



British Walking Federation

PT155 THE RESERVOIR RAMBLE



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DISTANCE: 17km

ENTRY FEE: £2.00 per walker (Cheques payable to the British Walking Federation)

AWARD: Cloth Badge at £2.50 each

START VENUE: Fairholmes Visitor Centre Car Park Derwent Valley

OS MAP: 110 **GR:** SK172893

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COACH & CAR PARKING: At the start venue (charges apply), and two free car parks 200m away from start.

DIRECTIONS FROM NEAREST TOWN: From Sheffield take the A57 to Glossop at the junction with the A6013 to Bamford continue on A57 over the Ashopton viaduct and take the 1st lane right to Fairholmes

PUBLIC TRANSPORT: None available

TERRAIN: Roads, farmland, woods and moorland not suitable for wheelchairs or pushchairs

REFRESHMENTS: At the start and on the route.

ROUTE DESCRIPTION (Updated 18th April 2019)

Leave southern corner of car park signpost "Walking Trails", ahead on footpath passing information board on left to reach road. Turn left for 350m to reach information board

Q1. On the information board what type of woodpecker?

Bear left to take the "Easy Footpath to Bridge End car park and A57". Continue on this path keeping reservoir on left ignoring all side tracks for appx 2000m, go down steps between green pipes up steps and continue on path. After a further 1500m go through gate to reach road, and turn left on pavement to cross Ashopton Bridge.

Immediately after crossing bridge turn left on private tarmac road and in 50m turn right on tarmac lane signpost footpath. Ahead on tarmac drive and gravel track to gate, through gate and ahead for 100m then turn left sign post Whinstone Lee Tor. Ahead between trees, then with wall and later fence on left continue on footpath following overhead cables. At end of wood on left continue uphill on track with wall

on left and ahead uphill towards wire fence. Turn steeply uphill towards National Trust sign post.

Q2. On footpath sign post in whose memory is it?

Take a breather here before the rugged moorland stage. At this junction take the 2nd path left sign post Derwent Edge continuing uphill over rocks and along rock strewn ridge for 1000m to signpost on left.

Q3. How old was Anne Dean?

Continue along the wild moorland of Derwent Edge for 3500m passing the majestic rocky outcrops of Wheel Stones, White Tor, Salt Cellar, Doveston Tor, and Cakes of Bread to finally reach the trig point at the top of Back Tor. Bear left on slabbed path to reach the view indicator at top of Lost Lad.

Q4. On the view indicator what feature is due South?

From view point continue on slabbed path downhill which later becomes quite narrow and steep continue on path and after 700m at fork bear left on wide grassy track, and continue for a further 700m. At fork go right to cross stile on footpath sign post Derwent Reservoir and ahead with remains of wall on right. Just before next wall turn left, yellow arrow, and go downhill with wall on right to reach signpost with details on back.

Q5. On the back of sign which hiker is celebrated?

At this signpost turn right, signed Howdens Dam on path down hill, and continue with wall and old ruins on left until Howdens Dam comes into view in front of you. Continue on steep narrow path passing Abbey Grange sign to gate in wall, turn right on path through wood to gravel track. Turn left on track with reservoir on right to Derwent Dam. Just before dam wall go through kissing gate on right and follow path to dam, turn right down steps with the impressive dam on right. Bear left across grassy area and follow path to reach lane. Turn right on tarmac lane to reach car park and finish.

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

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