

Linton Walks 2019

Welcome to the Linton Walks! We hope you enjoy these walks.
If you do, bring a friend - we always welcome new walkers!
If we can improve or change anything 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.

Please **read** the notes below, and the ones overleaf.

Enjoy your walking!



Greensand Way near Buston Manor, October 2018

- ◇ The Linton walkers arrange more than 90 walks each year. This is a schedule of the weekly walks, which take place on Thursday mornings and daylight permitting, on Tuesday evenings. There are also longer walks on the first Sunday of each month, with a half-way stop, as well as the Rogation Sunday Boundary Walk, the Grand Summer Outing, and a walk on New Year's Day.
- ◇ Details of each weekly walk this year are on the following pages. All walks involve a modest donation to the Friends of Linton Church and other local charities. The cost per walk has been held at £1 for the eighteenth successive year! In 2018 we raised £1,408 for our good causes.
- ◇ If you have questions please email Jerry: lintonwalkers1@gmail.com. He prefers emails but if it is urgent, you can phone him on 01622 747572.
- ◇ And the **Grand Summer Outing** will take place as usual. This year it will be on Sunday 4th August 2019, somewhere at the sea side! Might be Hythe – but, still to be decided. Both the Summer Outing and the New Year's Day walk will be suitable for weekly walkers, as well as monthly
- ◇ More walk details, as well as copies of this schedule and detailed starting-point maps, 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 27th November 2019, at a venue to be determined. More details will be provided nearer the date. 52 walkers enjoyed the 2018 dinner at the Plough, Langley.

Please help our walks to go smoothly and safely:

- ◇ **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 **same** side of the road. This is important, and an area where some of us have room for improvement. If you see someone ignoring this rule, please will you remind them, to help them keep safe?
- ◇ Try not to let large gaps (more than say, 30yds) develop. Speed up a little to close the gap. Shout if necessary. We don't want anyone to get lost. If you can't see the walker in front, YOU are leading the walk!
- ◇ 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
- ◇ We do occasionally have someone trip or fall over. Often they would not have done, if they were using a walking pole and wearing proper footwear. We recommend you wear proper walking shoes or boots. They are safer, better for your feet, and they provide **more grip** - country walks can be muddy and uneven. Most trainers are not suitable. Wellies can certainly be useful - but do make sure the soles have good grip. Buying new walking shoes is much more fun than a trip to A & E!
- ◇ We absolutely love having dogs on the walk. They are very welcome, but they must be kept on leads on **all** roads and around any livestock. When walking along a road keep the dog to the side and do not let it wander into the road.
- ◇ Because the walks are so popular, we are using more and more cars and at some locations this causes a problem. At pubs please park in the **farthest** corners of the car park and leave the spaces nearer the pub for the regulars. If you can, please share cars and please be kind and offer lifts if you can to those who don't drive. Any resulting obligations can be sorted out in the pub afterwards!
- ◇ Laminated plastic maps of any or all walks are available on request, for £1 donation each.
- ◇ A detailed **map** is at: <http://tinyurl.com/lintonwalkmaps> showing all of the starting points for all of the weekly walks. Use it to see where the walk will start from. It will give you detailed directions, or a photographic street view, if required. There is a monthly walks map too, at: <https://tinyurl.com/monthlymaps>



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Please print clearly:

