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So, the Gorse Fox went along to Worthing to ask if James could come out to play. Today's route would start from a car park in Bramber towards the left hand corner of the map, then follow a clockwise route through Upper Beeding, over Windmill Hill, along to Edburton and up the north slope of the Downs to the top, then along Truliegh Hill, Beeding Hill and back down over the River Adur and back along to Bramber and the start.

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The Bridge at Upper Beeding



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Originally uploaded by [Gorse Fox](#) . Soon after leaving the car we crossed the River Adur. The tide was high as the river was high.

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Beam Ends



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Originally uploaded by [Gorse Fox](#) . This "chocolate box" cottage nestles in the High Street of Upper Bramber. The walk was hardly under way, but the cameras were already clicking away.

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From Windmill Hill



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Originally uploaded by [Gorse Fox](#) . We had started on the first climb, Windmill Hill near Beeding. The view started to open up, and from this point we could scan across the Sussex Weald. This view shows the North Downs away to our west, but as we spun eastwards we could see, in the distance, planes taking off from Gatwick and the roofline of Christ's Hospital.

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North Slopes



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Originally uploaded by [Gorse Fox](#) . We walked along at the base of the north slopes of the Down as the

away towards the east. The reality of this was beginning to dawn on us. At some point we were going to climb the slope, and as we progressed eastwards towards Edburton the slopes became steeper. As we walked, we talked. And talked. And talked. Subjects ranged across family, friends, conservatism, pathetic new-age luvvies, education, trolls, Sussex and who knows what else. It gave a spark and a buzz walk which made the time whizz by.

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Sussex Idyll



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Originally uploaded by [Gorse Fox](#) . We stopped at this idyllic spot so that James could take a photo of it for his daughter. Sheep and horses grazed the slopes as they must have done for hundreds of years.¹ A half way up the picture on the left are two sheep (or rams, maybe) that were eyeing each other than charging butting heads. For some reason, the Gorse Fox couldn't help but think of Rooney and Ferguson!
¹Not these particular sheep and horses. They weren't that old.

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Truleigh Manor Farm



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Originally uploaded by [Gorse Fox](#) . As we walked, we passed Truleigh Manor Farm. This stately farmhouse as if it had a long history stretching back to medieval times. This view showed the small tower, which I think is a dovecote. Sussex flint walls surround the property and the whole area looked like a film set for some historical drama.

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posted by The Gorse Fox at [7:51 PM](#)

Looking Down on Edburton



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Originally uploaded by [Gorse Fox](#) . Arriving at Edburton the intrepid twosome had to face up to reality was upwards. The slope looked "challenging". In fact it was so challenging that it started with set of stairs were more like a ladder. James and the Gorse Fox strode on upwards. GF was worried that the pounding heart was disturbing the peace of the Downs, so the pair stopped for a breather.

They climbed on up. Again they had to stop and catch their breath. It was from this second rest stop that this photo, peering down over the edge to Edburton.

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Looking along the Downs



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Originally uploaded by [Gorse Fox](#) . Looking across the north face of the Downs as we face towards the rolls of the Downs are almost sensual. You can't help but want to snuggle up to them and offer them a little the sound of Samba Pa Ti.

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Edburton Hill path



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Originally uploaded by [Gorse Fox](#) . Metaphorically girding their loins the heroes continued this last st climb along the ridge. Looks easy, doesn't it?

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Edburton Hill Summit



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Originally uploaded by [Gorse Fox](#) . Reaching the summit the twosome collapsed. Slowly their heart ra below 300, they hit the water bottles, and a took on some sugar.

James slowly rose to his feet (the exuberance of youth) and tried to take in the whole view. Again he de love of Sussex. Gorse Fox sat there, and couldn't help but agree.

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South Downs



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Originally uploaded by [Gorse Fox](#) . After the stiff climb, the route back along the top of the Downs ove

Hill was actually fairly easy. The view southwards was blessed by the sun glistening off the sea stretching east to west, from Hove to Bognor and beyond. The scale of such a view was beyond GF's little camera. Looking towards the north west, the clouds cast interesting shadows across the dips and rises in the D towards Chanctonbury

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St Botolph's



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Originally uploaded by [Gorse Fox](#) . Finally, back at ground level, we crossed the main road, went over footbridge, and diverted to the little settlement of St Botolph's.

The paths were lined with brambles, and the the blackberries were ripe. As we walked we helped ourselves to berries. The richness of nature feeding us as we approached the end of the walk.

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That was another walk over. Stimulating conversation, stimulating company, 8.5 miles covered and 985 feet climbed. At the end, we decided a foaming glass of a cold liquid was called for before we returned to the car and headed home.

Gorse Fox would like to thank his walking companion for another stimulating day.

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 *posted by The Gorse Fox at [8:47 PM](#)*

