Roll: 20240307-59684 Camera: Panasonic DC-TZ200: TZ2 Film: 1 inch digital 20MP

Subject:

U3A Circular Walk from Ilam.

Notes:

The group was making an early start in order to be back at the Manifold Tea House before they stop serving hot food at 2:30. Waze said I would need to leave at 8:30 to make that so I decided to follow on late.

Arrived in Ilam about 11:00 and parked at the roadside. Surprised to find that Thorpe Cloud loomed over the village and there were footpaths to the stepping stones. I think I must have always started from Thorpe when walking to Dovedale and it hadn't registered that Ilam was so close.

Went into Ilam Park to find the car park and toilets and the U3A starting point. Disorientated as usual and uncertain of the direction to set off in so went back to the road and walked from there.

I could see Throwley Hall through the mist but taken by surprise when the old Hall emerged, the dark stone work and crumbling outline hid it in the fog.

It was very bleak and windswept on the hill tops and pretty cold. I opted to come down on the unmetalled road to Slade House rather than following the metalled road via Calton. The cottages were all let as holiday homes by Julie and John Oxtoby of Peaks and Quiet.

Coming down from Cart Low to Rushley it was bitterly cold and bleak. At Rushley I wasn't thinking straight and turned left on the road I had come in by instead of going right directly back to Ilam Country park. I didn't check the map until it was too late to turn back.

I ended up walking 9.1 miles and was rather knackered when I made the Tea House at about 2:45. I think I could have made it around 2:15, certainly before 2:30 had I not gone wrong. The cafe stopped serving hot food at at 2:30 but offered me a cheese scone with pickle. The scone was huge and rather dry, it came with a dish of grated cheese and a very small dish of some sweet pickle and two wraps of butter. That and a cup of tea was £7.50.

Waze wasn't talking to me on the way back until we hit Bridgford and it said the map was offline but it still gave me visual navigation. Very stiff when I got home.

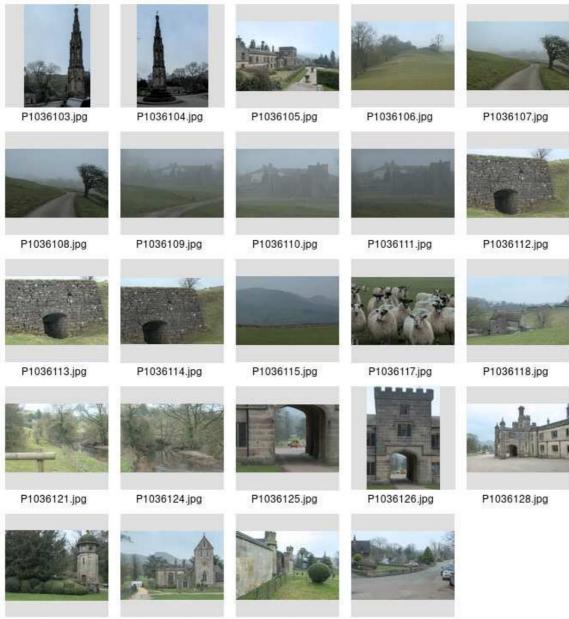
Dates:

Dates and times were recorded in the exif data.

Frames:

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P1036104	20240307	11:01:47	Ilam Cross.
P1036105	20240307	11:23:18	Ilam Hall.
P1036106	20240307	11:50:21	Ilam Park.
P1036107	20240307	12:46:01	Track to Throwley.
P1036108	20240307	12:46:15	Track to Throwley.
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P1036103 - Ilam Cross.



P1036105 - Ilam Hall.



P1036106 - Ilam Park.



P1036107 - Track to Throwley.



P1036109 - Throwley.



P1036111 - Throwley Old Hall.



P1036112 - Entrance.



P1036115 - Hills in Mist.



P1036117 - Curious sheep.



P1036118 - Rushley.



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