

Linton Walks 2017

Welcome to the Linton Walks! We hope you enjoy these walks. If you do please bring a friend - we always welcome new walkers! If we can improve anything, or if you have any walk ideas, please let us know.

We are not a club, a business or a society, we are just a group of friends out for a walk. So all walks are undertaken by all of us entirely at our own risk.



Near Salts Avenue, Loose April 2016

- ◇ Every year, someone misses a walk because they went to the wrong place or got the starting point wrong, or forgot to replace their printed schedule when a new one was issued. There is so much information available to stop this happening, please do make use of it!
- ◇ For example a detailed **map** is available at: <http://tinyurl.com/lintonwalkmaps> which shows all of the starting points for all the weekly walks. Use it to see exactly where the walk will start from. It will give you detailed directions, or even a photographic street view, if required. Or why not look to see where next week's walk starts from as well as this week's and ask, if you are not sure where the starting point is.
- ◇ Please **complete the slip overleaf** and hand it to Jerry. If you've already done that already, have any details changed? If so please do let me know
- ◇ If you know a walker that doesn't use a computer, please will you give them a copy of these notes, or ask me for one to give them?
- ◇ All of the weekly walks start from somewhere within five or six miles of Linton. Lifts can always be provided – please talk to other walkers who live nearby, or to Peter or Jerry, or phone them (see p2), or email lintonwalkers1@gmail.com. We don't want anyone to miss a walk.
- ◇ Don't forget we do longer walks too! On the first Sunday of each month, with a stop half way - ask Jerry or Peter for details.
- ◇ And the grand **Summer Outing** will take place as usual, this year it will be on Sunday 2nd July 2017 somewhere at the sea side! We are thinking Seasalter, Whitstable, around there – but ideas are welcomed.
- ◇ More walk details, as well as copies of this schedule, are on the Linton Website: <http://lintonkent.org/walks>
- ◇ Finally, don't forget the annual **Walkers' Dinner**, which this year will take place on Tuesday 28th November 2017, at a venue to be determined. More details will be provided nearer the date.

2017 Walks Schedule

All walks are undertaken at the walker's own risk. Help them to go smoothly -

- ◇ If you have a **mobile phone**, please bring it with you and keep it switched on. Enter the walk leaders' numbers into your phone:
Jerry Whitmarsh 07946 705211, Peter McGillivray 07969 740978
- ◇ **Take particular care on roads.** All please keep to the **same side** as the walk leader and don't take up the whole road. Cross the road **where** the walk leader does, and not **when** he does. If a car comes, everyone please warn others and all move to the walk leader's side of the road
- ◇ Try **not** to let large gaps develop, either in front or behind. Shout if necessary. We don't want anyone to get lost!
- ◇ We recommend you wear proper walking shoes. They are safer, better for your feet, and provide more grip - country walks can be muddy and uneven. Trainers are often unsuitable, as some of us prove every year. Wellies can be useful but make sure the soles have enough grip. And have some rainwear!
- ◇ Dogs are most welcome. We love having dogs on the walk, but they must be kept on leads on **all** public roads, and around any livestock
- ◇ Parking and Car Sharing: because the walks are so popular, we are using more and more cars and at some locations this does cause a problem. At pubs please park in the farthest corners of the car park and leave the spaces near the pub for regulars. If you can, please share cars and please be kind and offer lifts if you can to those who don't drive. Any monetary imbalances can be sorted out in the pub afterwards!
- ◇ Laminated plastic maps of any or all walks are available on request, for £1 donation each.
- ◇ See the list on the next pages, for details of each walk this year. All walks involve a £1 donation to the Friends of Linton Church or other local charity (ask for details) – and prices have been held, for the sixteenth successive year!



Linton Walks

Please PRINT, or at least, write clearly!

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms First name _____ Surname _____

Address _____

Post Code _____

Telephone _____ Mobile _____ Email Address _____

Please do provide a legible email address - it is our main way of communicating with you

Hand the slip to Jerry Whitmarsh, or email it to him at lintonwalkers1@gmail.com, or post it to him at: Hill Side House, Westerhill Road, Linton, Maidstone, Kent ME17 4BS

