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**EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBER – GIVEN AT REGISTRATION.**

**LOOP 1 – DISTANCE 11.6 MILES (1700ft ascent)**

Please take care when crossing and walking on roads. Use pavements

wherever possible. Some of the pathways are slippery and uneven

1. Leave Hall and turn sharply right (Brockholes Lane) with hall above to right for 190yds.

2. At main road cross pedestrian crossing and turn right for 220yds to turn

left over bridge into Smithy Place Lane.

3. Cross over junction with Holmebank Mews and ahead through bollards soon bearing left with road.

4. After approx 70yds, as wall on right ends (footpath sign), turn right up narrow enclosed flight of steps.

5. At top ahead on track for 220yds passing houses on right.

6. As track bends left continue ahead through gap into field (overgrown waymarked stile to left of gap).

7. Cross field on path in grass aiming for cream coloured gable end of house ahead.

8. Pass to left of house and follow line of wall on right, path becomes more enclosed by woodland, to emerge onto road. Cross this busy road with care and turn right on pavement.

9. Bear left across road junction to flight of enclosed waymarked steps in wall on opposite side.

10. At top emerge onto another road. Cross and turn right.

11. After 30yds turn left at first public footpath sign – this is the private road to 56(a), (b) and (c) Far Banks.

12. Ahead upward on waymarked concrete drive/road between garages and when drive turns left into 56(a) High Bank continue ahead on enclosed grass track (hedge to left and wall to right).

13. At end cross stone stile and ahead following wall on right to cross further stile in corner to left of gate to emerge onto road. [**1 mile SE 143110]**

14. Bear left across road to go through gap stile in wall at footpath sign. Ahead now with wall on left.

15. In wall corner cross stile to go ahead to immediately cross second stile (The two stiles are separated by a gate on your right).

16. Ahead now with wall on right to cross stile in corner. (Avoid barbed wire on top right of stile).

17. Bear left (190°) across field to cross stile to right of gate in corner to emerge onto road (Oldfield Road).

18. Turn right on road for 70yds to turn left through gap stile in wall at footpath sign/bus stop.

19. Ahead with hedge on right for about 100yds turning right at end of garden by tree onto enclosed footpath.

20. Follow path between fences & wall to emerge into field and bear left (190°) on well-defined path to go through gap stile in wall. Across tarmac drive to go through gap stile opposite.

21. Continue in same direction (200°) across stile in facing wall.

22. Continue on fainter right-hand path with new barbed wire fence on right to gateway in wall ahead to cross stile to the right of it (hidden by holly bush)

23. Continue across field between new barbed wire fences to junction of power lines and just beyond go through gap stile in wall.

24. Bear right (280°) to step stile in wall ahead (50yds to right of gate).

25. Continue ahead with new barbed wire fence on left aiming for stile at junction of wall and fence.

26. Go through stile into enclosed path to emerge through gap stile onto track by houses.

27. Turn right on track between houses (it becomes tarmac as you proceed) to reach road in Oldfield.

28. Turn left on road for 10yds turning right onto enclosed footpath just before telephone box.

29. Follow this enclosed path for 340yds going through a stile along it to reach new tarmac drive and then road near Moorfield House Farm **[2 miles SE 131107]**

30. Cross straight over road and continue ahead with house on right. When wall on right ends continue on waymarked path between fences, crossing gap to continue between fences.

31. On reaching crossing wall go over step stile & continue ahead now with wall on right.

32. Cross stile in corner & continue ahead still with wall on right.

33. Go through stile in corner to enter short stretch of enclosed path to emerge onto road.

34. Turn left for 15yds before turning right through gap stile.

35. Follow this path for 720yds going through five gap stile in crossing wall corners as you proceed.

36. After going through fourth stile follow wire fence to further stile where you emerge onto a track (Hassocks Lane).

37. Turn left on track for 160yds to reach green metal barrier. **[3 miles SE 123117]**

38. Go over barrier & ahead on path with wall/field to left.

39. Follow this path for 1120yds always with wall & fields near to left. (After about half a mile the path becomes enclosed).

40. On reaching large blocking stones cross road and enter 'Honley Wood'

41. Continue on bridleway which soon becomes enclosed.

42. When fence on right ends continue ahead on descending track.

43. Follow track (becoming surfaced) as it turns sharply right back on itself before swinging back to left then to right before turning sharply left by rock outcrops on left. **[4 miles SE 113110]**

44. The path now descends steadily for 550yds through Greasy Slack Wood to reach a green wire which is followed with it on your right for another 250yds to emerge onto a road.

