



Rural Rambles South Downs May 2025



Waveney Ramblers South Downs 0 Group Holiday - South Downs

OS Map: X 185, 196, 197 OL 03, 08, 29, 33 Track: [SU 75083 06146](#) [GPX for SatNav](#) Various Miles
Updated: March 2025

THE LOCATION

This series of walks is in a triangle including Portsmouth, Chichester and Petersfield. The OS maps needed to cover this and the surrounding areas are Explorer 185, 196, 197 or Landranger 03, 08, 29, 33.

THE WALKS - LOCAL RAMBLERS WILL BE VERY WELCOME TO JOIN IN

The walks start easier and then alternate between level or easier terrain and walks with increasingly strenuous ascents. Our pace will be moderate, especially uphill. Your leader is 71 and would go uphill faster were he slimmer and younger.

CHECK THE DETAILS BEFORE SETTING OUT

https://waveneyramblers.org.uk/programme#w_1895

We may swap walk dates, for example to avoid gales on the Isle of Wight day.

- 1) Stansted Park - 7 or 5.6 Miles - 325 feet ascent.
- 2) Chichester Ship Canal - 3.8, 7.1 or 8.5 miles - level terrain.
- 3) Buriton and Chalton - 8 or 2.5 Miles - 1076 feet ascent.
- 4) Historic Portsmouth - 5.5 miles - level terrain. This walk can easily be made shorter.
- 5) Stoughton Down - 6.6 or 5 miles - 1000 feet ascent.
- 6.1) Isle of Wight - 8 miles - 480 feet ascent - EARLY START.
- 6.2) Stansted Park - 6.5 or 4.8 Miles - 250 feet ascent.
- 7) Chichester Harbour AONB - 10.25, 8.7 or 2.3 miles - level terrain.
- 8) Harting Down - 6.6 or 3.7 miles - 1280 feet ascent.
- 9) Petersfield and Buriton - 6 or 2.5 miles - 330 feet ascent.

The shorter routes vary in complexity. If you want a reduced distance please check with Neil.

WHERE TO STAY

Come for a few days or the entire nine walks. Please book your own accommodation and visits like the Mary Rose, HMS Victory or HMS Warrior, 1860. There is no obligation to walk every day. This is a touristic area and there are hotels, Airbnb, glamping sites, caravan parks and other options. The A259 links Havant and Chichester. Most of the walks are near or north of this road. Avoid Portsmouth. It's congested and driving in and out might be tiresome.

PLEASE CONTACT NEIL if you'd like to join these walks. 07 411 811 093 or nbauers@btinternet.com

TECHNOLOGY: Not required but recommended - Google Maps (free), BikeGPX (free) and The OS App (subscription).

CONGO SCHOOL FOR PEACE - FUNDRAISING

Please show your appreciation by making a gift-aided donation to the School for Peace in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

https://schoolforpeace.org/Please_Donate Charity Commission (No. 1151173)

The school is for local, refugee and orphan children. The children need sponsors to pay for their education. This registered charity was founded Anne Bauers, sadly no longer with us.

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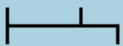
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Stansted Park
7 or 5 Miles - South Downs - 1
Stansted Park
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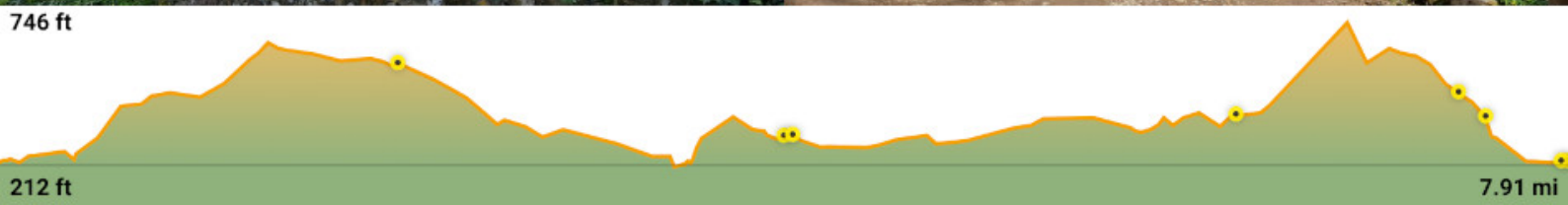


