

NEWSLETTER & WALKS PROGRAMME



1st April to 31st July 2020

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CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS

As most of you will know by now there has recently been a change of Chairman. I have agreed to be your interim Chairman until our next AGM in November 2020 and hope we can all put the difficulties of the last few weeks behind us and concentrate on the coming year. Your committee is getting on with the business as normal – planning the next walks programme, White Cliffs Walking Festival 2020, upcoming holidays, path maintenance and all the other “stuff in the background” that makes our White Cliffs Ramblers Group successful, and has done so over the last 30 years.

The success of any group relies on renewal, especially of the committee. A number of our valued and long-standing committee members have signalled their intention of standing down at the November AGM. We will be looking for replacements! More news on this later in the year.

In Kent, we are fortunate this year to have a small fund to replace gates/stiles or even have a new seat. If you have any suggestions for these, please do advise me (or any committee member) so we can action this.

I am sure you are all longing for Spring to begin. Spring is a time of new beginnings and I hope we can all look forward to more walker friendly weather in the coming year.

Very best walking wishes to you all.

Margaret Lubbock

Chairman

GOING 'PAPERLESS' – UPDATE

Since the last Newsletter a small group has been meeting to develop our arrangements for going 'paperless' later this year.

In the future our website will play a much bigger part in bringing you news, details of social events and reports from our various activities.

One of the benefits of this will be our ability to keep you up to date much more quickly than a Newsletter published every four months can. So, if you have never visited our website, or rarely do so, we suggest that you begin to take a look on a much more regular basis.

Over the coming months Gavin Trevelyan, our webmaster, will be developing the WCR website pages, so that all the articles featured in this Newsletter will also appear on the website.

Other topics that we are looking at include:

- Whether there should be a closed area of the website that is only open to White Cliffs members. This might include notification of social events or planned holidays that would not be open to the wider public.
- How might we develop the Group's public profile given that our Newsletter and Walks Programme will no longer be available in our advertisers' establishments.

If you have any suggestions as to how we might take these topics forward please contact either Tony Bristow (at.bristow@gmail.com) or Gavin Trevelyan (gavintrev@gmail.com).

Previously we said that we will be writing to every member so that we can identify those who will still require a walks programme to be posted to them (primarily for those without access to a computer and / or email). We are planning to send this letter out with the posting of the August to November Newsletter. If you would like to be included in future group communications, please let Andrew Swarbrick (Membership Secretary) know so that arrangements can be made to update your preferences. Or you can do this yourself by logging into your membership account on the Ramblers website – if you haven't previously done this, you will be asked to register first- then you can choose the option to "update profile". Please make sure that you then tick the options for "Ramblers may contact me by post" and if you wish the email and phone options too (make sure that your current email address is correctly listed, then click the "update" button.

These changes should ensure that you will be on the contact lists when messages are sent out in the future.

WHITE CLIFFS WALKING FESTIVAL 2020

Natalie Hoare, editor of The Ramblers' Walk magazine, will open the White Cliffs Walking Festival on August 27.



This will be the seventh annual walking festival organised by the White Cliffs Ramblers, and will run for six days, ending on September 1. The 36 walks range from short walks of one or two miles to the 30-mile White Cliffs Challenge on August 29, put on by the Long Distance Walkers Association. There will be family walks, historical walks, wildlife walks, architectural walks, coastal walks, a Smugglers' Walk aimed at children, and a Carers' Walk for people with mobility issues and those who care for them.

Natalie Hoare, who took over as Walk magazine editor in 2018 after working as a journalist or editor for various organisations, including the Caravan Club, will open the festival during a ceremony on Dover seafront. She plans to go on one of the three walks offered immediately afterwards.

Most walks are free, though a voluntary contribution would be appreciated. A few of the guided walks cost a modest amount to cover the costs of specialist speakers.

Last year's White Cliffs Walking Festival attracted a record number of 1255 attendances, a figure which would have been higher but for the exceptionally hot weather.

