**SHOTLEY PENINSULA 50 2019 (Final 26/08/2019)**

Ahd.-ahead; Cont.-continue; CP-Checkpoint; FB-footbridge; FPS-footpath sign; Immed.-immediately; Junc.-junction; KG-kissing gate; NROW -no right of way; L-left; TL -turn left; LHS-Left hand side; R-right; RD-road; RHS-right hand side; SOW - Stour and Orwell Walk; SP-sign post; Thru – through; TR -turn right; TK -track; T-junc.-T-junction; WMP – waymark post; YWM-yellow way mark; X-cross; (150)-magnetic bearing; hand side; On L/R - on your L/R;

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**HOLBROOK VILLAGE HALL (Post Code IP9 2PZ) Start – CP 1 8.0 Miles**

1. From Village **Hall TR.** Take **1st** RD on **L**. In **250 yds**. **TR** on TK. At bottom, when TK swings **R**, Ahd. up field. At top **TL** with hedge on **L.** X FB, up field to RD. Ahd. up RD to where RD bears **R** at FSP, **TL** down TK to reservoir. Ahd. to X dam. **TR** on reservoir RD, follow to go thru entrance gates at main RD. **TL** on pavement to pass **1st** RD on **R** (SP SuttonChurch). **TM 161 349**
2. In **30yds**. X RD to go down RD (**SP NO ACCESS**) (**NROW until X FB**) & **almost immed**. **TR** down TK (**SP All Weather Pitch**) thru sports fields of the Royal Hospital School. Follow TK to pass sports pavilion on **L** then sheds on **R**. In **60yds**. **TR,** X footbridge and **TR** up TK. **BEWARE PROTRUDING ROOTS on this path!**  **TM 166 345**
3. When level with house on **L** keep Ahd. to go thru gap between tree & barn and keep Ahd. up lawn. At top **swing L** towards church & pass church to join RD. Ahd. on RD for about **1/2 ml.** passing RD on **R.** When RD turns **R** **(blind bend**) at **Christmas Cottage** keep Ahd. on TK between houses to junc. at RD.  **TM 147 344**
4. **TL** in **300yds**. pass large house on **L** (Crepping Hall). Ahd thru barrier and keep to main TK which bends **L** to River Stour, then later **R** (river on **L**). When TK again bends **R** at direction arrow, keep Ahd. down to river on to foreshore and **TR** with shoreline. **TM 152 330**
5. In approx**. 800yds.** reach fallen oak trees on shore. **60yds** after fallen trees at SOW sign, **TR** up gap in bank to open ground. **1/2L** (follow bushes) to path and cont. in same direction (river on **L**). **X FB** and follow path on bank but beware of uneven surface. Ahd. on enclosed path then field edge. **Keep L** at trees, thru gap for a few yds. to FPS. Keep Ahd. to follow path on top of bank which bends **R** then **L.** Pass **Sutton Mill** sluice and then **Keebles** sluice. In **180yds** at waymark arrows, **TR** down bank and Ahd. up grass TK. Ignoring all side TKs keep Ahd. up dirt TK then metalled TK to RD. **WITH CARE X RD**, **TL** on pavement, over railway bridge then take **2nd** TK on R (**Jimmy's Lane**) just after lay-by (**NROW until junc.)** and Ahd to junc. **TL** to CP.