45. Cross road and turn right downhill, ignoring a footpath to the left.

46. Bear left at road junction but immediately cross it, with care, to go through gap stile in wall above childrens play area.

47. Go down ramp and ahead parallel to road on left to soon be joined by stream on right.

48. Follow this pathway for 600yds (ignoring a bridge to the right) with stream on right to emerge onto road

49. Cross straight over, with care, into Royd Road (No Through Road). **[5 miles SE 103101]**

50. Continue up road for 1100yds – ignoring bridleways & footpaths to left and right and passing Fox Royd House, Fox Royd Green, Sycamore Farm, Lower Royd and Fox Royd Farm as you proceed.

51. At junction of bridleways [SE 100 094] take left fork basically continuing ahead soon passing notice on telegraph pole ‘Private Road for vehicles – Public Bridleway’.

52. Continue up this track (Harden Moss Road) passing entrance to Belle Vue on left and after about half a mile from the bridle way junction the track levels off. **[6 miles SE 101087]**

53. As you proceed you will see what appears to be a spectator stand across the field to your right.

54. Track descends into a wooded dip soon rising to be joined by a track coming in from the right.

55. Continue ahead to road (A635) going straight across into Acres Lane opposite.

56. Continue to **CHECKPOINT** **[6¾ miles SE 103 077]** for drinks and biscuits

57. Continue descending lane for 1300yds (initially Holme Moss TV mast can be seen ahead) to reach a cross roads. **[7¼ miles SE 112074]**

58. Turn left up Green Gate Road & after 210yds turn right into Cliff Road. Note- Name Plate may be missing.

59. After 370yds you reach a road junction. (good views of Emley Moor TV mast ahead)

60. Continue ahead on Mellor Lane (do not follow Cliff Road as it goes off to the left) for 820yds passing New Laith Farm & Lane Farm (house) as you proceed.

61. Ignore road to right & continue ahead. **[8 miles SE 121079]**

62. On reaching houses at junction with Hogley Lane continue ahead & 35yds later turn left steeply down un-named lane (do not continue ahead in direction of ‘Gallery’).

63. Follow lane as it descends steeply to cross valley before climbing steeply up to reach main road (A635) by direction sign for ‘Booth House Gallery – Pottery’.

64. Cross road with care & go up enclosed footpath opposite and follow for 420yds to reach road & houses

65. Turn left up road (Broad Lane) into Upperthong.

66. Continue ahead at junction on Wickens Lane (ignore Upperthong Town Gate to right).

67. After 50yds turn right on public footpath into Midgley Farm.

68. Follow footpath sign to cross lawn to finger post; do not enter enclosed footpath. 69. Pass through gate to cross field to go through further gate to gap stile in corner onto concrete track.

70. Turn right and after 90yds continue ahead when concrete track swings left. **[9 miles SE 128086**]

71. Continue down this track (Back Lane) for 950yds to a point where the track bottoms out almost at stream level. Here turn acutely left down to the stream. (If you start ascending you have gone too far)

Option if stream is un-crossable

71A. Continue on track for 500 yds, as track swings R take path on L.

71B. Path becomes walled track, follow and continue downhill as track swings L to reach and cross stone clapper bridge.

71C. Continue uphill at initially between, then with hedge on left, to gate with farm building on left.

71D. Continue ahead, houses on right.

71E. Meet wooden fence as track goes R then L to meet set of garages on R.

71F. Continue in same direction to housing estate continue on pavement to T junction.

71G. Cross grass with football posts to left to carry on in same direction again passing garages on R to tarmac track to R of house (FP Sign on lamp post).

71H. Continue on track, becomes gravelled to meet tarmac (Broomy Lane) turn R to meet road, turn R and continue from instruction 78.

72. Cross stream with extreme care & climb banking bearing right onto path through area of bracken.

73. After 120yds pass an ivy covered gate post to enter enclosed path.

74. After 310yds where path turns left (after missing kissing gate) go through gap stile in wall on right into field.

75. Cross field between new barbed wire fences towards the metal gate aiming for the gable end of topmost brick house.

76. Cross wooden stile to left of metal gate & ahead on track/lane(Broomy Lea Lane), houses to right.

77. On reaching road in Netherthong turn right. **[10 miles SE 138095]**

78. Ignore Outlane to left to pass All Saints Church on right.

79. At next junction ahead on Church Street, later School Street, to pass Clothiers Arms on your left.

80. Immediately after crossing entrance to Netherthong Primary School turn left on enclosed footpath.

81. Take care descending on this path as the cobbles can be very slippery in the wet.

82. Down steps to road (Dean Brook Road) & turn right passing through area of newish housing.

83. After 880yds on reaching road junction turn left up Upper Hagg Road.

84. Go right round bend then as road swings left cross into footpath on right (Artists Studio sign)

85. Ahead for 310yds with wall on right & woodland on left to road. **[11 miles SE 149102]**

86. Cross road with care into track/lane opposite. Follow it down for 350yds to junction at entrance to Holme Valley Caravan Park.