The White Cliffs Ramblers' festival organising group is now finalising the walks programme, which will appear on the website: www.whitecliffswalkingfestival.org.uk and in the event's colour brochure, due to be available in June.

UPDATE ON THE WHITE CLIFFS RAMBLERS CAR SHARE WHATSAPP GROUP

Since its launch at the November AGM there are now a total of 22 participants in the group. The momentum of the number of offers and requests for car shares is increasing over time, and there has been an increasing number of people taking up both offers and requests.

There seems to be a greater interest in the group from those who do not want to drive or have limited or no access to a car to get to or from a walk.

A reminder that the group is only a communication platform and there is no obligation for participants in the group to either offer or request a car share. So, although there may be people who don't want to join the group as they don't want to commit to offering a lift or feel a need to request one, please remember that, as a participant in the group, you will see all the messages from others in the group. Wouldn't it make you feel good if someone who lived close to you was able to take part in a Ramble because you were planning to drive to the walk, saw they needed a car share and were able to help them? If you're not a participant in the group, you might not know they were seeking a lift.

A couple of reminders in relation to how WhatsApp works. Firstly, people in the group will only see the names of others in the group if they have those people in contacts on their phone/tablet, otherwise they will just see telephone numbers, so it is important when messaging within the group to include your name. Secondly when joining the group, you will not see any of the historic posts. If, upon joining the group, you would like to see some of the earlier posts please contact John Pye (details below) who can forward you some previous messages.

A big thank you to all participants in the group, especially those who have provided car shares for others, helped reduce emissions and enabled people to enjoy our Rambles who, without your help, might not have been able to do so.

Finally, if anyone has any suggestions as to how the group could be improved or any suggested changes to the guidelines for how the group operates, please communicate these to John Pye (contact details as below).

A reminder that if you want to join the group please just send a message to John Pye on 07414 863194 or johnrpye@icloud.com

John Pye

WHITE CLIFFS RAMBLERS WALKS PROGRAMME APRIL TO JULY 2020

No.	Date	Time	Start	Walk	Miles (Kms)	Grade	Contact
3634.	Thursday 02/04/2020	10:00	TR161345 CT21 6FB	<u>Dymchurch / Hythe</u> Cinque Ports 100 Walk. Meet by Hythe library to take bus to Dymchurch (departs 10:18, arrives 10:32). Lunch stop in Lypne.	8.9 (14.3)	Mod. 2 / 3	Graham S 01304 367853 or 07815 453324
3635.	Sunday 05/04/2020	10:00	TR287438 CT16 3DZ	<u>Kearsney Abbey</u> Meet by the tea-room Fig. 8 walk (6 + 5.5 miles). At the time of writing the café has still not re-opened, therefore bring a picnic lunch and refreshments.	11.5 (18.5)	Mod.3	Val E-N / Lesley / Anne P 07923 080623 or 07753 245969
3636.	Thursday 09/04/2020	10:00	TR368445 CT15 6DX	<u>St. Margaret's at Cliffe</u> Meet outside Pines Gardens Tea Rooms. Park at Pines Calyx car park in adjacent St. Margaret's Road. Fig. 8 walk (6 and 4 miles). Lunch stop at the Tea Room.	10 (16.1)	Mod. 3 / 4	John W 01304 852563 or 07774 437350
3637.	Friday 10/04/2020	09:00	TV600972 BN20 7RX	<u>Eastbourne - South Downs Loop</u> Meet in Eastbourne at western end of promenade (B2103) by South Downs Way marker post, park nr school on left. A choice of following either a 20 mile or 26-mile route. The 20-mile walk is a circular on the South Downs via Beachy Head, the Seven Sisters and the Cuckmere valley; return on the South Downs Way. The 26-mile route visits Firle Beacon before re-joining the 20-mile route.	26 (41.8) OR 20 (32)	Brisk pace	Graham S 01304 367853 or 07815 453324
3638.	Sunday 12/04/2020	10:00	TR358483 CT14 8GH	<u>Ringwold</u> Meet near the green (junction of Front Street / Back Street). As parking is limited please consider car sharing or using public transport. Please park considerately. Bring picnic lunch / refreshments.	11 (17.7)	Mod. 3	Les O 07801 508958
3639.	Sunday 12/04/2020	10:00	TR251613 CT3 1HP	<u>Preston</u> Meet near the Half Moon & Seven Stars. Park on road or village hall car park.	5.5 (8.9)	Mod. 2	Ted 01304 364856
3640.	Monday 13/04/2020	10:30	TR081368 TN25 7EJ	<u>Aldington Races</u> Easter Monday. This is a short walk combined with entry to, and watching, the Aldington Races (1.30pm to 5.30pm). Entrance to Aldington Races is via Church Lane, from 10am (£10pp entry, or £8.50pp online - www.aldingtonraces.co.uk - children under 14 are free). Park close to the last jump for the best position to view the races. Meet there to start a walk around the countryside and return in time to enjoy a picnic/ food outlets beside the course.	5 (8)	Easy 3	John Gr 01303 250230 or 07814 786839
3641.	Thursday 16/04/2020	10:00	TR049593 ME13 9AJ	<u>Faversham</u> Meet / park at the Cave Hotel & Golf Resort, Brickfield Lane, Boughton. Fig. 8 walk (6 + 5.5 miles). Lunch at the Golf Club, re-start at 13:30	11.5 (18.5)	Mod. 3	Margaret M-W 01795 843927 or 07964 067915