**CP 1 at BRANTHAM 8.0 Miles TM 116 346 (Post Code C011 1PF)**

**Open 10.15 am-11.30 am.**

**CP - CP 2 4.4 Miles**

1. From CP **TR** to T-junc. **TR,** and when TK bends L **keep Ahd**. down TK ignoring all side TKs. At top of slope **Ahd.** with wood on L,tofollow around wood, to pass TK on Lto T-junc. **TM 111 351**
2. **Sharp R** down enclosed path, and bear **L** through gap (stile hidden in vegetation). Down RHS of field, thru gate (**must close),** then **1/2 R** (**034**), X field to X stile/FB. Up thru trees, then on wide grass TK. Ignore TKs on R**,** near top (white house on L) **fork R** up to X stile. **TL** on TK to go alongside tall beech hedgeon **L.** and cont. to RD junc. **TM 112 361**
3. **TL** on RD**.** At **L bend** cont.for **150yds** to **TL** at FPS thru KG. Follow YWMs on path, ignore all side paths to X stile. **1/2R** (**242**) X field to go thru small gate. **TR** for 10 yds then **TL** to X field to gate/FB. Straight up next field to go thru gap at hedge corner. **1/2R** (**242**) X field to go thru gap to RD. **TM** **103 354**
4. **TL** and **almost immed** go thru gap at side of gate and Ahd. on field edge path. **TR** on sunken path to RD. Keep Ahd. on RD (**BEWARE ONCOMING TRAFFIC)** which bends **R** to pass **Royal Oak** on L**.** **TL** at junc. and take **1st** RD on **L** (**Park RD.)**  In **250yds.** **TR** at FPS onto field edge**. TL** at corner (**do not go thru gap**). X stile and follow path to T junc with TK. **TM 093 345**
5. Keep Ahd on TK for **200yds,** and just before end of trees at YMK **fork** **R** on sunken path until **45yds** **before** RD. **TM** **089 340**

11.**TR** and go thru lift-up gate **(MUST CLOSE) (NROW until RD). TL keeping to field edge** and follow to CP.

**CP 2 EAST BERGHOLT (12.4 Miles) TM 085342**

**Open 11.00 am—13.30 pm**

**(Post Code C07 6UP)**

**CP2 - CP3 4.5 Miles.**

12. Ahd. thru gate and **TL** to RD. X **RD** **WITH CARE** and **TR** for **50yds.** to bend, where keep **L** (**SP** **East Bergholt**). Take **1st** RD on **L Orvis Lane**. **TM** **081 342**

13. Down RD to **TR** at FPS, (**20yds.** before farm gate across RD). **Do not go thru gate.** Ahd. on path, field edge, then enclosed path to start of TK, where **TL** between fences (*Please do not feed horses sign on gate*). **TM 079 340**

1. Cont. on **RHS** field to FPS (ignore stile on R). Keep Ahd. thru KG and Ahd. down centre of field on grass TK which **bears R** near bottom to pass thru KG gate. Ahd. to pass **Willy Lott's** cottage on L(cream cottage). Cont. the few yards to **Flatford Mill** (*turn around here for view of "****Haywain***"). Cont. Ahd. and when RD bends **R,** **TL** over bridge. (Toilets 12yds up RD on **R) TM 075 333**
2. **TR** thru gates and follow River Stour on R to **2nd** **R** bend in river. Keep Ahd. (**294)** away from river to go thru wide gap over ditch. Ahd. (in same direction) to go alongside river on **R**. Ahd. thru 3 gates next to river bank. **TM 064 335**
3. **TL,** X field (**245**) (ignore path to **R**). Path becomes enclosed. Thru KGs and pass to **R** of further KG. Ahd on TK which bends **L** to driveway. Cont. to RD and **TR** along **Dedham High St**.

**TM** **059 331**

1. At **2nd** RD on **R** (**Princel Lane)**, **do not go down** but keep Ahd. for **100 yds** and **TR** on path at **West Gate Cottage,** (FP sign in holly hedge.) (*Follow Essex Way signs to CP***)**. **TM** **055 331**
2. Ahd. on TK thru **Bridges Farm** and keep on TK to double gates. **TR** thru KG and **immed. TL.** Ahd. to go thru gate next to river then Ahd thru woods to **TL** on driveway (**Milsoms Hotel**) **TM** **044 332**
3. At RD **TR** and pass over A12. At fork **keep L** to T-junc., X RD and **TL** uphill for **200 yds**. **TR** thru large wrought iron gates on driveway. Cont. to T-junc. to **TR** to Church. Go thru lych gate, **TL** to CP.