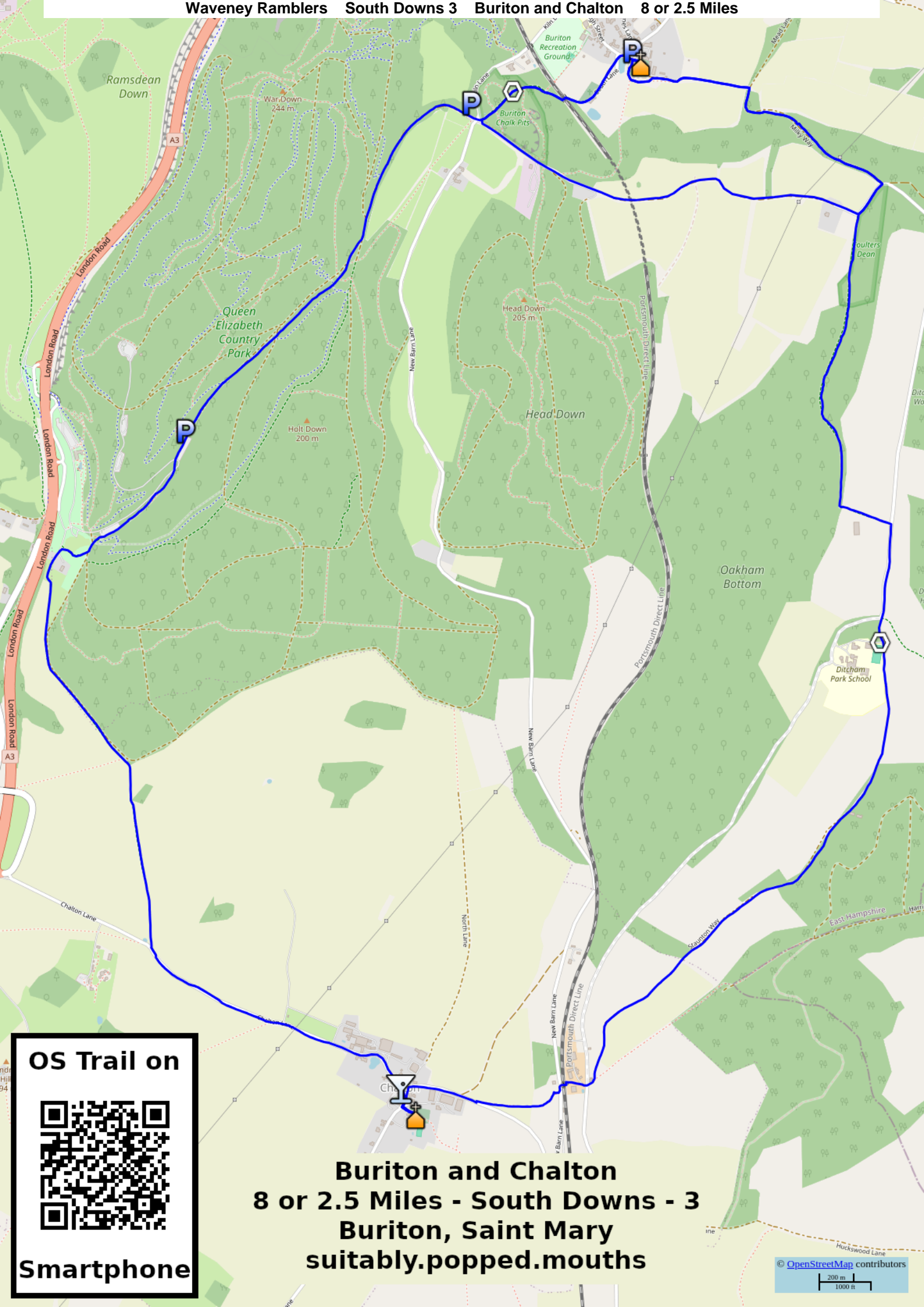
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**Chichester Ship Canal, Mostly Disused
8.5 Miles - South Downs - 2
Chichester Marina
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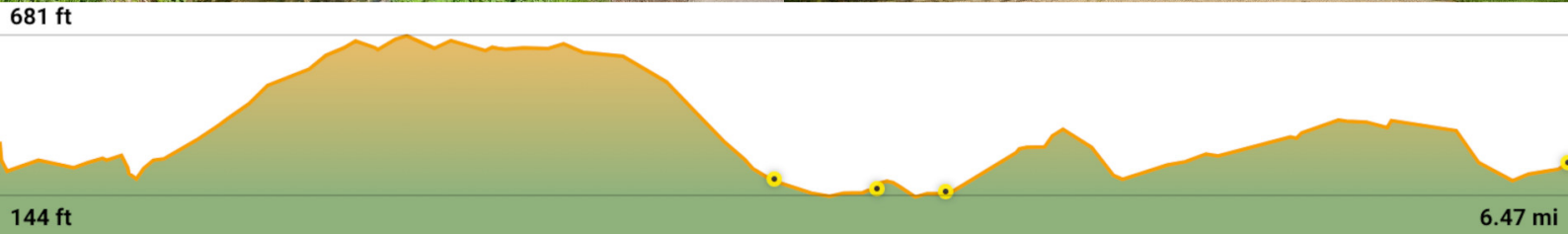
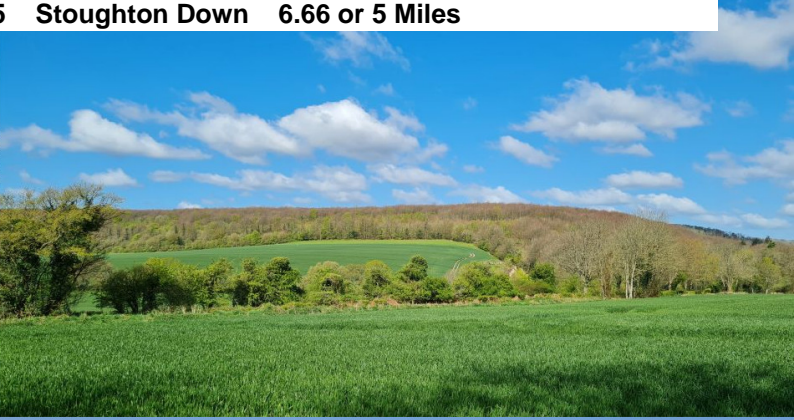