87. Here turn left at No Through Road sign with caravan park to right and

green field to left. Descend to cross bridge over river (ignoring any paths

off to left).

88. Ahead to pass to left of white barrier and continue with houses on left to reach road.

89. Ahead (left) on road crossing over Rock Mill Road to reach pedestrian crossing.

90. Turn right over crossing then left to next road junction.

91. Turn right towards station to pass Methodist Church on right.

92. At cross roads bear left to Brockholes Village Hall and **REFRESHMENTS**.

**Well Done Loop 1 completed**

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**LOOP 2 – DISTANCE 7.2 MILES (1500ft ascent)**

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wherever possible. Some of the pathways are slippery and uneven

201. From driveway cross road to War Memorial passing it on your left to go up Oakes Lane.

202. Continue to top ignoring roads off to right. At top swing round to left but do not enter Birch Park turn right to double footpath sign to follow right

hand enclosed path upwards at back of houses, after 20 yds, bear left at wood footpath sign

203. At top of path reach tarmac drive where turn left & continue to road.

204. Turn left up road to turn right at footpath sign along drive to Bankside

Farm

205. Just after telegraph pole (4A) and directly opposite seat at (missing) footpath sign cross stile on right into field

206. Bear left on path slanting downhill. **[1 mile SE 159101]**

207. Path eventually joins wall above woodland. Keep this on your right.

208. Turn right at corner, still with wall on right (ignore gate in wall).

209. Continue down path to reach grassy track. Turn right. Go through gateway then down drive to barrier and ahead to busy road.

210. Cross with care and turn left.

211. At speed camera road markings & bus stop cross road and turn acutely left up lane.

212. Follow lane as it turns sharply right towards houses

213. At lane junction (houses) turn left in front of houses

214. When track turns right to newer housing continue ahead through gap stile to right of metal gate (no parking sign)

215. Follow this enclosed footpath all the way up to a road at Hill Top Farm

216. Turn right on road (soon descending)

217. 40yds beyond 30MPH sign (as road turns sharply right) bear left on to track by Carr Gate

218. In 35yds bear right on to waymarked footpath with wall on your right. **[2 miles SE 163094]**

219. Go over stile in wall and continue ahead on descending path through gap in holly bush emerging into open area

220. Continuing ahead with power lines approx 20yds to you right

221. At junction of paths (? cattle tracks) bear right on the lower descending one passing to left of another large holly bush.

222. Continue descending & keeping trees on right go through another gap in holly bushes to reach stile in fence.

223. Cross stile into wooded area and continue on descending path to join wall.

224. Cross stile and continue with wall on left. Path swings right with wall.

225. Just before house, cross stile and turn left into enclosed path to arrive in works yard.

226. Bear right (pass front of building) to go over cross track & go up tarmac drive to road.

227. Turn right on road and in 40yds turn left up lane so that the church is passed on your right.

228. At junction turn left uphill with mill complex on your right. (Sude Hill Mill)

229. Continue up hill and opposite ‘Highfield’/’Horn Crest’ (on left) turn right by

dustbins for No.98 between houses to descend to main road

230. Cross with care and proceed diagonally down lane **[3 miles SE 171084]**

231. When tarmac lane turns acutely right continue ahead on track towards Lower Holme House Farm.

232. After about 25yds, bear right at footpath sign on to enclosed footpath up hill

233. After approx 400yds path emerges onto a tarmac lane.

234. Turn left up hill and continue ahead

235. At junction with tarmac lane turn left into Hirst Lane. This soon changes to stony track

236. Continue on this track passing seat on right. Then continue ahead at

track junction

237. Continue to reach road at Hill End Farm where **COLD DRINKS & BISCUITS WILL BE PROVIDED FROM 11:00 TO 15:00.** **[4 miles SE 184085]**

238. Turn left downhill and in approx 100yds take signed footpath on right

239. Descend hillside with wall/fence to your left

240. Cross stile with care and continue down field with wall on left

241. At the road cross and go right to take the path between houses to road, cross with care to go into enclosed path opposite

242. Cross road with care to go into enclosed path opposite.

243. Go over stile in wall and ahead with wall on left

244. Go over another stile in wall corner and continue with wall on left

245. Over stile in wall corner and turn right on track

246. After approx 30yds turn left at footpath sign to enter woodland.

247. Ahead on gradually descending path to reach and cross hidden wall

stile on left (to left of a holly bush and behind small oak sapling/tree).

