



You are invited to take part in
**The Wey & Arun Canal Trust's
51st Annual Poddle
Sunday 2nd June 2024**



Birtley Bridge 2 - opened on 29th October 2023

What is it?

The 2024 Poddle is a 12-mile sponsored walk around Cranleigh, Surrey, raising money towards the restoration of the Wey & Arun Canal.

Who can do it?

Almost anyone, with the exception of the very young, infirm and pushchairs as the walk has some stiles. Dogs are welcome especially if sponsored!

What do I need to do?

Register at weyandrun.org.uk/poddle
Complete the sponsor form overleaf and raise as much money as you can – minimum £25 please (refreshments are provided) then just turn up and walk.

Where, when, how?

- ◆ The start is at Snoxhall Community Centre, Knowle Lane, Cranleigh GU6 8JW. Knowle Lane is off Cranleigh High Street - the turning is opposite the Richard Onslow pub. Turn left if you are coming from the Horsham/Ewhurst direction, right if you are coming from Guildford or the A281. Follow Knowle Lane for 300 yards and you will see a sign on the left for Snoxhall Fields. Turn here and follow the lane to the Community Centre. There is car parking at the Centre but if spaces run out then parking is free on Sundays in Cranleigh public car parks - the nearest is Village Way (GU6 8AF, follow signs for Cranleigh Leisure Centre).
- ◆ Arrive between 9am and 10:30 to check in and receive your Route Guide and start walking the whole route, or only the morning route. If you only wish to walk in the morning, we will provide transport from the lunch stop back to the start.
- ◆ If you wish to walk only in the afternoon, come to Arbuthnot Hall, Hullbrook Lane, Shamley Green GU5 0UA. Hullbrook Lane is off the B2128 road between Shalford/Wonersh and Cranleigh, by the village green in Shamley Green - the turning is by Shamley Green Stores. Turn left if you are coming from Cranleigh, right if you are coming from Shalford/Wonersh. Arbuthnot Hall is about 100 yards on the left. Arrive between 12 and 1.30pm to check in and receive your Route Guide. We will provide transport from the finish back to Shamley Green.

The Wey & Arun Canal Trust, which is working hard to restore 23 miles of navigable waterway linking the River Arun at Pallingham to the River Wey at Shalford, organises a sponsored walk each year. This is our most important fundraising event and makes a vital contribution to pushing the restoration effort forward.

This year's Poddle is on Sunday 2nd June. We are going to walk from the Snoxhall Community Centre, Cranleigh, to the Arbuthnot Hall at Shamley Green where snacks and hot and cold drinks will be provided (walkers should bring their own packed lunch), and then back to Snoxhall Fields in the afternoon. For those who would prefer a shorter walk you can choose to walk in the morning or afternoon only. Morning and afternoon refreshment stops will be provided at Run Common and Smithwood Common.

The morning walk is about 6 miles and passes along sections of canal at Elmbridge, Whitley, Run Common, Rooks Hill and the restored Birtley length featuring the two new lifting bridges. Lunch is at Shamley Green. The afternoon the walk is via picturesque country footpaths, Smithwood Common and the Downs Link from Rowly for the walk back to Snoxhall Community Centre for a well deserved cup of tea and cake (about 6 miles).

Did you know we offer 50/50 sponsorship? If you enter as a 'Team' and raise more than £200 sponsorship (minimum £25 each) we are happy to split funds equally with another charity or organisation of your choosing. If you or your organisation wish to take part as a team please complete individual sponsor forms as usual but please also contact the organiser, or look on our website for a 'group' form.

If walking isn't for you, why not

- ◆ Sponsor the Last Man?
- ◆ Make cakes for the walkers?
- ◆ Help on the day as a marshal or at a refreshment point?

Please contact the Poddle coordinator for more information or to offer assistance - all help is greatly appreciated.

To contact the coordinator

poddle@weyandrun.co.uk or 01483 505566

For more details of the Wey & Arun Canal Trust and its aims, contact our office.

✉ support@weyandrun.co.uk

☎ 01483 505566

Wey & Arun Canal Trust Annual Poddle Sponsorship & Gift Aid Declaration Form

Please hand in this Sponsor Form - it will be given back to you at the finish when you check out.

Please sponsor me to walk the 2024 ‘Poddle’ on Sunday 2nd June 2024 in aid of the Wey & Arun Canal Trust.
(name of walker - CAPITALS PLEASE)

We, who have given our names and addresses below and have ticked the box headed “Gift Aid? ”, want the charity named above to reclaim tax on the donation detailed below, given on the date shown. We understand that each of us must have paid or will pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax for the current tax year (6 April to 5 April) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that all the charities and Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASCs) that I donate to will reclaim on my gifts for the current tax year.

Surname (CAPITALS PLEASE)	First Name (CAPITALS PLEASE)	Home Address (essential for Gift Aid)	Postcode (essential for Gift Aid)	Amount £		Date Paid	Gift Aid? (✓)
Remember: Full name + Home address + Postcode + (✓) = <i>giftaid it</i>				£			

(To be completed before arrival - IN CAPITALS PLEASE)

Walker’s Details

Full Name

Address

.....Postcode

E-mail address

Gift Aid

Please ensure that if any of the above donations are to be Gift Aided by you or a donor that you / they are a taxpayer, aware of your / their commitments, and that you / they have recorded the first line of their address and their postcode and ticked the Gift Aid box. By doing this their donation increases by 25%, i.e. 25p for every pound. If all are able to do this it will mean that the total amount raised is increased by 25%.

Signature:

Date:

Please tick here if you are a member of the Wey & Arun Canal Trust

Please collect your sponsor money as soon as possible and transfer to:

Sort code 20-35-35, account number 50961949
Barclays Bank, account name “**Wey & Arun Canal Trust Ltd**“ - please add “Poddle” and your name as a reference.

Alternatively please send a cheque payable to “**The Wey & Arun Canal Trust**” to: The Treasurer, Wey & Arun Canal Trust, Bridge End, Somerswey, Shalford, Guildford, GU4 8EQ

If you have more sponsors, please download a form from weyarun.org.uk/poddle (or continue on separate sheets of paper).

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Walker Number: