



BRITISH WALKING FEDERATION

PERMANENT TRAIL 212

## VICTORIAN LEGACIES



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BWF CLUB 104

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**DISTANCE:** 18km

**ENTRY FEE:** £1.00. **AWARD:** Badge at £3.00

**ENTRY SYSTEM:** Postal – Send completed entry form, cheque, answers to the question & IVV Book. **CHEQUES:** Payable to The Irregulars.

**START VENUE:** Saltaire West Yorkshire. (MAP: Explorer 288 GR: SE 139379)

**START & ROUTE INFO:** Pay & Display car park off Victoria Road, Saltaire. There is on road parking if you can find it (beware some is resident permit only) and another car park behind Victoria Hall. Saltaire Railway Station (Aire Valley Line) is also at the bottom of Victoria Road. [There are supervised toilets (20p a pee) in the car park but they are locked overnight. Other toileting possibilities along the route are mentioned in the description. (2010 prices)]

There are several locations along the route that deserve time being spent at them so be prepared for a full days outing. You will also need a writing implement & something to write on if you are going to claim the walk for IVV/BWF/Badge purposes. Being an urban walk numerous busy roads have to be crossed. For your own safety please use pedestrian lights and refuges where they are available. In all other places please take extreme care.

The organisers are not liable for accidents, thefts and/or damage to property. Every effort will be made by the organisers to make this a safe, enjoyable and memorable event.

When you have completed this trail please use the [Permanent Trail Entry Form](#)

### **ROUTE DESCRIPTION (Updated February 2016)**

1. Leave car park into Victoria Road and turn left uphill soon passing Victoria Hall (left) & Shipley College (right) guarded by Trafalgar Square Lions.
2. Cross to right-hand side of road when safe to do so & then cross the main road (A657) by means of pedestrian lights.
3. Continue up Victoria Road with Hospital Building (left) & Alms Houses (right). At top cross main road (A650) by means of pedestrian lights.
4. Turn left & follow main road as it bears right to traffic lights. Here turn right into Farfield Road.
5. When road bends right continue ahead between the houses to soon enter a wall enclosed footpath.
6. Follow this path until it emerges onto a road (Lindisfarne Road). Turn left and then right at junction.
7. Just after last house on left (No.73) turn left on public footpath up through woodland and start counting the steps as at the top you will need to answer

**Question 1. 'How many steps have you just climbed? (There is a margin of error of 15)'**

8. At top follow path ahead forking left at junction through grass & then small trees. Then bear left across open area aiming to join tree line to your right. You are now in North Cliffe Park.
9. On joining tarmac/grass path follow it down to a path junction near a children's play area.
10. Here turn right with building to left and play area to right. Soon path turns left and descends (passing a sports pavilion on left).
11. At cross road of paths turn right at second play area and beech hedge on left and on reaching next junction (just after reaching allotments on right) bear left but then almost immediately right down steps to a small car parking area.
12. Continue ahead along Cliffe Gdns & at end take path to left of electricity sub station & garages.
13. Follow this path to emerge onto road (A650) by means of a small gate.
14. Turn right with road on your left. Cross first road (Redburn Dve) then at next road turn right into Redburn Road and cross to left-hand side.
15. Cross two junctions (Grove Road & Ashfield Dve) and approx 15yds after second one turn left onto footpath & cross footbridge over stream (if you reach Red Beck Vale you have gone too far).
16. Follow enclosed paved path up hill (nearly to the top), stepped in places passing lower wood. Ignore first road on left & continue up hill then passing Renold Wood on your right.
17. When you reach next road by house number 39 leave path & turn left on tree lined road you will find this to be Park Drive as you progress. *[Look in awe at the houses the Victorian mill owners built for themselves].*
18. Continue along Park Drive over cross road/track to reach major junction at North Park Road.
19. Cross road with great care bearing left to enter Lister Park.
20. *[If you are of a mind to spend some time in this award winning park the information board indicates numerous places of interest to visit – including Cartwright Hall Art Gallery]*
21. The walk route follows the path along the top of the park ignoring any paths off to the left.
22. Ignore the first exit to the right and continue past tennis/basketball courts.
23. Leave the park at the next exit on the right (Cartwright Hall to left ahead) and cross road to go ahead up road aiming for Lister Mills chimney. (This is Victor Road but not immediately obvious as such.)
24. At the top, Heaton Road, turn left with Lister Mills on your right which is now being turned into apartments.
25. Shortly the wall on the right displays that you are now passing Manningham Mill built in 1873.