3642.	Sunday 19/04/2020	10:00	TQ954576 ME9 0LL	Newnham Meet by the church. Lunch stop at The Plough, Stalisfield Green - only serves hot food / roasts etc. on Sundays. If you just want a snack / sandwiches, then please bring your own. No stiles.	11 (17.7)	Mod. 4	Ross 01227 657886 or 07962 810138
3643.	Sunday 19/04/2020	10:00	TR335530 CT14 0LT	Betteshanger Meet near the entrance to Betteshanger Social Club. Park on road (Circular Road).	7 (11.3)	Mod. 2	Val / Clair / Reena 01227 720324 or 01304 214778
3644.	Tuesday 21/04/2020	11:00	TQ838537 ME17 1PG	Leeds Castle Meet / park at Park Gate Inn. Optional meal at 14:00.	6 (9.7)	Mod. 3	Margaret M-W 01795 843927 or 07964 067915
3645.	Thursday 23/04/2020	10:00	TR063366 TN25 7DY	Aldington Meet near The Walnut Tree Pub. Park on the road. Lunch stop at The County Members, Lympne.	12.5 (20.1)	Mod. 3	Richard Bx 07710 689327
3646.	Thursday 23/04/2020	10:00	TR378505 CT14 7LH	Walmer Meet Kingsdown Road car park. This walk will take us through Kingsdown Wood where hopefully the wood anemones will be in bloom.	5 (8)	Easy 1/ 2	Diana 01304 372090
3647.	Sunday 26/04/2020	10:00	TR066536 CT4 8BZ	Chilham Meet in the lower car park. Lunch stop in Wye.	13 (20.9)	Mod. 4	Jim Bu 07948 149938
3648.	Sunday 26/04/2020	10:00	TR341465 CT15 5LD	Martin Mill Meet at Martin Mill station. Car park costs £1.00 on a Sunday.	6.3 (10.1)	Mod. 3	Lee 07932 812514
3649.	Thursday 30/04/2020	10:00	TR002332 TN26 2JF	Hamstreet Meet at the village car park. Fig. 8 walk. The morning goes via Ham Street Woods to Ruckinge before returning to Hamstreet via the Royal Military Canal path. The afternoon again follows the Royal Military Canal path via Kenardington and Warehorne before returning.	10 (16.1)	Mod. 2	Andrew 07754 797848 or 01233 720513
3650.	Sunday 03/05/2020	10:00	TR329580 CT13 9BP	Sandwich Meet in front of The Guildhall, however park in the main car park behind. Lunch stop in Deal - pubs and cafés.	13.5 (21.7)	Mod. 1	Rowena / Helena 01304 614789 or 01304 820445
3651.	Sunday 03/05/2020	10:00	TR184378 CT18 8AZ	Newington Meet at the Railway Museum car park. Continuing the theme of the Castles of Kent, this walk will be passing Saltwood Castle.	5.5 (8.9)	Easy 3	Rhona 01303 258022
3652.	Tuesday 05/05/2020	10:00	TR378504 CT14 7LH	Walmer The Castles of Kent - Walmer Castle. Meet at Kingsdown Road car park (opposite the end of Granville Road).	6 (9.7)	Mod. 3	Lee 07932 812514
3653.	Thursday 07/05/2020	09:30	TR185543 CT4 5BL	Bridge The Canterbury Ring (Outer Rim). Please see http://canterburyrings.info/ to check out the route which covers paths/bridleways and lanes near to Lower Hadres, Upper Harbledown, Tyler Hill, Broad Oak, Sturry, Fordwich, Littlebourne and Bridge. There are opportunities to do just sections of your choice and making travel arrangements accordingly. Regular short breaks rather than a one-hour lunch stop, so best to take own food. It would be helpful to the walk leader if you could notify him if you intend to participate by the day before the walk.	21.6 (34.8)	Mod. 3	John Gr 01303 250230 or 07814 786839

