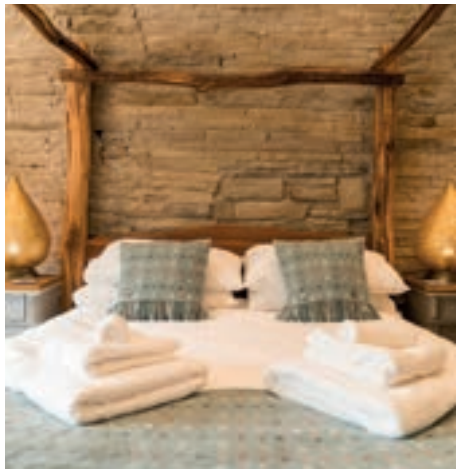
THE PICKLED PHEASANT



Eat, Drink, Walk Holme

A GUIDE TO OUR PUB AND NEARBY WALKS

Hello and welcome to The Pickled Pheasant, a family owned 18th century coaching house set in the heart of beautiful Holmbridge on the doorstep of the Peak District National Park.



In July 2019 we completed major renovation work and opened four lovely individually designed bedrooms, featuring king sized Hypnos beds, Egyptian cotton bedding and stunning en suite bathrooms.

We have also extended the pub itself which provides a lovely environment to relax and enjoy a fantastic selection of real ales, wines and our ever changing seasonal menu prepared by our superb team of chefs.

With 2 log fires blazing in the winter months and a beautiful raised beer garden for the summer it's a great year round destination!

Food & Bar

The food at The Pickled Pheasant is all prepared on site with locally sourced fresh seasonal ingredients. The menu contains an imaginative mix of traditional pub favourites alongside more creative dishes expertly prepared by our chefs.

We have a well stocked bar comprising of real ale, lagers, a large premium gin selection, a superb wine list, tea and barista prepared coffee.





Our Rooms

Grouse, is our dog friendly room accessed independently from the pub and boasts a beautiful log burner. Pheasant has a stunning oak four poster bed and free standing bath.

All our rooms; Pheasant, Quail, Grouse and Partridge, are individually designed with many original features.



Functions

We have the perfect venue for a whole range of celebrations from intimate dining in our beautiful Brasserie to events which also make use of our stunning raised beer garden with spectacular views over Holme Moss.

Food for your event is bespokely arranged, from pie and peas to luxury buffets the choice is very much in your hands.



Its hard not to visit the Holme Valley without taking in some form of a walk. We are blessed by stunning valleys, moorlands and reservoirs.



Thank you to John Moorhouse, one or our regulars who has compiled these 8 walks that take in the stunning countryside and all start and finish at the pub. As well as guiding us through the beautiful scenery, John also supplies us with interesting local facts about this wonderful part of the world. **Enjoy, and of course quench your thirst and hunger with us, we look forward to hearing stories from your walks.**



John Moorhouse

Countryside code

We're blessed with our beautiful location and we hope you think so too. So that future visitors can enjoy it just as much, we ask that you respect the Countryside code:

Respect other people:

- consider the local community and other people enjoying the outdoors
- leave gates and property as you find them and follow paths unless wider access is available

Protect the natural environment:

- leave no trace of your visit and take your litter home
- keep dogs under effective control

Enjoy the outdoors:

- plan ahead and be prepared
- follow advice and local signs

Common sense, be prepared

We hope that you enjoy these walks which are written and regularly enjoyed by local John Moorhouse and many other walkers.

We can't take any responsibility for any person(s) on these walks and so for that reason we suggest all walkers do the following:

- Inform someone of the route you are taking and an estimated time you will be returning
- Wear suitable footwear and wear appropriate clothing. Please be aware that the weather on the moors can change very quickly and may be very different to the weather in Holmfirth & Holmbridge.
- Make sure your mobile phone is fully charged
- Take an Ordnance Survey map with you (OS Explorer OL1), our booklet should only be used as a guide.
- Its always a good idea to take a compass, and know how to use it.

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WALK 1 **UNDERHILL**

1. From The Pickled Pheasant car park turn left towards Cricket Field & walk 200 yards to the junction of Woodhead Rd & Bank Lane. Continue straight on Bank Lane, after 100 yards turn right, continue up to the top of the hill, this now becomes Brownhill Lane. Continue along Brownhill Lane for ½ mile to the banking of Ramsden Reservoir (Signposted).

