



Monthly Meetings

General meetings are normally held on the fourth Friday each month from 2pm to 4pm. **Doors open at 1.35pm**

Entry (including refreshments):

Members free, waiting list £1.50, guests £2

Friday 26th June
Bygone Kent (Stories from
Kent's rich past)
Speaker Christine Rayner

Friday 24th July
Eat Your Carrots
Speaker Guy Bartlett

Activity Sessions

Entry (including refreshments) Members £1, Waiting list £1.50, Guests £2

Sessions are held Fridays between 1.30 to 4.00pm
On dates below

June

Fridays 5th, 12th, and 19th

Art Group/Cards/Games/Craft/Short Mat Bowls

July

Friday 3rd, 10th, and 17th

Art Group/Cards/Games/Craft/Short Mat Bowl

Friday 31st

Quiz

Rambles

Our Mote Park walk was lovely with all the trees being in full leaf. Barry provided entertainment by taking photographs of the signage boards showing the location of the new rubbish bins around the park!! Towards the end we fed the lovely little ducklings on the lake. The park café was excellent and we enjoyed our lunch there. Here are our plans for the next couple of months.

Wednesday 10th June – Local Ramble and Joe's Café

Meet at 11 am at the junction of Mountbatten Avenue and Taylors Lane for a walk towards Lower Higham, over the railway bridge and up the Landway to Hermitage Road. Lunch at Joe's at around 12.30 ish

Wednesday 17th June – Riverside Country Park, Lower Rainham

Meet at 11 am in the car park (fee payable). Walk alongside the River Medway and return to cars and on to **The Rose and Crown, Shorne** for lunch around 1 pm.

Sunday 28th June – Leybourne Lakes and The White Hart, Cuxton

Meet in the car park at 11 am (fee payable) for a circular walk around the lake. Back to cars and on to The White Hart for lunch around 12.45

Wednesday 1st July – Teston Lock and The Red Start Barming

This is our evening mid- summer ramble. Meet in the Teston Lock car park (ME18 5BX, also fee payable) at 5pm for a walk alongside the River Medway towards Wateringbury and after a short rest we re-trace our steps back to the car park. On to The Red Start, Barming for dinner around 6.45pm

Wednesday 22nd July – Shorne Country Park and The Rose and Crown

Meet in the Rose and Crown car park at 11am for a circular walk in the Country Park. Back to the pub for lunch around 12.45

Sunday 26th July – Grain Coastal Path and The Hogarth Inn, Grain

Meet in the coastal path car park at 11am for a walk alongside the river. Back to cars and on to The Hogarth for lunch around 12.45pm

Non-walkers are very welcome to meet up with walkers for the pub lunch and prior notice would be appreciated. Please note that all ramblers walk at their own risk and non-members are reminded they are not covered by HiARA's third party insurance. If you have any queries about the walks please do not hesitate to give Janet a call on 01474 824221 or 0784988456

Upcoming Events

Wednesday 3 rd June	Maldon River Cruise with Cream Tea	£69
Saturday 19 th September	Canal Cruise to Camden Market	FULL
Saturday 14 th November	Social evening with Andy Badd	TBC
Tuesday 8 th December	Christmas Lunch at Stone Lodge Dartford	TBC

Please note that all trips must be paid for when being booked
All trips will be leaving from Taylors Lane and junction of Mountbatten Avenue

Chairman's May Report

Well April is now well and truly behind us but it has not really got any warmer (until now). On the plus side it has not really rained that much (although my garden does need a lot)

April saw most members attend the Club's AGM where the committee selection took place and returned the previous members. Our new charity for the coming year is ADSS, Alzheimer and Dementia Support Services. This beat the other member nominated charities by a large margin and I hope that we do it proud.

Most of you have been diligent and renewed your membership promptly but I would ask those that have dithered to please renew as soon as. Not only does this tell us how many members we have but also gives us an indication of how much money we have in the bank to pay for the hire of the hall, purchase the biscuits, tea and coffee that you all love and pay for the monthly speakers. Also it allows us to put on functions for you.

Regards Rod



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