WINDSOR JUBILEE TRAIL (PT69)



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DISTANCE: 10km

ENTRY FEE: £1.00 per walker (Cheques made payable to Thames Valley Walking Club)

AWARD: There is currently no award for this walk. (Please indicate on the entry form if you

would like an award if one is produced).

START VENUE: Windsor & Eton Central Railway Station, Thames Street, Windsor, Berkshire,

SL4 1PJ (OS Explorer Map 176 GR: SU 966769).

CAR PARKING: There are various car parks around the town.

FACILITIES: Various cafe's & restaurants are available at the start venue and in Windsor town.

TRANSPORT: Train to the start venue & various bus services to Windsor.

TERRAIN: Roads and riverside footpaths. Not suitable for pushchairs or wheelchairs.

The organisers are not liable for accidents, thefts and/or damage to property. Every effort will be made by the organisers to make this a safe, enjoyable and memorable event.

ROUTE DESCRIPTION

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PLEASE REMEMBER TO TAKE GREAT CARE ON ALL ROAD SECTIONS OF THIS TRAIL

Leave the station by going through shopping areas following signs for 'Windsor Castle'. At junction with road turn left, then bear right keeping castle on your right. Follow road passing 'Theatre Royal', then road bears left to reach traffic lights. Turn right into Datchet Road passing fountain on right to reach Windsor & Eton Riverside Station. Turn left to cross road using pedestrian crossing, then bear left & go ahead with station on your right to reach river.

Turn right & follow riverside footpath, bearing left by the 'Boatman'. Go through metal gates following 'Thames Path'. Follow path between metal fences with river on left to reach junction with lane. Turn left on lane following 'Thames Path'. After passing green building on your right, bear left & just before bridge turn right. Go through wooden kissing gate following 'Thames Path' & go ahead on distinct path keeping river on left for approx. 400m bearing left to pass under railway bridge. (2 km)

Question 1: There is a sign that says 'Welcome to Home Park (Public)' – in which year did Queen Victoria authorise that the land should be used for the recreation of the citizens of Windsor?

Continue ahead keeping river on left (Windsor Castle can be seen in the distance to your right). Just before bridge, turn right & follow track for approx. 100m before bearing left to reach road. Turn left on pavement. Cross road <u>WITH CARE</u> when safe to do so and follow road across river. Immediately after crossing river, turn right onto 'Thames Path'.

Go down steep steps & go ahead on footpath with river on right. Follow 'Thames Path' for approx. 700m before turning left over wooden footbridge to reach road. Cross road <u>WITH GREAT CARE</u> & turn right. Follow road ignoring all turnings keeping river on right. Pass 'Beaulieu Place' (just before 40mph sign) and continue to follow road in the same direction, crossing to the other side <u>WITH CARE</u> when there is a pavement and when it is safe to do so. Pass Thames Water treatment works on left & the entrance to 'Woollacoombe' on right & continue to reach 'Sandlea Court' on your right.

Continue along road for 50m before turning right on 'Thames Path' (note footpath sign on left). Go through hedge & turn left on footpath between hedge & wire fence. Footpath turns right, then turns left at river. Continue on footpath with river on right to go under road bridge. (5½ km)

Question 2: Looking back at the bridge, there is a sign on the river side of the arch – which angling society does the sign refer to?

Continue to follow footpath through kissing gate & along tarmac path to reach road. Turn left on pavement to follow road across river. Continue ahead following road bearing left & passing 'Windsor Farm Shop' on your right. Cross road <u>WITH CARE</u> when it is safe to do so & continue to follow road to reach road junction with 'Dunboyne Place' on your left.

Turn right, then right again in direction of cycle path sign towards Windsor. Pass 50mph signs & continue to follow road towards houses (the occasional glimpses of Windsor Castle can be seen to your right). Follow road for approx. 1,300m passing 'Clayhall Farm' on left & 'Shaw Farm' on right. Approx. 50m after passing 30mph signs, turn right on roadway heading towards Windsor Castle.

Follow tree lined roadway to reach gates across the road. Turn left through gateway (NB the gates will be locked from 9pm to 7.30am) & pass the 'Two Brewers PH' on right & follow road to reach t-junction (with Irish Guards memorial and blue post box on your right). Bear right into High Street passing St John the Baptist church on your right. Use crossing to cross road and continue in the same direction to reach the castle. Turn left into 'Jubilee Arch' & go ahead to enter 'Windsor Royal Shopping'. Continue ahead between the shops & cafe's bearing right to return to the station. (10km)

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