2. Go down the slope & walk across Ramsden banking. Follow the path to the right & up, the path splits in a couple of places, you need to take the right hand path in both instances. Follow the path down to a small footbridge over Rake Dike, over the bridge & turn right, follow path up through the wood & over a stile at the top of the wood. Go across the field to two small stone stiles, these lead to a narrow path up between a wall & a hedge at the top of this path you will see Underhill on the left.

3. Go through the gate & follow path up to the road. Take care at the top of the path as you emerge onto Woodhead Road.

4. Turn left & walk into Holme village until you reach a cobbled area on your right, walk up the cobbles, passed the bus shelter.

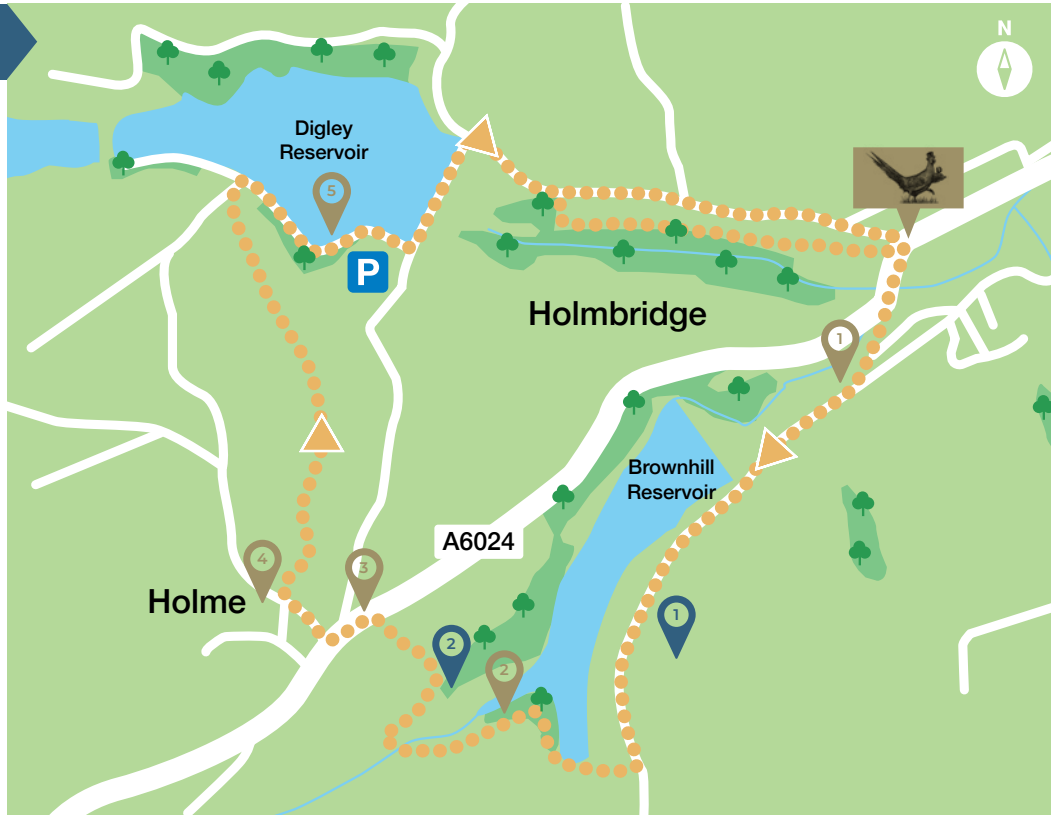
   About 50 yards after the bus shelter is a metal gate on the right signed public footpath. Follow this path down until you reach the gravel path that runs round Digley Res & turn right, you will soon reach a car park. Turn left onto Fieldhead Lane & cross Digley Res banking turn right at end of banking.

5. Follow road down passed a garage to a small metal gate in the wall (on the right), through the gate & go diagonally down the wood to some steps, down steps, you are now on Digley Road (track). Follow this track until it emerges onto Woodhead Road continue another 50 yards & you are back at The Pickled Pheasant for a well earned Gallon or two.



The woods around Holmbridge

WALK STATS: **3.4 MILES 1HR 40MINS TOTAL ASCENT: 676FT**



Points of Interest

1. As you walk along Brownhill Lane see if you can spot the Cormorants & Herons that can be seen fishing in the reservoir or spot any number of Geese, Ducks or other Water foul that frequent the waters of Brownhill Reservoir.

