

Friends of Selsdon Wood

Working to improve our wood



Event Name: Autumn Fungi & Fruit

Date of Event: 12th October 2014

Venue: Selsdon Wood

Lead Persons: Ted Forsyth and Tony Flecchia

Item	Hazard	Person affected	Risk Rating High/Medium/Low	Control measures required
1	Group Ratio	Organiser and Participants	Low	If walk involves children ensure you have a good ratio of adults to children of at least 1 to 6
2	Behaviour	Participants	Medium	Accompanying dogs must be well behaved, well controlled and on a short lead at all times, as some participants may not be happy with dogs around them.
3	Prevention of infections	Participants	Medium	To prevent infections children and adults should be reminded not to put their fingers in their mouth, nose or eyes and should wash their hands afterwards
4	Hazards of touching fungi & plants	Participants	Medium	Participants should be aware of the hazards of touching plants like stinging nettles, holly and brambles. The eating of berries and fungi should be warned against as some are very poisonous
5	Insect stings	Organiser and Participants	Low	Check if any participant is allergic to insect stings (anaphylactic shock) and has appropriate medicine with them. If anyone is stung seek first aid. Organiser should carry basic first aid kit.
6	Slips trips and falls	Participants	Medium	Care should be taken walking around for trip hazards and fallen branches
7	Weather conditions	Organisers and Participants	Medium	Observations on weather conditions to be made by organisers, and action taken a necessary, e.g. cancel if severe weather conditions
8	Clothing	Participants	Low	Organiser to check that participants have appropriate clothing (including wet weather gear) and footwear
9	Getting Lost	Organisers and Participants	Low	Provide maps for visiting Organisers and participants
10	Stranded with injured person	Organiser	Low	Know your route, e.g. road names and/or best access gained by ambulance. Mobile phone should be carried by Organiser
11	Dehydration and sun burn	Organisers and Participants	Low	Ensure participants are aware of length or proposed walk, especially in hot weather, and if necessary carry water and check that participants have taken account of possible sunburn
12	Unwanted visitors	Organiser and Participants	Low	Organiser to monitor numbers and request assistance from local PCSO's or police if a threat is perceived