

### **WALK 3**

**This walk uses SR614, 637, 617, is about 3.5 miles (5.7km), takes 1.5 to 2 hours, and as part of the route lies along the river bank it can be very muddy at times.**

- 1. From High Street go down Lingfield Road (over Mont St Aignan Way) until Coomb Field. Turn left and head for Recreation Ground. From car park go left past bottom of flood embankment and along edge of playing fields (SR614), keeping dense hedge on left, to far left corner. Also on left is remnant of the Mill Leat which supplied water from the river to the Tannery, and then back to the river via the former water mill, Honors Mill in High Street.**
- 2. In far corner, cross wooden footbridge, over Kent Brook, continue ahead, path passes near ruins of old weir and sluice – pool below was for many years a natural swimming pool. In front is a World War II pillbox, with a small wooden bridge to its left. Cross this and turn left, continue beside river, following bank until reaching a copse on the right. This copse, surrounded by overgrown moat, is Devil's Den. Its origins are uncertain, but records date it about 14<sup>th</sup> century or earlier. It may have been a farmstead and fishing ground, and the sinister name is one frequently given to earthworks of unknown origin.**
- 3. Continue along path round left side and through gap in corner into next field. In next corner, cross stream via sleeper bridge (need to step over 2 low bars). In front is another pillbox. Keep to right of pillbox and aim for marker post by river bank. (This route is part of the Eden Valley Walk).**
- 4. Follow bank path which bears round to right. Near end of field, in midst of clump of trees is opening on left which leads to bridge over river. Cross bridge, turn sharp left on SR637 and follow path towards farm track. Continue left on track for some distance and at crossroads continue ahead on mud track SR637. At oak go through kissing gate, continue along hedge towards church, through church field, down side of church and come out onto old road in Marsh Green. There is an opportunity to rest on the bench on the green.**
- 5. Turn left down old road, to first main bend and signpost for SR617 on left, and through kissing gate. Path crosses middle of field to north and through two more kissing gates close together on either side of farm track. Continue heading north across field, picking up fence on right and walk alongside to kissing gate on right of farm gate. Continue with hedge on right, through next kissing gate, and continue through further one. Then diagonally across next field to large oak.**
- 6. Go through kissing gate on left of field gate and follow path with fence on right. Continue through kissing gate and canopy of trees, past pond and hospital on right, until emerging into Mill Hill (an old Roman road along which Edenbridge developed). Turn left along main road to return to town centre.**