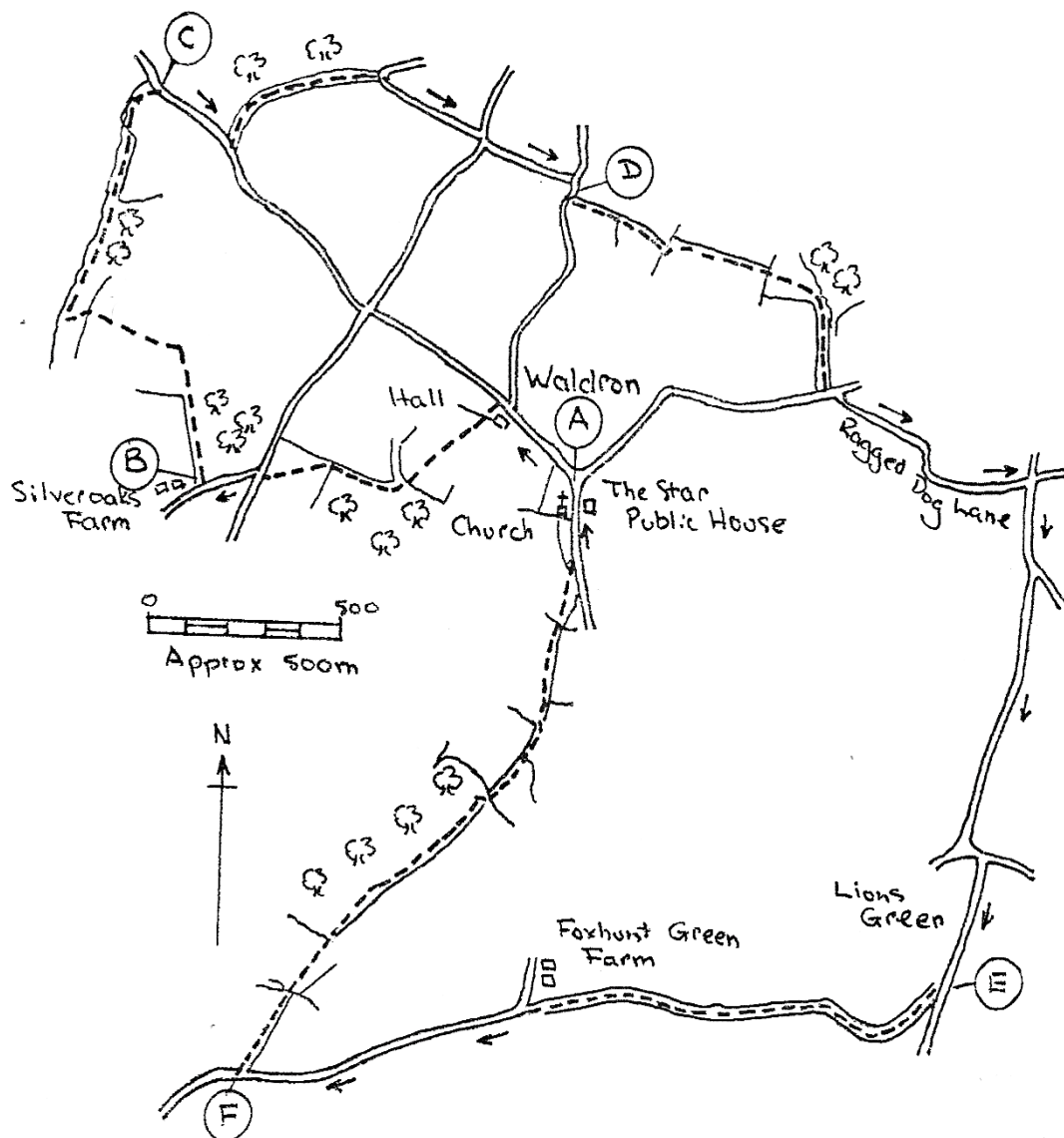


Walk No. 4

WALDRON (9.5Km)



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A circular walk round Waldron. Although 4kms of this walk are on roads, most are quiet country lanes without much traffic. However, some are narrow, so take care.

You can park on the roadside at the centre of Waldron by the church in the wider places.

A. From the war memorial take the road leading north-west towards Rosers Cross and Cross-in-Hand, following it for 300m passing a phone box and the old PO. Turn left into the recreation ground just past the Lucas Memorial Hall cross the small car park and straight across the grass to the trees. Below the second sports pitch there is a track leading into the wood going over a footbridge. Follow this path as it bends right and becomes a clear pathway between fences, still in the trees. Come out of the wood over a stile and then go half left towards a yellow topped marker pole on the far side of the field. There is a stile beside the marker pole which takes you down onto the road. Cross it and take the lane opposite, signed Hawkhurst Common, which goes gently downhill. Follow this for 150m.

B. Turn right off the lane through a gate with a footpath way-marker and follow the track into the trees, passing a farm on the left avoiding track on the right. Go along the track, which is muddy in places, till it comes out from the trees through a gate with a footpath waymark into a field. Keep to the lower left-hand side of this field to reach a gate in the far corner. Take the track going half left downhill in the trees. At the bottom do not cross the stream but turn sharp right at the waymark post to follow the path beside the stream. This well-defined path goes gently upstream through the trees with the stream on its left. Ignore several paths going left over the stream and eventually as you near the road and come out of the trees, go through a wicket gate on your right leading into a field. Follow the way-marker diagonally across this field to a stile which comes out on the road.

C. Turn right uphill and follow the road for 200m then turn sharp left at a public bridleway stone and follow a track leading into the wood. Follow this track, which can be muddy, as it swings slowly to the right becoming slightly narrower and bringing you out beside a house and garden. The short drive brings you out onto the road, Brittenden Lane. Take the right-hand fork following it to cross another road with a post box, Harpers Lane. Continue in the same direction until you reach the T junction. Turn right for 40m to find a stile and a marker stone on the left, just past a house and garden.