

The Jubilee Walk (North Section)

Jubilee Walk, North – A 4.6 mile circular walk updated from the original Jubilee Walk of 2002.

Grade: Medium. Difficult through Little Perlieu Woods.

2 stiles.

Start from the Weston Cross pub, Grid Reference SO 632 234.

In 2002, as one of many activities to mark the Queen's Golden Jubilee in the parish, two walks were developed and designated as Jubilee Walks. The northern route described below was created by Michael Gammond, who inaugurated the walk on 3rd June 2002 by leading 24 intrepid parishioners over to Rudhall and back to the Weston Cross via Kingstone. Over the years the condition of the paths has changed slightly and so the directions below have been updated to make it easier to follow the route.

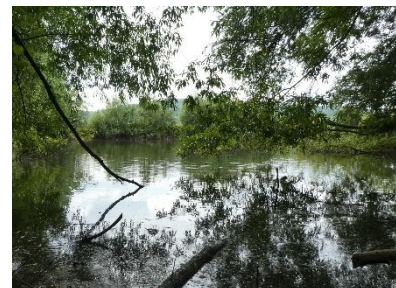
The original oak jubilee posts stand in the front garden of the pub. Unfortunately, the footpaths information board, handmade by local craftsman Mat Town, had deteriorated after 19 years but was replaced in 2021 by a very fine footpaths board standing next to the oak posts.



1. From the Weston Cross walk towards Ross on Wye along the pavement of the A40 for 1.1 miles. Note Weston Hall on the right as you leave Weston village, a listed building from the Tudor period. Turn right down the track signed Model Farm Shop. Go past the shop and immediately go right at the fork in the track and then turn right. Go past Highfield Farm and then take care to go through the steel farm gate on the left where other footpaths go left and right.



2. Go directly ahead to cross a stile in the middle of the far hedgerow. Maintaining the same direction head towards the twin telegraph poles on the far side and then go right, staying in the same field. Stay left and enter the trees to follow a narrow path with Rudhall Brook on the left and a small lake on your right (a coffee stop can be found on the edge of the lake). Just after the pond the path emerges into a large field. Keep left and leave the field on a path into the trees and immediately over a wide footbridge through a gate way. Passing through a gap in the trees, follow the left side of the field, leaving the field through a steel field gate onto a track, with a high stone wall on the right, and continue up to a tarmac road.
3. Go right for 300 m, passing the impressive gates of Rudhall Manor. Turn right at the signpost to Bromsash and Weston under Penyard. Continue up the road for 0.8 mile past the cottages of Kingstone and a stone base of a preaching cross.



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Opposite Dairy Cottages on the left, go through the 2-in-1 gate into the field.

4. Keep to the left of the field enjoying the view in front of you to the Black Mountains and the Skirrid. After 190 m go left through a steel kissing gate into the Woodfields fruit farm. Turn right and follow the waymarkers all the way down to the bottom of the fruit field and then pass through a steel kissing gate into a field. Crossing the route of the disused railway line, go straight down the field and through the field gate, or over the stile onto the road.
5. Go left for 120 m then right through a steel kissing gate at the top of some steps in the bank. Go straight ahead in the field and at the far side turn left and through a steel pedestrian gate. Keep to the right-hand boundary and straight ahead to cross a stile into a horse paddock. Go slightly right, downhill to where the electric fence can be opened. Keep ahead for 50 m and then turn right through a steel field gate to skirt around the horse training area and through a small wooden gate. This short section, marked by arrows, is a courtesy diversion around the grounds of "Stonewold". On reaching the road go right, back to the Weston Cross.

Note: Comments and defect reports on footpaths are welcomed and should be sent to the Parish Clerk at clerk@westonunderpenyard-pc.gov.uk

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