Linton Walkers – 2017 Weekly Walks

Date	Start/Finish	Via	Time (h:m)	Length (miles)
	Thursday Morning Walks – all start at 11am	N = new walk for 2017		
Please note that short Thursday morning walks may be made longer on the day. Allow 2 hours altogether for Thursday walks				
2 Feb	Linton Church car park	Loddington lane, Boughton, Salts Avenue, Loose	1:22	3.13
09	East Farleigh (Station car park, opposite Victory pub)	Fant House, Barming Bridge	1:30	3.49
16	East Malling (public car park behind King & Queen)	E Malling Research, Broke Wood, Luckhurst fm	1:41	3.92
23	Hunton Club (followed by £5 lunch in the club)	River Beult, Bishop's Oast	1:13	2.94
2 Mar	Chart Sutton (Lord Raglan. Park on road please)	Babylon Lane, Ashurst Court, Elderden Farm	1:26	3.45
09	Hollingbourne (Dirty Habit)	Broad Street, Pilgrim's Way	1:35	3.40
16	Langley (Potting Shed pub, Horseshoes Lane, Langley)	N Langley Heath, Vineys	1:41	4.04
23	Eythorne St (Car park behind the Windmill pub)	North Downs Way - Harpswood	1:40	3.79
30	Kings Hill (main Asda car park)	N Kent St, Lords Walk	1:29	3.48
6 Apr	Linton Church car park	Boughton Church, Linton Park, Vanity Lane	1:34	3.46
13	Yalding (Anchor pub, Hampstead Lane)	East Peckham, R Medway (thurs?)	1:26	3.48
20	Sutton Valence (Start: green below Clothworkers Arms)	East Sutton, Charlton Court	1:44	3.81
27	Horlands Farm (Summerhill Road, Marden)	N Cross at Hand, Clapper Lane, Allingham Farm	1:40	4.01
4 May	West Farleigh Green (Good Intent)	N Teston Bridge, Barming Bridge, E Farleigh bridge	2:05	4.68
11	Mereworth (Moody Mare pub, 7 Mile Lane)	N Hurst Wood, Swanton Valley, Highlands Farm	1:27	3.30
18	Langley (Potting Shed pub, Horseshoes Lane, Langley)	N Langley Loch, Chart Sutton	1:36	3.80
25	Marden Meadow car park (Marden Rd, Staplehurst)	Wanshurst Green	1:05	2.61
1 June	Thurnham (Black Horse pub car park)	N Cat's Mount, Cobham Manor	1:32	3.17
08	Leeds (Church car park)	Leeds Church, Leeds Castle, A20	1:18	2.87
15	Hill Side House (Sue & Jerry's)	Hunton, Burford Fm, Snoads Hall	1:25	3.10
22	Mereworth (Moody Mare pub, 7 Mile Lane)	N Mereworth Lawn, MOD Training Area	1:24	3.27
29	Boughton Monchelsea (Buttercups Goat Sanctuary)	Wierton Place, Heronden, Chart Sutton	1:41	3.77
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6 July	Staplehurst (Knoxbridge Inn, Cranbrook Road)	Paley Farm, Wadd Farm	1:45	4.16
13	Sissinghurst (Three Chimneys Pub)	Sissinghurst Castle, Brissenden, Brookwood	1:51	4.34
20	Paddlesworth Church	Holly Hill, Birling Place	1:44	3.61
27	Loose (Chequers Inn)	Loose Valley, Tovil & Loose Conservation area	1:30	3.41
3 Aug	East Farleigh (Horseshoes, Dean St)	East Farleigh Bull, Good Intent	1:27	3.27
10	Allington (Castle Rd car park, not the Malta Inn!)	Whatman Park via the R Medway	1:40	3.80
17	Yalding (Walnut Tree pub, Kenward Road)	Small Profits, Bow Hill	1:37	3.62
24	Boughton Monchelsea (Church car park)	Wierton Place, Boughton Bottom	1:25	3.10
31	Bearsted (Church car park)	Tudor Park, Caring	1:22	3.12
7 Sept	West Farleigh (White House pub)	Buston Manor, Fox Pitts farm, Quarry Wood	1:52	3.96
14	Wateringbury (Wateringbury Motel)	Pizien Well, Little Canon	1:39	3.77
21	Laddingford (Chequers Inn)	R Medway, Twyford Bridge	1:18	3.14
28	Wateringbury (Railway Station car park)	N Tutsham Hall, Teston Bridge	1:23	3.27
5 Oct	Sutton Valence (Start: green below Clothworkers Arms)	The Harbour, Moat Farm, Chart Sutton	1:40	3.73
12	Frittenden (nr Bell & Jorrocks pub)	Legg's Wood, Gould Farm	1:23	3.28
19	Staplehurst (Bell lane car park)	N Brattle Farm, Marden Thorn	1:55	4.58
26	Marden (West End Pub)	Great Sheephurst Farm, Marden Beech	1:57	4.67
2 Nov	Barming (The Bull, on the A26)	Oaken Wood, Hall Place, Barming Church.	1:46	3.53
09	West Malling (High St car park, near Tesco. Not free!)	N Leybourne Castle, Leybourne Wood	1:30	3.47
16	East Malling (North Pole Inn; park in Teston Rd opposite)	Oaken Wood, Hall Place Farm, Livesey Street	1:38	3.76
23	Hunton Club (followed by £5 lunch in the club)	N Buston Manor, Cheveney	1:31	3.49
28 Nov	Walkers' Dinner!	Details via email idc.		
30 Nov	Eccles (Red Bull)	N Little Cossington, Aylesford	1:31	3.52
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	Tuesday Evening Walks	N = new walk for 2017	(h:m)	(miles)
7 March	5pm Linton (Church car park)	Boughton Church	0:54	2.01
14	Yalding (The George pub car park)	N Mill lane - Cheveney fm	0:58	2.32
21	Sutton Valence (Start: green below Clothworkers Arms)	Langley Lodge, East Sutton	1:13	2.80
28	6pm Horlands Farm (Summerhill Road, Marden)	Farm Walk	1:30	2.00
4 April	West Farleigh Green (Good Intent)	Kettle Lane, Barming Bridge, E Farleigh bridge	1:18	2.85
11	Mereworth (Moody Mare pub, 7 Mile Lane)	N Hurst Wood, Swanton Valley, Highlands Farm	1:27	3.30
18	Langley (Potting Shed pub, Horseshoes Lane)	N Langley Loch, Chart Sutton	1:36	3.80
25	7pm Marden Meadow car park (Marden Rd, Staplehurst)	Wanshurst Green	1:05	2.61
2 May	Sutton Valence (Charles & Pauline Judd's House)	Abbey Wood, Langley Heath	1:22	3.18
09	Leeds (Church car park)	Leeds Church, Broomfield, Leeds Castle	1:19	2.94
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26	Marden (Library car park)	Widehurst	1:16	3.07
3 Oct	Barming (The Bull, on the A26)	Oaken Wood, Hall Place, Barming Church.	1:16	2.83
10	West Malling (Manor Park Country Park, not high st!)	Fartherwell, St Leonards & Manor Park	1:03	2.47
17	East Malling (North Pole Inn; park in Teston Rd opposite)	Great Canon Court	1:06	2.61
28 Nov	Walkers' Dinner!	Details via email idc.		
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