

MDFG Walks Programme December 2024

Thank you to all the walk leaders for this month - the walks programme is/wouldn't be possible without you.
If you join the walks but don't usually lead walks, please consider trying it out. If you would like to lead a walk in a future month, please contact the Walks Co-ordinator.

Dates	Time	Starting Point	Distance	Description	Leader
Tuesday 03-Dec-24	10:00 AM	Istead Rise car park opposite the Community Centre Worcester Close, Istead Rise, Gravesend TQ636703 DA13 9LB what3words: motor.pencil.deeper.	4 miles	Circular walk via Downs Road, national path 177 past Cyclopark and return via Ifield Court	Sarah Branch
Sunday 08-Dec-24	10:00 AM	Off road parking around Eynsford railway station DA4 0HP TQ535649 what3words: tune.flash.linen	7 miles	Some steep ascent and descent. Some road walking. Bring water and some snacks for me also a change of foot wear to drive back. I hope to remove 1000 Calories on this walk, there'll be plenty of stops and lots of deep breathing. There are two pubs (The Plough and the Malt Shovel) and also a tea room near the ford.	George Berry
Tuesday 10-Dec-24	10:00 AM	Meopham Green DA13 0QA TQ641652 what3words: winner.helps.poppy	4.5-5 miles	Circular walk via Foxendown, Dene Manor, Coomb Hill and Priestwood. Some undulation, with steady climb from Dene Manor to Coomb Hill Farm; but nothing too steep. Some stiles.	Julie Roper
Sunday 22-Dec-24	10:00 AM	Chiddingstone TN8 7AH TQ501451 what3words: takes.dust.dark	5.5 miles	Circular walk via Hill Hoath, Wilderness Farm, Hever and the Chiding Stone No steep hills. May be muddy in places Christmas jumpers, hats etc would be welcome	Mags & Pete Bown
Tuesday 31-Dec-24	10:00 AM	Meopham Station. TQ640678 DA13 0LT what3words: select.scary.fund	3 miles	Relatively straightforward circular walk	Sarah Branch

GENERAL GUIDELINES

Although the group's walks leaders take care with the planning and execution of their walks, anyone taking part in our walks does so at their own risk. Please stay behind the walk leader and in front of the back marker. Leaders must be allowed to follow their planned route and walkers should only intervene if help is requested.

Walkers are advised to wear appropriate footwear (walking boots, sturdy trainers or wellingtons) and to bring water and their own basic first aid equipment for every walk.

QUERIES AND CANCELLATIONS

If you have any queries regarding a walk please contact the walk leader beforehand. Non-members should contact the Walks Coordinator on 07947 539635 or info@meopham-walkers.co.uk.

If the weather is bad, please check with the walk leader that the walk will go ahead. If a walk is cancelled, we will try to update Facebook and our website but this cannot be guaranteed.

Walks leaders may use the Meopham Walkers WhatsApp group to inform members of last minute cancellations or alterations to their walks, due to bad weather etc. Members of this WhatsApp group are reminded that it is only to be used by walk leaders to post updates about their walks.

DOGS ON WALKS

Unless otherwise stated, dogs on SHORT leads are welcome walks. Please check the details of each individual walk as to whether dogs are allowed on that walk. Please see www.meopham-walkers.co.uk/walks-programme for our full policy regarding dogs.

Please keep dogs on short leads at all times as long leads can cause a hazard for other walkers. If a dog is badly behaved, the owner will be asked to leave the walk and the dog will not be allowed in future. Many walks include stiles, which may not be accessible by large dogs.