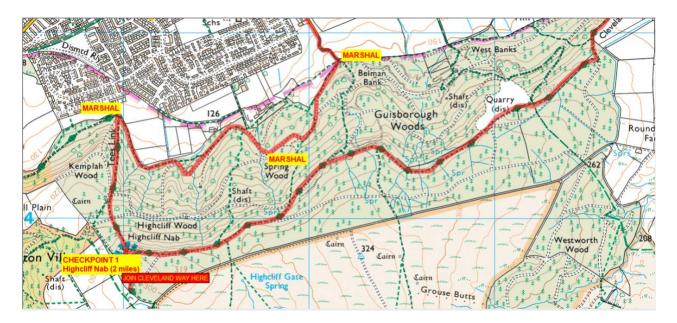
## **HARDMOORS 60 Route Description**

**CP = CHECKPOINT CW = CLEVELAND WAY** 

START (GURC) - CP 2 (SALTBURN) DISTANCE 10 MILES

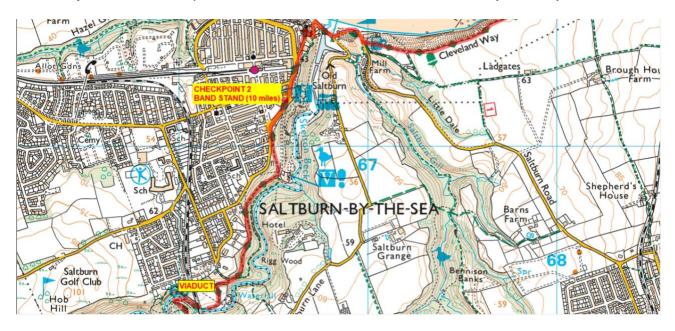


- 1. Leaving the Rugby Club Car Park, turn right onto the path & continue directly ahead up alongside the road (Belmengate)
- 2. When the road finishes and becomes a track, continue ahead on track until it reaches a clearing of trees and the start of Guisborough woods (Do not take the stile on your right as used in previous years editions of the 60)
- 3. At crossroad of paths turn **immediately right onto a wide track** (Signed Visitor Centre Walkway)
- 4. Continue ahead on wide track ignoring yellow directional arrow off to the right, stay on wide track as it **ascends the hill**
- 5. At junction turn right onto wide track and follow track as it descends
- 6. At next junction take right fork and descend (just before the old remains of a Pill Box)
- 7. At bottom of descent **continue on wide track** as it turns right (signed Visitor Centre Walkway)
- 8. Stay on track as it ascends and then descends to the right and then the left.
- 9. Stay right on lower path until reaching a junction of paths at a stile, the main track carries on straight ahead but **turn left and take the wide track steeply uphill** (Tees Link)
- 10. When path is bisected by a wide track, **continue directly straight ahead up a long steep climb** ignoring any side paths crossing the track.
- 11. When reaching the rocks turn right and follow the steps upwards onto the summit plateau CP 1 HIGHCLIFF NAB (2 miles) OS 610 158



- 12. Continue along the escarpment edge to reach a forestry track. **Turn left along this wide track** and take the wide track which **branches off left and gently downhill**. it soon levels out and bears right
- 13. Pass a new forestry track on your right. At the junction turn right and follow track as it takes a left bend uphill. The path then levels out. A forest track comes downhill and meets your path, continue ahead on the level track and ignore any other routes or public paths for almost a mile.
- 14. Eventually your path reaches a T- Junction, turn left here downhill to emerge shortly from the forest. The trail bends right, round the outside of a field. Leave this (just before it bends round left) and climb over a stile on the right into the field. Turn immediately left to cross a small gully and field to reach a gate. Go through gate and turn left downhill along the track and concrete road.
- 15. Near the bottom of the driveway **turn right over a stile and follow an arrow** enclosed path through the woodland. The path climbs up by the edge of the wood to a wide clearing, take the path leading uphill. At the next network of tracks go diagonally uphill at 11 o'clock and over a stile. Continue along a fairly level path. After the next clearing, continue ahead over the metal stile. The path reaches a track where you turn left downhill.
- 16. At the bottom of hill turn left along the old road, continue along the roadside towards Guisborough, then cross the road near the bus stop and turn right down the old road, over the bridge and past the **Fox and Hounds.**
- 17. Pass the row of houses and leave the road on a footpath alongside the fence line of the last house on the right (CW signed)
- 18. On reaching a track turn right uphill into the quarry. The trail is then immediately on your right, cross over stile & **then climb steeply up the steps** through the gorse and round the rim of the quarry.
- 19. At the top of the quarry continue uphill along an enclosed path. This soon levels out and follows the woodland edge to reach the end of the enclosed path. Turn right up the edge of the field.
- 20. The trail continues through a field gate and uphill along a farm vehicle track, eventually leveling out with a stone wall boundary on your right.
- 21. Continue past Airy Farm and along the farm access road to join the tarmac road at Skelton Green.
- 22. At the road junction in Skelton Green continue ahead along Airy Hill Lane to the main road. **Cross straight over the road,** through the gate and along the enclosed tarmac path through the fields.

