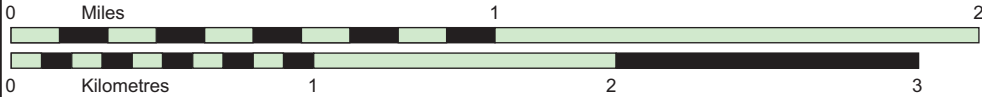


I136 Cowpe Lowe & Hail Storm Hill from Cowpe

To reach the start: From the A681 go S on Cowpe Road (signed Health Centre & Free Parking) then SW up a rough track (picnic sign & cow sign) and then NW at the car park sign.



The walk shown is for guidance only and should not be attempted without suitable maps.

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Details	
Distance:	13.5km (8½ miles)
Total Ascent:	534m (1753ft)
Time:	4¾ hrs Grade: 5
Maps:	OS Landranger® 103 & 109 or OS Explorer Map™ OL21
Start/Finish:	Greenbridge Car Park, Cowpe, Lancashire
Grid Ref:	SD833214
Sat Nav:	N53.6890 W2.2531

Quiet paths with fine views

- From the car park go SE for 20m & then SW (right) up a farm track. Go between Lenchfold Farm & The Barn to climb up a rough track. Go through a metal gate & continue up the track to a T-junction. Go S (left) on The Rossendale Way (RW) skirting a deep ravine (left) to reach a gate/stile. (1¼ km)
- Ignore the path going SE (left) & go S (half-right) on a clear path that soon bears SW (half-right) & gently descends to rejoin the Rossendale Way (paved). Go W on the RW to a junction by a sunken water-course. (¾ km)
- Leave the RW (which continues WNW) & WSW (half-left) gently down a clear path. Join a track by a ruin & continue WSW to reach a T-junction. (1¾ km)
- Go S (left) on a track & follow it SW reach a tarmac lane. Go SE (left) on the lane & continue SE (straight-on) when the lane swings NE (left - North West Water sign) to descend S through a wood (there is a higher, drier path that parallels this track on your left) to reach & cross a footbridge over Dearden Brook. (1 km)
- Almost immediately go ESE (left) over an high awkward stile & follow a small stream (left) up past a single Ash Tree. At the top continue E across a field past the N end of a wall to reach a stile/gate at a wall corner. (½ km)

- Go NE (half-left) on a overgrown & boggy disused tramway that contours the hillside & bear E & ESE towards Waugh's Well Reservoir. (2 km)
- About 100m before reaching the lower perimeter wall of the dam ('no swimming' sign) bear NE (half-left) to descend & cross Scout Moor Brook (no bridge). Follow the dam wall NE up the other side. When level with the water continue NE up the grass to reach a track junction (no motorbikes sign). Continue NE on the left hand track join the RW at a junction below Foe Edge. Go N (half-left) & follow the RW between two old gate posts to reach a clear T-junction with a 2nd track. (1 km)
- Go E (right) on the track climbing briefly before gently descending SE & then E to reach a junction above Cragg High Level Tank. (2½ km)
- Go NE (left) through the gate & descend to a 2nd gate/junction. Go NW (left) to a 3rd junction/gate. (1¼ km)

- Go W (left) down to a gate/narrow kissing gate. Go through & leave the track to follow a wall NW to a stile. (Ignore the first ladder stile that climbs the wall). Continue NW by a newish fence to reach a farm. Go through the farmyard & bear N (right) to a junction. (¾ km)
- Go SW (left) back past the house to a gate. Don't go through but go W (right) over a stile & along the edge of two fields (aiming for a house with a black gable end). At a double stile go SW (left) to descend a narrow path between two fences to reach Cowpe Lane via a footbridge. (¼ km)
- Go NW (right) past the pub & follow the road as far as 'Green Bridge South'. Go SW (left) up the next left to return to the car park and the start. (½ km)