2. Underhill, built in the 1970s was the first modern earth-sheltered house in Britain and the home of its architect Dr Arthur Quarmby a pioneer of earth-sheltered buildings – the snuggest form of energy conservation. The house features Earth embankments, turf roof, lots of insulation & a visual impact that not event the nimbiest of neighbours could fault.

WALK 2 **BLACKPOOL BRIDGE**

1. From The Pickled Pheasant car park, walk towards the Cricket Field and then along Digley Road (top side of Cricket Field). At the end of Digley Road go up the steps on your right and follow the path through the wood to Bank Top Lane. Cross the road and up the steps. Go to the top of the field and over the stile. Proceed between the houses and garages and follow the path across the first field to a kissing gate. Go diagonally across the 2nd field to a small gate in the top right hand corner. Go to the top left hand corner of the 3rd field to a stile over the wall. Go to the top left corner of the 4th field, over a stile and diagonally across the 5th field to the top right corner over the stile and onto Digley Royd Lane. Walk up to the cross roads and turn left.

2. Walk west along Acres Lane for 150 yards until you reach a track on the left. Go through the gate and then go along the track (westerly direction) for approx. 1.5 miles until you reach Goodbent Lodge (see map).

3. 280 yards further along the track from Goodbent Lodge there is a stile on the left by a grey metal post, go over the style and follow the path down to a stream with a wooden bridge across the stream. You have now reached Blackpool Bridge.

4. After crossing Blackpool Bridge follow the clear track of the old road as it climbs out of the valley. Keep a look out for the Curlews. The path heads towards Black Hill before it turns to the left, over a stream and eventually joins Issues Road (Track). At the end of Issues road you will reach Holme Junior and Infant School. 100 yards after the school on the left is a metal gate signed public footpath. Follow this path down until you reach the gravel path that runs around Digley Reservoir and turn right. You will soon reach a car park, turn left onto Fieldhead Lane and cross Digley Reservoir banking. Turn right at the end of the banking and follow the road down the The Pickled Pheasant. Or you can retrace your steps through Shaw Bank wood & along Digley road back to The Pickled Pheasant for a well earned Gallon or two.



Blackpool Bridge

WALK STATS: 7 MILES 3HR 35MINS TOTAL ASCENT: 1164FT



Iron Age Settlement

Points of Interest

1. As you walk, keep a look out for the Lapwings, enjoy the views looking over Digley Reservoir. Looking up to and from left to right you will see: Cartworth Moor, Ramsden Clough, Twizle Head Moss, Holme Moss and Black Hill (the highest point in West Yorkshire). See if you can spot the Iron Age Settlement above Digley Reservoir.

2. Blackpool Bridge was, in its day a far more substantial stone built bridge than it is today. It was built by the unemployed of Holme Village to allow access by coach and horses from the village to Goodbent Lodge, then and still is used as a shooting lodge by the local landowner William Lee Brooke. Today the remains of the original bridge can be seen on the banks of the stream.

WALK 3 **DOING IT IN STILES**

1. From The Pickled Pheasant car park, cross the road and walk up Field End Lane, passed Holmclose. Then passed 3 terrace cottages, on right. Above these cottages is a Public Footpath to the right, take this path and cross the bottom of two fields, across the middle of the next two fields. At the end of the 4th field go to the top left hand corner and go between two cottages onto a tarmac lane. After 25 yards you will see a small wooden fence on the left, go to the right of this fence and up the footpath.

2. Go up the footpath, over a wooden stile, continue up until, on the left, you will see a rusting white gate. Immediately after the gate turn left over a broken wall, go up the path and Holme Moss will appear. Keep left, crossing the field, over a stile. Keep to the right side of the field and over the next stile. Keep to the right side of the field and over the next stile, across the middle of the next field heading for an open gateway. Continue through the gate and head straight forward to a stile in a large wall, over the stile, then the next stile is a very short distance away, over it and keep to the left side of the field.

3. Go over the next stile, keep to the left of the field then over a wooden ladder stile and onto a track. Turn right along the track, this takes you to Roods Lane. Go across Roods Lane and head for the Union Jack flying in a field. Over a stile into the Union Jack field, keep right and over another two stiles, then head for the small wooden gate, through the gate and keep left. Through another small gate then diagonally across the next field to a kissing gate, keep left after the kissing gate to a stile in the bottom left hand corner, go over the stile and go between the garages and houses to the last and 16th stile. Over this last stile and head down the right side of the field to another kissing gate, through the gate and down the steps, cross the road through a small metal gate.