**Question 2. 'What is the first word of the Latin phrase that is displayed?'**

26. Continue along Heaton Road to traffic light junction. Here turn left down hill (this is Oak Lane but not immediately apparent as such).
27. Cross junction of St Marys Road by means of pedestrian lights & continue downhill.
28. *[Immediately before reaching traffic light controlled T-junction on the left there is another entrance to Lister Park and just inside this entrance are some toilets – 10p a pee]*
29. Use the pedestrian lights to get to the opposite side of the T-junction. Turn left but then almost immediately right down Oak Avenue. (Basically you are just maintaining your former direction.)
30. At bottom turn right, crossing when safe to do so, & continue to traffic light controlled cross roads.
31. Turn left & cross over Bolton Lane. Just beyond junction use pedestrian lights to cross road.
32. Once across road turn left to cross junction of road coming in from right.
33. Continue ahead crossing over 'fly over' with road below to reach traffic light controlled cross roads.
34. Use pedestrian lights to cross to memorial stone on other side.

**Question 3. 'What day of the week was Kings Road opened?'**

35. Now turn right down Kings Road & in 70yds, just by bus stop, turn left onto footpath into woodland.

36. In another 30yds fork left onto minor path up hillside (if you reach pylon you have gone too far).
37. Path, stepped in places, becomes more distinct as you progress upwards. At the top, after railed steps, bear left across open space/rubbish area to road.
38. Cross road and go through (or round barrier) onto tarmac track then go under yellow barrier & immediately turn right passing another barrier.
39. When track turns left continue ahead up banking onto football field. (Goal post may not be there in summer.)
40. You have now entered Peel Park. Follow the right hand edge of the park up hill through a small stand of trees with a road to the right on the outside of the park.
41. As you continue upward a children's play area (swings, slides, etc) comes into view ahead. Aim to pass to the left of it and join a tarmac path in the process.
42. Bear right with path to exit park via gateway to join a road.
43. Continue up road to reach junction with main road.
44. Turn left, ignoring road branching off to left & follow road past The Peel Park pub (now closed) as it swings round to the right.
45. Cross road when safe to do so and follow wall on right to the entrance of Undercliffe Cemetery (Harrogate Street opposite).
46. Turn right into the Cemetery. An information board should enable you to answer

#### **Question 4. 'Who is the cemetery registered by?'**

47. *[You may well wish to spend some time looking round – in para 17 above you saw some of the homes that the Victorian Mill owners built now look at the memorials they had erected for themselves.]*
48. Our route initially follows the main drive to the left (ignoring steps immediately opposite entrance) and then takes the first pathway on the right climbing two flights of steps. At the top of the second flight continue ahead soon bearing right and follow the pathway round to the top entrance/exit of the cemetery
49. Turn left on road and left again along Undercliffe Old Road with cemetery wall on your left.
50. Cross road when safe to do so to reach junction with Otley Road where you should bear right uphill.
51. Use pedestrian lights to cross Northcote Road.
52. Use pedestrian lights to cross Killinghall Road to continue ahead down what is now Harrogate Road.
53. After crossing Charnwood Grove bear right down steps continuing ahead parallel to main road. At corner turn right into Leeds Road.
54. Cross road when safe to do so to turn left down Musgrave Road (road sign presently missing) You see a clock tower and mill..
55. At the bottom you reach the Mill. Our route turns left here.

#### **Question 5. 'What is the name of the Mill?'**

56. *[This Mill is now the home of the Bradford Industrial Museum and is well worth a visit. There are toilets (free) and a café for anyone wanting a break. Not open to the public on a Monday and opens at Noon on a Sunday, other days 10:00am]*
57. Continue on Moorside Road, initially with a field down to the right.
58. Cross Harrogate Road, with great care, via refuge & continue along Moorside Road.
59. Cross next road (Pullan Avenue), again with great care, & once more continue along Moorside Road.
60. After passing Robin Close on the right, where the road narrows, go through gap in wall on left into small park. Aim for top left-hand corner *[feel free to pay your respects at the War memorial]*.
61. Exit onto road, cross & turn right to reach 'Youth & Community Centre' (Mechanics Institute)

*[feel free to do a loop of the Eccleshill History Trail – see notice board]*. Here bear left into Institute Road. 62. Immediately after house number 21 bear left between it and low barrier fence into recreational/football field.