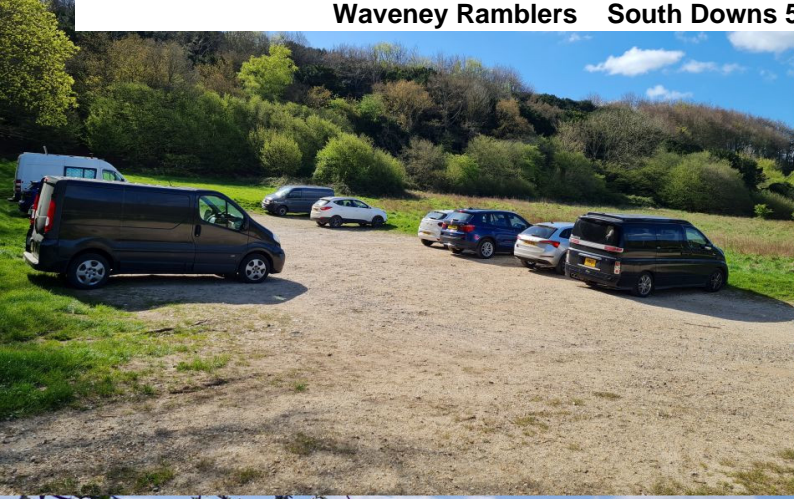
Buriton and Chalton
8 or 2.5 Miles - South Downs - 3
Buriton, Saint Mary
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**Historic Portsmouth and Southsea
5.5 Miles - South Downs - 4
Portsmouth Park and Ride
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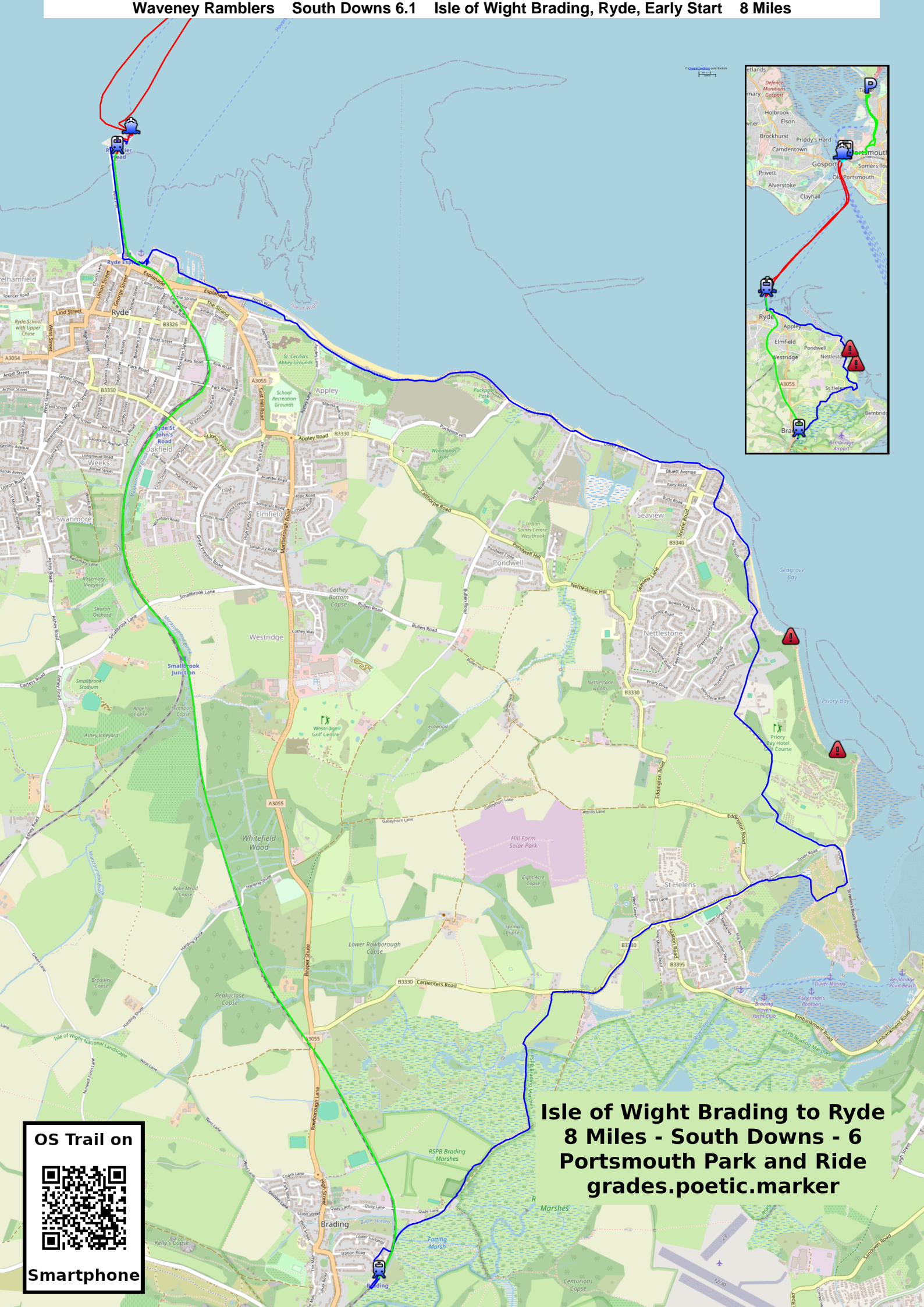
