

# THE PONTON PLOD - 17 MILE ROUTE

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Abbreviations:

BW = Bridleway	X = Cross	immd = immediately
FP = Footpath	TL = Turn left	L = Left thro = through
KG = Kissing Gate	TR = Turn right	R = Right ST = stile
SP = Signpost	FB = Footbridge	AH = ahead CG = Cattlegrid
CB = Compass bearing		

TR out of car park and left at T Junction. X A1 over footbridge. ( DO NOT CROSS WITHOUT USING FOOTBRIDGE). At end of footbridge AH houses on L. After last house TL (SP Firs Farm) over CG, fork R on track between paddocks. Thro gate / CG. TR on BW. AH for 600yds, AH woods on L. Ignore FP on R, AH to woods.

TL for 50yds. TR thro gate onto golf (**TAKE CARE**) Aim for Acer tree and follow arrows on posts to reach and TR onto metalled BW.

AH for 250yds, over CG. AH to B/W Junction just before obelisk.

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## ROUTES SPLIT AT THIS POINT

TR on metalled BW (tree lined) to cottage on R. X CG & road. Thro black metal gate, up BW to woods, thro hand gate, thro woods. AH, row of trees on L, thro green gate to road.

TL on road for 0.5mils to wood near top of hill. In 100yds TR on BW ( SP Heslins Barn Farm) Pass Keepers Lodge on R.

AH 100yds. TR (off metalled track) on field edge, hedge on R.

TL on track, hedge on L, AH to Wood.  $\frac{1}{2}$  L to cross concrete road. AH on

metalled track, hedge on L. Ignore track on R. Pass small wood on R. AH, hedge on L. At next wood (track 5 way junction) TL hedge on R. AH 200yds. AH, hedge on left, concrete posts on R. Bear right on track.

DOGS MUST NOW BE ON LEADS UNTIL 200 YARDS AFTER FARM.

Pass Farmyard and Cottage on R. AH hedge on L, through marked gap in hedge. AH hedge on R (Gliding club in front). At wood TL for 30 yards then TR thro wood. At end of wood TR on BW (Viking Way) passing horizontal tree trunk for 0.9mls to road.

CHECKPOINT 1 VIKING WAY 6.0 MILES (Opens 09.00 Closes 13.00)

AH on track for 0.5 miles, pass large Ash tree (with overhanging branch) on L. In 100yds at hardcore (stone) patch on track TR thro gap in hedge (concealed). Large tree on R, AH hedge on L, to wood. AH wood on R. At end of wood AH for 300 yds.

ROUTES SPLIT AT THIS POINT.

TL on track, AH hedge on R, pass to R of green barrier, TR on road, AH for 500 yds. TL, SP Denton 1  $\frac{1}{4}$ . ( View of Belvoir Castle  $\frac{1}{2}$  L )

AH for 0.6 mls then down hill to A607. X ROAD WITH CAUTION. AH on Main Street, TR on concealed, enclosed FP (almost opposite No 73 and before FP on left) X ST, AH thro field. X ST. X FB, X ST (CAUTION - BARBED WIRE). TR on track & immd TL over ST.  $\frac{1}{2}$  R across field to far right hand corner.

Cross A607 WITH CARE (slightly left thro concealed gap in hedge). X stile.  $\frac{1}{2}$  L thro field (aim for bungalow)

X ST, AH on enclosed path, thro KG, AH on minor road to T junction. X road, thro KG, AH thro field towards church. Thro handgate, pass buildings on R, through KG, across field towards church.

(27 MILE ROUTE JOINS)

X stile, thro handgate, pass in front of church, bear L at end of church & in 20yds TR between stone walls thro concealed handgate. AH on enclosed FP. Down steps, TR onto Church Street for 50yds.

CHECK POINT 2 HARLAXTON VILLAGE HALL 10.1 MILES

(Opens 09.30 Closes 16.00)

TL out of Village Hall, AH on Church Street, TR into Rectory Lane. TL into West End & immd TL thro gate into field. AH, rusty sheds on L. AH  $\frac{1}{2}$  R. CB185 towards RH field corner. X stile 30yds left of field corner. AH towards centre group of trees on horizon, X stile AH up hill towards centre group of trees. X stile, AH between paddocks, X stile, AH along field edge (large trees and farm on R). X drive to Wealdmore Lodge Farm, thro double gate. AH thro field, hedge on R. Up steep steel steps to road.

TAKE CARE - ROAD AT TOP OF STEPS

TR on road. Pass Junction on L. AH for 600 yds Pass junction to Denton & immd TL on track. AH wire fence both sides. Immd before open gate to cottage TL on FP thro wood, AH, thro handgate, pond on left, TR.

X sleeper FB, thro metal gate, AH, Hungerton Hall & wire fence on L. X ST,  $\frac{1}{2}$  R hedge & wire fence on R, thro handgate in RH corner of field. TR on road.

## 12 MILE ROUTE JOINS.

In 30yds TL (SP Wyville) AH for 400 yds.

### CHECKPOINT 3. WYVILLE VILLAGE HALL 13.1 MILES

(opens 10.00 Closes 17.00)

Pass church on R. Bear R after cottages, SP Beech Farm, thro gateway (FOOTPATH ONLY), AH downhill. At pond on R, ignore L turn up hill but bear L with wood on L. At end of wood thro gate, TL at fork, AH, pond on R. Fork R on FP where track bears L.

Down hill to handgate at RH corner of wood. Thro gate, AH wood on L. X FB. Thro handgate & TL. AH on field edge, wire fence on L. Thro gap in hedge AH, wire fence on L through handgate, X stile.

TL thro field, wire fence on L. Thro gap in tree hedge. AH wire fence on L. Pass metal gate on L.

Thro gap & X stile in tree hedge on steep bank, AH wire fence on left. AH pond on L, farm on L. Thro new handgate (20yds to left of double steel gates). TR onto track. Thro handgate at side of steel gate. X concrete road. AH wood on L, fence on R. At end of wood X CG/gate.  $\frac{1}{2}$  R on track across field, X (climb) gate to right of CG. AH hedge on L, thro gate on track to road.

TL on road, cottages on L, AH, ponds on L & R. Pass road on R. At top of hill near trees AH on road for 400 yds. TR onto track FP thro steel gate/ stile.

AH, hedge on L. At FP/BW junction TL on BW. AH wood on R. AH, 600yds. At FP/BW junction  $\frac{1}{2}$  L thro gate / CG. AH on track across field, X CG to road.

TR onto road, houses on R. At end of houses AH on access road to X footbridge over A1 (DO NOT CROSS WITHOUT USING FOOTBRIDGE)

At end of Footbridge TR & TR passing 30 mph signs. After 50 yds pass Blue Horse Court & in 10yds TR on enclosed FP. AH to road. TL onto Archers Way and TR into Community Centre.

CONGRATULATIONS - YOU HAVE COMPLETED 17.1 MILES