

Rok the Stones LOOP 1: COMPTON DANDO (10.6 miles)

ABBREVIATIONS; R=right, L=left, T=turn, F=fork, B=bear, &=and, RD=road, FP=footpath, BW=bridleway, BY=byway, Y=yards, M=miles, ST=stile, PG=Pedestrian gate, (X)-TK=(cross) track, junc=junction, FB=footbridge, W/M=waymark, cont=continue, immed=immediate(ly), FiPo=fingerpost, opp=opposite, ahd=ahead, WS = water station, MP = marshal point. All grid refs (at beginning of each paragraph) are ST.

	The Stone Circle field is private property - £1 in honesty box (except race day), dogs not permitted (easy to bypass). Dogs on leads in Lord's Wood, please.	Leg mileage	Total mileage
1	LEG 1 START AT VILLAGE HALL		0.0 m
1.1	Follow lane keeping Court Cottage on your L. Marshal will guide into Stone Circle field. Keep to LH field edge around Stones. Exit Stone Circle at wooden PG. TL, follow LH field edge through 4 PGs to lane.	1.0 m	1.0 m
1.2	Cross lane bear slightly left to PG into field. Along LH field boundary, to PG. Cross lane again into field. Keep to LH field boundary, to PG. Bear left down to river and follow PG fields to weir & house at Byemills .	1.5 m	1.5 m
1.3	Cross over track, keeping house on L to gate & PG. Follow obvious FP diagonally across field to enclosed path leading up to wooden PG. Follow path towards viaduct , crossing wooden footbridge. There may be goats . Go under viaduct thro PG and TL over stone bridge [SLIPPERY] to Rising Sun car park. TL thro' car park to road at Pensford . [MP].	2.0 m	2.0m
1.4	Cross road into small car park. Take steps to pedestrian crossing . Cross at crossing & TR. Take first L into Publow Lane . Keep on RH pavement, past Old Lockup but follow lane to L. [Now on Green Man route all the way to Woollard – for those Woodwoses amongst you] . Take incline FP after terraces on R to PG into field. Ahd, passing downhill to road. Cross over road bridge to Publow church .	2.5 m	2.5 m
1.5	TR onto slabbed path to R of church leading into field. Ahd keeping LH of field. Keep straight ahd – keeping path parallel to river until eventually in 5 th field heading towards gap in houses, ignore PG on right in 5 th field. Cross over ford by FB and emerge onto road at Woollard [MP].	3.3 m	3.3 m
1.6	Cross road, TL over road bridge. Take 1 st R and immed R down track. Ignore MG on right and keep left uphill on stony track then at top, take second MG on right (directly opposite Park Cottage) into (horse) field then bear diagonally left to PG into wood. BR and follow slippery path through wood to emerge thro PG into field. T hard L , keeping to LH hedge line (ignoring the tempting large footbridge ahead). Take 2 nd PG on left over FB/thro farm gate & TR following FP along river to eventually emerge via PG onto road. TR up road to Compton Dando water station . [MP].	4.5 m	4.5 m
1.7	From WS head up Bathford Hill , pass converted barns on R. IGNORE FP sign to R on small grass triangle , continue on road round RH bend to BW sign, TR down BW. At ford keep on RH elevated path and take 2nd FP (permissive) to R (just before Tuckingmill) up steps into field with fenced wide grass path.	5.5 m	5.5 m
1.8	Keep to RH edge of field to metal PG & FB. At next PG go into field, ahd following path to PG straight ahd into wood [Allens Brake] . Emerge from wood, ahd on FP to road. X road, thro PG into field. Ahd on FP to PG and take RH fork towards house [Compton Common] . Join TK and take PG on L into field. Keep L past farm building [Nutgrove Farm] thro PG, to road. X road, ahd on TK to PG into Lord's Wood . Take path downhill, x-TK, take steps up to pond, TR around pond then ahd up muddy FP to x-TK,	7.4 m	7.4 m

	then straight ahead to Birchwood Lane . There will be markings to guide you around pond.		
1.9	On exiting wood TL onto road. Pass Farm on L, then take FP on R after bungalow with machinery. On FP keep to LH field boundary, thro 2 fields, joining muddy track in 3 rd , remaining on LH field edge. Go thru PG onto narrow fenced path to emerge on road. TR towards houses & downhill on road passing The George & Dragon pub [on R]. Follow road down L to junction with A37 , [busy road] at Pensford .	8.8 m	8.8 m
1.10	Cross over road via pedestrian island [on your left as you look L up A37], heading towards the church. TL up Wick Lane , ignoring right turn up Stanton Lane]. Follow lane steeply uphill for 0.37 miles over old railway bridge , then take FP ahd at sharp LH bend into field. Follow RH field boundary thro PG onto lane.	9.9 m	9.9 m
1.11	TL down road, then take FP on L just after Brook Cottage across field following RH field boundary. Re-join road TL up towards houses. Keep on lane, BR at T junc. onto elevated path with white handrail. Take FP on R at corner of house up narrow path to PG. In field keep to RH edge to PG. TL along LH field edge, PG PG then diagonally L towards church & field corner. Go thro' PG and bear diagonally R onto TK [You will see the Stone Circle on your R]. Go PG metal PG onto concrete TK taking you back to Stanton Drew village centre. At Church Lane, X towards raised stone-sided garden, TL past Codrington Cott. At road [maybe busy] X, turn L towards Village Hall .	10.6 m	10.6 m
End of Loop 1, well done!			
Please ensure you have your time recorded INSIDE the Village Hall before you enjoy a drink and a snack.			