3654.	Thursday 07/05/2020	10:00	TR002332 TN26 2JF	Hamstreet Meet at the village car park (Marsh Road). This walk heads towards Bilsington, up to the monument, through woods and back along the Saxon Shore Way. RADO	6.5 (10.5)	Mod. 3	David J 01303 269151
3655.	Sunday 10/05/2020	10:00	TR023500 TN25 4DG	Challock Meet at Kingswood Car Park, White Hill. Lunch stop in Chilham, various pubs and cafés.	10.5 (16.9)	Mod. 3	Richard F 07774 184007
3656.	Sunday 10/05/2020	10:00	TR309548 CT13 0HE	Eastry Meet at the village car park in the High Street.	7.5 (12.1)	Mod. 1	Lesley S 01304 825102 or 07753 245969
3657.	Thursday 14/05/2020	09: 00	TR333521 CT14 0LG	Northbourne The Three Pits Walk. Starts from Northbourne Village Hall Car Park. A walk visiting the sites of the Kent coal mines of Tilmanstone, Snowdown and Betteshanger, which all closed in the 1980s. This industrial heritage walk will also visit some of the former pit villages and walkers will be able to see two monuments in memory of the Kent miners. Lunch stop in Goodnestone or bring picnic lunch.	18 (29)	Brisk and flat	Graham S 01304 367853 or 07815 453324
3658.	Sunday 17/05/2020	10:00	TR227539 CT3 3JN	Adisham Meet and park at the village hall - 54, The Street, Adisham. Lunch stop at The Independent Pedaler, Bridge.	11 (17.7)	Mod. 3	Lorna / Len J 07980 309419 or 01303 862862
3659.	Sunday 17/05/2020	10:00	TR329580 CT13 9BP	Sandwich Meet at the Guildhall car park (currently free on Sundays). Flat walk to Sandwich Bay via Worth, returning via golf course.	6 (9.7)	Easy 1 / 2	Sandra & Peter 07720 941750 or 07500 594573
3660.	Thursday 21/05/2020	10:00	TQ700320 TN5 7PT	Flimwell - Bewl Water Meet by the layby on Rosemary Lane (between the A21 and B2087) NOT the main visitor car park. Bring your own refreshments / packed lunch.	14 (22.5)	Mod. 2 / 3	Joy 01304 825302
3661.	Sunday 24/05/2020	10:00	TR129514 CT4 5RD	Petham Meet at the village hall. Lunch stop at The Independent Pedaler, Bridge.	11 (17.7)	Mod. 3	Sue M / Marion 07836 283566
3662.	Sunday 24/05/2020	10:00	TR241524 CT3 3AS	Aylesham Meet at the station car park (off Ackholt Road),	6.5 (10.5)	Mod.2	Val E-N / Reena 01227 720324
3663.	Thursday 28/05/2020	10:00	TR257482 CT15 7PE	Shepherdswell Meet in the East Kent Railway car park. £1.00 per car. DO NOT park in the main station car park. Lunch stop in Goodnestone - pub or café in Goodnestone Park House.	11 (17.7)	Mod. 2 / 3	Linda W 01304 768447

