

HIGHWORTH & SWINDON WALKING CLUB

Programme of Sunday Walks Jan – Mar 2026

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Walks start at 10:00 am from the start point, for car sharing meet earlier at designated meet point.

Car Share meet points:

Brewery St, Highworth, SN6 7AL: EX169 [SU203924](#), What3words: [Union.baseless.hinted](#)

Marlborough Rd, Swindon, SN3 1PL: EX169 [SU160830](#), What3words: [noble.early.legend](#)

Freshbrook Centre, Swindon, SN5 8RJ: EX169: [SU111834](#) What3words: [item.shrub.grass](#)

Turnpike Rd, Blunsdon, SN26 8DJ: EX169 [SU148899](#) What3words: [expansion.tenses.avid](#)

Please take the time to familiarise yourself with the [Club's Safety and First Aid Notes](#).

If the weather forecast for the period of the walk is grim, check with the leader that the walk is proceeding.

The [Grid ref](#) and [What3Words](#) are links to a map displaying the walk start point.

Date and meet point departure time	Walk description, start point and leader.	Miles/ Grade	Travel Contribution Guide
Sunday Jan 4 th Turnpike Road 09:00	Walk route & places of interest: Start from The Plough in Cold Aston. Bang up lane to Turkdean then onto Hazelton, Notgrove, Aylworth. (Lunch Break) Start Point: The Plough Pub in Cold Aston, GL34 5BN Map: Ex OL45 SP128197 , W3W: insurers.derailed.baseballs Leader: Pete S, Mob: 07717003741	10 Easy No steep inclines	£5.20
Xmas Meal Sunday Jan 11 th Marlborough Road 09:10	Walk route & places of interest: Liddington, The Ridgeway, Badbury. (Coffee break) Start Point: The Village Inn, SN4 OHE, start time: 09:30 Walk leaders will meet at start of walk. Walk followed by Xmas lunch at the Village Inn for those who have booked. Map: Ex170 SU207814 , W3W: fallback.basically.screamed Leader: Morag & Ceri, Mob: 07905566616	7.5 Easy but one steep climb	70p
Welsh Walk Sunday Jan 18 th Freshbrook Centre 08:15	Walk route & places of interest: From St Briavels heading up to Lower Meend, to Bigsweir Bridge following Wye Using Offas Dykes path (If flooded higher level option), Brockweir heading east to Hawelsfield, north to St Briavels. (Lunch Break) Start Point: St Briavel Castle, GL15 6RU Map: Ex OL14 SO558046 , W3W: embarks.hazel.agreed Please inform leader by 6pm Friday if you intend to go Although we meet at freshbrook for car share, a lift is not guaranteed Leader: Andrew S, Mob: 07745292985	8.5 Mod 318m ascent	£11.80

<p>Sunday Jan 18th Brewery Street 09:15</p>	<p>Walk route & places of interest: From Swinbrook, walk in the pretty Windrush Valley. The walk heads east to Asthall and then west to Burford. The area is home to the Mitford sisters. They lived in Asthall Manor and Swinbrook House. Some of the sisters and members of their family are buried in Swinbrook Churchyard. Inside the Church, there are the Fettiplace monuments which are certainly worth a visit if the Church is open. We also pass the village of Widford, which was abandoned after the plague in the 14th century, the tiny St Oswald's Church, the only remaining building. (Lunchbreak) Start Point: Meet outside the Swan Inn, Swinbrook. Park responsibly next to the village hall or near the cricket pitch. OX18 4DY Map: Ex OL45 SP282119, W3W: payer.inflamed.fires Leader: Don & Maggie W , Mob: 07770875357</p>	<p>9.5 Moderate Small hills</p>	<p>£3.20</p>
<p>Sunday Jan 25th Marlborough Road 09:50</p>	<p>Walk route & places of interest: Swindon Old Town starting from Marlborough Road. The Lawns, Queen's Park, Radnor St cemetery. Canal, part of the dismantled railway line, Old Town Park. (Lunch break) Start Point: Marlborough Rd meet up point, SN3 1PJ Map: Ex169 SU160830, W3W: junior.pass.kind Leader: Richard P, Mob: 07513009044</p>	<p>7/8 Easy</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Sunday Feb 1st Marlborough Road 09:15</p>	<p>Walk route & places of interest: Wansdyke and the Kennet and Avon canal. (Lunch break) Start Point: Car park on West End Road. Leave the A361 by turning left and head south to Bishop's Cannings. Turn right at the first crossroads and it's immediately on your right. SN10 2LL Map: Ex157 SU037643, W3W: bloom.moons.pizza Leader: Richard P, Mob: 07513009044,</p>	<p>9.5 Easy/Mod</p>	<p>£3.40</p>
<p>Welsh Walk Sunday Feb 8th Freshbrook Centre 08:10</p>	<p>Walk route & places of interest: Cwm Carn Visitor Centre Car park (café & toilets) This is a named walk-1807 Walk. First section follows Monmouthshire & Brecon Canal to Pen y Van. North to Pant Yr Eos Reservoir, North West to Twmbarlwm, descend along forest trail to minor road walk back to visitor centre. (Lunch Break) Start Point: Cwm Carn Visitor centre, NP11 7FA Map: Ex152 ST229936, W3W: garlic.spare.genetics Please inform leader by 6pm Friday if you intend to go Although we meet at freshbrook for car share, a lift is not guaranteed Leader: Andrew S, Mob: 07745292985</p>	<p>10 Mod/Hard</p>	<p>£14.60</p>
<p>Sunday Feb 8th Brewery Steet 08:45</p>	<p>Walk route & places of interest: Ardington, East Lockinge, East and West Ginge. Lunch break. Could be muddy so poles are a good idea. Start Point: Car park on the Ridgeway by monument (off the B4494 Chain Hill), OX12 8PA Map: Ex170 SU418841, W3W: undertook.cowering.script Leader: David W, Mob: 07923055552</p>	<p>8.5 Easy/Mod One hill</p>	<p>£6.70</p>

