

## WALK 8

## GREENMOUNT, REDISHER, RED BROOK, QUARLTON, JUMBLES AFFETSIDE & CROICHLEY FOLD

APPROX. 14½ MILES through varied & beautiful countryside - allow 6hrs. (See Bury Times or phone Army Camp to make sure red flag isn't flying.)

- (1) Cross zebra crossing and turn R. past graveyard, continue on pavement up Holcombe road to T junction turn L. towards Bolton, on next bend cross the main road and turn R. into Redisher Lane. Continue straight up the lane and down into Redisher Wood, don't go over bridge but keep on main track, then take second FP R. after you see the waterfall.
- (2) Go up this FP (it is covered with clay) onto the Ridge, turn L. and follow FP on tcpof Ridge, straight on over stile still keeping on top of Ridge over MOD land. At all sign Posts keep straight on even when Ridge flattens out keep straight on towards far moors.
- (3) Take L. turn over stile which is next to Army flag pole & warning signs. Take direction of arrow way marker to remains of ruins, over fencing stile to way marker in the rushes & on down to Red Brook stream (changes into Holcombe Brook), cross stream.
- (4) Follow stoney track over cattle grid, keeping to main track to sign post on bend, go straight on past big tree, follow ridge (don't go up hill). Keep going until junction of tracks, follow R. then over stile to Holcombe Hey Fold.
- (5) Turn R. onto main track, then L. through gate between old buildings, straight on to FP which follows a line of stone slabs, after these follow fence on your left to the next stile. Over stile turn sharp R. fence now on your R. then through gate, stone wall on R. to Boardmans.

- (6) Cross Hawkshaw Lane turning R. then immediately L through small gate on the R. of a big gate. Follow lane down & over brook, bear L on track to just before next gate take FP sign R. & over stile, then turn sharp L. up to the gate stile at the top of field.
- (7) Go down hill keeping fencing on your L. Go over stile at the bottom of the field, then over more stiles, in nature reserve, with stream on your L. follow it down the valley. After next stile turn R. and up to path on ledge, continue down the valley through gate stile.
- (8) At next gate stile there are only 2 way markers take no notice of these as our path goes sharp R. following the fence on your R. to stile at the top near buildings. Go through gate way on L. then turn immediately R. & follow grassy track, then take stile on your L. through woods to road. Cross & take stile on R. through woods opposite, then over stile into field.
- (9) Follow wall on your L. to brow of the hill, then go straight through field towards trees with stone wall approx. 30m. to your L. Go over stile & through farm keeping farmhouse on your R. follow lane to main road.
- (10) Go straight across road and down track to Birches Farm. Keep straight on through farm & metal gate & down wall lined wide grassy track to bend where you take narrow path straight on, with stream down on your R. Cross road and follow FP keeping stream on your R. to Jumbles Reservoir.
- (11) Keep straight on with Reservoir on your R., through car park where there are toilets!, Follow path down steps, then take first path L. which opens out into a lane, follow through gate then L. to main Bradshaw Road.

- (12) Straight across road and up track opposite, follow up hill and to R. round underground reservoir, straight up to farm entrance, take FP straight on over next stile FP follows line of telegraph poles to Affetside. Cross road turning R. then L. just before Pack Horse Pub. Keep straight on this FP to Turton road.
- (13) Cross road turning R. then L. down FP. keeping hedge on your R. then over stile & between 2 lodges, then straight down hill to the R. of buildings where you go over stile turn L. & keep going down to gate near stream, here go over stile & follow FP round to the R. & over the ladder stile.
- (14) Keeping stream & fencing on your R. follow FP to telegraph pole in far corner of field. Go over stile turn L. on boards keeping fencing on your R. follow FP to top of steep hill, then over stile turning R. pass main house then turn L. over stile next to metal gate.
- (15) Head straight across field in the direction of Greenmount Church steeple, when steeple goes out of view keep in same direction towards single large oak tree, then to stile @ bottom corner of field left of Golf Course.
- (16) Follow path to Golf Club, continue on through car park and follow FP through golf course, then up Hove Close, turn R. onto Larkfield and back to start.