248. THE ROUTE FOR THE NEXT MILE MAY HAVE SOME VERY MUDDY PARTS – BE CAREFUL & DETOUR AS REQUIRED BUT USING THE DESCRIPTION AS A GUIDE

249. Ahead down field aiming for bottom right-hand corner to way marker

250. Through gap and continue in same direction pass left of lone tree to ladder stile beyond **[5 miles SE 177092]**

251. Diagonally up field to top right corner to cross stile and diagonally left across field to metal gate.

252. Through gateway and across grassed area into gravelled drive and ahead between buildings to road.

253. Turn left on road passing Fulstone Village stocks (on right)

254. 20yds later turn right at footpath sign.

255. Follow enclosed footpath between houses to descend to stile on to road

256. Turn right for 15yds to turn left through wall stile into field

257. Ahead aiming for power pole with way marker on it to reach wall corner.

258. Turn left at corner with wall on your left to go over stile to right of

muddy gateway (just behind large tree).

259. Bear right over a mound. Then pass to the left of a second mound to

join wall on your right.

260. Through gap between trees/bushes to continue with wall on your right.

261. Go through another very large wall gap and continue with wall on right.

262. Continue in same direction, crossing broken walls and stiles, with

wall eventually on left, aiming for fir trees until lane is reached.

265. Turn right up lane for approx 130yds to turn left on track at footpath

sign (opposite Old Biggin Farm)

266. Pass seat on right and where wall on right ends (approx 60yds from road) go through stile to right of rusty/red gate. **[6 miles SE 165098]**

267. Diagonally left up hillside on obvious path passing through area of gorse bushes

268. Soon a broken ladder stile can be seen in the wall up ahead. Follow track which turns back on itself to stile.

269. Cross this stile and continue upwards for a short distance to arrive at wire fence.

270. Turn left and continue ahead with wire fence right.

271. Now descending with wall/fence on right to eventually enter enclosed path.

272. Descend steps to road.

273. Turn right on road to junction

274. Turn sharply left at junction on main road down hill

275. Approx 80yds beyond de-restriction sign turn right on lane (Top Of The Hill) steeply down hill.

276. Bear left with lane (Number 5 on your right) and continue ahead when it turns into a track. (The stones/cobbles on this track can be very slippery so please take care or go through gate to left of lane down field path parallel with cobbled lane – Note may not be a permissive path but it is safer)

277. At end of track cross wall stile and continue ahead down field in same direction with gully/hedge on your left.

278. Through kissing gate to right of metal gate and ahead along bottom of woodland with wall on left.

279. Take first kissing gate in the wall on your left.

280. Ahead across field to go through stile in wall ahead to enter woodland.

281. Descend through woodland on obvious path. Path bears left to cross gully then right to go through kissing gate behind bushes.

282. Continue ahead on right hand path through gap in bushes. **[7 miles SE 156106]**

283. Continue with bushes on right to cross stile in fence.

284. Ahead towards houses to go through kissing gate and out on to road.

285. Ahead (ignoring Birch Park on right) soon turning right with road.

286. Follow road downhill ignoring turnings off to left to reach War Memorial

287. Brockholes Village Hall, the end of loop two and **REFRESHMENTS**

**Well Done Loop 2 completed**

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**LOOP 3 – DISTANCE 4.2 MILES (700ft ascent)**

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Please take care when crossing and walking on roads. Use pavements wherever possible. Some of the pathways are slippery and uneven. A torch may come in useful if it gets dark on this loop.