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Stoughton Down
6.66 or 5 Miles - South Downs - 5
Stoughton Down, Kingley Car Park
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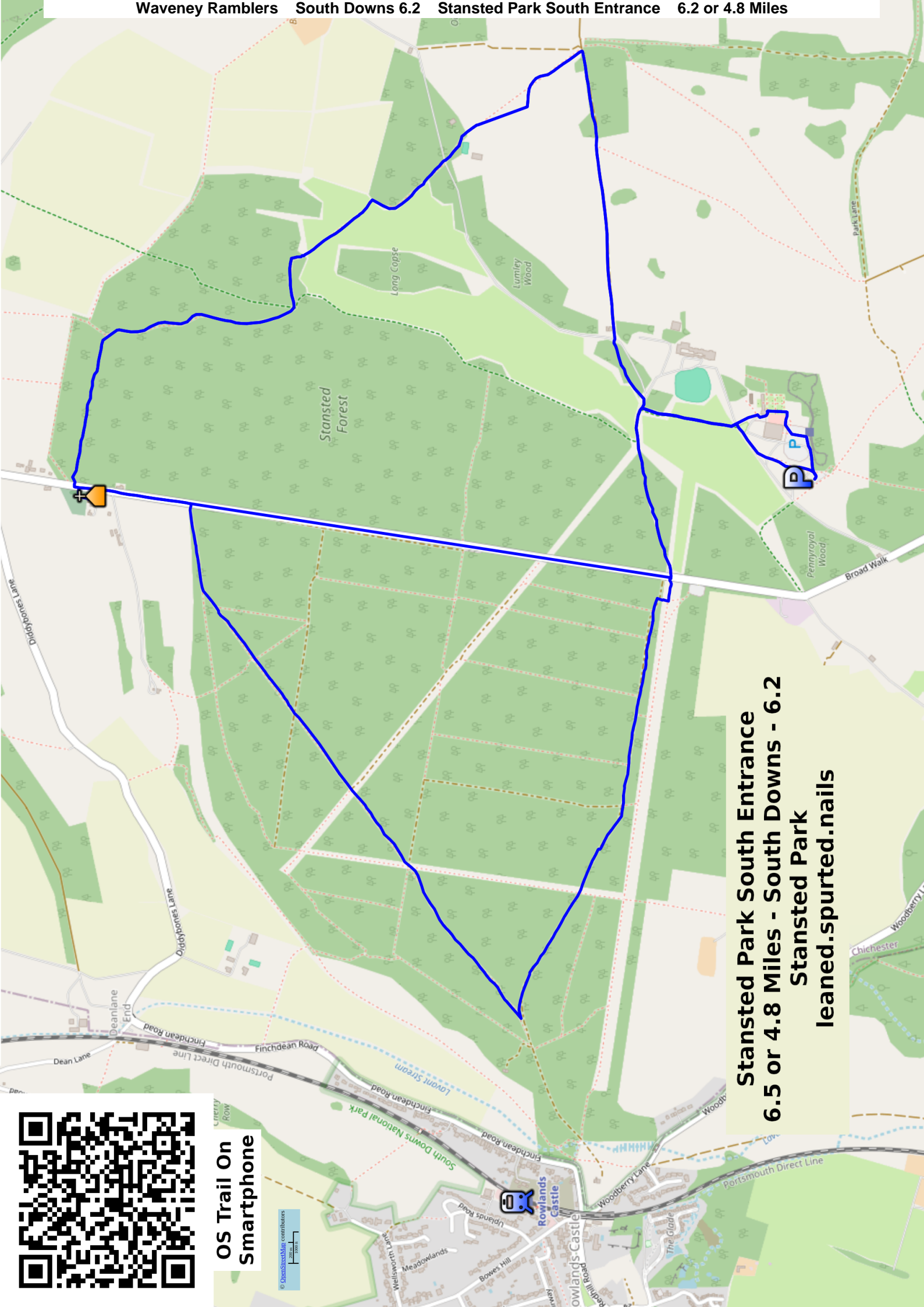