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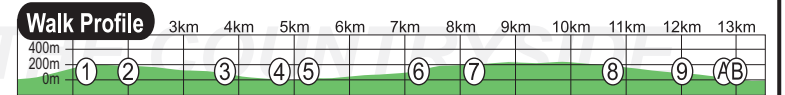
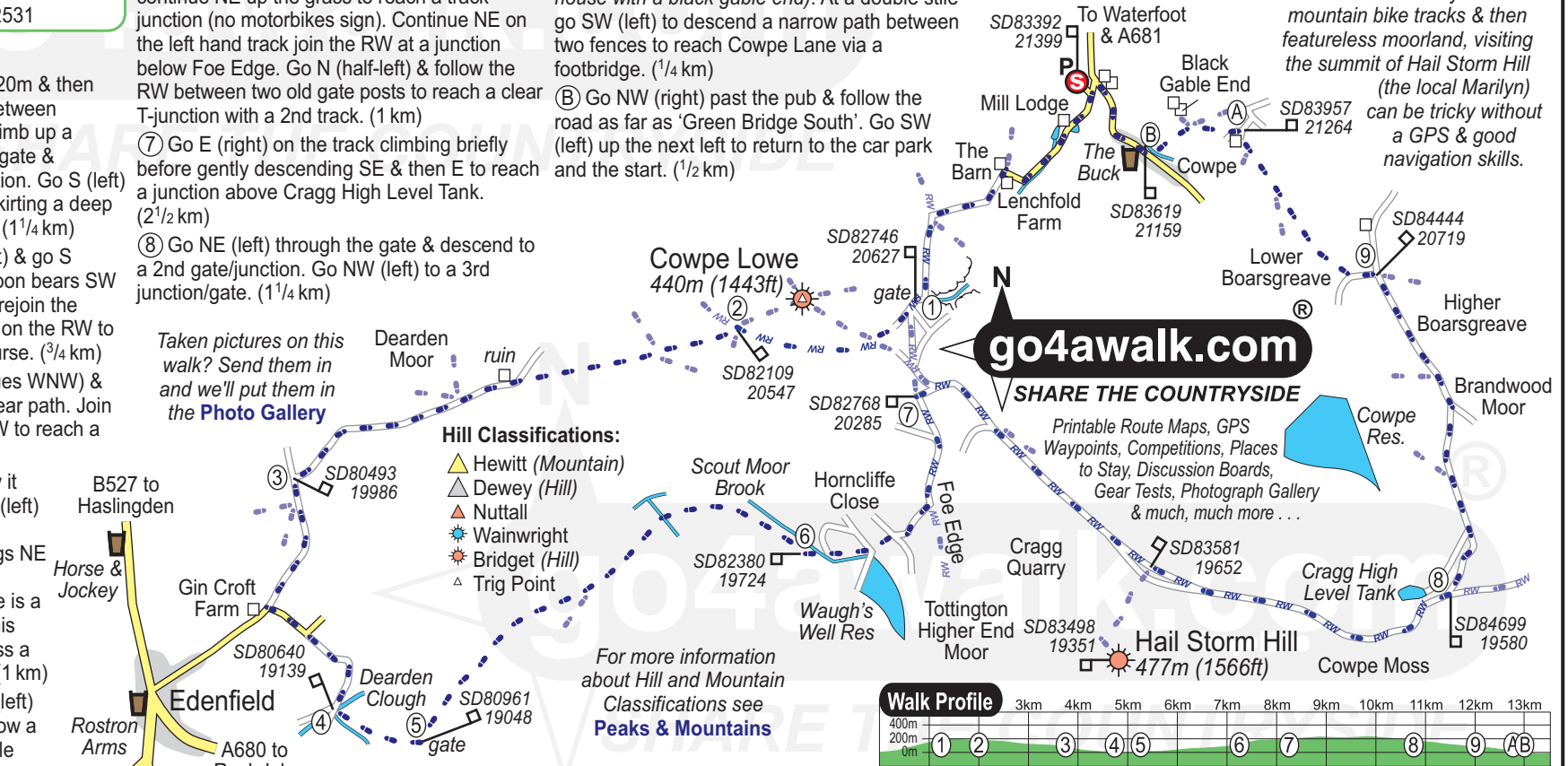
NB. Due to the myriad of mountain bike tracks & then featureless moorland, visiting the summit of Hail Storm Hill (the local Marilyn) can be tricky without a GPS & good navigation skills.

Taken pictures on this walk? Send them in and we'll put them in the Photo Gallery

Hill Classifications:

- ▲ Hewitt (Mountain)
- ▲ Dewey (Hill)
- ▲ Nuttall
- ☀ Wainwright
- ☀ Bridget (Hill)
- △ Trig Point

For more information about Hill and Mountain Classifications see Peaks & Mountains



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