

May, 2024 – Sarratt

Many thanks to Stella who led this month's walk. 20 walkers assembled in the car park of the Boot pub in Sarratt to do a lovely circular walk taking in Flaunden and Belsize.

The weather was a bit damp at first and got wetter, but it wasn't cold. We headed away from the road past the Village shop then through the woods past Great Sarratt Hall.

The Chiltern Way took us past Rose Hall Farm then a brief stretch of road walking to enter the fields of Newhouse Farm. This involved the first of two stiles, one rather challenging but we all got over it.

We skirted the centre of Flaunden and reached the edge of Lower Plantation along the road. At the end of the woodland path, a photo was taken before progressing along the Hertfordshire way through Woodman's Wood to Belsize.

From here we continued along a wooded and muddy Hertfordshire Way along the edge of Chipperfield Common and out across the fields of Hillmead's Farm, Commonwood. Once over Plough Lane. and a steep climb up to Sarratt Green it was back to the pub car park, the removal of muddy boots and rainwear and a welcome lunch. Despite the rain and the mud, the walk was lovely and enjoyed by all.

