

RESCUE RAMBLE 2017 - 16 MILE ROUTE

Turn left out of HVMRT HQ and follow pavement round to your left to the roundabout at Fall Lane. Go straight across and uphill, after 50 m turn right by Public Footpath sign heading through disused mill complex to end of track. Go left up steps at side of reservoir banking. At top of steps go uphill following road (not along track on right). Follow road round left and right hand bends to car park / turnaround.

Proceed left along footpath which then climbs up to catchwater path. Turn left and follow catchwater then track to Deer Hill Reservoir passing shooting club on your right. At south east corner of reservoir turn left down Deer Hill End Road to **checkpoint**.

At checkpoint go through gate down Hassocks Road for 700 m until you reach catchwater / Meltham Way. Turn right and follow catchwater over 13 stiles and ford until reaching Wessenden Head Road and **checkpoint**.

Cross road and continue on catchwater. After 300 m turn right up track. At next track turn left down Royd Edge. After 600 m turn right down track, cross ford and keep left up track to Royd Road. Turn right up road, after 300 m at junction continue up track (Harden Moss Road) until reaching A635. Cross road and continue down Acres Lane to **checkpoint**.

At sharp left bend turn right down track towards Upper Knowl. At track crossroads turn left and go downhill for 450 m at track crossroads turn right (west) following Kirklees Way along Nether Lane. After 1.5 km join Springs Road passing Good Bent Lodge on your left.

Follow Kirklees Way along track then footpath uphill back to A635. Cross over then take road to left towards Meltham. After 300 m turn left down Wessenden track (Pennine Way) to **checkpoint**.

Continue downhill following Wessenden track, crossing 2 footbridges, to Wessenden Lodge and **checkpoint**.

After leaving checkpoint continue following the track (round the right hand bend) to the Pennine Way signpost on your left hand side (the sign post is now short and stumpy in the ground). Turn left and follow the Pennine Way path downhill to the footbridge over the stream. Cross the bridge and climb uphill (steep and loose) to the airshaft.

Turn right and follow path (Pennine Way) passing Marsden Heritage Trail Stone no. 11 to stream crossing – take care – and continue following path uphill. The path has been flagged in places. Continue on path over moor to south east corner of Black Moss Reservoir and Marsden Moor Heritage Trail information board no 12. Cross footbridge and follow path on reservoir bank to end, at fence turn left for 250 m to flagstones. Turn right uphill, through gate and downhill to Standedge Trail (this was the original trail over the Pennines built by Blind Jack of Knaresborough).

Turn right, crossing a stream, and follow track towards road. Look out for the fairly new created track on your left and follow this across a small ford to the road. Cross the road and turn right downhill to road junction. Turn left and follow tarmac road (Old Mount Road) across cattle grid and downhill to A62 (Manchester Road) and Marsden.

When you arrive at the road (A62) turn right, follow pavement (take care as narrow at one point) then across road and back to HVMRT HQ.

Well done and thank you for taking part in HVMRT 16 mile Rescue Ramble.