

An Invitation to Porlock Doodle Day On Sunday 29th July 2018 at West Luccombe, Porlock

I would like to invite you to this fun day, which you may even like the opportunity to turn into a weekend break! If you would like to make it a weekend break, lots of information regarding accommodation and campsites can be found through the following site:

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On Saturday evening you are all welcome to bring your families and Doodles along to the Ship Inn, Porlock. There is a great outside space with a child's play area. The Landlord has kindly agreed to open his pub at 5.30pm to enable us to meet up, & order food if required, before the pub becomes too busy. I look forward to seeing you there.

Please can you ensure that your dogs are kept on their leads whilst in the pub. Thank you.

On Sunday morning I have organised a lovely walk in the heart of Exmoor, where I am hoping you will see the Exmoor ponies & Red Deer. We will start off by following a stream, so don't worry if it is going to be hot. We will cross the stream several times, so you will need waterproof footwear or footwear, which you don't mind getting wet! Unfortunately it will be unsuitable for push chairs, but there is a shorter walk (approx. 40 mins) for younger dogs & children. The main walk will take an hour & a half. **We will set off at 10.30am.**

Directions to Start of Walk (Start time 10.30)

Drive through Porlock, (A39) towards the famous Porlock hill (don't panic its fine, just take it steady) climb up hill, over a cattle grid, keep going, take left hand turn at the first sign post, signed Exford 6 & Cloutsham 7. From here the start of walk is 3.2 miles. Drive over the moor, over the 1st small stone bridge, then you will cross a cattle grid, keep on this road until you drop downhill to the 2nd stone bridge. This is the start & someone will be there to help you park your cars. It is a circular walk so we will end up back at the cars.

After the walk, you could drop into Porlock for some lunch, or those of you who have taken part before will remember the cream tea gardens which are a few hundred yards down from Porlock Show. On the show field there is a well stocked refreshment tent, or you may like to bring a picnic.

Directions to Porlock Show (www.porlockhorshow.co.uk)

The show field is very easy to find. Drop back into Porlock, through the village heading towards Minehead (A39). Going out of Porlock, war memorial on right, up hill, then sharp right hand bend, carry along road until you see your first sign post on your right signed- Filter Station, West Luccombe. Take that right, after a few hundred yards, turn left into Porlock Show, & drive into 2nd field (Dog Show) where you can park around Doodle ring, normally at far right of the field.

The Doodle fun starts at 2.30pm

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| 1. The Scruffiest Doodle | 2. Whistle sit. Open to children only. |
| 3. The Waggiest tail. | 4. Pass the parcel, for children with their doodle. |
| 5. Best 6 legs! A class for men only. | 6. Whistle sit. Open to everyone. |
| 7. The Football race. | 8. Tunnel racing. |

This is a real fun, low key event. The classes are £1 to enter & all the money goes to local charities.