U3A Monday WALKING GROUP – Weeks beginning 1st July – 30th September 2024

On rare occasions a walk may need to be cancelled due to:

a) The weather forecast conditions that would make it dangerous to proceed with the walk.

b) Emergency personal situations make it impossible / very difficult to lead the walk.

Make sure you have the contact details of the walk leader in case you are delayed for the start of the walk

- Bring own personal first aid requirements, e.g. sanitizer, sting relief, plasters, sun cream
- Carry details of your preferred emergency contact, either on mobile phone or written on a piece of paper
- Lunch organised by the walk leader(s) at their discretion

DATE	MEETING PLACE / GRID REFERENCE	DETAILS	DISTANCE
Monday 1st July 10.30	Knap Hill Car Park on the Lockeridge - Alton Barnes Road SU117 637 SN8 4LB what3words prune.jump.shoelaces	Over Pewsey Downs to the White Horse and then around Milk Hill and along part of the Wansdyke. Excellent views, long gentle slopes and occasional stile. Optional lunch at Honeystreet Mill Cafe SN9 5PS	4 miles
Monday 8 th July 10.30	Car park at Ashdown House RG17 8RE	East from Ashdown House, towards weathercock hill and Waylands Smithy. Some gradients but not too steep. Good views back to Ashdown.	4.5 miles
Monday 15 th July 10.30	Elcot Lane, Marlborough SU 197 692	Head off to track near St. John's park. Steepish climb at first. Uneven ground across top of hill and then downhill on road to Stitchcombe. Following path alongside river and then over field tracts Back to Marlborough. First part of riverside path can be muddy and slippery and definitely single file only and very uneven. Poles may help!	4 miles

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Monday 22 nd July 10.30	Salisbury Plain. NEW WALK, NEW START POINT Start at tank crossing on the road between Pewsey and Everleigh. Coming from Pewsey the turning is on the left, with a sizeable barn at the end of a short military track. On the OS map, it's just past 'Milking bushes'. SU 198561 what 3 words : serve.cement.swear	Mostly shady walk, with forest birds and a range of good scenery and views. No stiles. Lunch: Upavon Golf Club	4 miles
Monday 29 th July 10.30	Starting point: The old pig farm Rabley. SU 209 718 Turn left at the bottom of Poulton Hill drive along this road, past Rabley Barn, a group of grey derelict buildings is the pig farm. What Three Words: reshape.booth.quits	The walk is about 4 miles taking in the railway, Ridgway and Roman road. No stiles but track deeply rutted in places and can get very muddy. A long steep climb half way.	~ 4 miles
Monday 5 th August 10.30	Woodborough Garden Centre SU 119 597	A mostly new route from Woodborough garden centre, Roads, tracks, nature reserve, field and woodland paths. Two sturdy stiles crossing the railway. Flat even ground	4 miles
Monday 12 th August 10.30	Knap Hill Car Park on the Lockeridge to Alton Barnes Rd SU116 638 This is often crowded, so please try and car-share to avoid having to park on the road.	Walk to Gophers Wood with excellent views across the Pewsey Vale A steady uphill climb; woodland, farmland and tracks. One or two stiles	4 miles

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Monday 19 th August 10.30	Smallgrain Picnic Area near North Wiltshire Golf Club (SN10 2LP) on road between A361 and A4 SU 019 671 What3Words ///sharp.police.variously	Morgan's Hill & Wansdyke Some steep sections	~4 miles
Monday 26 th August 10.30	Bank Holiday	No planned walk	
Monday 2 nd September 10.30	Wilcot. Meet at war memorial on village green, at bridge end. SU142 611 Parking available on road through village, alongside of canal, or down wide side road near Golden Swan pub (where lunch would be available)	Wilcot to Huish and Oare through the Oare estate and past the Oare pavilion. Fields, tracks, some narrow roads, several stiles. Mostly flat, but some rough going.	About 4 miles
Monday 9 th September 10.30	Pewsey Bouverie Hall SU 165 601	Level walk - past Jones's Mill through the water meadows.	About 4 miles
Monday 16 th September 10.30	Avebury NT car park (TBC)	Avebury to Windmill Hill. Circular walk starting and finishing in Avebury. Some footpaths and byway. Fairly flat	~4 miles

Monday 23 rd September 10.30	Ham - Crown & Anchor pub SN8 3RB' Park in village or (subject to their consent) the pub car park	'A walk from outside the Crown and Anchor pub in Ham . The walk gives a view of Ham Manor and then explores areas between Prosperous and Doves Farms. No stiles. Some inclines. Can be very muddy.	5 miles
Monday 30 th September 10.30	Parking about half mile past Rockley there is a wooded area on the rhs with footpath sign. What 3 words: motorist.haunts.darkens Limited parking, hopefully no one else will park there before us!	The first part is fairly easy, long steady climb, can be muddy and rutted. Then there is a steep climb and stiles (used to be gates but now all locked) up to Four Mile clump, some parts can be overgrown and have nettles. Then along the track until we turn right, more stiles and a steep downhill over grass. The styles are very sound but quite high, sorry!	Just 4 miles