- 23. Continue ahead at the junction with a bridleway at the end of the path go through a gate and on to some open ground, turn right along the lane for a few metres and then take the steps leading down to the left into Skelton.
- 24. On reaching the main street, cross straight over and briefly descend Coniston Road.
- 25. **Take the first right on to Derwent Road** and follow this around the left-hand bend and all the way to the bottom of the hill.
- 26. Follow the road as it bends to the right and enter the field (CW signed).
- 27. At the path junction take the path leading diagonally downhill to the left (not the path straight ahead). CW signed
- 28. On reaching the road, **cross directly over the road** and follow the CW signed path through the housing estate. Follow the path as it continues under the bypass to enter the wood.
- 29. Follow the **pathway down through the woods** to reach Skelton Beck. Follow the path downstream a short distance to cross the beck by a footbridge. **After passing under the viaduct** & crossing the beck via a bridge, continue following the track round until you see the viaduct on your left.
- 30. On reaching the T junction follow the Cleveland Way sign which points left up the hill.
- 31. Carry on up the hill until you reach a metal bench and take the path to the right. (Signed CW) immediately after take the left fork (acorn signed).
- 32. Stay on this path for 0.4 mile until the gravel path meets a tarmac path. At this point the paths forks, take the tarmac path down to the right. (Acorn signed)
- 33. At next junction continue ahead on wide tarmac track (Signed CW Filey 52miles)
- 34. Continue briefly on track & at next crossroads turn left uphill on wide tarmac track signed CW
- 35. Leave track to ascend steps on left (before playground) CW signed then turn right onto path alongside road leaving Saltburn Valley Gardens and the woods behind
- 36. Pass by the **Cenotaph** (War memorial) on your right
- 37. Shortly after the Cenotaph arrive at CP 2 SALTBURN BAND STAND (10 miles)



- 1. Continue passing Vista Mar Restaurant on right & follow path as it bends to the right. **Just before** reaching bridge cross over & continue on path on left side of the road. Continue ahead keeping road to your right to eventually reach the **Ship Inn** and the bottom of the cliffs
- 2. Pass by Ship Inn & car park, then **immediately turn left up the steep and stepped hillside** (do not use tarmac footpath). On reaching top the path follows the cliff edge. The path continues along side of the railway track for some time. The path leaves the company of the railway track & turns left along the fence line to rejoin the cliff edge.
- 3. Eventually pass through a gate & continue directly ahead along the cliff edge and follow the CW signpost pointing left down to the beach. **Continue down the steps towards the beach**
- 4. On reaching the beach turn right & head for Jetty. Continue straight ahead on concrete path. On reaching carpark, pass through carpark & turn left along lane to pass front of houses. Turn left after the houses to cross bridge over sea inlet heading towards the Boatyard. Continue on road briefly as it sweeps round uphill & take the steep steps on your left (signed CW) to the top of the hill.
- 5. Continues along path, passing another path leading down to the beach, the trail turns right inland. At next T- junction turn left along farm road to an isolated farmhouse. Continue past front of house and take stile to the right of the garage/stable building, shortly after take next stile, to continue ahead uphill through the field. The route leads to a bracken-covered hillside and climbs steadily uphill to the top, where you regain the cliff top by the stone wall (do not descend alongside the quarry).
- 6. When Boulby comes into view the route descends the hillside through bracken & heather to a boundary wall then drops steeply alongside the wall towards the coastal cliffs. The path then turns right along the fence line **leading to a row of cottages.**
- 7. Continue along road to the bottom of hill. Leave road as it turns a sharp right & continue ahead across farm access road. Continue across open fields where path marks a field boundary. The field path joins the road leading along Cowbar Lane to Cowbar and Staithes.
- 8. Cross the footbridge and at main street turn left for sea front. **Just past Cod and Lobster Inn**, t**urn right up Church Street**. At top of the lane continue up the track. At top of the climb take the first path on left (Signed CW) to follow path along cliff tops The path continues up a short uphill stretch. Half a mile further on you reach Port Mulgrave where the route turns away from the cliffs & towards the line of houses along the field edge to reach a tarmac lane.
- 9. On reaching next row of houses, turn left along a path & continue ahead with fence on right. The path arcs round to meet the cliffs again & then along the edge of an open field. Along the cliff path, the fence line ends, turn right here away from the cliff. Pass through a short enclosed section of path & emerge at Runswick bank top beside Runswick Bay Hotel. Turn left & follow road (Bank Top Lane) Opposite Cliffemount Hotel at the entrance to cliff top carpark is CP 3 RUNSWICK BAY (21 MILES)