WALK DETAILS FOR AUGUST TO NOVEMBER 2020 TO ANNE AND TONY BY 31st MAY PLEASE

3664.	Friday 29/05/2020	10:00	TR113671 CT5 2BW	Whitstable Castle Meet at Whitstable Castle. There is some parking at the Castle if you are using their tea-rooms. A walk around Whitstable Town, with some history of the area. The walk will include a visit to the museum (£2.00 entry fee unless local). Plenty of places for refreshments including the Castle tea rooms at the end.	3 (4.8)	Easy	Ross 01227 657886 or 07962 810138
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3665.	Sunday 31/05/2020	10:00	TQ954529 ME13 0HY	Stalisfield Green Fig. 8 walk (6 + 4 miles). Meet at The Plough Inn. please do not use the pub car park, but park on the road. If not eating at the pub at lunch time, there is ample room on the green for those bringing their own food.	10 (16.1)	Mod. 3	Ross 01227 657886 or 07962 810138
3666.	Tuesday 02/06/2020	10:00	TR137568 CT1 3TQ	Canterbury The Castles of Kent - to Canterbury Castle; St Martins (oldest church in the English-speaking world) and river bridges. Meet at Wincheap Park & Ride entrance - £3.50 per day so would encourage car sharing. Lunch, if required in cafes nearby and other venues.	6.2 (10)	Mod. 2	Chris B 07855 898234
3667.	Thursday 04/06/2020	10:00	TR071649 CT5 4BW	Seasalter Meet opposite the café on Faversham Road. Lunch stop in Faversham - pubs and cafés. RADO	12 (19.3)	Mod. 2	Bob and Alison 01227 771740
3668.	Thursday 04/06/2020	10:00	TR134654 CT5 3LS	Chestfield Meet at Radfall recreation ground.	6 (9.7)	Mod. 2	Jim C 07921 213278
3669.	Saturday 06/06/2020	07:30	TR315414 CT17 9RZ	Dover Breakfast Walk. Meet at the town end of North Military Road (near St. John Ambulance building). Breakfast following the walk at a café in Dover.	6 (9.7)	Mod. 3	Joy 01304 825302
3670.	Sunday 07/06/2020	10:00	TR167392 CT18 8NQ	Etchinghill Meet at Etchinghill village hall. Lunch stop at The White Horse, Hawkinge.	11 (17.7)	Mod. 3	Rob G 07580 039671 or 01303 259099
3671.	Sunday 07/06/2020	10:00	TR244576 CT3 1DW	Wingham Meet St Mary's Meadow, near the car park.	6 (9.7)	Mod. 1 / 2	Jane G 01304 611771
3672.	Thursday 11/06/2020	10:00	TR137583 CT2 8JL	Canterbury The Canterbury Rings - middle ring. Meet at the entrance to Canterbury City Cemetery Westgate Court Avenue, Canterbury. On street parking. Lunch stop at The Phoenix pub, 67 Old Dover Road, Canterbury, or walk into the city for cafés or to sit in Dane John Gardens.	12.3 (19.8)	Mod. 3	Brian Mc 07780 308220
3673.	Sunday 14/06/2020	10:00	TR265401 CT15 7BE	West Hougham Meet near the village hall. Please park considerately on the road or car share. Lunch stop at The White Horse, Hawkinge.	9 (14.5)	Mod. 3	Rob G 07580 039671 or 01303 259099
3674.	Sunday 14/06/2020	10:00	TR322598 CT13 9JQ	Richborough The Castles of Kent - Richborough Fort. Car share / park carefully on road.	5 (8)	Mod. 2	Anne and Tony 01304 372814 or 07976 944396
3675.	Thursday 18/06/2020	10:00	TR177439 CT4 6TL	Elham Meet in The Square. Fig. 8 walk. Park in The Square or nearby roads. Lunch stop at The Kings Arms or Cosy Tea Rooms.	10 (16.1)	Mod. 3	Peter Co 01303 840269
3676.	Sunday 21/06/2020	10:00	TR206498 CT4 6NX	Barham Meet near the village shop. Lunch stop in Elham - pubs and tea-rooms.	13 (20.9)	Mod. 4	Jim Bu 07948 149938
3677.	Thursday 25/06/2020	10:00	TR221609 CT3 4BE	Stodmarsh Meet at Stodmarsh Nature Reserve car park - off Lambkin Wall, Stodmarsh Road. Lunch stop in Preston pub or garden centre café.	10 (16.1)	Mod. 2	Carol B 01277 374529
3678.	Sunday 28/06/2020	10:00	TQ713667 ME2 1AB	Cuxton Meet at the railway station. Lunch stop at The Leather Bottle, Cobham.	11.2 (18.0)	Mod. 3	Rob G 07580 039671 or 01303 259099