4. Walk diagonally down through the wood to the bottom left corner, go down the steps and turn left onto Digley Road (Track). Follow Digley Road until it emerges onto Woodhead road, walk 50 yards along Woodhead Road to The Pickled Pheasant for a well earned gallon or two.

WALK STATS: **2 MILES 1HR TOTAL ASCENT: 385FT STILES: 16**



Points of Interest

1. Between the stiles enjoy the views of Holmbridge, Holme, Holme Moss Black Hill (the highest point in West Yorkshire) and the Holme Valleys very own Vineyard.



The river at Holmbridge

WALK 4 **LONG UNDERHILL**

1. From The Pickled Pheasant car park turn left towards the Cricket Field and walk 200 yard to the junction of Woodhead Road and Bank Lane. After 100 yards turn right, continue up to the top of the hill where you will see a lane up to your left signposted Public Footpath (Kilnhouse Bank) go up this lane and go straight ahead through 2 kissing gates at the right hand side of the houses.

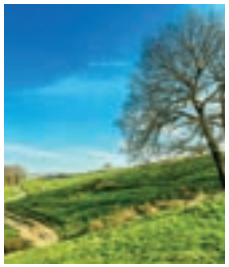
2. Follow the path up through the wood, when you emerge from the wood, turn right and over a small stream. The path continues up through a field and at the top of the field is a small wooden gate in the wall. Go through the gate onto a track and turn right. Follow the track down. The track then narrows into a path, follow the path down and right to a stile, go over the stile and continue downwards through the wood until you reach Ramsden car park. Turn right, walk 80 yards down the road until you reach the path down to Ramsden Reservoir (signposted).

3. Go down the slope and walk across Ramsden banking. Follow the path to the right and up. The path splits in a couple of places, you need to take the right hand path in both instances. Follow the path down to a small footbridge over Rake Dike, over the bridge and turn right. Follow the path up through the wood and a over a stile at the top of the wood. Go across the field to two small stone stiles, these lead to a narrow path up between a wall and a hedge at the top of this path you will see Underhill on the left.

4. Go through the gate and follow the path up to the road. Take care at the top of the path as you emerge onto Woodhead Road. Turn left and walk into Holme village until you reach a cobbled area on your right. Walk up the cobbles, passed the bus shelter and continue up passed Holme Junior and Infant School. 250 yards passed the school you will see a track on your right. Go down this track for 500 yards, at this point you should see a small wood to your right, follow the path down through the wood (can be very wet under foot).

5. You will emerge from the wood onto a gravel path (Digley Reservoir), turn left on this path and follow the path through a gate in the wall and down onto a reservoir banking. The Res to your right is Digley and the one to the left is Bilberry reservoir.

6. After crossing the banking, follow the path around Digley until you reach a car park. Turn right down Digley Royd Lane, keep straight on at the junction. Go down the hill passed a garage on the right and soon you will come to a small gate in the right side wall. Go through the gate and walk diagonally down the through the wood to the bottom left corner. Go down the stops and turn left onto Digley Road (track). Follow Digley Road until it emerges onto Woodhead Road. Walk 50 yards along Woodhead road back to The Pickled Pheasant for a well earned Gallon or two.



Path near Digley Wood

WALK STATS: **4.2 MILES 2HR 20MINS TOTAL ASCENT: 1074FT**



Points of Interest

1. Underhill, built in the 1970s was the first modern earth-sheltered house in Britain and the home of its architect Dr Arthur Quarmby a pioneer of earth-sheltered buildings – the snuggest form of energy conservation. The house features Earth embankments, turf roof, lots of insulation & a visual impact that not event the nimbiest 5 of neighbours could fault.

2. Billbery Reservoir was the cause of the most devastating Holmfirth Flood. In the early hours of 5th February 1852, Bilberry Reservoir burst its banks, with a 300,000 ton wall of water spreading death and destruction for miles down the Holme Valley. A total of 81 people perished in the flood. The damage to the mills and other places of work put 4,896 adults and 2,142 children out of work.

WALK 5 BANK CLOUGH & BROWNHILL RESERVOIR

1. From The Pickled Pheasant car park cross the road and turn Right toward Holmfirth, walk 350 yards until you arrive at St Thomas Square, cross back over Woodhead Road to the top of Old Road. See if you can spot the "Old Post Fireplace". Veer right down Old Road, when you reach the junction with Dobb Lane turn Right. Walk on Dobb Lane for 360 yards (past the school) until you reach the junction with Acre Lane and Woodhouse Lane, on the righthand side of the road you will see a Public Footpath sign, follow this sign over a small stile and down the field, continue over a small wooden bridge over Dobb Dike, go across the next field to a metal gate in the wall go through the gate and across the copse where the path opens out into fields to the left.

