Walks around the Wey & Arun Canal

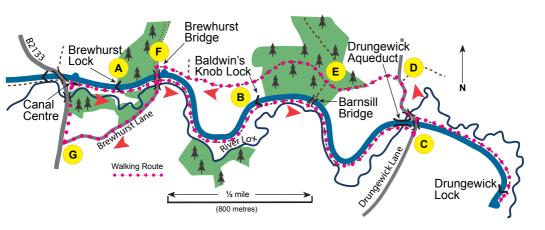
Loxwood Walk 3: Baldwin's Knob and Drungewick Aqueduct (3½ miles)

This 3½ mile walk encompasses the section of the Loxwood Link from the Canal Centre east along the towpath past Brewhurst Lock, Baldwin's Knob Lock and Drungewick Aqueduct and returning in a figure of eight via pretty fields and woodland. There is an optional 1-mile walk extension to include Drungewick Lock.

From the Canal Centre walk along the towpath heading east towards Brewhurst Lock (A). The lock was first restored by the Trust during 1994-1997. Its curious back to front appearance resulted from the lowering of the canal in 2006 to enable the building of the new bridge to take the canal under Loxwood High Street.

Continue alongside the canal for ¾ mile passing Brewhurst Bridge to reach Baldwin's Knob Lock (B) which was restored by the Trust between 1991 and 1993.

Continue for a further ¾ mile, passing Barnsill Bridge to reach Drungewick Aqueduct and bridge (C). The Aqueduct was constructed by the Trust from 2002 to 2003. The bridge was rebuilt by the Trust between 2000 and 2001.



There is an optional extension of this walk to Drungewick Lock. Cross the road at the bridge, go through the gate and continue along the permissive path for ½ mile to reach the lock and winding hole. The lock was restored by the Trust between 1989 and 1991 and refurbished during 2003/2004. Return to Drungewick Lane Bridge (C) and turn right to continue with the walk.

At the bridge (C) turn left down the lane and continue up the hill, turning left into Drungewick Hill Farm at the top of the hill (D). Keep to the right of the farm buildings and follow the farm track for about 200 yards until you see a pond on your right (E).

Turn right here on to the footpath and then keep left at a junction with a track, to head in to the woodland. Stay on this path as it meanders through the wood, the canal now below you to the left until you reach a field. Walk straight across the field, making for the hedge ahead of you and, keeping the hedge on your right, continue downhill, through two gates to reach a lane at a third gate, the canal now visible now on your left.

Turn left here to cross the canal at Brewhurst Bridge (F) and stay ahead along this lane, passing houses and Brewhurst Mill to reach the road after just under ½ mile (G). The mill dates from at least 1500. A large waterwheel can be seen on the side of the building.

Turn right here to walk down the pavement, passing St. John the Baptist Church on your left to reach the Onslow Arms public house and the Canal Centre.



Drungewick Aqueduct



Brewhurst Mill



Barnsill Bridge - the first restored bridge on the Loxwood section

If you have enjoyed this canal walk, why not try another? Please pick up a leaflet from our Loxwood Canal Centre or our Shalford Information Point or download from our website.

Loxwood Walk 1 (1 mile) explores the area around Brewhurst Mill.

Loxwood Walk 2 (2¾ miles) explores the section northwards to Gennets Bridge Lock.

Loxwood Walk 4 (4½ miles) visits the start of the Sidney Wood lock flight.

Loxwood Walk 5 (5 miles) includes the countryside north of Loxwood as well as sections of the canal.

Shalford Walk 1 (3¾ miles) is a circular walk around Shalford.

Shalford Walk 2 (1 mile) is a short exploration of the area around The Gun's Mouth.

Shalford Walk 3 (2 miles) explores part of the original route of the Wey & Arun Canal in Shalford.

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