

# Walk with the Bridge: Hydons Ball, Enton and Hambledon

An interesting walk through woods and heath land with some good views. Note this walk can be muddy, depending on the time of year and recent weather.

**Length 4 miles**  
**Ascent 148m**

1. Park in Hydons Ball Car Park (What 3 Words ///flanked.vision.lingering). Walk back towards the road and take the bridleway on the left just before the road.
2. Go straight at 2 crossing paths. The path then starts to go downhill and you will come out of the woods with fields on the left and right.
3. Turn right onto the road and then immediately left onto the bridleway towards the golf course.
4. Cross a fairway (watch out for golfers) and continue on the bridleway. After the second fairway, turn left up the hill with the fairway on your left and woods on your right (ignore footpath sign by the bridleway pointing straight on).
5. After about 130m, follow the path into the woods. There is a valley on the right.
6. Cross a footbridge and follow a path up past a derelict house. A footpath sign points right across a field, but turn left. Soon there will be woods on your left and a field on the right (sometimes with sheep). After 200m there will be a pond on your left.
7. Follow yellow footpath sign pointing to the left soon after the pond into the woods.
8. Cross footpath and follow a narrow path across the heath known as Buss's Common.
9. Join a larger footpath from the right and keep straight on over a crossing path. Pass small pond on your left. Turn left onto signposted footpath to left. Almost immediately take left fork

through woods and cross small bridge past footpath sign. Continue on footpath.

10. After 800m, at the road, turn left and then after 50m, turn right onto Church Lane. One of the bends in the road can be missed out by using the footpath on the right.
11. Walk past the church (on your left) and take the footpath which goes straight on with the cemetery to your



*View from Hydons Ball towards Blackdown*

left. Ignore the bridleway which bears right from small car park. Follow the path across the field and enter into the woods via a gate.

12. After a Thames Water pumping station, there is a junction. Take the footpath up the hill.
13. When a footpath sign is reached after about 400m, take the path slightly to the right up the hill.
14. At the top, there is a large stone seat.

*To the south east you can see Chanctonbury ring on the South Downs. To the south west, you can see Gibbett Hill and Blackdown. To descend, take the steep path down just to the right of the stone seat. Another path joins from the right.*

15. At a junction with a large bridleway, turn left onto the bridleway which will go slightly downhill and take you back to the car park where you started.

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## Busbridge Parish Register

### Baptisms

22<sup>nd</sup> October – Darcey Grace  
Warren-Upham

19<sup>th</sup> November – Matilda Isobel

Sylvie Swainland and Beatrice  
Audrey Elizabeth Swainland

26<sup>th</sup> November – Alexander Martin  
Christopher Bott