

## 16.01.26

*The weather was just appalling on the date set for our walk from Sutton Poyntz up along the ridge to Osmington and back again. So we changed it to the backup date.*

*That meant the numbers were drastically down (from 27 to 9!) but everyone was glad not to swim through the monsoon that materialised on the original date and those who made the revised one were rewarded with an amazing rainbow at the start and sunshine for most of the walk.*

*Climbing up to the top of the ridge was made easy by the gentle pace and the many breaks we took "to admire the views" on the way up.*

*The views across to Portland from the trig point on the one side and over to the north of the South Dorset Downs were fabulous.*

*We followed the path till it dropped down into the pretty and historic village of Osmington, once painted by Constable.*

*The route back took us under the White Horse, a chalk figure created in 1808 depicting King George III, a regular visitor to the area. The white is more like light green now but it remains an impressive site.*

*In all it was a shade under 5 miles end to end and we were all glad to arrive at The Springhead pub in Sutton Poyntz who's friendly staff were ready for us with a warm welcome and a hearty lunch.*

**Chris & Lilly**