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Isle of Wight Brading to Ryde
8 Miles - South Downs - 6
Portsmouth Park and Ride
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Stansted Park South Entrance
6.5 or 4.8 Miles - South Downs - 6.2
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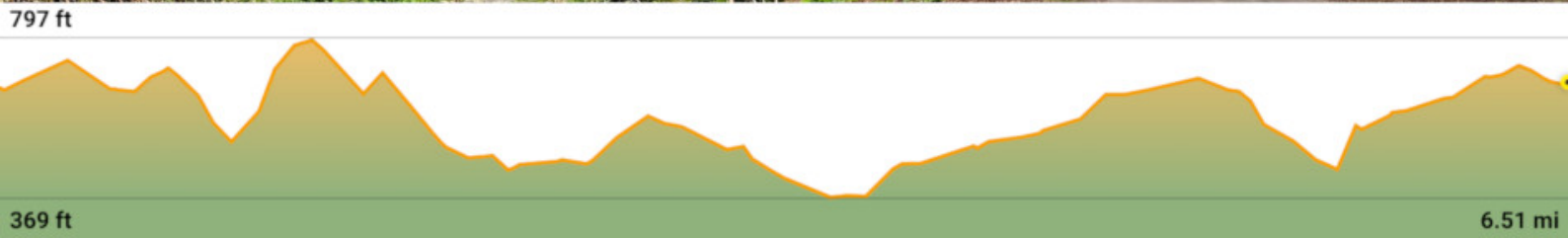