2. Continue straight ahead keeping to the righthand side of the fields. When you reach the building with the green roof go slightly left to a stile behind a small tree, over the stile and walk up the small gully with the fence to your right, at the top go over the stile and go left up through Bank Clough, be aware that there is a steep drop on the right as you climb up the clough. At the top of the wood the path goes over a broken wall then right over a small stream then sharply up hill and to the left, follow the path to a gate in the wall at the top of the field.

3. This is the highest point of the walk (1012ft ASL) so why not take a moment to enjoy the views, from left to right Holme Moss, Digley Res, Flush House and Holmbridge, you've earnt it.

4. Now you need to go through the gate and turn right, after 20 yards the path splits, one goes to the left but you need to go straight forward. Follow the path down to a stile at the top a wood, bear right and follow the path down through the wood, at the bottom of the wood go over a small stile and onto a tarmac road, this is Brownhill Lane.

5. Turn right and walk down Brownhill Lane for 0.6 mile, as you walk down the side of Brownhill Res see if spot any of the numerous waterfowl that live and feed on the reservoir, keep left at the junction with Dobb Top Road, turn left at the bottom of the hill and carry straight on to The Pickled Pheasant and enjoy one of our excellent beers and something special from our Kitchen.





Old Post Office fireplace

WALK STATS: **3 MILES 1HR 15MINS STILES: 7 TOTAL ASCENT: 584FT**

WALK 6 HARDEN MOSS & MAGDALEN

1. From The Pickled Pheasant car park, turn left and walk towards the Cricket Field and then along Digley Road (top side of Cricket Field). At the end of Digley Road go up the steps on your right and follow the path through the wood to Bank Top Lane. Cross the road and up the steps. Go to the top left hand side of the field and over the stile. Proceed between the houses and garages and follow the path across the first field to a kissing gate. Go diagonally across the 2nd field to a small gate in the top right hand corner. Go to the top left hand corner of the 3rd field to a stile over the wall. Go to the top left corner of the 4th field, over a stile and diagonally across the 5th field to the top right corner over the stile and onto Digley Royd Lane. Walk up to the cross roads and turn left.

2. Walk west on Acres Lane for 150 yards until you reach a track on the left. Go through the gate and then along track (westerly direction) for approx. 530 yards, you will reach the top of a small rise in the path and you will see that the path opens up on the right-hand side, take this small path to the right and over a wooden stile, continue up the path and go over another wooden stile, at the top of the path there is a small stile through a wall and onto Acres Lane. Turn left onto Acres Lane, after 175 yards follow the road to round to the right and up to the main Holmfirth/Greenfield Road.

3. Go straight across the road (take care crossing as it is a very fast road) after 100 yards the track splits you need to take the right-hand path, after a further 300 yards your view will open to spectacular sights including Pole Moor, Blackmoorfoot Res, Huddersfield and Emley Moor to name but a few. On your left is the main show ring of the famous Harden Moss Sheep Dog Trials.

4. Continue down the track for 0.7 mile until you reach a tarmac road at this point you need to turn left (signposted Bridleway) this is Magdalen Road. After you pass Ash Royd Farm the road becomes a track and then a footpath, continue until you reach the top of the hill, this is the highest point of the walk (1348ft ASL) turn around and admire the views for a moment, you've earnt it.

   Walk down to the main road and turn right keep on the righthand side of the road (so you are facing the oncoming traffic) for 100 yards, carefully cross the road and go through a wooden gate and onto Springs Road (Track).

5. Follow Springs Road for 0.5 mile where you will reach the old Bradshaw Quarries on your right, notice the old shelter at the entapwings will be doing their aerobatic displays. Follow Nether Lane for 0.9 mile where there is a track going down to Digley Res on the right, you should continue straight on. After a further 0.5 mile, the track will open up on the right-hand side where there is a wooden stile in the bottom corner, go over this stile and down to another stile on the left and over a wall. Continue down, when you reach the bottom turn left, you are now at the side of Alison Quarry. Follow the path through the heather to the side of Digley car park then onto the tarmac road and turn right.