**CP3 LANGHAM CHURCH Annex (16.9 Miles) TM 034 337**

**Ladies toilet only** **(Post Code C04 5PS)**

**Open 12.00 pm-15.00 pm**

**CP3 — CP4 (unmanned) 3.4 Miles**

1. From CP cont. on TK down field to hedge. **TR** (hedge on **L**) and X gallops and Ahd. for **200** **yds.** where **TR**, X bridge, straight X field to gate and FB to RD. **TR** on RD to pass **Black Horse** PH on L. **TM** **042 338**
2. Ahd. for **330yds.** just after **Suffolk** sign on LHS, X RD to FPS, thru KG & underpass & **almost immed**. another KG. Ahd. keeping close to River Stour and follow to RD. **TM 057 336**
3. X RD, **TL** over bridge & **immed.** **TR** & go thru KG at FPS. (*Large red brick house on skyline was the childhood home of Winston Churchill*). Ahd. keeping to river bank to go thru gate in approx. **750yds**. Ahd. on path, which bends **L.** and thru gate (keep **L, not over FB)**. Keep Ahd to X bridge. In 20 yds. when path bends **L,** keep Ahd. thru KG, and swing **R** with fence. Ahd. thru gap, **1/2 L** uphill to RD, **TL. TM 072 338**

***(This is a one-way RD system with the traffic coming from behind you. A path runs alongside the RD on the other side of hedge on R. The occasional views are on the RD, the choice is yours).***

1. Cont. to T-junc. facing church, X RD and **TL** on pavement. Follow church wall to entrance to churchyard. (*On the other side of RD is Churchill's former home. A plaque on the wrought iron fence on R informs of site of Constable's childhood home, his studio is 200yds. down RD on bend. Constable's parents and Willy Lott are buried in the churchyard*.)
2. Take footpath into churchyard & **immed. fork L** for **30yds**. to **BELL CAGE** on **L,** a few paces further, on your **R** is a bench.

**CP UNMANNED (20.3 Miles) TM 070 344**

CP4-CP5 **3.7 Miles.**

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| When was John French born?  You will be asked at CP 5 |  |
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1. Cont. thru churchyard to follow pavement for approx. **1/2ml.** to RD junc. and **TL** into **Gandish Road.**  Ahd along Gandish Road to crossroads, where **TL along pavement.** **TR** down **1st** **RD** on **R** (**Putticks Lane**). **TM** **082 353**
2. In **30yds.** at FPS, **TR** on wide path (hedge on **R**) and follow to corner at elec. pole**. TR** thru gap & **immed.** **TL** on TK. Ahd. thru gate (may be tied open, but if not, **MUST CLOSE**) keeping to fence/trees on **L.** Ignore path to **R**, keep Ahd to FPS to way marker (barn to your **R**). **TM** **089 357**
3. **TR** down field. (barn on **R**). past line of trees on **R**. and at end of trees **bear slightly R** to go Ahd. thru small gate. Ahd. to fence corner and Ahd.(**090**) to reach gate & FPS. **TL,** X FB. **1/2 R** (**052**), X field, thru gap onto path to X stream. At path junc. **TR** for **130yds. TM 095 359**
4. At waymark **TL** and follow path uphill thru trees to junc. (ignore path to **L** near top). Ahd. on wide TK to go to **R** of fence at wood yard. At end of fence X gravel RD to pass in front of yard gate. **TM 100 363**
5. Ahd. on wide TK for approx. **820yds**. ignoring all TKs on L & R to reach WMP on right. **With WMP on R**, cont for 50 yds to **fork L** down TK. **TM 103 370**
6. Cont Ahd for 600 yds to just before 4-finger FPS (on **L** hidden behind tree), where **TR** up bank. **TM 104 372**
7. Ahd thru rough grass and trees. Keep same line across X field (**115**) to **TR** on RD/pavement to CP.

