 Closes Sun 06.00

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

- 7.1 From CP, T½L to X rd to LH pavement. 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 fenceend. **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 thru double 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°), over mound across fld. **Thru** LMG to L of barn. **Ahd** with wire fence on L and **fllw** thru to rd. **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 45.1 miles Opens Sat 22.10 Closes Sun 07.30

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**, passing RH&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.

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 and later, 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 49.6 miles Opens Sat 23.30 Closes Sun 09.40

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 and 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 railed fb 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 to rd (**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 along RHS 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

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- **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 58.5 miles Opens Sun 02.00 Sun Closes 13.50

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 40 yds, **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

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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 stile by 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 across concrete path and ahd, soon down steps, to rd. GR TR 188 356

- **10.4 BR** across rd to **X** stile by 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** stile and **ahd** to rd (**GR TR 192 354**). **BR** to **X** parking area and take path beside street light. In 10 yds, **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 reach main 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 reach seafront. **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 64.4 miles Opens Sun 03.40 Closes Sun 16.40

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 grass into top cnr. **GR TR 240 372**
- **11.3 Up** tarmac tk (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 to find

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- **11.5 Ahd** on path (290°) which soon leads to start of zig-zag path. **Fllw** zig-zags right the way to the top to **pass** Cliff Top Café. **TR** into car park, **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 and 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. And 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 pavement of 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 rd uphill 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**

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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 73.1 miles Opens Sun 06.10 Closes Sun 20.50

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 ivycovered 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, **find** gate and seat on L. **Options** - **If fence on L beyond seat is present**, **TL before** seat, **thru** gate and **ahd** to **join** man-made fp. **Otherwise**, immed **after** seat, **BL** uphill to wmk-post at man-made fp (leaving ECP). **GR TR 339 422**

- **12.4 TR** on fp uphill and at top, **go thru** kg and **ahd**, fence on R. **Ignore** first kg on R and **ahd**, soon down steps. At bottom, **BL** (40°) onto broad grassy tk. **Thru** kg and **SO**, fence on L, gently ascending. At top, **thru** kg and **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). **Pass** white bungalow on R and, in 90yds, **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 78.0 miles Opens Sun 07.30 Closes Sun 23.10

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 (60°) on tk. In 250yds, fllw tk to L (350°), down and up towards wood. GR TR 360 467.
- **13.2** 40yds into wood, at jcn, **cont ahd** (350°). In 80yds, **BR** (350°) on fp off main tk. In 125yds, ignore fp to R. In 160yds, at T-jcn, **TL** on fp. In 50yds, **FR** and in 20yds, **BL** with fence on R. At fence/fld cnr, **TR** with fp. **SO** to pass wmk-post and **reach** wmk-stones, then bw on L. **Cont** for 180yds as path BsL to **TR**. In 5yds, **TR** on fp (*beware low branches*). **BL** with fp, **join** fp from L at T-jcn (*at edge of wood*), **TR** (70°) on fp. 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 1**st **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 'The Planet'). **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 84.0 miles Opens Sun 09.20 Closes Mon 02.10

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

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- **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 pass The 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 89.9 miles Opens Sun 11.00 Closes Mon 05.00

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** barrier and **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 and 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 94.6 miles Opens Sun 12.20 Closes Mon 07.10

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 98.3 miles Opens Sun 13.20 Closes Mon 08.50

MARSHALS' LEG 17 – MAYDENSOLE FARM TO WHITFIELD CLUB 2.1 miles 213ft ascent 45ft 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, TsharpR (320°) onto rd at Pineham. GR TR 316 457

17.2 Fllw rd for 250yds. At T-jcn, **X** busy rd ahd **(CARE!)** and **TL** to **X** bridge over A256. In 20yds after bridge (sign: Church Whitfield/St Peter's Church), **TR** on rd. In 250yds, **pass** lychgate (and church) on R. In a further 100yds, opp cream house on R, at f-post (finger missing), **BL** (240°) on fp to **X** fld fllwing power line. Immed after end of hedge on R, **BR** on encl fp, houses on L. Ignore fp and barrier on L. At end, **thru** barrier to **TsharpL** thru car park to

MARSHALS' FINISH – Whitfield Club
GR TR 303 457 100.4 miles Opens Sun 14.00 Closes Mon 10.00
total ascent 6714ft total descent 6394ft

WELL DONE!