WALK STATS: **7.15 MILES 2HR 50MINS STILES: 6 TOTAL ASCENT: 1372FT**



6. Follow the road down past Digley Res banking, after a further 200 yards there is the small metal kissing gate that you came through earlier, continue to retrace your steps back to The Pickled Pheasant where you can enjoy one of our many excellent beers, or something rather special form our kitchen.

Points of Interest

1. As you walk on Spring Road you will notice that the Stone Flags that you are walking along have some grooves cut into them. Is this some form of primitive Tram Way? Or was it to lay rails upon? Or for a Sled? Who knows? See if you can come up with any better ideas.

WALK 7 **MONKEY NICK**

1. From The Pickled Pheasant car park turn left towards the cricket field and walk 200 yards to the junction of Woodhead Road and Bank Lane. Go straight along Bank Lane for 100 yards and turn right, continue up to the top of the hill where you will see a lane up to your left signposted Public Footpath (Kilnhouse Bank) go up this lane and go straight ahead through 2 kissing gates at the right hand side of the houses.

2. Follow the path up through Bank Clough, be aware that there is a steep drop on the right as you climb up the clough. At the top of the wood the path goes over a broken wall then right over a small stream then sharply up hill and to the left, follow the path to a gate in the wall at the top of the field. Go through the gate and turn right, after 20 yards the path splits, you need to take the left-hand path which will take you to a kissing gate. Go through this and go straight up to, and through the next kissing gate at the top of the hill.

3. Once through the gate have a sit on Gillys seat and admire the fabulous views of the Holme Valley.

4. From the gate go straight ahead along Ramsden Road, passing Crossleys Plantation as you go, at the end of Ramsden Road turn right onto Linshaws Road and walk up the right hand side of the road for 400 yards where you will see a small wooden gate, go through the gate and follow the track up to the top of Crossleys Plantation, as you walk up the path take a look to your left and you should see some Peat Trenches, this area is known as Hades Peat Pits where local people have dug the peat for hundreds of years, if you look closely you will see that each pit has the users name inscribed on a wooden board. The pits are managed by The Constable of the Graveship of Holme and is one of the last remaining areas in the UK where small-scale peat cutting for domestic fuel is still carried out.

5. At the top of Crossleys Plantation you need to turn left and follow the path along the side of a broken wall on your right, at the end of the broken wall the path goes straight ahead and is joined by the tracks of an ATV (All-Terrain Vehicle) follow these tracks around the contours of the hill until you reach a wire fence,

WALK STATS: **5.7 MILES 2HR 15MINS STILES: 2 TOTAL ASCENT: 651FT**



WALK 7 **MONKEY NICK (CONTIN)**

5 this area is Elbow End. On your right, you will see two Shooting Butts, turn right and pick up the path that goes between the two shooting butts and starts to descend. You are now entering the area known locally as the "Monkey Nick", straight across the valley is Ramsden Rocks.

6 Continue to follow the path down and to the right, (this is where it starts to get very steep) you will come to a wire fence, traverse to the right until you reach the end of the fence and drop steeply down into Ramsden Quarry, as soon as you reach level ground turn right towards the quarry face, keep heading towards the quarry face after a further 30 yards the path soon becomes more obvious. Follow the path out of the quarry the path soon becomes a track, which at certain times of the year is extremely wet.

7 At the end of the track you will emerge onto Ramsden Road, turn left and walk down for 250 yards where the road turn left you need to go right down a footpath at the side of a wood, continue down through the wood until you emerge onto Brownhill Lane, turn right and walk down Brownhill Lane for 0.6 mile, as you walk down the side of Brownhill Res see if spot any of the numerous waterfowl that live and feed on the reservoir, keep left at the junction with Dobb Top Road, turn left at the bottom of the hill and carry straight on to The Pickled Pheasant where you can enjoy one of our own beers or something rather special from the Kitchen.

Walkers Tip

This walk requires a good pair of boots with good soles due to the STEEP DESCENTS in the Monkey Nick, in wet conditions it is very slippery.

Local Knowledge

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Why The Monkey Nick?

I have heard a couple of stories as to why Ramsden Clough (to give it its proper title) is known as the Monkey Nick and today I am going to tell you the one I believe to be true.

The year was 1852, it was sometime in May of that year, that, a Ramsden resident by the name of Mr Charles Crossley was out on the moors walking his dog when his dog disturbed a strange animal hiding in the heather. Mr Crossley and his dog managed to capture the animal which turned out to be a large ape of the monkey variety, it was rumoured that the animal had resided in and around Ramsden Rock for some considerable time.

