MARION'S GUIDED WALKS Jan-July 2016

Volunteer Marion's walks explore local countryside, wildlife and history. Marion has led guided walks over the past twenty years for the Downlands countryside Management Project in areas of the North Downs south of Croydon, and for ten years in King's Wood on behalf of the Friends of King's Wood. Boots are advised as paths may be muddy, and waterproofs in case of rain. Dogs allowed if on leads. Finish at the start point. Walks are free.

Fri 26 Feb 10.00 am A Blow Along the Top Track GR 323 605 Come for an exhilarating 2 hour walk through varied chalk hill habitats. See downland where sheep and cattle graze and follow old routeways. Meet in Riddlesdown Common car park at the end of Riddlesdown Road.

Fri 18 Mar 10.00 am Woodland Holes and Hazels GR.349 603 How many kinds of holes can we find? Why were hazels coppiced? A gentle 2 hour amble starting from where Orchard Road enters King's Wood [off Limpsfield Road, Sanderstead, B269, Bus route 403].

Sun 24 April 10.00 am Flowers of Lane and Wood GR.351 595 Starting from Hamsey Green Pond on Limpsfield Road, this two hour walk follows a lane along the parish boundary and returns through King's Wood.

Fri 29 April 10.00 am King's Wood in Springtime GR 349 603
Enjoy the freshness of new leaves on our native trees above and delicate flowers at our feet. A gentle 2 hour amble starting from where Orchard Road enters woodland [off Limpsfield Road, Sanderstead, B269.

Sun 24 June 10.00 am Happy Valley & New Hill GR. 302 572 See what flowers are now flourishing on slopes where scrub has been removed. Some longish slopes on this easy paced 2 hour walk exploring a spectacular chalk valley. Leave from Farthing Downs car park, one mile south of Coulsdon South Station.

<u>Fri 1 July</u> <u>10.00 am</u> <u>Riddlesdown's Chalk Grassland</u> GR.323 605 In areas where sheep and cattle have been grazing, the number of flower species has multiplied. Enjoy the colours and the insects they attract. This two hour walk leaves from Riddlesdown Common car park at the top end of Riddlesdown Road.