**CP 5 THE CASE IS ALTERED PUB, BENTLEY (24.0 Miles)**

**TM 108 370**

**Open 13.45 pm - 17.30 pm**

**(Post Code IP9 2DW)**

CP5 - CP6 **5.8 Miles**

1. From CP **TR** along TK/path. Ignore all other TKS and later follow to **R** and go thru farmyard. At end of brick barn on **R** (just before RD starts) **TL** on bridleway (**Grove Farm** sign on wall on **R**). **TM 111 37**
2. Cont. for approx. **1/2ml.** to 4-fingered FPS hidden in hedge (just before plank bridge over ditch). **TR** along field edge with ditch on **L**, cont to large gap in hedge, X thru **L** and join TK. **TM 115 383**
3. Ahd. 300 yds to **TL** thru small gate (**must close)** andX stream. **1/2R** on faint path, thru gate (**must close**) to **R** of tennis court. Keep Ahd. (same line (**060**) to X field to go thru gate (**must close)** and **TL** on RD. **TM** **118 384**
4. **Almost immed**. **TL** on path into trees to emerge on RD after wooden building and **TL.** At bend, Ahd. on TK to **Bentley Old Hall.** In approx. **420yds**. **TR** on green TK. (**NROW until FPS**). Pass TK on **R** and enter wood and Ahd. on wide TK. (When TK descends, if wet, go up bank on **L.)** Ahd. over X TK for approx. **450yds.** to TK junc. **TR** on TK with hedge on **L**. **TM 128 403**
5. X bridge over railway & in **170yds**., when in wood, **FR** on path thru bracken to join path from **L**. Ahd. Ignore all side paths/TKs to reach gate (usually across TK) at **Hubbard Hall Farm**. **Don't go thru.**  **Immed before** gate **TL** thru gap in hedge & **immed TR** to follow field edge passing buildings on **R**. Cont. on field edge to TK.Cont. to RD. **WITH CARE X A137 and cont ahd** on grass path opposite for 10 yds. **TM** **135 386**
6. **TL** alongside fence/hedge and follow to end to X Stile. **T sharp R** on path. Ignore all paths on **L** and keeping reservoir on **R** follow to RD. **TR** on pavement over reservoir, Ahd. uphill to CP.

**CP 6 TATTINGSTONE VILLAGE HALL (29.8 Miles) TM 136372**

**Open 14.45 pm – 20.00 pm**

**(Post Code IP9 2ND)**

CP 6 - CP 7 **6.0 Miles**

1. From CP **TR** down RD and X bridge. **Almost immed**. **TR** thru car park. Follow main TK (ignore all side paths) for approx. **1 1/4mls.** to T-junc. (Black Pond Meadow notice board). **TL** for **100yds.** to RD. **TM** **146 375**
2. **1/4 R** to X RD Ahd. and up bridleway, later thru wood, then between fields to T-junc. **TM 157 381**
3. **TL** for **100yds**. to junc. **TR** (wood on **L**) and Ahd to reach farm buildings on **R.** Ahd on TK then Ahd. on RD (ignore all side RDs) to T-junc. by brick wall. **TL** and Ahd. to pass Church. RD bend**s R**, and when just round bend **TL** at FPS into wood. **BEWARE PROTRUDING ROOTS on this path!**  **TM 171 395**
4. In approx. **30yds** at large tree stump, Ahd on middle path, going downhill to X FB. Thru gate, follow hedge/fence on **R** on faint path to pass thru gate in **RH** corner of field. **Ahd.** (**035)** to X field to **TR** on field edge to RD. **TM** **173 402**
5. **X RD VERY CAREFULLY** to go thru gap to next stile. **Immed**. **TR**, and up field following hedge on **R** (River Orwell on **L**). At top thru gap to **R** of gate. **TM 179 399**
6. **TL** down TK and at bottom go to **L** of sailing club fence. Follow fence round to **R** to X stile. Ahd. on foreshore for **80yds.** to ditch on **R** and in **40yds.** another ditch. Pass ditch and **immed** **TR** with ditch across saltings. **TL** & keep to bushes/tree line on **R** (river on **L**) for approx. **200yds.** to reach large ditch & large oak tree. **TM 179 398**
7. **TR** on faint path for **70yds**. to X wide grass TK and keep same direction uphill on wide grass TK, bending **R** and **L** (**Freston Tower** on L - *if you can see it in the dark it’s England's oldest folly 1553*) to reach cattle grid beside 2 large pine trees and small metal gate. **TM 177 395**
8. Thru metal gate (**must close, sheep in field**) and Ahd. up driveway. When drive bends **R** keep Ahd. on farm TK with hedge on **L.** TK bends **L**, and when TK bends **R** at TK junc. keep Ahd. on wide grass path (hedge on **L**) to X minor RD (Sign to Marina on L and Woolverstone House sign on R). **TM 182 388**
9. Ahd. to X another minor RD. Ahd. on sports field keeping to hedge on **R** to pass house on **R** and Ahd. on TK to reach

