



# British Walking Federation

## Odiham Jubilee Trail - PT 238



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**DISTANCE:** 11km

**ENTRY FEE:** £1.00 (Cheques made payable to RAFWARMA).

**AWARD:** Cloth Badge at £2.00 each.

**START VENUE:** Baker Hall Car Park, RG29 1NF. Landranger 186, GR SU742507. From Odiham High Street, turn into King Street. Baker Hall is signposted half a mile on the right.

**CAR PARKING:** At start venue (Limited during school drop off/pick up, permission has been given to use this car park), or various places off Odiham High Street and the Bury.

**PUBLIC TRANSPORT:** Bus service within 1km of start.

**REFRESHMENTS:** Available on route at Odiham and Greywell.

**TERRAIN:** BWF Grade 2 - Minor roads, farmland, river and canal paths.

### ROUTE DESCRIPTION (Updated 26<sup>th</sup> December 2018)

TR – Turn Right    TL – Turn Left    BR – Bear Right    BL – Bear Left    SO – Straight On  
RH – Right Hand    LH – Left Hand    SP – Signpost    FP – Footpath    BW - Bridleway  
RHS – Right Hand Side    LHS – Left Hand Side    PH – Public House

Start at the entrance of the car park by the small roundabout with the telegraph pole in the middle. TR passing the front of Buryfields Infant School with blue railings on your right. Follow the path, passing the barrier, down the steps and through the gate opposite. Continue SO to follow the gravel path along the edge of the field to the end by the seven bar gate. Go through the gap by the gate to the tarmac path. TR and follow the path up the hill and around to the right with hedges on both sides. At the end of the path by the bollards TR into the field (do not pass the bollards into the housing estate). Follow the path along the edge of the field with wire fence on LHS. At the corner of the fence, continue SO across the field following the path to the main road. Head up the bank to the pavement and TL (If the bank is overgrown continue round to the field entrance). Follow the pavement to the crossroads and the entrance to RAF Odiham.

*On the 15<sup>th</sup> July 1953, Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth the Second, carried out a review of the Royal Air Force at RAF Odiham to celebrate her Coronation. The review consisted of over 300 static aircraft and a flypast of over 600 aircraft from the RAF and Commonwealth Airforces.*

Cross the main road at the Island (WITH CARE) and TL then immediately TR on the road, The Firs. 40m to the Aerial compound (1.8 km).

### QUESTION 1: What EXT Number do you ring to gain entry to the Navigational Aid?

Continue to follow the road using the LH pavement, then crossing to the RH pavement. At the end of the pavement continue for approx 200m down the hill, passing the brick pillbox on the left. As the road bears right, just as the curb stones start, TL on the footpath through gap in hedge (SP - FP). SO on the path across the field towards the 2 trees in the distance. Pass through the gap in the hedge and continue SO the path across the second field to the corner by the small tree and pole. Pass through the gap in the hedge (Caution–metal pole across the gap) and right to the road.

TL and follow the road (Extreme Caution) for approx 800m, to go down the hill and round the RH bend and up the hill (For safety cross road and use the track on LH bank to go up the hill). Just before the left turn (SP – South Warnborough/Long Sutton), TR on FP in the hedge by the telegraph pole. SO on the FP down the hill between the hedges, ignoring all turnings. Continue to follow the path around to the right at the bottom, with the lake on LHS. Continue SO on the path, passing wooden fence and poles, keeping lake on LHS to reach the Mill. Pass to the right of the Mill, through the wooden barriers. 20m TR on FP (SP – FP) with fence on LHS. Continue on the path with river on RHS, along the boardwalk and path to eventually reach the Church. Pass to the left of the Church and TL on gravel path to the gate and road. (5.2 km).

**QUESTION 2 – On the upper beam of the gated porch there are two identical carvings either side of the carved ‘St Mary’s Church’. What are the carvings?**

TR and continue on the pavement through the village. Just after the Fox and Goose PH, TR on Deptford Lane and immediately TL on FP (SP - FP) up the bank. Follow the FP between the fence and hedge to pass over the top of the canal tunnel entrance. TR onto the towpath, passing the information board for the tunnel. Follow the towpath with the canal on the RHS for approx 1200m (*passing the ruin of Odiham Castle on the LHS*) to reach the white swing bridge. TR on the road over the swing bridge and follow the road to the junction. TR on the road and after approx 100m, just before the Anchor PH, TL on the gravel path between the cottages. (7.4 km)

**QUESTION 3 – What is the name in the wall in front of the last white cottage on the RHS (No 8)?**

SO on the path to the wooden barrier and road. Cross the road and continue on the path opposite, passing the metal barrier and following the path which eventually becomes tarmac, up the hill, passing the school on RHS to the road at the end. Cross road and TL. Continue along the pavement, passing Salmons Road, Recreation Road and SO into West Street. Follow West Street up to the bollards and mini roundabout and TR. 20m cross road at pedestrian crossing, TR and just after the bus stop, TL on the path through the wooden barriers with brick wall on LHS. SO to the Church.

TL and enter the Bury opposite the Bell PH. BR and cross the Bury to the path between the houses in the corner, through the wooden barriers. 10m TL down the alleyway between the brick walls and continue to the High Street opposite the Bel & Dragon PH. TR and continue on the pavement, crossing King Street and passing the Odiham Parish Notice Board. SO on the pavement, passing the War Memorial and then Archery Fields. Continue on the pavement, up the hill following the road as it bears around to the left to the kissing gate on the RHS, just after the 40 MPH sign.

**QUESTION 4 – On the opposite side of the road from the kissing gate, what is the name of the private road?**

TR through the metal Kissing Gate and follow the gravel path down to go through another KG to reach a path. TR on the path between the fence and hedge. SO through the gap into the next field and follow the edge of the field with the hedge on RHS. Continue to follow the path around the edge of the field as it turns left and right a couple of times, ignoring all other paths. At the corner by the FP posts and white house on RHS, TR down the track to the road. Cross the road and TL, SP Baker Hall, back to the car park and end of walk (10.8 km).

When you have finished this trail please use the [Permanent Trail Entry Form](#)

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.

This trail is open until 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019.