**LONG DISTANCE WALKERS ASSOCATION – BEDS BUCKS & NORTHANTS GROUP**

**WALKS PROGRAMME**

**SEPTEMBER TO DECEMBER 2017**

***Note: There are two linear walks on the programme where transport needs to be booked in advance:***

***Sun Sep 10 2017 Kingfisher Way***

***Sat Oct 21 2017 Autumn Colours (MK Parks Trust 25 Mile Challenge)***

***Please book as soon as you can to help the organisers sort the appropriate transport***

**Sun Sep 3 2017 The Three Rings of Tebworth**

19ml. 09.00 From entrance to allotments at south end of High Street (A5120), Toddington. Please park considerately in nearby streets, not in small allotment c.p. Maps: LR 166 Exp 193 (GR TL008279). ***C:*** Peter Simon ***T:*** 01582 513827 ***M:*** 07592 115090 on day only.

**Thu Sep 7 2017 Rest at Wrest**

16ml. 09.30 From Ampthill Park West c.p. Post Code MK45 2GU. Map: LR 153 (GR TL024382). Lunchtime cafe & pub. ***C:*** Sara Waldron ***M:*** 07850 665454.

**Sun Sep 10 2017 Kingfisher Way**

22ml. 08.00 From Church Street, Tempsford, SG19 2AT. Maps: Exp 193,208 (GR TL162531). Linear walk. Part of the Beds Walking Festival. Meet at Tempsford for transport to start of walk in Baldock (SG7 5BX). Cost is £5.00 for the bus. **Please book your place in advance** with Roy. ***C:*** Roy Carter ***T:*** 01234 301182 ***M:*** 07784 208997. ***E:*** roycarter367@hotmail.com

**Thu Sep 21 2017 Glenn`s Twin? Wood You Believe It?**

15/16ml. 09.30 From Priory Country Park, Barkers Lane, Bedford MK41 9SH. Map: LR 153 (GR TL072494). ***C:*** Adrian Moody ***T:*** 01933 314134 (before 9.00 pm) ***M:*** O7788 684394 (on day only).

**Sun Sep 24 2017 Walk With No Name**

17ml. 09.00 From Wykeham Way (near Thame Rd), Haddenham. Maps: Exp 180,181 (GR SP734086). ***C:*** Alan Leadbetter ***M:*** 07775 887493.

**Sun Oct 1 2017 Walk from Newton Longville**

15ml. 09.00 From Longueville Hall c.p. Whaddon Rd, Newton Longville, MK17 0AT. (GR SP841316). ***C:*** Sylvie Eames ***T:*** 07770 433190.

**Thu Oct 5 2017 Marston Meander**

15ml. 09.30 From Marston Vale Forest Centre MK43 0PS. Map: LR 153 (GR TL004418). ***C:*** Derek Jacob ***T:*** 01234 767759.

**Sun Oct 8 2017 Best Beautiful Bits From Barton**

19ml. 09.00 From Old Road, Barton-le-Clay. Please park considerately near entrance to Recreation Ground. Maps: LR 166 Exp 193 (GR TL083305). Lunch stop will be near a pub. ***C:*** Dee Brockway ***T:*** 01582 881809 ***M:*** 07742 422951.

**Sun Oct 15 2017 John Nickerson Memorial Walk**

17ml. 09.00 From the Bridgewater Monument, Ashridge Estate Visitor Centre (accessed from B4506). Map: LR 165 (GR SP970131). A slight variation of the Ashridge Boundary Trail - a favourite of John's. A shorter walk can be arranged, please contact the leader. ***C:*** Judy Nickerson ***T:*** 01234 301817 ***M:*** 07913 740455.

**Thu Oct 19 2017 Ouse That?**

17ml. 09.30 From Great Denham Park & Ride c.p. (MK40 4FA). Map: Exp 208 (GR TL017489). ***C:*** Roy Carter ***T:*** 01234 301182 ***M:*** 07784 208997.

