**Start Lady Margaret Hall Welbeck**

**25ml route**

**Bassetlaw Bash 25ml Challenge Walk Route Description.**

Leave Lady Margaret Hall Turn R on Estate drive to leave Estate to Road (Cross with care) Main road) continue up road opposite entering Holbeck , ignore first lane on right to take second lane on right (signed Robin Hood Way). Continue along stumpy tree lined avenue passing Holbeck Church to road.

Turn L on road and in 10 yards Turn R on footpath (left of fence). Continue to KG at second KG continue forward to remains of stile. Continue Forward across field to stile (signed Robin Hood Way) and into second field along edge, in third field follow edge bearing left uphill. Wood on right, eventually reaching wall.

Continue forward with wall on right to gate, through KG and continue forward. As path begins to drop take footpath to R (at rock outcrop). Contour downhill along path to cross wall. Down steps to Bear R to Cresswell Crags.

Take gate on R signed Robin Hood Way to follow limestone footpath through Crags, lake on left. At Lake End follow path left ignoring gate opposite to Turn L and cross bridge with dog litter bin.

Take limestone footpath immediately R signed Crags Edge Café. Follow path through wood with stream on right to emerge into Car Park. (Café on right). Continue through Car Park to reach white gate (Wellington Bomber Memorial to left). Ignoring bridleway to left continue forward taking established track to Road (A60 – Cross with extreme care).

Continue along tree lined Bridleway (signed Robin Hood Way) to eventually reach Oaksetts Lodge on the right.

Continue Forward following Bridleway sign (yellow topped post). Bearing Left on concrete track to second yellow topped post.

(Ignoring Private Rd to left and Authorised access only to right) Continue Forward following Bridleway.

Just before entering woods Turn L at third yellow topped post, and continue forward on Bridleway passing wooden fence to eventually Turn R on tarmac track. At next yellow topped post Turn L (pond appears on left). At next post (with security camera) Turn L with Bridleway sign crossing between ponds.

Continue Forward to eventually enter woods via gate signed Robin Hood Way. (scrub to the left is the infamous Welbeck tunnel skylights).

Bear R on FP, through Gate to Turn L. At the house Turn R signed restricted Byway.

(Slight diversion to left is the end of the tunnel)

Forward through wooden slats and fallen tree to ascend through trees on Drinking Pit Lane for 2miles passing rock canyon, a small gingerbread house, ornate white gates and a blue roofed house Continue Forward eventually reaching Ollerton Road.

Cross with care to Bridleway opposite, Continue Forward to reach road. Turn R following Bridleway sign. Just before impressive archway into Clumber Park Bear L with wooden fence on right.

Immediately at end of wooden fence Bear R into trees following FP parallel with road, take Left Fork to continue parallel with Road under power lines. At small car park with green barrier Turn R onto distinctive Bridleway into forest signed Robin Hood Way.

Continue Forward past bench and sculpture, ignoring number 17 track to left Continue Forward ignoring all tracks left and right. Eventually emerge onto road Turning Left to cross Limetree Avenue, signed Visitors Facilities. Pass through white gated entrance to Clumber Park Continue Forward on drive towards cricket pavilion.

**CP1 on the Lef**t.

Continue down driveway towards Lake, at T junction Turn L signed Walled Kitchen Gardens and Cycle Hire. Pass Car park on left and park office on the right leave driveway as bears left to continue forward towards gate. Continue up track with wood on right eventually Bear L (ignoring gate) and just before entering wood Turn R. Follow track with wood on left and field on right eventually lake emerges to the right.

Continue forward with lake on right wood on left emerging onto forest road to Turn R and cross bridges back onto forest road to Bear R with lake on the right Bearing R keeping lake on right to enter Car Park.

Continue through Car Park to take obvious path with lake on right. Continue forward to eventually reach seated area and toilets and at path junction Bear R. In approx. 100yrs cross bridge (Wier) entering Clumber Wetland. Take right fork ignoring cycles only to left. Eventually reach a seat with lake on right and church on far right keeping on main track eventually reach Car Park continue forward through Car Park to reach forest road and bridge in front.

At cross roads with bridge on right take road opposite signed South Lodge Continue on the Tarmac Road ignoring any footpaths left or right another ½ mile will take you within the view of the large gates with dog’s sculptures, just before gates Turn L onto National Cycle Network 6 and another Red Shale Path through trees reaching large T junction.

Turn R signed Thoresby Hall 2. In 50mtrs opposite gates Turn L onto permissive route (signed Thoresby Hall). Continue Forward ignoring all tracks leading left & right, pass Yellow Topped Post to keep on main Track to Exit wood at Large field and Turn L (signed Thoresby Hall 1 ½) . At farm building Bear R with track to emerge onto road at green gate. Cross road (signed Pearlthorpe) in 100mtrs Turn R onto tarmac track through metal gate (Events).