3679.	Sunday 28/06/2020	10:00	TR142469 CT4 6AS	Stelling Minnis Meet near the Rose and Crown pub, Minnis Lane. Park on road, but please leave space for locals to park near the post office. If you require lunch after the walk contact the pub directly (01227 709265). The walk should be finished by 13:00	7 (11.3)	Mod.4	Colin C 01303 259075 or 07586 045998
3680.	Thursday 02/07/2020	10:00	TR190559 CT4 5DT	Bekesbourne Royal Saxon Way: Bekesbourne to Minster. Meet at Bekesbourne Station, trains from Dover and Canterbury East, or park at station (currently £3.50 for the day). The walk takes the final part of the Royal Saxon way following the Little Stour and Stour rivers and passing the ancient churches of Littlebourne, Wickhambreaux, Preston and West Stourmouth before reaching journey's end at the former Saxon monastery at Minster. Bring packed lunch, though there may be a refreshment stop at Pluck's Gutter. It's possible to return by train to Canterbury West Station then walk to Canterbury East for the train back to Bekesbourne.	12.5 (20.1)	Mod. 1	Andrew 07754 797848 or 01233 720513
3681.	Thursday 02/07/2020	10:00	TR201513 CT4 6HT	Kingston Meet near The Black Robin. There are 2 short steep hills on this walk.	5 (8)	Easy 2 / 3	Evelyn / Diana 01304 824344 or 01304 372090
3682.	Sunday 05/07/2020	10:00	TR142469 CT4 6AS	Stelling Minnis Park on the road near the Post Office - but please leave space for locals to park by the Post Office. Lunch stop at The Bowl Inn Hastingleigh.	11 (17.7)	Mod. 4	Dave Mo 01303 244464 or 07470 693584
3683.	Sunday 05/07/2020	10:30	TR377516 CT14 7EB	Walmer - Royal Marines Memorial Concert Meet near the Memorial Bandstand on Deal / Walmer sea front. Alternatively, meet 15 minutes later at the car park at the bottom of Granville Road, Walmer. The walk is followed by the RM Memorial Concert.	6 (9.7)	Easy 2 / 3	Les P 01303 863495 or 07526 557663
3684.	Tuesday 07/07/2020	10:00	TR158346 CT21 5AX	Hythe - Saltwood The Castles of Kent: Meet at Portland Road car park (by The Green and behind the closed Duke's Head pub). The walk follows the Military Canal through Hythe and onto Saltwood Castle. The route then returns via Pedling, crossing Brockhill Stream and back into Hythe.	5 (8)	Mod. 3	Andrew 07754 797848 or 01233 720513
3685.	Thursday 09/07/2020	10:00	TQ859674 ME9 7PN	Lower Halstow Meet / park at the end of Lapwing Drive. Fig. 8 walk (5.5 + 5.5 miles). Lunch stop at The Three Tuns pub. Re-start at 13:30. Joint walk with Maidstone Ramblers.	11 (17.7)	Mod. 3	Margaret MW and Sue W 07964 067915 or 07749 913602
3686.	Thursday 09/07/2020	10:00	TR159408 CT18 8EW	Lyminge Meet at the village hall.	6 (9.7)	Mod. 3	Lorna / Len J 07980 309419 or 01303 862862