301. Leave Hall & return to road. Turn left up road soon passing grassed area with seats on your left.

302. Continue uphill passing entrance to Brockholes C of E (C) School & then Ridings Fields on your left.

303. Go under railwaybridge & immediately turn right up steps between bridge & house drive.

304. Follow enclosed path for about 400yds with railway on your right to reach & go through tunnel under railway

305. Continue on enclosed path for another 200yds with railway on left to reach & go through kissing gate.

306. Turn left across bridge over railway & at end go through gap in corner (may be protected by a pallet).

307. Turn right but almost immediately bear left on path up field towards top right-hand corner.

308. In corner bear right through gap onto track going up through gorse bushes.

309. Track ends on going through a gap into a field.

310. Continue upward (20°) across field on path in grass to reach & go through gap in wall.

311. Continue in same direction for 20yds to go through another gap in another wall.

312. Continue upward (45°) up field on faint path.

313. After going through a small piece of banking take the left-hand path towards the left-hand field corner (aim for power pole with the most insulators on it).

314. In corner go over stile to left of black rusty gate into enclosed track.

315. Ahead on track & just as it turns left go over stile on left into field (just before new wooden gate).

316. Ahead with fence/broken wall on you right. **[1 Mile SE 163112]**

317. Continue to rusty metal gate, just before house, to go through small gate/barrier on right onto drive.

318. Continue ahead on drive with house on your right & fork right at junction to join road.

319. Turn right on road for about 40yds. Then turn left on footpath (sign set back about 5yds) up through bracken & gorse bushes to go through gate into field.

320. Follow footpath slightly right (40°) across field to pass to right of metal gate.

321. Ahead across field on footpath to go through gap/stile in wall

322. Continue on path across field towards trees ahead to cross stile in wall by footpath sign into track.

323. Turn right on track to road.

324. Turn left on road for 30yds.

325. Turn right over stile at footpath sign into field.

326. Follow fence/hedge on your left to corner to go through stile to left of gate.

327. Follow path diagonally across field to wooden barrier in wall ahead.

328. Go through stile behind wooden barrier & continue across two more

fields on obvious path to cross stile into road.

329. Turn right for 20yds & then turn left through stile at footpath sign into

field

330. Ahead through field on enclosed path through stile and gate into track.

331. Follow track to farm. Where the track turns sharply right into farmyard continue ahead through kissing gate.

332. Continue on overgrown track with church on your left to reach road. **[2 Miles SE 164127]**

333. Turn left on road & at junction keep left (ahead) on Butts Road with St Lucius’ Church on your left.

334. After about 320yds, when road turns left, continue ahead on Public Footpath through gap by ‘No Horse Riding’ sign towards childs play area.

335. Continue ahead with wall on right passing play area & football pitches on your left to reach & go through stile in wall corner.

336. Ahead on enclosed path to go through stiles/gateways to road in front of farm/stables.

337. Turn right on road for about 200yds. Passing Ivy Farm on your left.

338. Turn right on track, Luddhill Lane, (public footpath sign).

339. Ahead down track with woodland on your right & as you progress the track goes through the woodland so that when you emerge the woodland is then on your left.

340. Shortly after the woodland on the left ends the track turns sharply right. **[3 Miles SE 155121]**

341. Continue with the track & as it turns right again fork left onto an overgrown track/path descending to the left. (This junction is about 25yds after passing under power lines.)

342. Follow this overgrown (grass/bracken/brambles) path down to pass to right of a black metal gate.

343. Turn left immediately across field on obvious footpath to cross stile at junction of fence & small section of wall.

344. Follow path as it descends to the right to reach & go through an area of holly bushes.

345. At corner of fence turn left with the fence on your left & gully down to your right to reach & cross stile into enclosed track.

346. Follow this track down to the road.

347. Turn left up road for about 300yds.

348. Just after passing telephone box on your left turn right at footpath sign up steps to go through stile into field.

349. Ahead with wall/house/trees/fence on your right.

350. When main wall turns right continue across field (fence on your right) towards wooden gate to reach & go through stile about 2yds to right of the gate.

351. Turn right downhill on track & after about 60yds bear left at junction, signed Cliff Top.

352. As track turns right to farm/house continue ahead on waymarked enclosed path with equestrian area on your right.

353. Go over stile & continue downward with enclosed path to reach & go

over another stile.

354. Continue downward on enclosed path (stepped in places) to reach railway.

355. Turn right down steps & go across footbridge over railway.

356. Descend steps into woodland & ahead on path on left-hand edge of wood turning left just before wooden hut in garden into enclosed path with bungalow on your right to reach road.

357. Continue ahead, slightly upward, on road passing Steep Riding on your right & entrance Brockholes Station on your left to reach road junction.

358. Turn right downhill passing entrance to Brockholes C of E (C) School on your right.

359. Pass grassed area with seats on your right to turn right up to Brockholes Village Hall and **REFRESHMENTS**.

**Well Done Loop 3 completed**