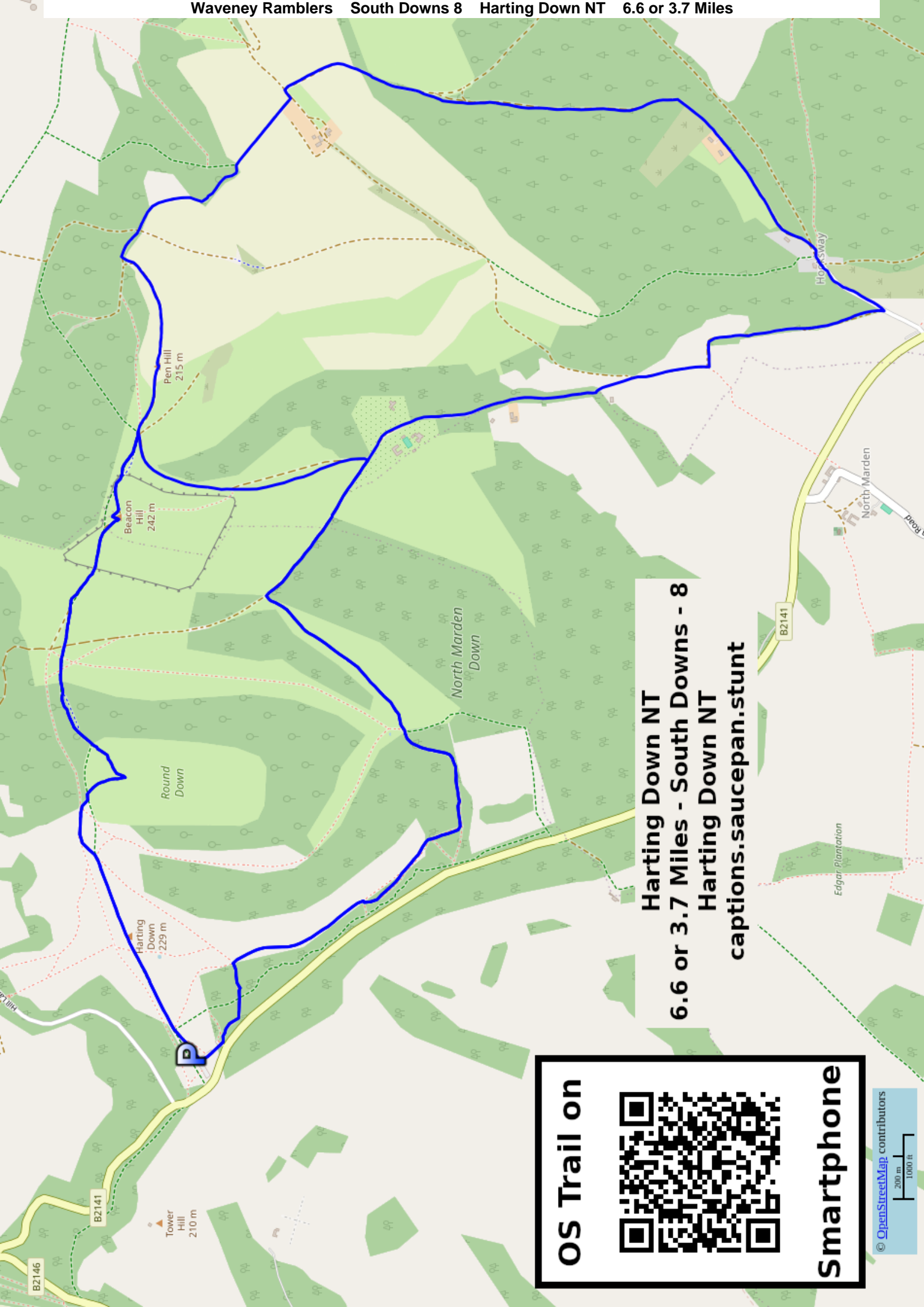
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Chichester Harbour AONB
10.25, 8.7 or 2.3 Miles - South Downs - 7
Chichester Harbour AONB
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Harting Down NT
