**Leatherhead to Dorking via Leith Hill, Saturday 26th March 2016**

22 walkers, 20 miles – leader Keith Lane

22 brave souls met at Leatherhead Station and 21 finished at Dorking Station. Being Easter Saturday the leader "*shelled*" out on Easter eggs to help his fellow walkers feel "*eggstatic*" despite the conditions. The drier conditions for the past two weeks were undone by the heavy rain last Thursday and the mud and floods hampered parts of the route.  The wonderful views from the North Downs and the Surrey Hills were obscured by mist and low cloud but there was ample space to walk in as even dog walkers were in short supply.

The gusting strong wind from the south suggested that it could take us 5 hours to get to Leith Hill and half an hour to get back!

On top of Leith Hill the tower came in handy to shelter behind as the wind was considerably in "*eggcess*" of bracing.

However the promised heavy rain did not materialise until we got back to London when it poured in biblical proportions and over the 20 mile route we climbed 2,600 feet.

So despite the weather a good time was had by all and the day was considered to have been "*eggcellent*"

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