3687.	Sunday 12/07/2020	10:00	TR288587 CT3 2BA	Ash Meet at the recreation ground car park (NOT the village hall car park that has been used previously). The recreation ground is towards the A257 end of Queens Road. If parking on the road, please do so considerately. Lunch stop in Sandwich - pubs and cafés.	11 (17.7)	Mod. 2 / 3	Ruth T 01304 619968
3688.	Thursday 16/07/2020	10:00	TR343635 CT12 5JB	Ramsgate Meet at Pegwell Bay Country Park - £1.30 to park all day. Lunch stop in Broadstairs - pubs and cafés. We will stop for about 30 minutes for a drink at Wetherspoons during the afternoon.	12 (19.3)	Mod. 2	Margaret M-W / Carol 01795 843927 or 01227 374529
3689.	Thursday 16/07/2020	10:00	TR063366 TN25 7DY	Aldington Meet opposite the Walnut Tree pub - please park considerately.	7 (11.3)	Mod. 3 / 4	Richard B 01233 812510
3690.	Sunday 19/07/2020	10:00	TR249388 CT18 7LX	Capel le Ferne Meet near the village hall in Lancaster Avenue - park on the road. Lunch stop at The Cat and Custard Pot, Paddlesworth or bring a picnic.	12 (19.3)	Mod. 4	Colin C 01303 259075 or 07586 045998
3691.	Tuesday 21/07/2020	10:00	TR066536 CT4 8BZ	Chilham Meet / park in the lower car park (currently free). Café / pubs in the village for lunch. Castle gardens can be visited during the afternoon - entrance £4.00.	5.5 (8.9)	Mod. 3	Margaret M-W 01795 843927 or 07964 067915
3692.	Thursday 23/07/2020	10:30	TR309548 CT13 0HE	Eastry Meet in village car park. If car park full park in surrounding roads (e.g. Church Street). Fig. 8 walk (am. max. 7 miles / pm. max 6 miles) Re-start at 14:00. Lunch stop at The Five Bells.	13 (20.9)	Mod. 3	Les O 07801 508958
3693.	Sunday 26/07/2020	10:00	TR298694 CT7 9RF	Birchington Linear coastal walk to Broadstairs. Meet at Birchington Station. For those wanting a short walk (4.5 miles) return by train from Margate - which will be the lunch stop - various pubs and cafés. Return from Broadstairs by train.	11 (17.7)	Mod. 2	John R P 07414 863194
3694.	Thursday 30/07/2020	10:00	TR120349 CT21 4LE	Lympne Meet at village hall car park. Lunch stop in Dymchurch - pubs and cafés. RADO	10 (16.1)	Mod. 2	David J 01303 269151

Pace		Terrain	
EASY	LESS THAN 2.5 MPH	1	FLAT
MOD.	2.5 – 3.0 MPH	2	FLAT WITH SMALL INCLINES
FAST	3.0 – 3.5 MPH	3	FLAT WITH SOME SMALL HILLS
V. FAST	OVER 3.5 MPH	4	UNDULATING WITH SOME STEEPER HILLS
RADO: Registered Assistance Dogs Only		5	MIXED SMALL AND STEEP HILLS

MAP READING AND NAVIGATION COURSE

Saturday 2nd May 2020

Places are still available on this year's Map Reading and Navigation Course. This all-day event is designed to either develop or refresh your skills in reading maps and using a compass.

