

Ringwood U3A Walks Group

Spring / Summer Programme 2018

All walks start at 10.00 am and last up to 2 hours, usually less.

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.

Monday 14th May - Fritham and Island Thorns 4.5 miles Led by Christine

Meet at Fritham car park (Map OL22 ref 229141) This is past The Royal Oak.

This is a popular forest walk along gravel tracks through woodland and open heath.

Wednesday 30th May - Burley Inclosures and Mill Lawn 3 miles Led by Ros

Meet at The White Buck, Burley, BH24 4AZ (Map OL22 ref 224027)

This walk takes us across open heath and through Burley New Inclosure.

Friday 15th June - Gorley Common 3 miles Led by Christine

Meet at car park at sharp bend in lane near Hyde Garden Centre and tea rooms.

(Map OL22 ref 169119)

This is a forest walk on some less well known tracks. There are some stiles and moderate hills.

Wednesday 27th June - 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.

Tuesday 10th July - Godshill Valleys and Views 3.5 miles Led by Ros

Meet at The Fighting Cocks, Godshill, Fordingbridge, SP6 2LL (Map OL22 ref 177150)

Some steep climbs on this walk, both up and down, but hopefully we will be rewarded by good views, weather permitting.

Monday 23rd July - High Corner and Hasley 3.5 miles Led by Christine

Meet at High Corner car park (Map OL22 ref 199105) This is the Forestry Commission car park at the top of the track **not the pub car park.**

The walk is on a variety of forest paths. It might be muddy depending on the weather.

Wednesday 8th August - Burgate and Castle Hill 3.5 miles Led by Christine

Meet at Burgate School approach road, Salisbury Road, Fordingbridge, (Map OL22 ref 152155)

This walk partially follows the Avon Valley Footpath and has some pleasing views. We shall walk along a quiet lane for a while.

Thursday 23rd August - Slap Bottom and Castle Hill 4 miles Led by Ros

Meet at Burbush Car park, on the road from Burley to Bransgore (Map OL22 ref 201 018)

A mixture of forest tracks and quiet roads, hilly in places. This is the walk that was snowed off in March so let's hope for dry tracks and sunshine this time.

Tuesday 11th September - Wilverley Plain 3.5 miles Led by or Ros

Meet at Wilverley Plain car park - Not Wilverley Pit or Wilverley Camp Site - (Map OL22 ref 254010)

We will walk around the moor or through the inclosure, depending on the weather.

Well behaved dogs welcome, but please be prepared to put your dog on a lead if necessary. Non U3A members welcome but be aware that if you are not a member you will not be covered by our insurance. There is no need to let us know you plan to join us, but if you need directions to the start point or you might be late, ring the leader's mobile and we will endeavour to wait for you.

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