

Jessop's Jaunt - led by Mary-Ann Jessop who made fireworks for her family firm in Lepton from aged 8 until she was in her 90s.

Miss Jessop, that's my name,
And through my trade I found my fame,
I am the oldest in the land,
To make whizzer pops and fizzle bangs!

That's right! I make great fireworks!
And have done all my life,
I made them as a little girl,
And made them as a wife.

My first whizz popper that I did make,
Was at the ripe old age of 8,
I made my final fizzle bomb,
At the age of 91.



Go over another wood stile and follow the fence up to the farm, go through the farmyard to the road. Turn left up the road.

Follow the path, then turn right across the field to the woods. Follow the path to the left through the woods.

Continue up the road and up the hill, take the second footpath signposted across the field, to the road and turn right. Take the next footpath signposted left.

Follow the path around the farm down to the road and turn left.

At the road junction turn left, and take the second footpath signposted on your right, and walk up the hill.

Follow the hedge on the left up to the facing wall and cross the wooden stile on the left. Continue up the hill and as the slope levels out, follow the wall on the left.

Walk to the second bend in the road and go through a gap on the left. Keep right and follow the path to a cul-de-sac and turn left. Cross over the main road and turn right.

Turn left down the tarmac path signposted to the road. Turn left and immediately right down the road and take the footpath straight on to the road.

Turn left and left again. Cross over and take the second road on the right. Follow the road to the top and take the path into the woods.

Turn left where the path forks, then cross a bridge up to the roads. Climb two small sets of steps then turn right.

Continue on the road and take the brideway down on the right at the side of Rowley Lane Club. Follow the path to the road, cross over and take the signed footpath up the cul-de-sac opposite.

At the top of the cul-de-sac, take the path in front of the house and carry on to the wood. Go straight ahead, veering slightly left around a big clump of holly.

Follow the path up straight through the fields to the road, turn left and back to the car park.

At the house turn left to the road.

At the corner take the left path signposted. Follow the path up the hill.

Follow the path, through a kissing gate. Take the right path in the middle of the field to the kissing gate. Turn left down the road.

Cross over the main road and take the footpath opposite.



Lepton, many years ago,
Was quite a different place, you know,
With the industrial revolution,
Came lots of mills and production.
The town was spotted with chimney pots,
And of loud noises, there were lots;
Hooters called the town to mill,
And fire work tests were loud and shrill.



In 1357,
A coroner's report was writ,
To say that John Long of Lepton born,
Fell into a coal pit.
Coal mining in this area,
Had been a worthy trade,
And an iron forge for ironstone,
On this site was made.

Continue way past the houses, to the bend in the road and take the path to the right. Follow the path down the hill.



- Key**
- The route
 - Stone stile
 - Wood stile
 - Footbridge
 - Viewpoint



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How to get there:
By bus: regular services from Huddersfield to the start point in Lepton. See www.wymetro.com for details
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