6.6 or 3.7 Miles - South Downs - 8
Harting Down NT
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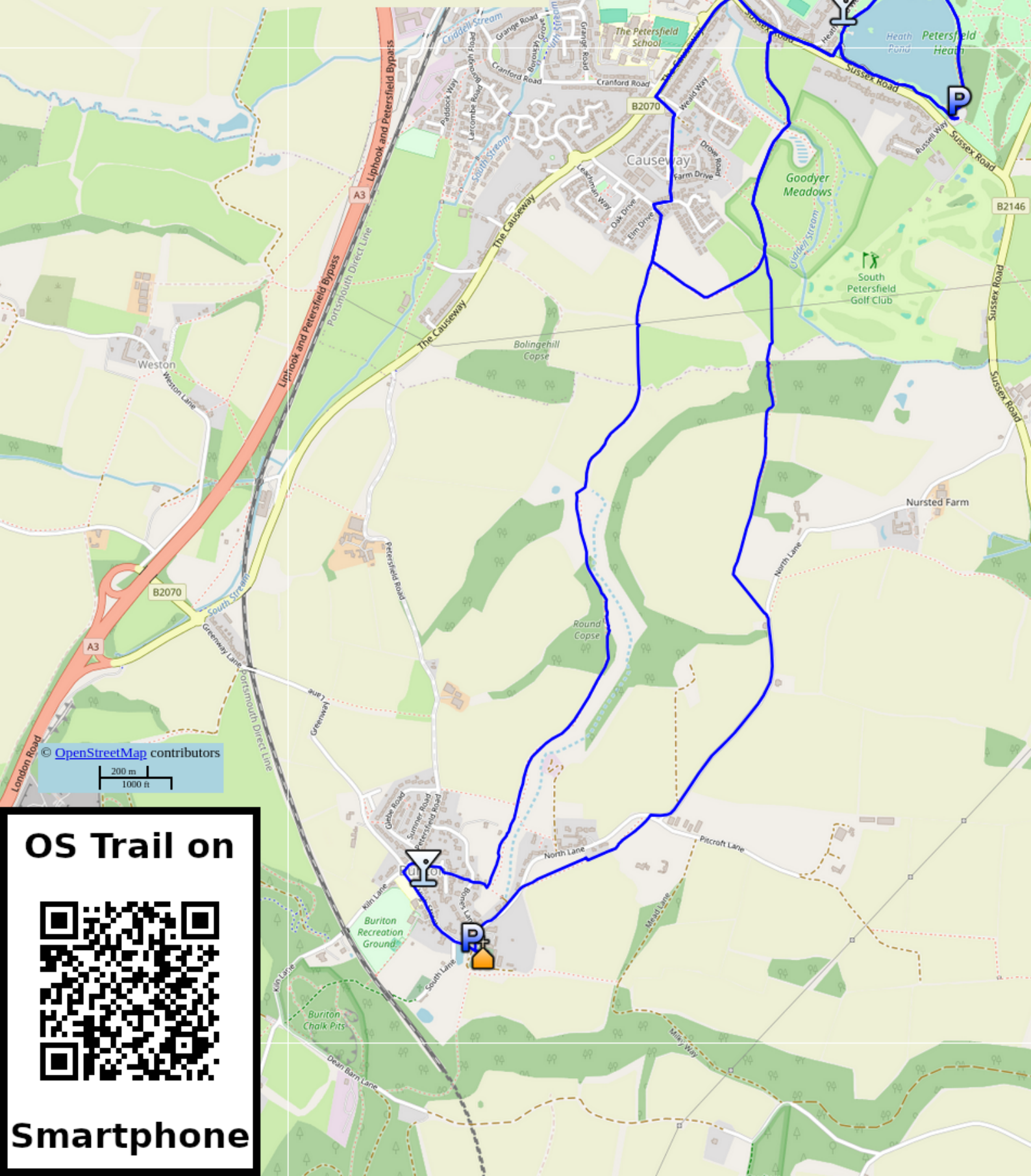
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**Petersfield and Buriton
