



2020

Detailed Directions

Main Walk 7.3 miles

Extension Walk Total Distance 10.3 miles

FFW control mobile Numbers:

07836 727470 or **07801 499485**

you must notify one of these numbers if you leave the walk early, or if you have a 999 medical emergency.

The route is signed with signs black writing on a yellow background at all turning points. The signs carry the following information:

FFW (Fleet Fun Walk), a Rotary International logo, a sign numbered consecutively.

Two route maps are attached:

On the route map, the main walk is in black; the extension in blue. It also shows the start and finish point, and the marshal points (MP). The marshals will time and initial this 'progress form' and assist you to cross the road safely.

The second map belongs to Fleet Pond Society. It depicts their routes and does not show the definitive route for FFW 2020 - use it as a guide - follow route instructions.

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1. From start point, turn LEFT, walk up Baker Way, cross Reading Rd (N) at crossing
2. Turn LEFT on Reading Rd (N), continue 300yds

3. MP1 (opposite Herbert Road) turn RIGHT and climb path.
4. Turn LEFT at Hope Cemetery onto path between Beacon House & Thurston House
5. AHEAD at Hagley Rd
6. Turn RIGHT to Broomrigg Rd
7. AHEAD down Broomrigg Rd.
8. AHEAD to Calthorpe Rd
9. Turn RIGHT on Elvetham Rd
10. MP2 cross to Elvetham Rail footbridge, then Giffard Lane to Elvetham Heath Way
11. MP3 cross Elvetham Heath Way (to North side) at roundabout, turn LEFT
12. Turn RIGHT towards the pond before Turner Way
13. Turn RIGHT, take path to south of pond, enter Elvetham Heath Nature Reserve
14. Follow FFW signs through the Nature Reserve.
15. Turn LEFT onto Elvetham Heath Way, cross at dual track
16. AHEAD along Elvetham Heath Way (South side) to Minley Road.
- 16 MP4 cross from Elvetham Heath Way to Ancell's Rd
17. Turn RIGHT at Farm Drive
18. Turn RIGHT just past Tamworth Drive to path beside bus stop
19. AHEAD at Dexter Way to Cove Road
20. MP5 Cross Cove Rd, why not visit The Heron on the Lake? Toilets for customers
21. AHEAD on Old Cove Road
22. Turn LEFT at Minley Road
23. MP6 turn left at Fleet station bridge. This is an 'opt out point' for those wishing to leave the walk. If leaving the walk, you MUST advise the marshal, who will initial and time your 'progress form'. If you opt out here, make your own way home. Otherwise, ask the marshal to initial and 'time your progress form', and continue down the steps.
24. Cross the station car park, using the pedestrian crossing to the central bus stop, and then the second pedestrian crossing to far side of car park
25. Turn LEFT to Fleet Pond.

26. AHEAD clockwise round the pond, follow the blue (shown as purple on some Fleet Pond signs) route towards Sandy Bay.
27. **After about 700yds divert from the blue route to the red route (clearly signed)** that follows the edge of the pond round North East Marsh (it is shorter and prettier), continue past Lions View and re-join the blue route after another 300yds.
Continue on the blue route to Sandy Bay.
28. MP7 at Sandy Bay ask the marshal to initial and time your 'progress form'
29. Follow the blue route to the second bridge across the Gelvert Stream (it will be on your left at this time).
30. Turn LEFT at the second crossing bridge (the blue route turns right)
31. Turn RIGHT after crossing the Gelvert Stream
32. Follow the FFW signs to The Basingstoke Canal towpath - keeping the Gelvert Stream on your right-hand side.
33. Turn RIGHT at the Basingstoke Canal. NB: some maps show this section in red.
34. Follow Basingstoke Canal for 1.7 miles: AHEAD under the low bridges at Kings Road and Reading Road (S), after Reading Road (S) bridge continue to follow the canal path until the point where it adjoins Glen Road MP8.
35. **MP8 is where the MAIN WALK and the WALK EXTENSION separate.** Ask the marshal to initial and time your 'progress form'. Declare which route you will take
36. Those not doing the walk extension, continue down Glen Rd, cross Crookham Rd.
37. Turn LEFT, then RIGHT at the Fleet Football ground entrance.
38. Turn RIGHT onto the path that returns you to Calthorpe Park and the FINISH.

WALK EXTENSION - 5.3 KM

The Walk Extension includes two styles and is therefore not suitable for the those dependent on wheel chairs, zimmer frames or walking sticks

1. **At MP8, AHEAD (along the canal for 1.2miles)**

2. At 0.3 miles Fox & Hounds (toilets for customers) - lunch?
3. AHEAD, at Coxheath Rd bridge and Galley Hill Road bridge
4. Turn RIGHT over style at 1.2 miles from MP8
5. Turn LEFT after 10yds
6. Turn RIGHT at Riverside Cottage
7. Turn RIGHT over style to field path and continue to 'The Street'
8. At MP9 cross 'The Street', Church Crookham
9. Turn LEFT along The Street
10. Turn RIGHT at Crookham Village Social Club into car park
11. AHEAD at end of car park
12. Turn ½ LEFT at the field edge
13. Turn RIGHT at end of field
14. AHEAD on path, continuing behind Swan Way
15. Follow path into 'keep fit play park'
16. Turn RIGHT 30yds after park exit into Larmer Close
17. Turn LEFT into The Lea
18. AHEAD at Leawood Rd into Merrivale
19. AHEAD in Merrivale
20. Turn RIGHT at Calthorpe Park entrance
21. Continue to FINISH

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