Continue Forward towards Wooden Gate, through gate and Continue Forward towards wooden barrier to take path (second path off the roundabout!)

(For Toilets and Thoresby Hotel Café. Take third path off the r/bout and continue forward)

Continue Forward into estate (Thoresby hotel to the right) Bearing L reaching Bridge over River (possibly full of large trout). Cross and Bear L to follow indistinct track with wooden fence on Left. At orange topped post Continue Forward through trees and emerge at the side of Church (St Johns Pearlthorpe) Continue Forward onto Road, Turn L.

Immediately past Educational centre Turn R over stile into field. Bear L diagonally across field to second stile. Cross road to Continue Forward with Wood on right.

At large Redwood trees Turn R and Quickly L to walk Parallel with Redwoods. Follow permissive path right to emerge onto Tarmac Track and Turn L. At first track (grass triangle) Turn R towards Farm buildings ignoring No Entry sign. With Barn on your left follow track into Wood.

Cross cattle grid and Continue Forward on concrete road. At 2nd purple Sherwood Permissive Path sign Turn R (do not continue forward). At Blue Gate Continue Forward ignoring No Entry sign Continue Forward with large field on right, Thoresby Hall in distance. Continue Forward keeping on main track.

At top of hill at Cattle grid Turn L thru Wood, continue on main track past large Oak trees pretending to be Robin Hood. Emerge onto Track and Turn L over Cattle Grid and Immediately Turn R. Continue on track with large field on right. Eventually reaching Road with Ceres Lodge on the right.

Cross road and Continue Forward to Turn L towards wood pile

**CP 2 on the right.**

Continue Forward passing woodpile. Continue Forward on track as track bends right Take grass path Forward to Barrier and Road **(CROSS WITH CARE. MAIN ROAD A616)** to FP sign opposite. Go Forward on narrow path, take path to left of sign board and Continue Forward to reach metal gate and track. Turn R on track to emerge at cross track with Nature reserve board on left.

From Info board Continue Forward on wide track ignoring Cattle Grid and track to right and Continue Forward eventually reach T Junction Turn R to Immediately Turn L between wood piles (signed Shirebrook 5 ½ ).

Continue forward past Green Gate, Bearing L to descend to Cross tracks and Straight Ahead ignoring left side path and continue Up Hill. At Yellow Topped Post continue forward eventually Bearing R to Wooden Fence and 3 metal Posts. Emerge from Wood to go forward onto sunken Path ascending with hedge on right. Eventually descend to Track. Turn R to immediately Turn L onto enclosed footpath.

FP turns into a gravel path. At cross track with seat on left continue forward (signed Public Footpath) diagonally across field. At field edge follow hedge downhill to Bridleway. Turn R on Bridleway under railway. Continue Forward towards Lamp post and Tarmac road.

Turn R to Turn L over River Bridge to enter Church Warsop. Continue Forward to emerge onto Main Road to Turn L (Eastland Lane). At road end (T junction) Turn R.

Cross road and continue on left pavement passing Warsop church on left. Turn Left into Bishops Walk to find

**CP 3 in Car Park on the left.**

Leave CP and retrace steps to main RD and Turn L on pavement, in 100mtrs take FP Left across field, diagonally across next field, and again third field. Emerge onto track to Continue Forward following Footpath Sign with hedge on left wood on right.

Descend to fork, Take Right Fork to pass Yellow FP sign. Straight over established track and Continue Forward (rutted track) ignore path on right. At next left track Continue Forward to find Gate with yellow arrow. (DO NOT CONTINUE DOWN RUTTED TRACK).

Continue Forward with field edge to gate.

Forward thru gate onto Tarmac Track and Turn R ignoring track to right. Follow Tarmac track to eventually reach Road Cross road with care to steps opposite. Follow FP Uphill, Bear R to follow steps downhill, and Follow FP right past lake on left to Road.

Continue Forward to pass Primary School Continue Forward at Junction to Enter Cuckney.

At Main road Continue Forward passing Cuckney village stores to reach A60-Worksop Rd (CROSS MAIN A60 WITH CARE) Continue Forward on Budby Road passing The Greendale Oak on the Left.

Turn L past the Pub (signed Clumber Park). Pass St Marys continue over bridge to KG on left (ignore gate to right). Go through KG and Continue Forward up hill (with Church on left) Continue Forward with field edge on right towards KG and road, cross road to second KG. Continue Forward with field hedge on left, manoeuvre around large tree to Continue Forward with edge of field again to left to gate and Gingerbread House on the Welbeck Estate with the Impressive Estate Gates.

Turn L through white gates and Continue Forward onto tree lined avenue for 1 ¼ miles.

At Obvious junction with Artisan Food sign Turn L towards the Lady Margaret Hall on the right.

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