

# Lancashire Walks

## Around The Yealands



*This lovely walk could be easily overlooked. Starting close to the M6 it is naturally a place that discerning country goers might avoid. However with a variety of terrains and superb views of south Lakeland, it is a gem.*

**Start:** Cinderbarrow Picnic Site is just off the A6 on Tarn Lane, on the right going north, 4 Km or 2½ miles north of junction 35 of the M6.

**Distance:** 9 Km or 5½ miles

**Time:** 2½ hours excluding stops

**Terrain:** Mainly easy with one sharp ascent to ridge above Leighton Hall. Towpath, fields and woodland walking. Road walking along A6.

### 1. Car park to canal (250m: 4 minutes)

From picnic car park turn left onto Tarn Lane and continue across railway bridge to canal bridge. Access canal by gate on right.

### 2. Canal to A6 (2 Km or 1¼ miles: 30 minutes)

Turn left and walk beneath the bridge, along one of the northern reaches of the Lancaster Canal. **(Pic 1)** Pass under the next bridge and look for metal gate a short distance beyond. **(Pic 2)** Go through, turning right taking track as it crosses the railway and winds down to lane. At lane, turn right, walk through hamlet of Hilderstone. About 150 yards along look for bridleway on left. **(Pic 3)** Turn into this lane, flanked by hedgerows **(Pic 4)** and follow it for 15 minutes to where it brings you onto the A6, opposite Hazelgrove Lodge.

### 3. A6 to Yealand Storrs (1.6 Km or 1 mile: 25 minutes)

Exercising due care, cross road and turn left. 300 yards on right by a prominent tree, but hidden until you are almost on top of it, a signpost points to “White Moss”. Follow the direction of the sign towards some corrugated buildings. Keep to the right of these. With the nearer most building about 30 yards on left you will intercept a stile almost obscured by nettles. **(Pic 5)** Cross stile and walk with hedge on left. At end of field pass through wooden gate **(Pic 6)** and immediately turn right through another, onto a track that follows the edge of White Moss. Beyond a pair of gates, the way meets a substantial track to bring you past a small holding. Continue forward, through two more gates. At the point where the track turns to the right, take small gate into a pasture **(Pic 7)** that rises gently to another gate. Through this, take the path to the corner of field that brings you onto a lane close by the Yealand Storrs sign. **(Pic 8)**

### 4. Yealand Storrs to Leighton Hall (1.6 Km or 1 mile: 25 minutes)

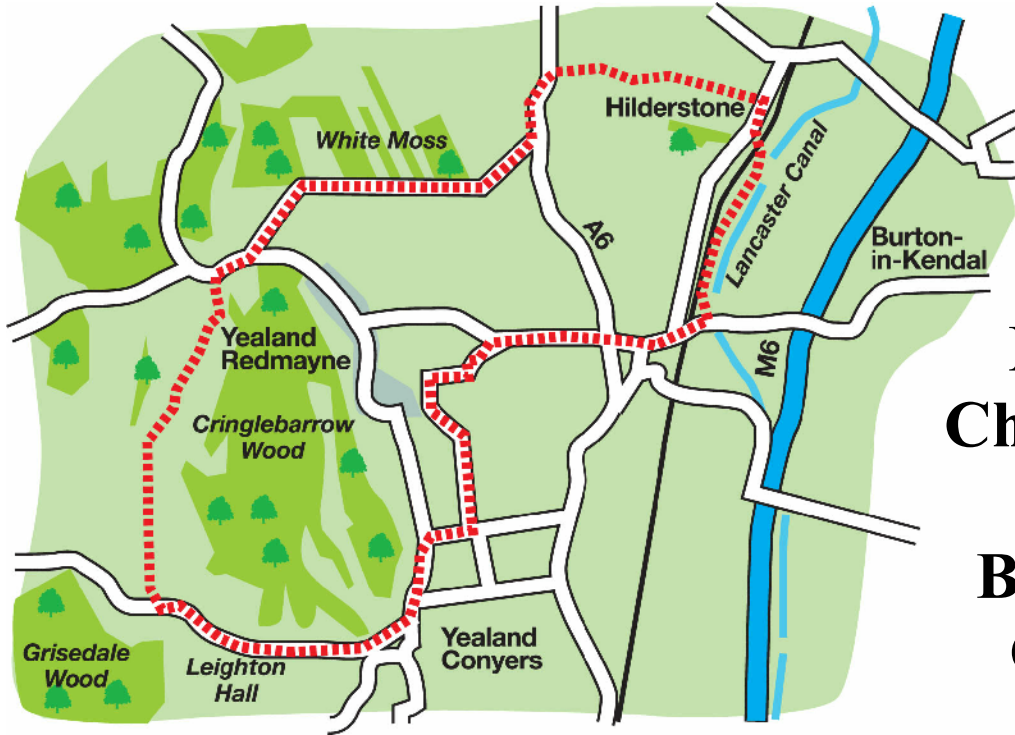
Turn right and follow lane through village. Where the lane turns sharply right, turn left through imposing wooden gates, past Wood Cottage and through gate. **(Pic 9)** The path, not easy to pick out, keeps to the left of a stone wall, through a large field. After a gate, with a hedge on left, the track sweeps round towards Leighton Hall, approaching Home Farm through a pasture. **(Pic 10)**

### 5. Leighton Hall to Yealand Conyers (1 Km or ¾ mile: 20 minutes)

Turn left onto lane and follow around the left side of Leighton Hall. Beyond the tennis courts, as this service road meets the drive look for an obvious path on left leading up to the ridge. **(Pic 11)** At the top of the ridge there is a trio of benches, inviting pause, and no wonder, for looking back must be one of the loveliest views in England. Continue straight through trees, reaching a stone wall. Enter a field by a kissing gate. Continue forward keeping to the left of a limestone outcrop. The path, less obvious until this point, descends through woods to a fork. **(Pic 12)** Right leads to a lane, left takes you across parkland – both bring you to Yealand Conyers. **(Pic 13)** On reaching its main street turn left.

### 6. Yealand Conyers to Cinderbarrow Car park (2 Km or 1¼ miles: 30 minutes)

Past the New Inn, turn into Roseacre Lane on right. By a house called Blencathra on left, take footpath to “Well Lane”. This leads to a stile in a muddy corner of a field. **(Pic 14)** Cross it then turn right through a squeeze stile, then follow with hedge on your left to the next corner to a wooden stile. Cross the next field to the end of Well Lane, on the edge of Yealand Redmayne. **(Pic 15)** Turn towards the village but immediately turn right along a bridleway. Follow this track as it zigzags to Nineteen Acre Lane. Turn right on to lane. Soon you come to the A6 in sight of Cinderbarrow Picnic area. **(Pic 16)**



**Map by  
Chris Wyatt  
at the  
Blackpool  
Gazette**

**Pic 1**



**Pic 2**



**Pic 3**



**Pic 4**



**Pic 5**



**Pic 6**



**Pic 7**



**Pic 8**



**Pic 9**



**Pic 10**



**Pic 11**



**Pic 12**



**Pic 13**



**Pic 14**



**Pic 15**



**Pic 16**

