

BROOKLANDS CIRCULAR WALK No3

Approximately 3 miles long.

Leave Brooklands by way of the bottom gate, into the football field, turn right and make your way to the old lane, go straight up the lane to the road. (Note: across the road is "HoMLEY HOUSE" this was once an old public house.)

Turn left at the road and into Scholes village centre passing on your left St Georges WMC, Post Office and Boot & Shoe Inn.

Turn right up Paris Road for approx 500metres. Turn left on White Wells Road, after 150metres you will see on your right, the rear of Scholes Methodist Church that was recently re built on the site of the old Chapel originally built around 1860.

At the junction of White Wells Road and Dean Bridge Lane, turn left. (Note: What spectacular views all around Scholes village). Follow the road down to the bottom of Dean Bridge Lane, over the road bridge, and turn right onto the signed Public Footpath into Morton Wood. Follow the path up river for approx 600metres. (Note the river crossing is by stepping-stones but further along there are wooden bridges).

The woodland is a spectacular sight especially in springtime when the bluebells are in bloom. (How PEACEFUL)

After the first wooden bridge, cross the river again by stepping-stones, then across the river again by a second wooden bridge. Caution at the third crossing as it is just two logs across. Follow the path up a steep bank that takes you away from the river and keep to the path that runs along side of a broken down dry stone wall.

Some parts are fenced off because of private property. If you look down to you're left you can see the river fork, carry on the right fork past some derelict out buildings and then the house at the edge of the wood. Carry on over another bridge and up the wooden gantry steps. Turn left into the beautiful hamlet of Upper House; right up the lane and right into the road, which is Little Cake. A short way on the road is a seat where you can sit and take in more spectacular views.

On the right, just past the seat, there is a stone marking the boundaries of Scholes and Wooldale, and if you look at the line of the wall this heads in a straight line towards Scholes (is this the boundary line).

At the road junction of Little Cake and Long Road turn right towards Scholes, after approx 50metres on your left go through the gap in the wall, across the fields to a lane, turn right down the lane to the road. At the road turn left for 30metres then right into the lane at the rear of some cottages and farm. Keep on this lane for 300metres until the next road. Turn left onto the road and take right fork on Stake Lane Bank for approx 100metres, through a gap in the wall on the right and up the steps. Follow the grassed path across the fields, across the little lane and over the stile. Head down the field to the stile on the right and make your way to Sike Lane, turn left to Totties village.

Turn right at the road back towards Scholes and Brooklands Nursery on your left for welcome refreshments in the Coffee Shop.

ENTRANCE GATES CLOSE AT 4.00 IN WINTER & 5.00 IN SUMMERTIME