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

Address _____

Post Code _____

Telephone _____ Mobile _____ Email Address _____

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

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

Linton Walkers – 2019 Weekly Walks

Date	Start/Finish	Via	Time	Length
	Thursday Morning Walks – all start at 11am	N = new walk for 2019	(h:m)	(miles)
Please note that short Thursday morning walks may be made longer on the day. Allow 2 hours altogether for Thursday walks				
2 Feb	Saturday, 10am: Grand Linton Litterpick!	See: http://lintonkent.org/events for details!		
07	Linton Church car park	Loddington lane, Boughton, Loose Salts Farm	1:32	3.51
14	Hunton Club (followed by £6 lunch in the club)	N Yalding, Cheveney	1:32	3.67
21	Leeds (Church car park)	Old Mill, Ledian farm	1:36	3.66
28	Hawkenbury (The Hawkenbury pub car park)	Four Oaks, Babylon Lane, Bardingley	1:15	3.02
07 Mar	Boughton Monchelsea (Buttercups Goat Sanctuary)	N Tilt's Wood, Greensand Way	1:24	3.23
14	Bearsted (The Bell, Ware St)	Grove Green, Vinter's Park	1:31	3.46
21	Frittenden (nr Bell & Jorrocks pub)	Legg's Wood, Gould Farm	1:23	3.28
28	Linton (Church car park)	Bonfleur, Lacey's Lane	1:10	2.51
4 Apr	Downswood (The Orchard)	Spot Farm, Otham, Otham Church	1:35	3.50
11	East Farleigh (Horseshoes, Dean St)	N Barn Hill	1:30	3.52
18	Marden Meadow car park (Marden Rd, Staplehurst)	Wanshurst Green	1:05	2.61
25	Mereworth (Moody Mare, Seven Mile Lane)	Hurst Wood, Swanton Valley, Highlands Farm	1:27	3.30
2 May	Sutton Valence (Start: green below Clothworkers Arms)	The Harbour, Moat Farm, Chart Sutton	1:40	3.73
09	Paddlesworth Church	Holly Hill, Birling Place	1:44	3.61
16	Hill Side House (Sue & Jerry's)	N Hunton Hill, N Folly Rd, Barn Hill	1:33	3.44
23	Nettlestead Green (Hop Pole Inn)	Royden Hall, Royden Church	1:49	3.91
30	Allington (Castle Rd car park)	Whatman Park via the R Medway	1:40	3.80
6 June	Offham (Teston Rd)	N Offham Church, Great Leybourne Wood	1:44	4:00
13	Chart Sutton (Lord Raglan)	Babylon Lane, Ashurst Court, Elderden Farm	1:26	3.45
20	Mereworth (Moody Mare, Seven Mile Lane)	Hurst Wood, Swanton Valley, Highlands Farm	1:27	3.30
27	Leybourne Lakes (Bricklayers Arms)	Leybourne Lakes	1:24	3.32
4 July	Langley (Potting Shed pub)	Vineys, Otham Hole	1:29	3.56

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11 July	Aylesford (River car park near the bridge)		Bushey Wood, Eccles	1:46	4.15
18	Marden (Library car park)		Underlyn Lane	1:07	2.70
25	Horlands Farm (Summerhill Road, Marden)		Clapper Lane, Wanshurst Green (not farm walk)	1:24	3.38
26	East Farleigh (Bull Inn)	N	R Medway, Fant House, Barming Bridge	1:41	3.87
1 Aug	Bearsted (Church car park)		Downswood	1:21	3:00
04	Sunday, 11am: Summer Outing! Off to the seaside...		Details via email, nearer the time		
08	East Malling (public car park behind King & Queen)		Broadwater, Springetts Hill, Sweets Lane	1:33	3.57
15	Eyborne St (Car park behind the Windmill pub)		North Downs Way - Harpswood	1:40	3.79
22	Tovil (David & Christine's house, Cripple St)		Bockingford, Abbey Gate, Hayle Park	1:40	3.35
29	Laddingford (nr Chequers Inn)		R Medway, Twyford Bridge	1:18	3.14
5 Sept	East Malling (North Pole Inn; park in Teston Rd opposite)		East Malling Heath, Oaken Wood	1:19	3.07
12	Yalding (The Boathouse pub)		East Peckham, R Medway	1:26	3.48
19	West Farleigh Green (Good Intent)		Teston Bridge, Barming Bridge, E Farleigh bridge	2:05	4.68
26	Sissinghurst (Milkhouse pub)		Golford	1:23	3.20
3 Oct	West Malling Country Park		Fartherwell, St Leonards, & Manor Park	1:26	3.34
10	Staplehurst (Frankie's restaurant, Clapper Lane)	N	Hawkenbury Bridge, Staplehurst Station	1:35	3.80
17	West Farleigh (White House pub)		Farleigh Green, Shingle Barn, Fox Pitts	1:35	3.57
24	Sutton Valence (Start: green below Clothworkers Arms)		East Sutton, Charlton Court	1:44	3.81
31	Yalding (Walnut Tree pub)		Small Profits, Bow Hill	1:37	3.62
07 Nov	Thurnham (Black Horse car park)		Cat's Mount, Cobham Manor	1:32	3.17
14	Wateringbury (Railway Station car park)		Nettlestead Quarry, Manor Farm	1:34	3.51
21	Downswood (The Orchard)		Mote Park	1:42	3.89
26 Nov	Tuesday, from 7pm: Walkers' End of Season Dinner!		Details via email, nearer the time		
28 Nov	Hunton Club (followed by £6 lunch in the club)		Elphick's Farm, Mockbeggar	1:38	3.90
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15	East Malling (North Pole Inn; park in Teston Rd opposite)		Great Canon Court	1:06	2.61
26 Nov	Walkers' Dinner!		Details via email, nearer the time		
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