**CP 7 WOOLVERSTONE CHURCH (35.8 Miles) TM 189 386 Open. 16.00 pm – 22.30 pm.**

***Ladies only toilet.*** **(Post Code IP9 1AY)**

CP7 – CP 8 **4.8 Miles**

1. From church gate **TR** to follow church fence on **R** to **Stour/Orwell Walk** waymark. **TM 190 386**
2. Go **½ R** (**040**) following direction arrow (**Stour/Orwell Walk**). Enter wood & immed. **fork L** down thru trees. Keep on this path going down to reach railings where **TL** to RD. **TM194 389**
3. **TR** to pass park & Harwich YC clubhouse. **½ way** round **L** bend **TR** at FPS in front of grass bank to concrete slipway. **1/2R** X slipway and **TL** on path beside KG. Keeping river on **L** follow path thru then around **L** side of wood. Pass large fallen tree on **L** for **12yds.** then **fork L** andin further **12yds** again **fork L** towards river. Follow path (river on **L)** to arrive at the **R** corner of wood at waymark post. **TL** on field edge path. **TM 199 386**
4. Keep this direction with river on **L** to later go thru gap next to KG. Ahd on enclosed path to junc. where **TL** on TK, past **Pin Mill Sailing Club** and Ahd with river on **L.** (*Toilets on* ***R***.) At pub **TR** upRD away from river to pass car park entrance on **R**. In **150yds** **TL** up steps to take path between houses.

**TM 206 378**

1. Follow path for approx. **1 Mile** (ignoring all paths to **R/L**) to pass barn on **L** & in a few yds reach **Clamp House.** **TM 219 378**
2. **TL** towards river for **30yds** to FPS. (*Follow Arthur Ransome East Coast signs until converted barn/house in approx. 1 Mile*). **TR** on raised bank then field edge path. Keeping river on **L** following field edge path to X FB. Ignore path on **R**. At fork **keep L.** **TM 225 373**
3. X FB (**careful stepping off**), onto boardwalk, up steps and **swing L** on field edge. X plank bridge to pass converted barn/house and **immed** **TR** up TK away from river. Thru gate (**please close quietly),** up TK to RD. **TM**  **228 367**
4. **TL** on RD. Pass **Charity Farm** on **R**. In 1**50yds** **TR** on TK (SP **Restricted Byway**) **TM 233 367**
5. **Ahd** on tk. Ignore TKs on L/Rand keep Ahd. to pass houses on **R** to RD junc., **TL** to