**Sat Oct 21 2017 Autumn Colours**

25ml. 07.50 for 08.00 minibus Meet Caldecotte Arms public c.p. off A4146, Milton Keynes MK7 8HP. Map: Exp 192 (GR SP888354). We will be walking the MK Parks Trust 25 Mile Challenge through the woods and parkland of Milton Keynes as a group walk. The walk is linear from Howe Park Wood to Caldecotte Lake. We will leave cars at Caldecotte Lake, travel by minibus to Howe Park Wood and then walk back to the cars. **Please book your minibus seat** via Linda Marsh as soon as possible (places limited). Email marsh-l2@sky.com (Note: email: it is a letter l, not a figure 1). There will be a small charge for the minibus. The walk will be self-supporting but there will be opportunities to replenish supplies if required during the day. Certificate upon completion. ***C:*** Gill Bunker/Linda Marsh ***T:*** 01908 321308 ***M:*** 07790 976090 (Gill) ***T:*** 01908 669698 ***M:*** 07885 181422 (Linda).

**Sun Oct 29 2017 Shillington Shuffle Marshals' Walk**

***C:*** Dave Yorston ***T:*** 01494 868371 ***M:*** 07808 384670.

**Thu Nov 2 2017 Margaret’s Birthday Walk**

15ml. 09.30 From "Sand Lane", Sandy. "No Through Road" approach from the eastern end, off the Sandy to Everton road. Map: LR 153 (GR TL180494). ***C:*** Margaret & Roger Skerman ***T:*** 01525 405540 ***M:*** 07757 057440.

**Sat Nov 11 2017 A Walk Around Corby - The Extension**

24ml. 08.30 From Kirby Rd, Gretton. Please park considerately nearby. Meet at the Jurassic Way signpost. Map: Exp 224 (GR SP902945). ***C:*** Wayne Rowlett ***T:*** 01536 460984 ***M:*** 07388 026676.

**Thu Nov 16 2017 Henry the Eighth’s Granny’s Walk**

15ml. 09.30 From hidden layby on eastern side of A508 north of Grafton Regis between turn for Alderton and canal bridge. Access from northern end only. Map: Exp 207 (GR SP748485). ***C:*** Dianne Sutton ***T:*** 01908 606256 before 9pm please ***M:*** 07957 466487 on day only.

**Sun Nov 19 2017 Shillington Shuffle**

26, 18 or 12ml. in 10.5hr. From Barton-le-Clay Village Hall postcode MK45 4JY (GR TL083306). The walk follows mainly field paths, tracks, woods & some roads through undulating countryside with good views from the hills traversed. Start: Walkers from 08.00; Runners/Joggers/Fast Walkers from 09.00. Cp times will be adhered to, with NO exceptions. All must be finished by 18.30, Hall closes 19.00. All must bring own mug (none on route), compass & route description WHICH MUST BE DOWNLOADED & PRINTED from web site beforehand. We recommend map Expl 193 or LR 153 & 166 (only 166 for 12ml route) , a torch if you expect to finish after dark & waterproofs. Please wear appropriate clothing & footwear for this time of year. This walk is part of BB&N triple challenge. Online entry only. There will be a limit of 300 entrants. No entries OTD. No substitutions. Entry: £7.00, Non LDWA £10.00 & Under 18s free incl hot & cold drinks & biscuits at start, drinks & snacks at all Cps and a light meal at finish. Cert for all finishers. Badge free on request. Entries close 11th Nov 2017 or when full. Online entry at: https://www.sientries.co.uk/event.php?elid=Y&event\_id=3329. ***C:*** Mike Hyland. ***E:*** bbn-sswalks@ldwa.org.uk ***W:*** ldwa.org.uk/bedsbucksandnorthants

