**Box Hill & Leith Hill, Saturday 16th July 2016**

27 walkers, 21 miles – leader Lonica Vanclay

Attracted no doubt by the prospect of summitting not just one but two of southern England's highest peaks (Box and Leith Hills) in the same day, 27 walkers joined me for this 21-mile walk. Fine enough weather and lush countryside with nettles at their prime. Great views and the usual mix of forest and fields made for a lovely walk. Everyone enjoyed the laid-on entertainment of Morris men at both the morning coffee stop and lunch stop pubs so we knew it was England and high summer. However lovely the countryside though, near the end everyone just wants to get home, so, as is often the case, the closer we got to the end and the prospect of still making the earlier train, the quicker the pace. We flew past the Denbies vineyards and nearly all of us managed to run and jump on to the 5.27 train just before it pulled out, yours truly among them. The others will have had to while away the hour until the next train in the nearby pub.