CP 3 (RUNSWICK BAY) - CP 6 (RAVENSCAR) DISTANCE 19 MILES (40) - CUT OFF 2000

- 1. On leaving **checkpoint 3** turn right & head along the beach for half a mile. A small beck comes out of a deep break in the cliffs, run up alongside the beck to cross the stream & climb steeply up the hillside to High Cliff and the coastal path.
- 2. Approaching Kettleness the path turns inland **alongside a narrow gully**. At the farm track turn left and continue on the track, past the house, and go straight ahead through the farmyard between the buildings.
- 3. On reaching the tarmac road turn off left along a track, through a gate and keep to the left hand track nearest the coast.
- 4. The path sweeps around above Kettleness on the coastal side of two large fields to meet the track bed of the disused railway. After a few metres leave the rail track, up a slight rise with the fence line on your left. The trail keeps close to the cliffs until you approach Deepgrove Wyke, follow the steep descent through trees and at the bottom rejoin **old railway track**.
- 5. The level trackbed takes you through the spoil heaps of the former Sandsend Alum Quarries. (Look out for lan Gorin's memorial bench on your right.) Leave the trackbed by the steps down into a car park & CHECKPOINT 4 SANDSEND (26 miles)
- 6. On leaving the Carpark turn left to follow the roadside footpath which crosses Sandsend Beck. The roadside footpath continues along the seafront towards Whitby for the next mile. The road ascends **alongside a Golf course**.
- 7. Take the **track on your left opposite a caravan park**; this takes you under a high level footbridge over the gully. Do not descend to the beach but go up to the right to reach the cliff edge. The trail follows the cliff edge into Whitby along a tarmac path.
- 8. **The jawbones of a whale** make an archway over your path leading down to a hairpin bend (the Khyber Pass). Continue downhill to the Harbour front and along the quayside, with the fish market on one side and the amusement arcades on the other.
- 9. Cross over the swing bridge and turn left along the narrow pedestrian lane (Sandgate). On reaching the small market square turn right past the Town Hall to join Church Street. Turn left & continue into Henrietta street at the bottom of the Church Steps, then RUN up the 199 steps

- 10. Continue along the churchyard path to the car park, **follow the perimeter of the Abbey wall**, then cross road & follow the waymarked sign of the Cleveland Way towards the cliff edge.
- 11. Turn right at the gate and follow the path all the way to **Saltwick Holiday Park.** A stony path leads to the tarmac road in the holiday village. Turn left & follow the road past the shop and reception area. As you exit from the park turn off left along the Cliff line once again. The trail passes in front of the old Signal Station **CP5 HORNBLOWER TEA GARDEN (32 MILES)**



