

West Kent Rambling Group

The WKRG have now completed eight rambles each usually taking about three hours with a refreshment stop (pub or coffee shop) at some point. Up to a dozen Masons and/or their wives have joined in and to date the weather has always been very kind - we have not yet been rained on, although one meeting had to be cancelled due to adverse weather conditions. The temperatures have usually been just right for walking. The following list will give you an idea of the walks undertaken so far.

1. Nash walk on Bromley and Keston Commons, - Five miles, lovely countryside with views of the city skyline. A fine sunny day.
2. Westerham walk. Six and a half miles mainly in woodlands with a midway stop at Chartwell, the home of Winston Churchill, tea rooms. Another warm and sunny day.
3. Edenbridge and Marsh Green walk - seven and a half miles. Initially along the Eden River valley and then in the (very muddy) woodlands around Marsh Green.
4. Ightham Mote's circular walk via Knole, near Sevenoaks. Eight and half miles across some lovely park land and open fields including a beautiful lavender field. A couple of steady inclines but the reward of excellent National Trust coffee shops.
5. Otford and Darenth Valley walk six and a half miles including two very steep hills on the North Downs section of the route.
6. Lullingstone Country Park four mile walk - a walk in woodland, open pastureland, a riverside stretch as well as going through a golf course. Passing on route Lullingstone castle and Lullingstone Roman villa.
7. Foots Cray Meadow and around a part of Joydens Wood, Sidcup. It was approximately five and a half miles.
8. Ightham Mote to Knole in Sevenoaks as part of the BBC's Countryfile's National Ramble in aid of **Children in Need**. An 8 mile National Trust circular trail. The walk is graded as a medium level walk with a couple of steady inclines over fields, bridleways and parkland, with some lovely views.