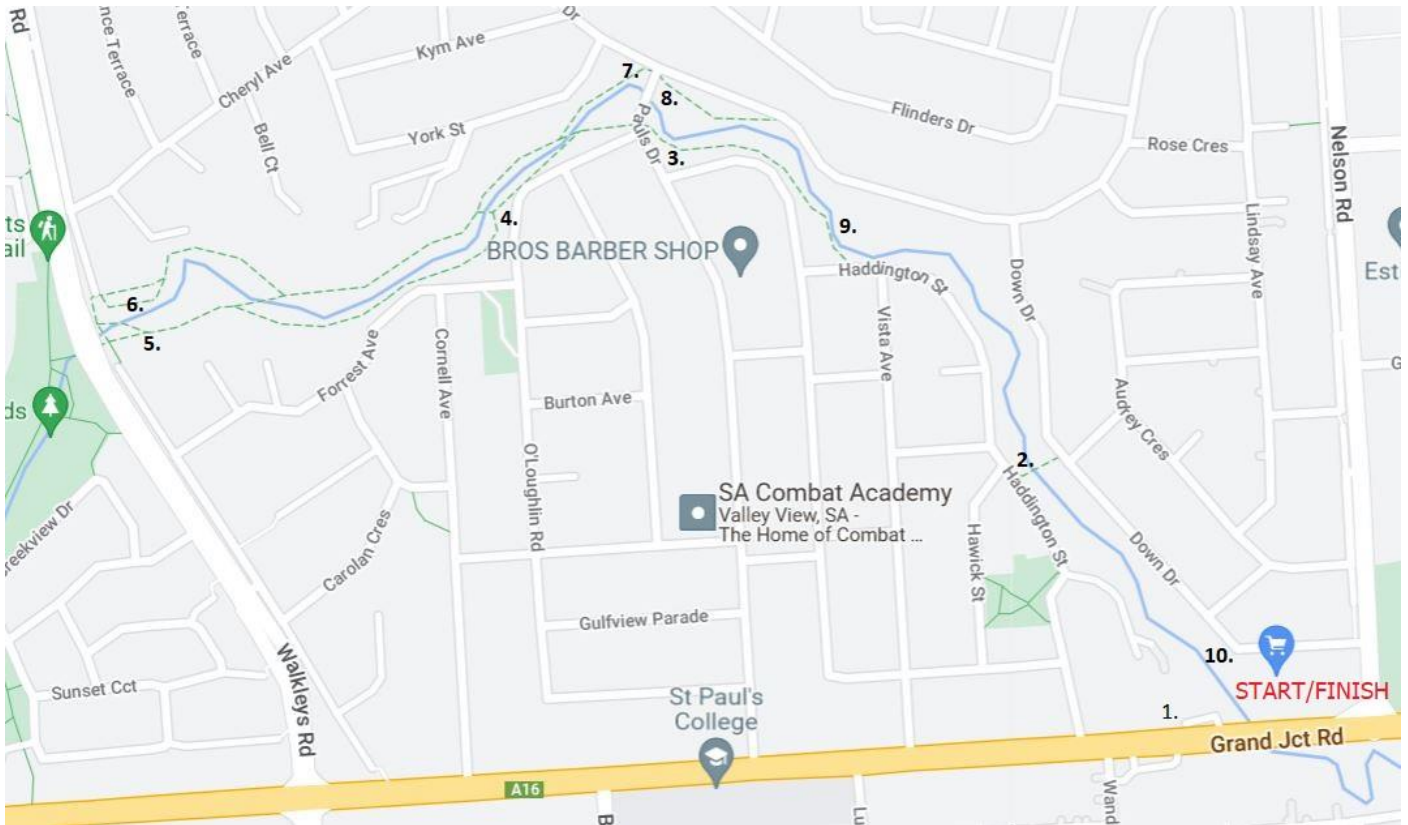


## U3A Founders Reserve Monday Stroll - directions and information (4km)



Park in The Junction Shopping Centre, 901 Grand Junction Road, Valley View

Meet in the carpark (close to the supermarket entrance)

### START

Leave the car park and turn right into Grand Junction Road.

After crossing the creek there will be a row of shops on your right.

1. Shortly after passing the shops take an alley on your right. The alley will lead you to Ancell Court. Walk on the grass close to the creek. Ancell Court will join with Haddington Street.
2. There will be a concrete bridge on your right, don't cross it, continue walking along the creek. There will be a bench close to the creek; here take a grass path down to the creek which will pop out onto a path along Rutherglen Ave.
3. The path will take you to Pauls Drive. Cross this road to continue walking with the creek on your right. Continue along the creek.
4. On your right you will see a wooden bridge with metal mesh, ignore it and continue on the path
5. When you near Walkleys Rd there will be a fork in the path. Those who want to see the tunnel under Walkleys Rd take the right side of the fork and do a short detour to see the **tunnel \*1**

6. Go back to the fork and do a right hand U-turn to end up on the other side of the creek. Spot the "leopard" tree on your right and later a massive retaining wall on your left. Continue along the creek to a small reserve and look for **"Dave's corner" \*2** on your left
7. Just before Pauls Road, on your left will be an information sign about the **Dry Creek Linear Trail \*3**
8. Go under Pauls Road, look around under the bridge and the creek ahead
9. Pass the playground on your left and follow the path along Brougham Drive. Keep to your right as the path leaves the street.
10. Continue on the path along Down Drive, look for a "lace" tree opposite 56 Down Dr. When Down Drive turns left enter the shopping centre carpark on the bend, go along the wall of the building until you see your car.

## FINISH

### Annotations

#### **\*1 Tunnel under Walkleys Road**

The Walkley Family owned the land around here. John Walkley, a farmer, arrived in Adelaide from England in 1840. He first settled in Dry Creek, and then later moved to Northfield. The Walkley farm was bounded by Walkleys Road to the west and Grand Junction Road to the south. The farm remained in the Walkley family until it was sold in about 1950.



#### **\*2 Dave's Corner**



Dave was a volunteer for the Friends of Dry Creek

### \*3 Information sign about Dry Creek Linear Trail



This area is looked after by the Friends of Dry Creek, a community group whose aim is to recreate the woody grassland that was once Valley View. They aim to bring back the flowers, lilies, and orchids, the grasses, the butterflies and the songbirds once found in this area.

This walk takes in a section of the Dry Creek Trails, a network of walking and cycling trails that traverses 14km from the hilly escarpments to the sea, passing through remnant areas of eucalyptus woodlands and grasslands. Mature River Red Gum trees and Willow Wattles line the watercourse.

Dry Creek is an ephemeral stream, flowing during wet winter months and usually drying up in summer, leaving only a few shallow pools. The catchment extends into the Mount Lofty Ranges and covers an area of over 100 square kilometres. Dry Creek travels some 28 kilometres before it flows into the Barker Inlet, at Swan Alley Creek.