The course includes elements of self-learning, a classroom session and the afternoon spent on a walk putting your newly acquired skills into practice.

The venue for the course is Lyminge Village Hall, Lyminge CT18 8EW.

A non-refundable fee of £10 per person will be charged to cover the costs of the day.

If you're interested contact David, david.boyce785@gmail.com

and give your name and telephone number and I will contact you to answer any questions you may have.

David Boyce

WHITE CLIFFS RAMBLERS HOLIDAY

Isle-of-Wight 8th -14th June 2020

A reminder of our holiday on the Isle –of- Wight.

The group consists of 46 people. The cost is £435 including all tips. The price includes:

- 6 nights/ 7 days half board at the Wight Bay hotel Sandown.
- Return coach trip and the use of the coach for the holiday.
- Ferry tickets for passengers and coach.
- Up to 3 walks per day.
- 4 walking days and 1 free day (Osbourne house?)

We will visit The Needles, Alum Bay, Carisbrooke Castle, Godshill, Shanklin and Ventnor.

The coach pick-ups are likely to be Folkstone, Dover and Sittingbourne railway stations. These and timings will be confirmed later.

A twin room for two people has become available.

For more info contact:

Jim Bushnell 07948 149938.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2019/ 2020

2nd May 2020: Map Reading & Navigation Course – see article

7th May 2020: ADRA (French walking group – see article below)

8th to 14th June 2020: Isle of Wight holiday (see article)

21st August 2020: Bat and Trap evening at The Fitzwalter Arms, Goodnestone. Buffet costing approx. £5.00 per person. Arrive at 6:30 for practice and 7:00pm match. No experience required.

27th August to 1st September 2020: White Cliffs Walking Festival

25th September: Test your knowledge! Hosted by Colin and Rhona at The 5 Bells Eastry. 7:00 for 7:30pm

1st November 2020: White Cliffs Ramblers Annual General Meeting, St. Margaret's Village Hall, St. Margaret's at Cliffe.

If anyone has an event you would like to put on for the group, please let Anne and Tony Bristow know.

ASSOCIATION DUNKERQUOISE DE RETRAITE ACTIVE (ADRA)

The annual ADRA walk takes place on Thursday 7th May. Starting from Bridge at 10:00 this will be a 9 mile linear walk. The lunch stop will be at the Duke William pub, Ickham. The walk will finish in Preston.

White Cliffs members are cordially invited to attend, contact Jill or Ted for further information:

Tel. 01304 364856

Jill and Ted Roche

ELHAM VALLEY WALKING FESTIVAL

Saturday 30 May and Sunday 31 May 2020

Don't miss our fifth festival. Our walks this year again range from three to twenty-three miles and include vineyards, charming villages, ancient woodlands, a fun walk for children, bats in a belfry, 1st WW trenches and two sections of the new Royal Saxon Way.... as well as the challenge of the famous Elham Valley Way.

Further details can be seen in the leaflet that accompanied this Newsletter and online, where walk bookings can also be made: <https://elhamvalleywalkers.co.uk>

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We welcome new walkers, whether they have been members of other groups, walked on holidays, or exercised the dog or ambled down to the shops. However, most of our long walks take about 4 hrs (plus an hour break midway) and we average 10 miles. If you think this is too much for you, start with one of our short walks which take about 2/2.5 hrs and average 6 miles, or arrange to finish your first walk at the halfway point.

“All sporting and leisure activities have inherent hazards associated with them and rambling is no exception. Despite the safety of members being of paramount concern, accidents will occasionally occur. It is important, therefore, that when entering into the activity, each member appreciates that they have a responsibility to identify the hazards associated with it and take all reasonable steps to eliminate or minimise the potential for an accident to happen”.

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