**Haslemere Circular, Sunday 28th September 2008**

18 walkers, 18 miles – leader Don Bolton

18 of us assembled at Haslemere Station just after 9.30am, 6 of these were women that I had never met before. The weather was beautiful, a clear sky, sunny and very warm later in the day. This was an 18-mile circular walk with almost 11 miles before lunch. We circled east then north to Combe Court via Grayswood, past Sandhills to join the Greensand Way. At mid-day I phoned the Three Horseshoes pub in Thursley to tell them I had 18 people who wanted a drink and 12 of them also wanted a meal. In just over an hour on the Greensand Way we stopped for our lunch. We had reserved tables in the garden, service was quite good for such a large group and the food excellent. After a very lively lunch we were again on the Greensand Way up and into the Devils Punchbowl. A very scenic area with wonderful tree and scrub plant colouring. We stopped briefly at the Hindhead NT Café for tea and then followed the Greensand Way back to Haslemere. Pace was moderate (3.1mph) and most of our new companions said that they will join the LDWA. A very sociable and enjoyable day.