

THE LIZ JONES SERIES OF COMMEMORATIVE WALKS



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WALK No. 6 - Battleford Hall, All Saints, Smallridge and Churchill

A varied country and village walk with only one gradual hill, interesting properties and some good views. Bluebells in season.

LENGTH OF WALK - 4.4 miles (allow 2 to 2 ½ hours.) **DIFFICULTY RATING** -

DIRECTIONS FROM LYME REGIS - From Lyme Regis go through Uplyme to Hunters Lodge and turn left on to A35. Take first right into Axminster and towards the bottom of the hill turn right again onto A358 (marked Chard & Taunton). Follow this road to the traffic lights at Weycroft Mill. Go through the lights and follow the road over a railway bridge and immediately park in the lay-by on left.

OS maps	Explorer 116, Landranger 193
OS Grid reference	OS Grid Reference ST 309 004
Post Code	EX13 5RS
GPS Point	GPS 50.7992 - 2.9816



LOCAL AMENITIES - Pub in Smallridge. Pubs, shops, restaurants and loos in Axminster.

For details of all the walks go to <http://www.lymeregis.org/explore/walks/> and www.lymeregisu3a.org

Walk	Name	Difficulty	Length (Miles)	Description
1	Lyme Regis		5	Delightful walk including River Lym, Uplyme and great views from Ware Cliffs.
2	Charmouth		4.6	Country and village walk, featuring riverside, wildflower meadows and views.
3	Catherston Leweston		4.5	Country walk with sea and country views and walk along the River Char.
4	Rousdon		4.6	Country & village walk including the Peek Estate and the village of Combyne.
5	Axmouh		5	Walk along the Axe Estuary, through Axmouth and with amazing sea views.
6	Battleford Hall		4.4	A varied country and village walk with good views and bluebells in season.
7	Lamberts Castle		6	Longish walk around Iron Age fort. Stunning views of countryside.
8	Eype & Eype Down		3.4	Varied scenic walk including coast and country views. Bluebells in season.
9	Membury		3.1	Country views and charming village of Membury and hamlet of Rock.
10	Bettiscombe		4	Country walk with outstanding views of Marshwood Vale to the sea.
11	Offwell		4.3	Country views, woodland and interesting buildings. Bluebells in season.
12	Barnes Surges		4.8	Countryside and woodland walk with good views and wild flowers.

The walk is easy; on the level and with few or no stiles.

A little more difficult with more stiles and hills.

More demanding -there may be some steep hills and more stiles, but the walk should be easily achieved by anyone in reasonable health who is used to walking 4 or 5 miles.

Unexpected snags? If you come across any unexpected obstructions during your walk, please let us know- we would like to keep the instructions up to date. Please send your comments to: walks@lymeregisu3a.org

Liz Jones loved walking and sourced over seventy circular walks in the area. For several years she and her husband David led the U3A Walking Group and after she died in April 2013 members of this group decided to make some of her walks available to a wider audience as a tribute.

The Group would like to thank David Jones for his leadership and all his support for this project - rewalking each route and checking our efforts. Our thanks also go to Susie Gambie for creating the model for the walk maps, Sue Wilson for her layouts and technical expertise and Maurice Liddiard for coordinating the project