How did it get there I hear you ask? Well, apparently, some months earlier a circus had visited Holmfirth and it had been advertising that one of its attractions was monkeys riding ponies. That is why the area of Ramsden Clough is known to the educated residents of the Holme Valley as the Monkey Nick.



WALK 8 **A TASTE OF THE PENNINE WAY**

1. From The Pickled Pheasant car park turn left towards the cricket field and walk 200 yards to the junction of Woodhead Road and Bank Lane. Go straight along Bank Lane for 100 yards and turn right, continue up to the top of the hill, this now becomes Brownhill Lane. Continue along Brownhill lane for ½ mile to the banking of Ramsden Reservoir (signposted).

2. Go down the slope and walk across Ramsden banking. Follow the path to the right and after 50 yards you will see a wooden way marker on the left, at the way marker turn left, follow the path along the side of Ramsden Res, after 600 yards you will go through a broken wall and you will see a small wooden waymarker where the path splits, take the right-hand path, as you walk up the path take a look 30 degrees to your left, you will see the banking of Yateholme Res, now look 90 degrees to your left you will see a wooded area, these were the site of the ancient, Doomsday-listed (1086) village of Yateholme (all will become apparent when you reach the Doomsday-listed (1086) village of Holme). Walk for 200 yards until you come to another footpath, turn right and follow the path upward to a wooden stile, go over the stile and walk down the field to your right, keeping the broken wall to your left, at the bottom of the field you will reach a wooden stile, go over the stile and go down the steps until you reach Gill Hey Bridge, go over the bridge and follow the footpath until you reach Woodhead Road in the village of Holme.

3. Turn right and walk 60 yards and turn left into a cobbled triangle, this is Meal Hill Road. At the top of the triangle you will see a children's playground that has two entrances, the first entrance was taken from an old local farmhouse and is dated 1686, the second entrance was the taken from Yateholme Farmhouse, which was sacrificed in 1936 to make way for Yateholme reservoir. Continue up this road (passed the school) for 600 yard where the track splits, take the (main) left hand track, go a further 400 yards and the track splits again, this time go straight forward over a small stile to the right of the metal gate, you are now on Issues Road. Continue on this track until you reach a metal gate, go through the metal kissing gate and continue straight ahead. After 500 yards the path splits, you need to go straight ahead and follow the ATV (All-Terrain Vehicle) tracks for a further 300 yards where you will come to a stream at the bottom of Issues Clough.

4. Go across the stream and take a deep breath, as you pick up the footpath that goes straight up the hill in front of you. As you climb up the hill you will reach some stone flags, follow these as they (extremely Wet) traverse across to the right, then up and back onto a footpath, after a short distance you will reach some more stone flags running left to right, this is The Pennine Way.

5. Turn right and follow the Pennine Way, as you walk, enjoy the splendid views to your right, you can see over Huddersfield, Bradford and Leeds and on a clear day you should be able to see Eggborough, Drax and Ferrybridge power stations.

6. As you walk along the path you will arrive at a steep descent down to a stream, this is Dean Clough and it can be quite tricky to cross the stream, and after prolonged heavy rain it is impassable, so just be aware. After you have negotiated Dean Clough continue on the Pennine Way until you reach the main Holmfirth/Greenfield Road, this is where we leave the Pennine Way.

