Programme of AVS walks 2023-2024

Walks are held on the first Sunday of the month, at 2.00 pm unless noted otherwise. For any walks starting outside the village, please contact the walk leader if you need a lift. Occasionally weather conditions mean that a walk must be cancelled at late notice: check with the leaders or the AVS website if unsure. Always wear appropriate footwear. The walks organiser, Tony Brannon, can be

2023

contacted at avswalks@gmail.com

- Sun Sep 3rd 2pm Sue & Roger Wardle
 07838 737234 A walk around Tardebigge.

 Meet at Tardebigge Village Car Park B60
 3AH
- Sun Oct 1st 2pm Mike & Jean Collins
 07773 019878 A lovely countryside walk.

 Meet at the Peacock Inn B38 0EH
- Sun Nov 5th 2pm Tony Brannon 07763 468893 Arrow Valley Country Park. Meet at Washford Lane Car Park B98 0HY
- Sun Dec 3rd 2pm Gerard Nash 0121 445 4454 Around Spernal & Coughton Court. Meet at Haydon Way Wood car park B80 7EX
- Tues Dec 26th 10am Martin & Mariea Clarke 07742 100007 Boxing Day walk.
 Meet at Lickey Hills Visitor Centre B45 8ER

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- Sun Jan 7th 2pm Ray Yarnell & Norma Devine 07508 699672 *A Crisp and even walk*. Meet at the public car park off Tanyard Lane B48 7RG
- Sun Feb 4th Hilary Taylor 0121 445 0107 From The Crown to Hopwood and back. Meet at the Crown B48 7PN
- Sun Mar 3rd 2pm Martin & Mariea Clarke 07742 100007 *Around Rowney Green*. Meet at Rowney Green Village Hall B48 7QP
- Sun Apr 7th 2pm Mary Green 0121 445 5957 A Wildlife Walk at a Slow Pace. Meet at the Crown B48 7PN
- Sun May 5th 2pm Alan & Linda Helmore. 07958 494821 *A Walk from The Coach & Horses*. Meet at the Coach & Horses, Weatheroak B48 7EA
- Sun Jun 2nd 2pm Cheryl Godfrey 07898
 951099 A Walk from St. Michael's Church.
 Meet at St. Michael's Church car park B45
 8BD
- Fri Jul 5th 6.30pm Tony Brannon 07763
 468893 End of Season evening walk: Tony's Mystery Walk. Meet at Alvechurch Station by the bike racks B48 7SD. Finish at the Weighbridge for a drink and natter.

Events 2023-2024

Talks and social events are held in the Village Hall, starting at 7:30pm, unless otherwise noted. Entry at talks and AGM is free for members and £1 for guests, including a drink and biscuits. Litter picks start at 10 a.m. from the village square. Other social events are by ticket and details of venue, start time and price will be published by the organisers nearer the time.

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- Sunday 8th Oct. Litter picking family session, 10:00 am start.
- Wed. 18th Oct. Fire safety: a talk by Chris Atkins from the Hereford and Worcester Fire & Rescue Service.
- Wed. 15th Nov. The evolving life of a freelance musician: a talk and live music by Shulah Oliver, Artistic Director of The Midland Sinfonia, and colleagues.
- Sat. 16th Dec. The Alvechurch Village Society Christmas party, including a ceilidh by The Orchard Band.

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2024

- **Sat. 20th January.** The Alvechurch Village Society *Annual Quiz*.
- Wed. 21st February. The night sky: a talk and demonstration by David Jones from the Bromsgrove Astronomical Society.
- **Wed. 20th March.** The Society's *Annual General Meeting*.
- **Sunday 14th April.** *Litter picking family session,* 10:00 am start.
- Wed. 17th April The Galapagos
 Islands: an illustrated talk by Chris Miall.
- Wed. 15th May. Bumblebees: a talk by Dr Richard Comont from the Bumblebee Conservation Trust.

15th

 Sat. 19th June. A night at the races. The AVS end of season social event.

Alvechurch Village Society

The Society was founded in 1969 and celebrated its 50th year in 2019. Its aims and activities are:

- To help retain the beauty and character of the Alvechurch area for residents and visitors alike
- To offer an opinion where necessary on developments and issues likely to affect the Parish and its residents
- To maintain 27 miles of footpaths around the Parish
- To organize family-friendly guided walks each month
- To host a programme of evening social events including talks, music, quizzes, and a Christmas party
- To support local groups and charities, including the Lounge Youth Club and the Village Hall.

Join the Society to support your local community

The quality of life in the Alvechurch, Rowney Green, Hopwood, Weatheroak and Bordesley area is praised by many, but cannot be taken for granted.

The AVS works to maintain this quality and while volunteers do all the work, we rely on the annual membership to maintain our programme of walks, talks and social events. If you want to support us and join the Society, our membership is only £10 per year or £5 for young adults (14-20 years). Please check that you have renewed your membership: subscription runs from January to December.

You can get more information from our website: www.alvechurchvs.org or contact the society chairperson:

chairalvechurchvillagesocietv@gmail.com