6 or 2.5 Miles - South Downs - 9
Petersfield Pond
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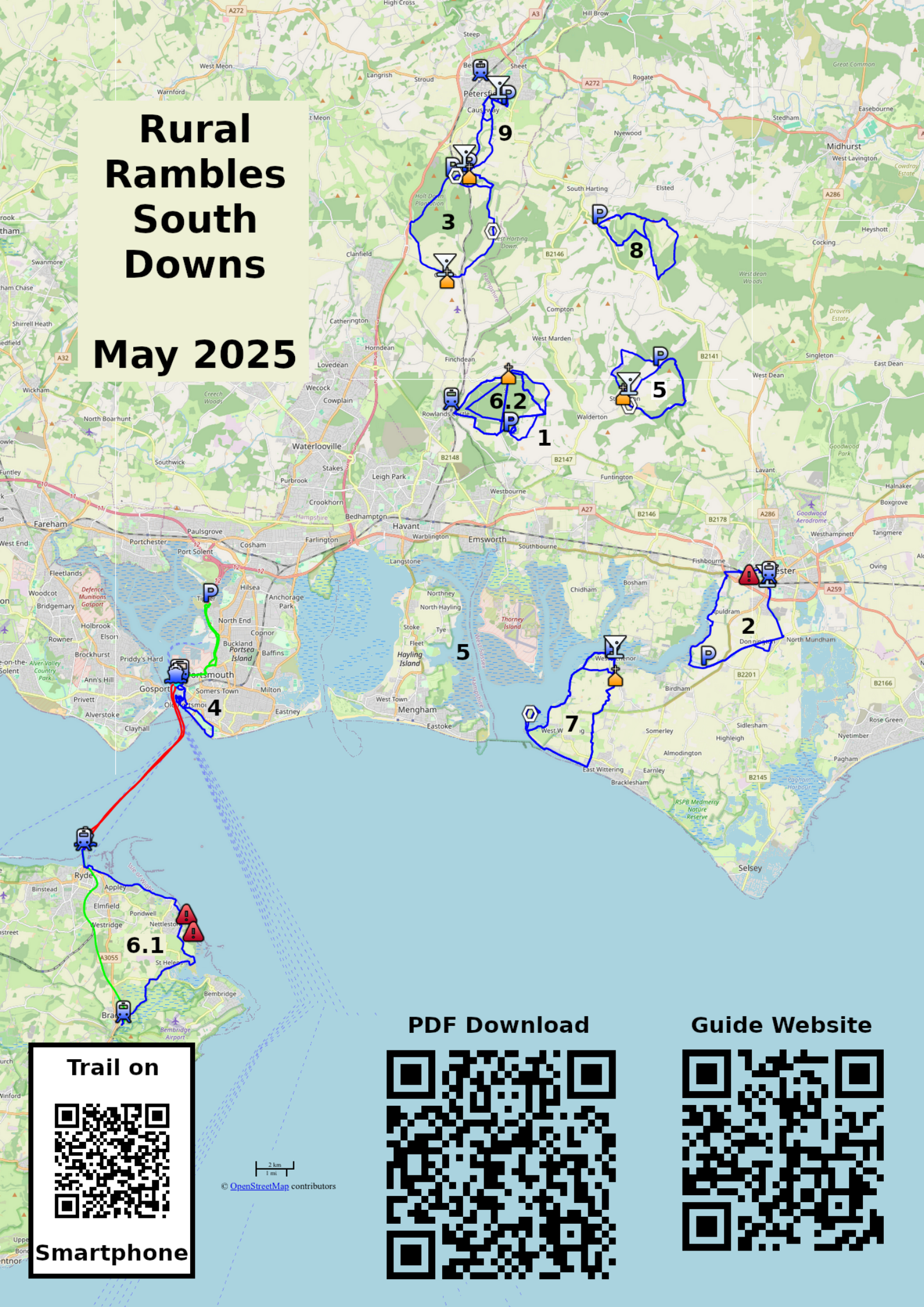


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