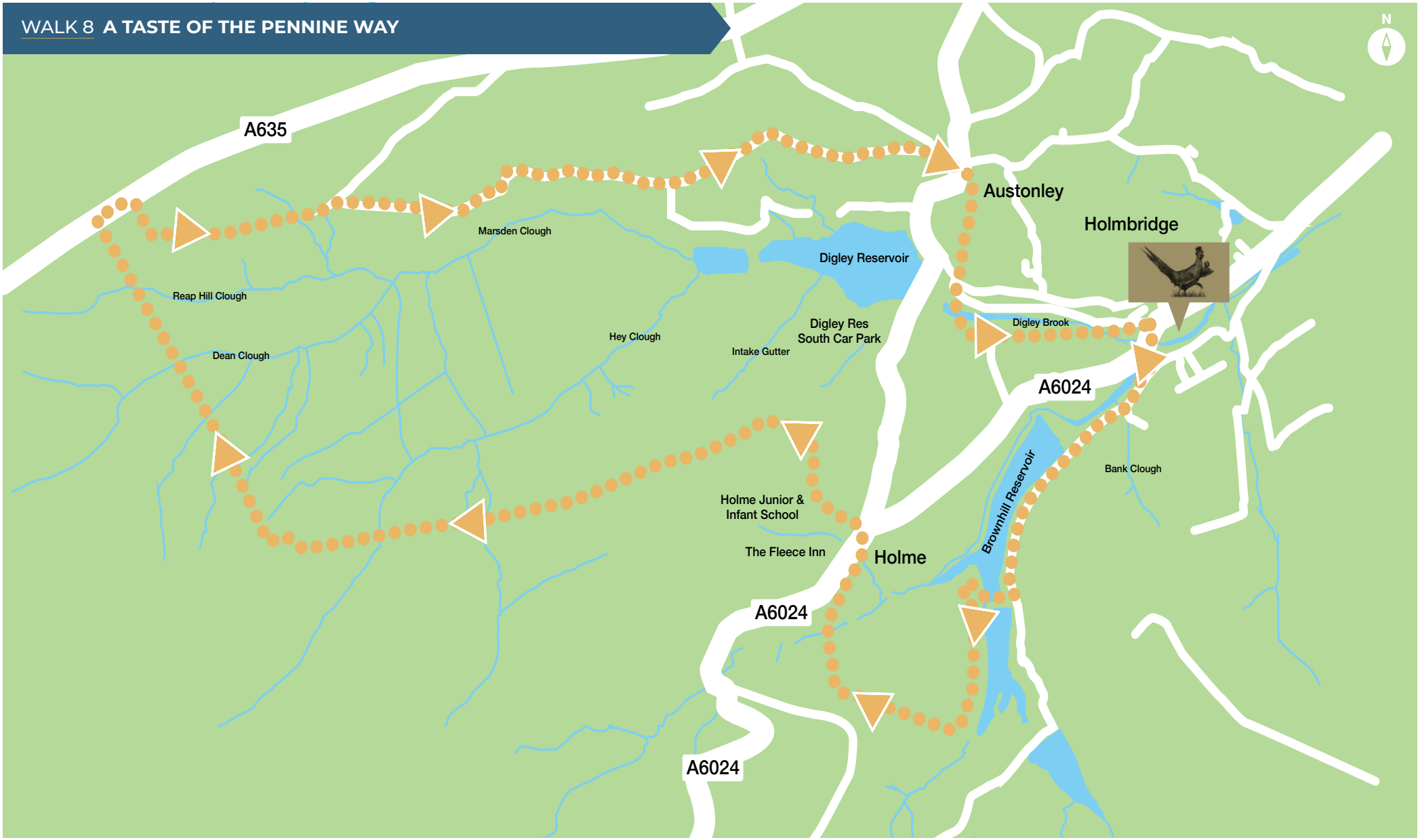
7. At the road, turn right and walk on the right-hand side of the road for 220 yards to a large stile on your right, go over the stile and down the field, follow the path down and then to the left continue on the path down, then through a small wood, carry on along the path until you reach a large stile over a wall. You are now on Nether Lane, continue on this track for 1.6 miles until you reach a wooden gate, go through the gate onto a tarmac road, go straight ahead to the cross roads and turn right, go down 50 yards and you will see on the left a stile over a wall, go over the stile and walk diagonally across the field to a stile in a large wall, (you are now in the area known as Austonley, also mentioned in the Doomsday book of 1086), go over the stile and turn right and walk a short distance to the next stile over a wall, over the stile and walk down the field (keeping the wall to your right) to a small metal gate in the corner. Walk diagonally across the field to a small kissing gate, go through the kissing gate and walk down to the trees where there is a stile over the wall, after the stile walk between the garages and the houses (see if you can spot the Giraffe) to a wooden stile on the left, go over the stile and keep to the right as you descend the field to a small kissing gate. Through the kissing gate, down the steps and across the road and through a small metal gate.

8. Walk diagonally down through the wood to the bottom left corner, go down the steps and turn left onto Digley Road (Track). Follow Digley Road until it emerges onto Woodhead Road, walk 50 yards along Woodhead Road to The Pickled Pheasant where you can enjoy one of our excellent beers and something rather special from our Kitchen.

WALK STATS: **9.2 MILES 3HR 50MINS STILES: 7 STEPS DOWN: 90 TOTAL ASCENT: 16FT**

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