63. Follow barrier on your right for a short distance then aim for Trig Point ahead for the answer to

### **Question 6. 'What is missing from the trig point number – S4?96'**

64. From the Trig Point aim left to the left-hand corner of a terrace of stone built houses to reach road.

65. Cross road & hop over wall into cemetery to walk down grass path between vandalised grave stones and exit through iron gate into Norman Lane [If you prefer not to climb the wall there is narrow track to the left of the cemetery that will take you down to Norman Lane].

66. Turn left and cross when safe to do so passing The Sycamores on your right.

67. Turn right into Morrisons Supermarket complex. You will exit at the very far corner next to Wickes DIY store. You can either just go round the perimeter keeping the various stores on your right or take your life in your hands and cut diagonally across the car park aiming for the entrance of Wickes DIY store to rejoin perimeter path. *[Morrisons has toilets (free) and a café just inside the first entrance that you come to.]*

68. On leaving the shopping complex cross the road by means of pedestrian refuge (with roundabout on your left) & turn right downhill eventually with high wall on your left.

69. When wall ends continue road downhill to turn left along Idlecroft Road (towards Idle Village).

70. Continue pass factories to mini-roundabout.

71. Here turn left up hill, High Street, passing the famous Idle Working Mens Club on your left as you proceed.

72. At the cross road at the top continue ahead along Westfield Lane. Pass old cottages & Idle U.R.C. cemetery on your right.

73. After passing some houses on the right you then have a wall/field on your right. Shortly you have a small low gated arch in this wall (almost opposite Cockshot Lane). Go through the gate – take care not to bang your head on the arch – into what is a small Quaker Burial Ground to find the plaque on the ground for the answer to

### **Question 7. 'From what year does the burial ground date?'**

74. Return to road & continue upwards in former direction. Continue ahead when road narrows & when it turns sharply left continue ahead on track called Wrosecliffe Grove to pass under power lines with transmitter masts to your left. *[From here you have panoramic views of Baildon, Shipley and Saltaire.]*

75. Follow this track passing two sets of terrace houses and Amyroyce Dve on your left.

76. At lamppost number 6 (on your left) and about 20yds before reaching tarmac road, turn right down handrailed stepped footpath.

77. After about 30yds ignore another path branching off to left. Keep ahead downhill with small ravine to your left.

78. As woodland ends turn left on crossing path over small footbridge to enter grassed area. Keep ahead with woodland then cliffs on left & blue roofed building (school) down to right. Follow path forward and as it starts to rise and road can be seen ahead leave path and bear right on grass to field gate to reach a road at a large house called The Ridge.

79. Turn right steeply down the road (Carr lane) to reach traffic lights at offset junction of four roads.

80. You need to cross the road (A657) at the bottom & the safest way of doing it is to go round to the right to cross at the traffic lights with centre of road refuge. Once over turn left and follow the main road down hill to go under railway bridge(s).

81. Cross Tony Miller Approach at traffic lights turning immediately right then left into a parking area. Now aim for the top corner of Killips Carpets & Beds to enter enclosed footpath at the side of the building (Killips on your right).

82. Follow path across footbridge over canal to turn right on tow path with the Leeds Liverpool canal on your left,

83. Follow this towpath under several bridges (Nos 207C, 207B, 207E) eventually passing through a metal barrier as you approach Salts Mills [*the reason for Saltaire – the building on your right has now been converted into apartments and offices whilst the one on your left houses retail premises and galleries*].

84. After going under lowish concrete bridge leave the towpath turning right and then right again over the bridge to reach the bottom of Victoria Road in Saltaire.

85. Walk up the road back to the start of the walk.

Before dashing off home why not spend some time wandering round the World Heritage Site industrial village of Saltaire. A visit to Salts Mill and the United Reformed Church is also very worthwhile.

**WELL DONE FOR COMPLETING THE WALK**

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