<p>Sunday Feb 15th Marlborough Road 09:30</p>	<p>Walk route & places of interest: Foxhill, follow Ridgeway path towards Bishopstone and over Russley Downs. Russley Park, back via Sugar Hill. Undulating but no major hills. (Lunch break) Start Point: Foxhill car park at bottom of Ridgeway path. Layby on road if car park full. Map: Ex170 SU233814, W3W: kinds.televised.reception Leader: Kev G, Mob: 07941076786</p>	<p>9 Moderate/ undulating</p>	<p>£1.10</p>
<p>Sunday Feb 22nd Turnpike Road Blunsdon 09:15</p>	<p>Walk route & places of interest: Chedworth, Yanworth and surrounding area. Through farmland and woods, beautiful views of surrounding countryside. Terrian includes some undulation and a couple of small hills. (Lunch Break) Start Point: Chedworth Village Hall, GL54 4NQ Map: OL45 SP053113, W3W: digs.repeat.wonderful Leader: Paul R, Mob: 0759152255</p>	<p>9 Moderate 1123ft ascent</p>	<p>£5.60</p>
<p>Sunday Mar 1st Turnpike Road Blunsdon 09:15</p>	<p>Walk route & places of interest: Sapperton, Pinbury Park, Miserden Park Lake, Edgeworth. Some road walking. Paths are likely to be very muddy in places. (Lunch Break) Start Point: Sapperton. Limited parking, please park considerately. Car share if possible, GL7 6LE Map: Ex179 SO947033, W3W: tourist.repayment.bloodshot Leader: Ceri M, Mob: 07905566616</p>	<p>10 Moderate – a couple of short steep climbs</p>	<p>£5.50</p>
<p>Welsh Walk Sunday Mar 8th Freshbrook Centre 07:50</p>	<p>Walk route & places of interest: Talgarth & a few historical site/sights, heading south skirting gliding club, The rhos, Castell Dinas, Pengeffordd carn y Castell, Garn y Castell, Trewalkin, Long Barrow, Skirt Pendre Fort, back to Talgarth. (Lunch Break) Start Point: Talgarth main car park, LD3 0PQ Map: Ex OL14 SO153337, W3W: download.faster.crouching Please inform leader by 6pm Friday if you intend to go Although we meet at freshbrook for car share, a lift is not guaranteed. Leader: Andrew S, Mob: 07745292985</p>	<p>9.5 Mod/Hard 511m ascent</p>	<p>£20.00</p>
<p>Sunday Mar 8th Brewery Street 09:15</p>	<p>Walk route & places of interest: From Great Barrington to RAF Little Rissington and Taynton on the return. We'll walk part of the route out on the return. Last 3/4 mile is along the road from Taynton to Barrington. (Lunch break) Start Point: Great Barrington village hall car park on back road. OX18 4UR Map: EX OL45 SP209136, W3W: result.lighter.arranges Leader: Peter S, Mob: 07717003741</p>	<p>11 Easy</p>	<p>£3.40</p>
<p>Sunday Mar 15th Marlborough Road 09:15</p>	<p>Walk route & places of interest: Walking through Burbage via a Medieval Fish shop to Ram Ally. Then following a tea stop to Kennet and Avon canal heading east via Bruce Tunnel to Crofton locks. Lunch Stop. Walking on via Dark Lane to Station Farm before heading towards Wolfhall and Burbage. (Lunch break) Start Point: Burbage East Sands Lane. Layby at end of road after Mondays Builders Merchants. SN8 3AN Map: Ex157 SU236610, W3W: budgeted.heaven.pinks Leader: Jeremy W, Mob: 07485762971</p>	<p>9 Moderate. No Hills</p>	<p>£3.40</p>

<p>Sunday Mar 22nd Brewery Street 09:00</p>	<p>Walk route & places of interest: Lower Slaughter to Upper Slaughter probably on the road due to the wet conditions. To Naunton along the Wardens Way beside the river Windrush. Could be wet. (Lunch break) Start Point: St Marys church, Lower Slaughter, GL54 2HR Map: Ex OL45 SP165226, W3W: pounding.musical.meanwhile Leader: Peter S, Mob: 07717003741</p>	<p>9.2 Easy</p>	<p>£5.00</p>
<p>Sunday Mar 29th Marlborough Road 09:15</p>	<p>Walk route & places of interest: Walk starts at Axford Village Hall. Whitehard Bottom, Moores Wood, Ogbourne St George, Old Chase. Skirts Poulton Downs. Undulating but no major hills. (Lunch Break) Start Point: Axford Village Hall, SN8 2EZ Map: Ex174 SU238701, W3W: varieties.dressings.foremost Leader: Pat K , Mob: 0776946779</p>	<p>10 Mod</p>	<p>£3.40</p>