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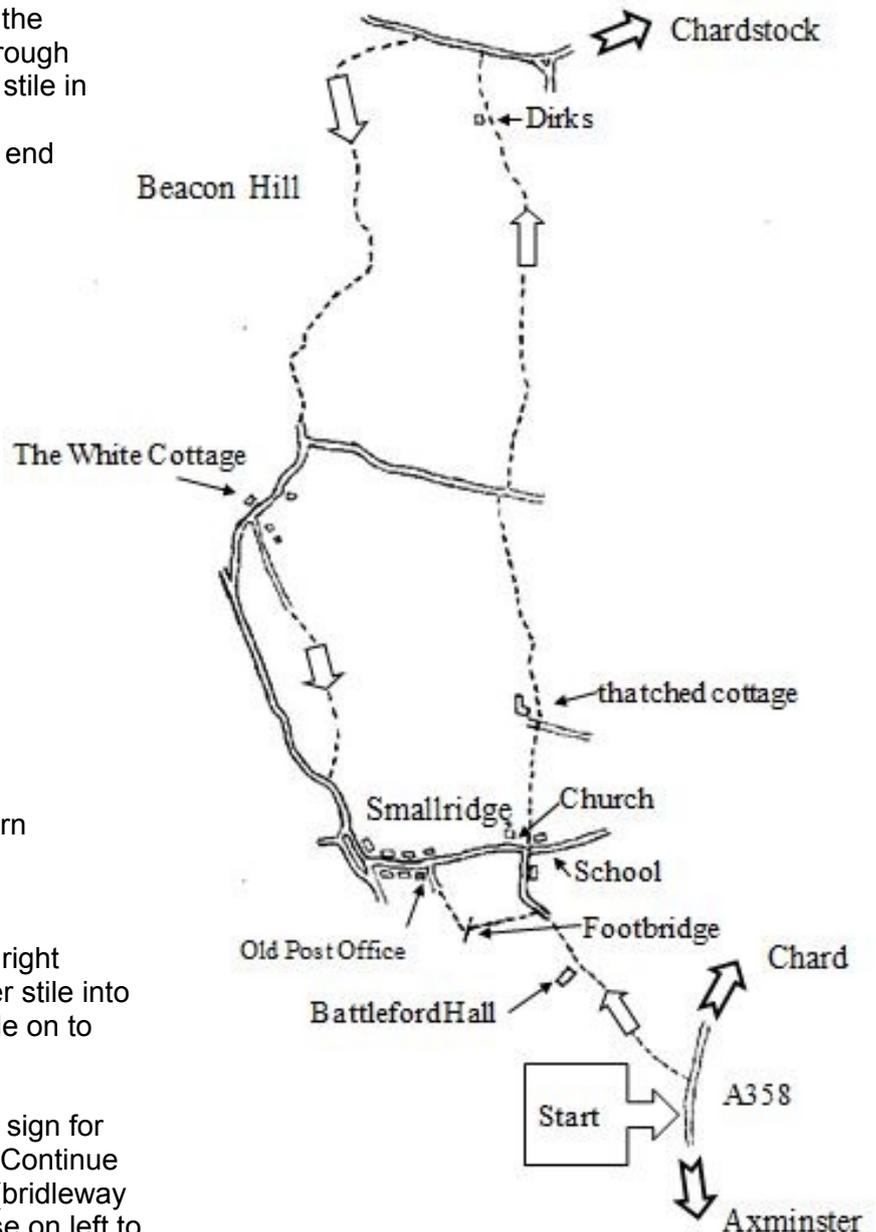
From the lay-by walk uphill for 20 yards and turn left into the drive for Battleford Hall. Just before the Hall, turn right over a stile and left along the left-hand hedge through a gate. Follow the track across a road (church on left) along track through gate and cross field to gate in hedge ahead (footpath marker). Through this gate, across field and through gate. Go straight on with the thatched stone cottage on your left through gate across field and follow path over stile in right-hand hedge. Turn left (footpath marker) and follow left-hand hedge to end of field and turn right on to track and follow it along the right-hand hedge to road.

Turn right into road and immediately left over a stile and follow right-hand hedge across two fields through gate in right-hand corner. Turn left to gate (footpath marker) then right through gate along right-hand hedge to gate ahead. Through gate and continue to follow right-hand hedge through two more gates. Go straight on with hedge on your left for 50 yards through metal gate in hedge on left into field. Cross this field diagonally through another gate in hedge to right of low tiled building. Follow the grassy track past thatched cottage on left (Dirks) and turn left then right on to drive leading to another thatched cottage on left.

Just past this cottage go over stile on right (footpath marker), turn left and go over stile into path between two fences and over stile on to road.

Turn left uphill on road and turn left at sign for Beacon Hill Cottage (bridleway sign). Continue uphill along track through metal gate (bridleway sign). Continue along track past house on left to gate and straight on following left-hand hedge (ignore two gates on left). Follow track downhill through gate (bridleway marker) and through gate on to road. Turn left and follow road downhill and join road straight ahead. Follow this road and just after The White Cottage on your right, turn left into "No Through Road" and through gate into field at end. Go straight across field and through three more gates (or stiles) then diagonally right across field to gate and stile on to road.

Turn left on road into Smallridge and left again at sign for Village Hall. Follow this road down to The Old Post Office on right and turn right into "No Through Road". Follow track to left past Primrose Cottage and down grassy track past thatched cottage to gate and footbridge into field.



Cross field diagonally left over stile in far left-hand corner (no clear path) and turn right into track near Battleford Hall. Retrace your steps through gate and follow right-hand hedge to stile on right and over into drive, turn left and make your way back to the lay-by and the car.