

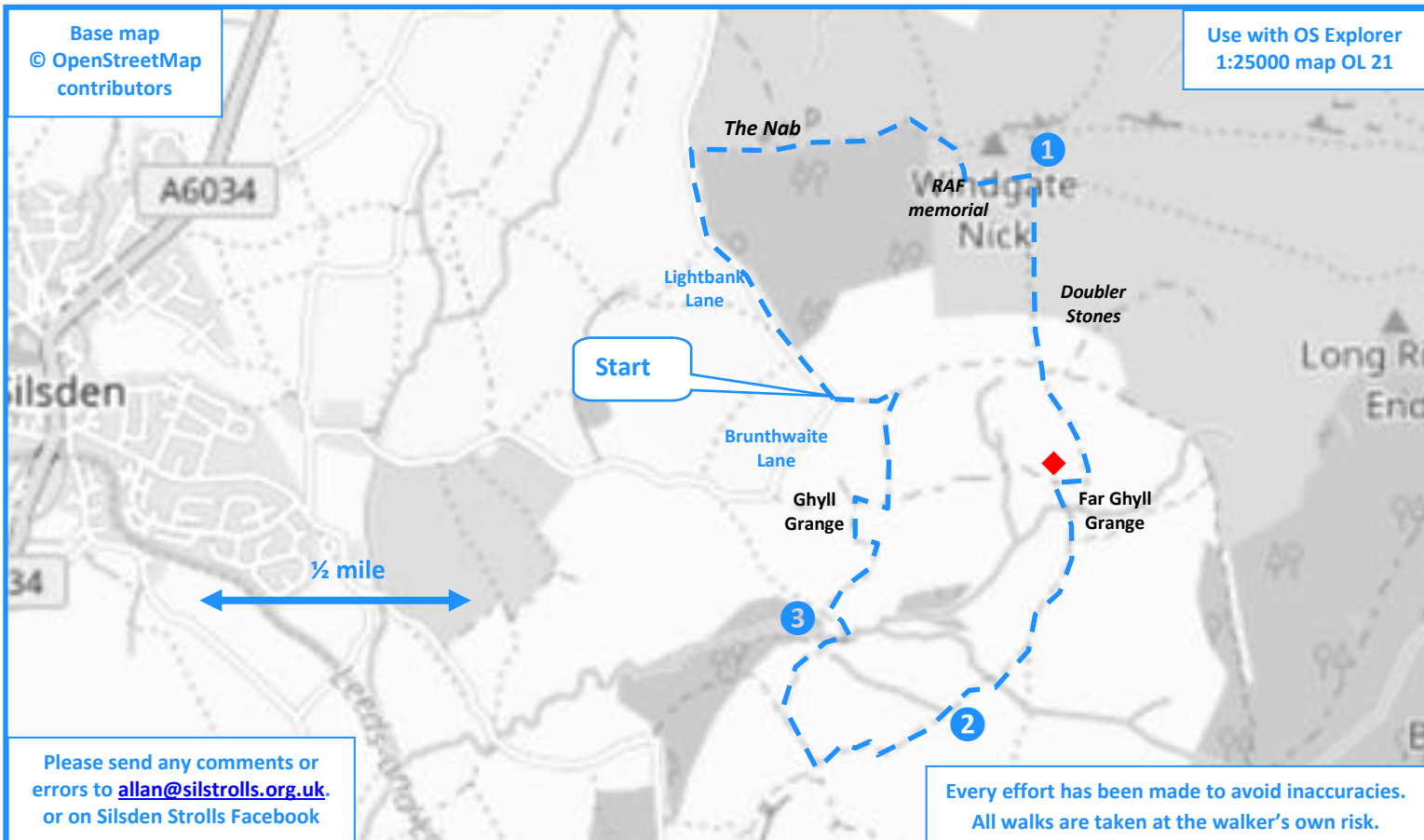
Silsden Stroll 6

Sponsors: **West Riding Ramblers**

3.9 miles. Moorland, open rough pasture and superb views of both Airedale and Wharfedale make a winning combination. The early climb of the Nab, and the later ones to Out Laith and Ghyll Grange Farm from their bridges will keep your heart rate up. Extremely muddy in places almost all year, so appropriate footwear is essential, as are water and sun cream in summer. Leave all gates as you find them.

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Park on small grass area on right by gates at top of Brunthwaite Lane. Walk back along Lightbank Lane to stile on right just after parking lay-bys. Climb Nab slope and follow wall. 100 yds after large boulder wall-side, take stile and climb slope, with bench up on left giving superb views of Wharfedale. (Also RAF memorial plaque). Don't exit here: keep following path to arrive soon at second stile ①, with obvious moorland path leading away downhill; through gate, continue ahead (Doubler Stones high on left), to exit on left of bungalow.

Take opposite track down into farm, going left between buildings and passing through heavy double gates to descend slightly left to small gate. Follow wall to reach similar gate. Turn right, follow wall to track. (♦ For 2½ mile Stroll, turn right to Ghyll Grange, where you climb right, on earth track, back to car). Left, and follow track past Far Ghyll Grange farm. Slightly awkward gate here, then keep ahead.

Pass between two stone gateposts; descend to stile/gate in l/h wall. Pass through; walk downhill right, at about 1 o'clock, aiming at distant skylined ruined barn, and dropping to Dirk Hill Syke beck; stile / gate, and cross bridge. Climb straight ahead on rather boggy path (aim for solitary tree) to stile on right of old barn (Out Laith ②). Another stile, then keep ahead to marker post. Now bear right over pasture at 1 o'clock to gate, to pick up winding and extremely muddy track leading eventually to gate to Rough Holden Farm.

Once through gate, turn immediately down right, pass through another gate and descend field ahead for 50 yards, then move right at 1 o/c to far corner (path barely visible!). Over small beck, follow path to gate, ford and water pipe. Cross Lumb Bridge ③, then pass under pipe and climb uphill, "basketed" trees on left gradually getting closer. Finally arrive at gate in corner. Walk into Ghyll Grange farmyard; bear left along track around buildings; right at crossroads, through cattle grid gate; then right, across front and side of farmhouse, continuing along track to gates on left; keep ahead on earth track where concrete one forks right. Uphill on this earth track to rickety wooden gate, and follow l/h wall to start.

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