- 12. After leaving the CP turn right at the end of the next field to the **top corner by the lighthouse**. Cross over the access road & go left along the path on the outside of the lighthouse perimeter wall. The path crosses a field & runs parallel to the cliff edge up to a high point on the cliff. The route continues around North Cheek into Robin Hoods Bay.
- 13. Turn left along a path enclosed by Hawthorns to emerge onto a path in front of the Houses. Continue ahead along the street (Mount Pleasant North) & turn right at the junction to join the main road as it descends through the Village.
- 14. In Robin Hoods Bay go towards the bottom of the road and with the sea in sight, **take the second narrow street on the right (Albion Street).** At the end of the houses, turn left up Flagstaff steps. Continue up the boardwalk steps at the edge of the coastal slope.
- 15. Descend steeply to Boggle Hole Youth Hostel where you **cross Mill Beck by footbridge.** Turn right up the road for a short distance and then take off left, uphill to the cliff path.
- 16. The trail descends once again to sea level at Stoupe Beck where there is a footbridge and a steep track up past Stoupe Bank Farm. Continue along the road and just before Stoupebrow Cottage Farm the **trail turns left over a stile to return to the Cliff top.**
- 17. On approaching Ravenscar, a drainage ravine turns the trail away from the cliff top to join a farm access road. Part way up the hill take the first path on the right, lined with Gorse. A steady climb takes you past the shale waste tips of the old Alum Works. The path bears left as it levels out. Along a short rise, fork left alongside the fence line, eventually to join a vehicle track.
- 18. On reaching the main road turn right & follow the road uphill for 0.25 mile briefly leaving the CW to reach St HILDA'S CHURCH & CHECKPOINT 6 RAVENSCAR (40 MILES)

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## CP 6 (RAVENSCAR) - CP 7 (SCARBOROUGH) DISTANCE 13 MILES (53)

- 1. After leaving the checkpoint retrace your steps down the road & at bottom of road follow the road as it turns right (back on CW) take the next turn on the left along a wide track heading towards the clifftop path, turn right onto the Clifftop path (keeping the sea to your left).
- 2. Eventually descend to sea level via steep steps through trees to reach Hayburn Wyke. **Go uphill through the trees**, taking the first left at the footpath junction.
- 3. At the next junction of paths, turn uphill at 11 o'clock to emerge from the woodland on to level farmland at the top. The coastal path is easily followed to the next inlet (Cloughton Wyke).
- 5. The trail continues round Cloughton Wyke then climbs up via steps to the sheer cliff edge of Hundale point. Approach the Coastguard lookout station.
- 6. At Crookness **directly cross a concrete pathway** which leads down to the beach. On reaching Scalby Beck continue along its gorse-covered slopes on the seaward side. **Descend the steps and cross the footbridge over Scalby Beck**, turn left, and follow the North Bay Promenade to reach the northern end of Scarborough.
- 7. Continue on the promenade /seaside road & do not turn off. Eventually you will reach the Scarborough Spa (NOT A SHOP) continue past front of the Spa & pass through the terrace.
- 8. Follow lower path. Keep sea to left & star map to the right. Continue on the path until it ends, at the end of this pathway you will see a large line of boulders. Ascend wide gravel path & Just before reaching the carpark at the top of the climb is CP 7 SCARBOROUGH (53 MILES)



- 9. Leave CP and turn left heading for the path between trees signposted CW.
- 10. Keep on clifftop path as it passes the Golf Course. **When path drops down to the concrete track turn right up the track** signed CW. At the top of track turn left. Continue on clifftop path
- 11. Leave clifftop path when it reaches a dead end & follow **CW signed path on right** alongside fence on left. When path reaches the road turn left (signed Cleveland Way) Follow road for 0.3 miles and turn left down steps (signed with acorn) **Cayton Bay.**
- 12. Follow main path marked with finger posts (acorn signed) through several gates. **The path leads up some steep steps.** At the top turn left (signed CW) Pass through gate and carry on straight ahead along fence line.
- 13. **Descend hill and pass through gate.** Carry straight on over track and climb steps. Follow path and keep to cliff edge as it passes house. Continue on this track as it heads for the cliffs
- 14. On the cliff top follow the path keeping to the cliff edge. Do not take any paths leading off the path. Follow the path uphill to the caravan park where you pass along the track in front of the caravans. Pass by Newbiggin Cliffs and continue towards Filey Brigg.
- 15. At Filey Brigg **ignore path on left** (heading out to the Brigg) & continue on path turning right (you will pass a CW sign marked 108 miles to Helmsley & also the CW stones, both situated on left) follow path along cliff top as it passes by a carpark on right (North Cliff Country Park)
- 16. On reaching the ravine, drop down the path to your left towards the Sailing Club, it is your option here if you drop down to the beach (obviously not if the tide is in) or there is a path to your right which stays high, either way you will eventually join the promenade.
- 17. Continue along Promenade (Beach Road) for just over 0.20 mile take first road on your right (CARGATE HILL)
- 18. Ascend Cargate Hill & continue directly ahead on road ahead for 0.20 mile ignoring any streets off to the left or right to reach the Methodist Church Hall & RACE FINISH (62 miles)