**CP 8 at SHOTLEY CHURCH (40.6 Miles) TM 237 360**

**Open 16.45 pm -0100 am.**

***Ladies toilet only.*** **(Post Code IP9 1ER)**

CP 8 – CP 9  **4.7 Miles.**

1. From CP **TL** down TK to T-junc at hamlet of **Frog Alley**. **TR** on TK for **100yds,** thru gate **(please close quietly).** Keep with hedge on **L** (pass gate on **L**) to later go thru gate. Ahd. for a few yds then **TR** to scramble up bank. **TM** **245 360**
2. **TR** (River Orwell on **L**) on sea wall path for **1 1/4mls** to marina (**Port of Felixstowe on L**). At marina **TL** on path around marina to X over walkway at lock. **TL,** keeping sea on **L**, and cont. to reach the **Bristol Arms PH** (Port of Harwich now on L). **TM** **245 336**
3. Keep Ahd. on path (sea on **L**) for approx. **580yds** to steps on **R** (SP **Quarterdeck/Crow’s** **Nest**). (***If you reach a picnic table and shelter you have gone too far).* TR** up steps to Pass **Quarterdeck** on **L**. At the top of the path junc. **TL** and follow until path forks. Keep **R** to RD and **TL** on RD**.** When RD ends keep Ahd. to go thru gap in trees & Ahd. on field path with sea on **L.**  **TM** **239 339**
4. Ahd to pass between houses, pass TK on **R**, to go thru gap in fence at last house on **L.** Ahd. on field edge (River Stour now on **L)** (*the one you followed at Flatford/Dedham*). In approx. **3/4ml,** at end of **3rd** field (metal/wood fence around sluice outlet at FPS), **TR** down bank. **TM 225 341**
5. Up TK (ditch on **R**) away from river. TK bends **L** and **R.** In a further **240yds**, when tree line on **L** ends at open space, **fork L** a few yds to **TL** on field edge TK (hedge/fence on **R**). **TM 224 344**
6. At end **TR** up TK (**quiet please houses on L & R)** to RD. **TL** for 25yds to **TL** to CP.

**CP 9 ERWARTON. CHURCH (45.3 Miles.) TM 220 347 Open 17.20 pm- 03.30 am**

**(Post Code IP9 1LL)**

**CP9 *-* Finish 5.5 Miles**

*(Anne Boleyn's last request was that her heart be returned to Erwarton. Details are on the church organ.)*

1. From CP **TL** on RD to **Erwarton Queen's Head** **PH**. **Immed**. after pub at FPS, **TR** up field edge to **TL** thru gap at hedge corner. **TM 214 347**
2. **1/2 R** (**340**) to X field to farm RD. In a few yds. keep **R** at fork, up TK which bends **L** with hedge on **R**. At bottom of slope **fork L.** TK bears **R** then **L**. Pass house on **L** (**Mares Nest**) and follow main TK to junc**. TM 206 356**
3. Step over chain link fence and keep straight Ahd. on TK (257) (soon with hedge on **L)** for approx. **3/4ml**. to RD. Keep Ahd. on RD (**not L**) to T-junc. **TM 194 353**
4. **TL** at **SP** **Harkstead**. Pass RD on **L** andkeep Ahd. down RD (**blind bend at bottom of hill**). Keep on RD to T-junc. passing **River View RD** on **R**. At T-junc. **TR** to **Bakers Arm PH** and atend of pub garden **TL**, (Old Post Office sign on gate opposite). In **35yds** **TR** at FPS down TK. Keep **R** at driveway entrance down enclosed path between fields to RD. **TR** on RD for approx. **150yds**, to take TK on **L**. In approx. **60yds** at waymark post, **1/2 R** to X field to hedge corner**.**  Ahd. with hedge on **R** between fields then hedge. At post and rail fence keep Ahd. with fence on **R** then hedge on **R**. **TM** **180 347**
5. At end of hedge **TL** to pass to the **L** of electric poles. Ahd. down field and at bottom **TR** on path above foreshore to reach TK at **Holbrook Creek**. (BEWARE STEEP DROP ON L.) **BR** for **60yds**. then **TL** on narrow path alongside sea wall overlooking creek. **TM 175 348**

1. At end down steps, **TL** for **6yds**. and **TR** at FPS down path to go alongside stream on **R** (**Take care, path and boardwalk slippery if wet**). **TM** **174 349**
2. Follow path thru 2 gates & after approx. **600yds**. up driveway to RD. (**At driveway quiet please*.)***  **TL** on RD for **10yds,** then **TR** to X RD to gate (**Private no entry sign).** **1/2R** to X footbridge to reach pavement. Ahd uphill and take **2nd** RD on **L**. Finish **250yds**. on **R.**

**FINISH 50.8 Miles**. OPEN 1845-0615

**WELL DONE, NOW PUT YOUR FEET UP!**