Mid Berks Ramblers

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Membership Report for November 9th 2026 MBRA AGM based on Ramblers Insight Hub plus Walks programme report 04/11/2026

Membership has dropped significantly over the past few months and is currently 167 with 2 affilliates. This is the lowest recorded membership ever and 10 fewer than at the time of the AGM in 2025.

Previous membership levels:

Membership on 20/07/26	175
Membership on 18/04/26	179
Membership on 31/12/2025	180
Membership on 14th October 2025	177
New members to Mid Berks group since 20/07/26	0
New Affiliates	1
Total Members who have left since 20/07/2026:	7
Members who have resigned	2
Members who have lapsed	1
Members who have left group	2
Members who have left area	0
Members who are now deceased	2

Walk Programme:
With our few hard-working walk leaders, walks have been scarce with 2-3 walks per month plus 1 social event with possible strolls. These are normally held on Thursdays and walks at weekends are very rare indeed. Walks have been reasonably well attended mainly by regulars from our own group but occasionally from another group. It seems unlikely that we will attract younger walkers into this group as our walks are during the week and hardly ever at weekends. The demographic age is likely to continue to rise and the hope of recruiting new walk leaders is diminishing. However, the social occasions are still proving to be popular and well attended as are the group holidays.

The Ramblers App
After earlier updates, no further updates or changes have been reported. It should be noted however, that the App will only display walks up to a month in advance, which can be a little misleading at times. Also, the requirement to sign in on every use can be annoying and extremely inconvenient.

Walks Manager
There are no known issues with Walks Manager and it is easy and flexible to use. Walk Leaders should submit photos from recces where possible to make the walks more appealing to members.

GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation)
No recent changes.
However, care must be taken regarding obtaining permission for any photos or articles that are to be published.

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