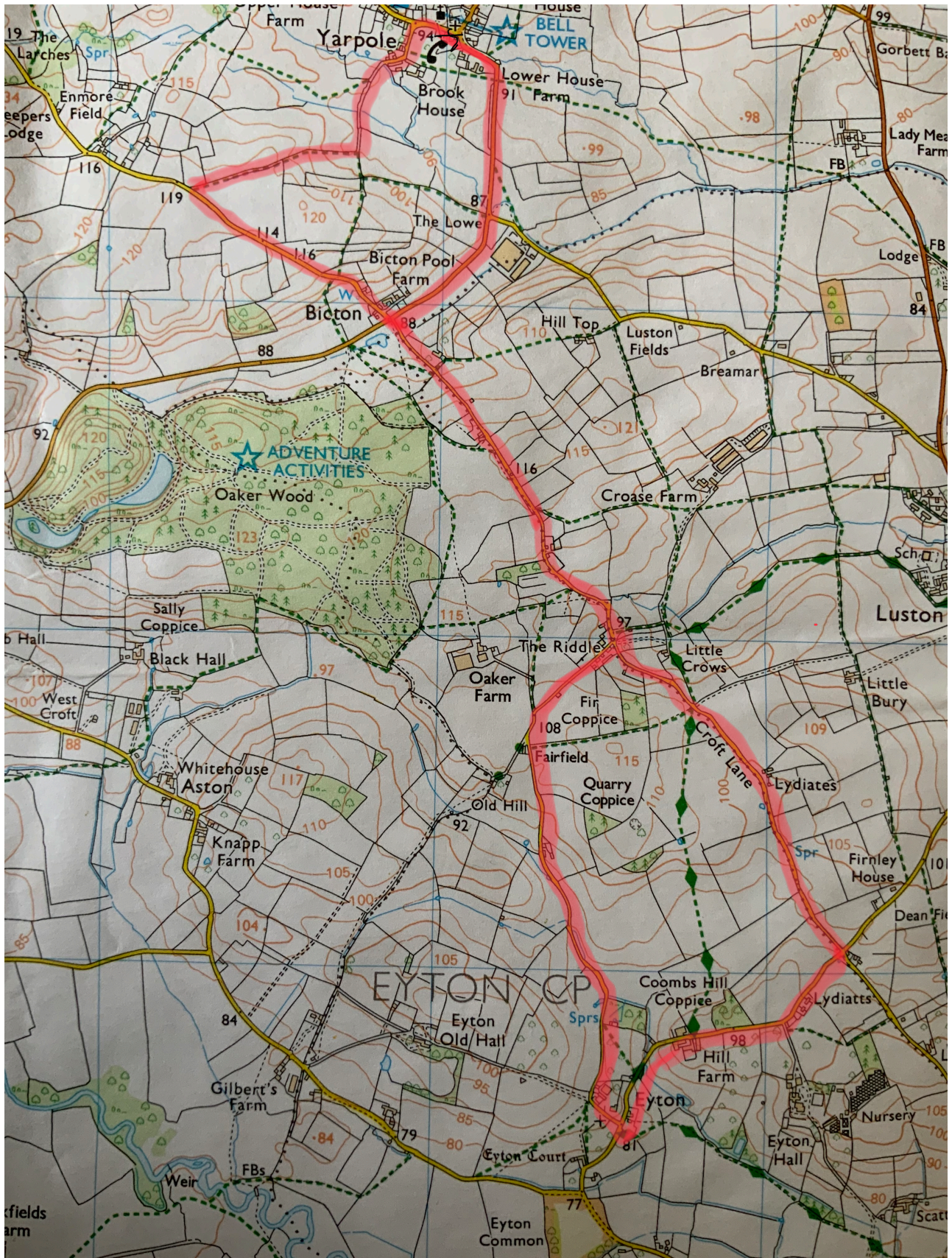


Yarpole Walking Group.

Due to the coronavirus outbreak, group walks will be suspended for the time being. We will, however, regularly publish routes walkers may wish to follow. To maintain contact with one another we would like walkers to take a 'selfie' during the walk and send it to us at seiftonbatch@gmail.com We will share this photo amongst members.

Our last walk took us through muddy fields so the following walk explores lanes in the vicinity of Yarpole. There are two starting points according to how energetic you feel.



Starting point 1 Yarpole Church. Distance: approx. 6 miles. Difficulty: Easy. Some slopes.

From the church turn right onto Green Lane. Take the first left towards Brook House Farm. Follow the track to the right past Granary Barn and the large cattle shed to the new concrete path. (Sorry there will be some mud to negotiate before you reach the concrete.)

At the end of the concrete path / farm track turn left onto Bicton Lane. Walk for 1.25 miles along Bicton Lane, crossing Green Lane and into Croft Lane until you reach The Riddle.

Starting point 2. Distance: approx. 2.75 miles. Difficulty: Easy

At The Riddle turn right and follow the road past Fairfield to Eyton Church. Take a few moments to look around this Norman Church.

Eyton is mentioned in the *Domesday Book* as "Ettone" and was part of the manor of [Leominster](#). In 1552 the Elizabethan writer and geographer [Richard Hakluyt](#), known for his compilations of documents on contemporary voyages of exploration and for promoting the settlement of [North America](#) by the English, was born here.

Just past Eyton Church turn left. Walk past Coombs Hill Coppice until you reach the cross road with Croft Lane. Turn left into Croft Lane and walk 1 mile back to The Riddle.

If you are walking from Yarpole retrace your steps to Bicton. When you reach Bicton turn right along Green Lane and back to Yarpole.

These lanes are not too busy. However, there can be quite a lot of traffic on Green Lane between Bicton and Yarpole. Please take care.