**Sun Nov 26 2017 Walk + AGM**

8/9ml. 09.00 From Cosgrove Village Hall, 39 Bridge St, Cosgrove. (Nearest post code MK19 7JH, continue over canal bridge, hall is on L.) Park in hall c.p. Maps: LR 152 Exp 207 (GR SP794427). Morning walk followed by lunch at Barley Mow p.h. Please pre-book your meal with Gill Bunker. Menu choices in Autumn Newsletter/via email. The AGM starts at 14.00. ***C:*** Gill Bunker ***T:*** 01908 321308 ***M:*** 07790 976090. ***E:*** gillbunker@googlemail.com

**Thu Nov 30 2017 The Chilterns in Winter**

15ml. 09.30 From Cholesbury. Please park on hard standing outside village hall. HP23 6ND. Maps: LR 165 Exp 181 (GR SP930071). Bring your own lunch. Lunch stop near Wetherspoons, Berkhamsted. ***C:*** John Davies ***T:*** 01442 874875 ***M:*** 07949 796470.

**Sun Dec 10 2017 Santa's Ultimate Sundae**

12.5ml. 09.00 From Caldecotte Arms public c.p. off A4146, Milton Keynes (MK7 8HP). Map: Exp 192 (GR SP888354). BBN's Xmas walk. Bring a wrapped gift to the value of £1, bows & all. Carol singing at churches en route. Mince pies & refreshments halfway thru walk. Post walk drinks in Caldecotte Arms. ***C:*** Santa’s (not so) Little Helper Norman Corrin ***T:*** 01908 608667 ***M:*** 07980 378656.

**Thu Dec 14 2017 Christmas at Wetherspoons**

c. 14ml. 09.30 From c.p. by entrance to Rosemullion Lane, off Tattenhoe Lane, Milton Keynes. Map: LR 153 (GR SP841340). Back for a fifth year, a shorter pre-Christmas walk with extended lunch at a Wetherspoons pub. ***C:*** Dave Findel-Hawkins ***T:*** 01908 216476.

**Thu Dec 28 2017 No Trains or Planes**

15ml. 09.30 From Draughton Crossing free c.p. on minor rd, Maidwell to Draughton, Northants. Maps: LR 141 Exp 223 (GR SP755773). Probably no pub stop. ***C:*** Jim Robinson ***T:*** 07845 909750.

**Sun Mar 4 2018 Pick and Mix**

loops, of, 12, 8, 6 or 5ml. in 10hr (choose how many loops you do). From Gt Missenden CofE Combined School, Link Road entrance near HP16 9AE (GR SP896014). A combination of loops of your own chosen total distance over undulating hills, mainly on fps and bdws. Route descriptions will be provided on the day ONLY & will not be available in advance. There will be 1 x 12, 3 x 8, 1 x 6 & 1 x 5 ml routes. Marked up maps will be displayed at the start.. Start: from 08.00. All to finish by 18.00. All MUST bring own mug, & compass. We recommend maps Exp 181 & 172 or LR 165, waterproofs & a torch. Please wear appropriate clothing for the weather at this time of year. Sorry, due to HQ on school premises we cannot allow dogs. Organised by Beds, Bucks & Northants LDWA. Limit 250. Closing date for SiEntries 23rd Feb. NO ENTRIES OTD. On-line entries are preferred.ENTRIES ARE NOT TRANSFERABLE & NO SUBSTITUTIONS WILL BE ALLOWED. Email Mike Hyland for paper entry forms & any queries. Great Missenden Rail Station is only 2 minutes walk away from the start.. Entry: £7, Non LDWA £10 (under 18s free with adults) incl drinks & some food at HQ between loops, biscuits at the start & a light meal at the finish. There will be a cold drink station on the 12ml loop open from 09.30-13.00 only. All other loops have NO support. Chqs payable to LDWA BBN Group. SEF accepted with SAE. Online entry at: https://www.sientries.co.uk. ***C:*** Mike Hyland, 55 Broadlands Avenue, CHESHAM, HP5 1AL ***T:*** 01494 774154. ***E:*** mike.hyland@ntlworld.com ***W:*** www.ldwa.org.uk/bedsbucksandnorthants