

Walks

All U3A members are welcome to join any of our walks. Non U3A members are also welcome but please be aware that if you are not a member you will not be covered by our insurance.

All walks start at 10.00 am.

Walks are very informal and usually last about two hours.

Well behaved dogs welcome, but please be prepared to put your dog on a lead if necessary particularly near livestock or when ground nesting birds may be present.

Starting points are usually given as map references, but if we can give you a post code we will. If you think you may have trouble finding the start, do phone the leader in advance for directions.

Please arrive slightly early to start on time, and car share if you can.

Good weather and walking conditions are not guaranteed, but we will always be prepared to make a start, even if we cut the walk short due to the weather or ground conditions.

Please let the leader know if you plan to join us. If you need directions to the start point **or you might be late**, please ring the leader's mobile and we will endeavour to wait for you.

The leaders endeavour to find enjoyable routes and, as this is a group for everyone, if you have a favourite walk that you think others might enjoy, you are welcome to lead us if you would like.

Walk Leader Contacts

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Winter/Spring Programme 2019

Monday 18th February, Potterne Park and Moors Valley,
3.2 miles Led by Christine

Meet in the car park for Potterne Park (Map OL22 ref 095075 Postcode BH21 6RS). There is plenty of space in this free car park. This will be a gentle walk through the lesser known parts of Moors Valley. Please allow time to stop at the visitor centre for coffee.

Thursday 7th March, Burley and Castle Hill,

4.5 miles Led by Ros

Meet at the Burley Forestry Commission car park opposite the cricket pitch. Map OL22 ref 214028 Fork left on entering car park. Gravel tracks, moorland and 2 stiles. Some steep climbs and may be slippery.

Tuesday 26th March, Boscombe Beach

2.5 miles Led by Christine Meet outside Cafe Riva (MapOL22 ref 128913)

This is a small cafe on Boscombe Overcliff at the top of the cliff railway. It is almost opposite the Commodore Hotel. There is plenty of free parking on the roads around here. Walk along cliff top, down to Boscombe Pier and back along prom. This is a very easy walk except for final zig zag

Tuesday 16th April, Ragged Boys Hill,

3 miles Led by Christine

Meet at Cadman's Pool Car Park map (MapOL22 ref230123) This walk is totally on forest tracks.

Wednesday 1st May, Canada Common

3.5 miles Led by Ros

Meet at The Rockingham Arms, Canada, Postcode SO51 6DE. Map OL22 ref 290180. The pub is signposted from the A36 Salisbury to Southampton Road at West Wellow, turning off the M27 at the Romsey exit. This walk takes us across the common and along forest tracks A good pub for coffee or lunch with an interesting gift shop.

Friday 17th May, Lucy Hill Enclosure

3 miles Led by Ros

Meet at Lucy Hill car park Map SO22 ref 226046, Lyndhurst Road, Burley. Walk along cycle tracks through the enclosure, and hope we're not too late for bluebells.

Monday 3rd June, Downton and Barford Park

4 miles Led by Christine

Meet outside the Co-Op in The Borough. (You will need to park in the street)Map Explorer 130 ref 175215 This is a flat riverside walk with the possibility to extend to visit The Moot.

Friday 21st June, Our perennial favourite - Wick to Hengistbury Head and back,
2 miles each way. Led by Ros and Chris

Meet at the car park in Wick Lane, on the south side of Tuckton Bridge, a small, payable car park so car sharing advised. Some on-street parking available. Map OL22 ref 153 922 Please allow all morning for this walk so we can relax over coffee at Chris's beach hut. There will be a choice of routes back, including the possibility of returning by boat (£5 or £6,) Details at www.bournemouthboating.co.uk United Ferry