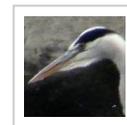




December Clog

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Route Summary

This route was checked in January 2017. It includes Stage 5 of the Hyndburn Clog done in the reverse direction. Muddy but interesting. Some waymarkers but a couple of places where you could go wrong!

Route Overview



Category: Hiking

Length: 15.200 km / 9.50 mi

Last Modified: 28th January 2017

Difficulty: Easy

Rating: Unrated

Surface: Average

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Description

This includes Stage 5 of the Hyndburn Clog route from Shuttleworth Hall to Cock Bridge but done in the reverse direction from Great Harwood.

Start in Great Harwood at the layby near Wood Street bus stop on Hyndburn Road. Leave the layby and keeping the road on your right you will see an entrance to Harwood Bar wood. Go through the wood and exit up the steps not through the gate. Keep the houses on your left and Whalley Road on your right until you see Mill Lane.

Cross Whalley Road and go down Mill Lane to the entrance to Martholme SD749329.

Go through Martholme to the path on our left at SD751335 and follow the path to Martholme Lane and the gate SD747336. Turn left to walk up the hill and at the main road turn right and walk down hill to Cock Bridge SD745311.

Then take the Hyndburn Clog route past Read Nursery and up the footpath to the main road. Cross the main road and go through the lodge gates up to Read Hall. Follow the footpath path through the hall grounds on to the road walking ahead and turn right down George Lane.

When you meet the main road turn left and at SD766345 cross the road and walk down to the stile with the brick wall on your right. Go over the stile and walk down hill until you reach the stile at SD766343.



Take care here.

You need to head down hill towards the gate in the fence on your right at SD766341. Go through the gate and with the hedge and fence on your right head towards the old railway line and a stile. Over the stile and under the cattle creep Sd766339. Keep Gooseleach wood on your left and follow the edge of the wood. It is worth looking in the wood at the old railway bridge.

At SD766338 follow the footpath until you reach the wooden platform that takes you down to the River Calder. Turn left and follow the footpath along the river until you reach the steep steps up to Altham Bridge.

Cross the main road and turn right past the cottages and old mill. Now follow the track on your right until you reach a gate and stile and then a path on your left is marked on a post. Leave the track! You are heading for a footbridge over Shorten Brook SD779328.

Now follow the footpath past the fishing lodge up to Shuttleworth Hall SD783322. Then take the Burnley Way to the canal bridge.

NOTE: DO NOT take the FP over the stile at SD784321 and cross the field and footbridge hoping to join the canal towpath at SD777319. The footpath has been fenced off and there are no longer steps up to the canal towpath!

At Bridge 119 (119a) turn right towards Rishton and follow the canal towpath until you reach the swing bridge at SD760315. Leave the canal and follow the track down to the main road and cross the road. Turn left towards Pilkington Bridge with St Mary's cemetery on your right.

Turn right down Bell Lane and go through Clayton Forest Park until you reach the private road leading to Clayton Hall farm. Take the steps and go around the back of the housing until you reach Whalley Road. Turn right down to the Hyndburn Restaurant. Go to the rear of the car park and over the red bridge and up the track with the Hyndburn River on your left and the brook on your right.

When you emerge at the top of the track you will be almost opposite the layby and your start near Harwood Bar Wood.

Waypoints

Choose your trail

