

## Clubine, North Walker & Walker Woods Notes

The best parking is the parking lot at 2499 Brock Rd., Uxbridge. There is room for 15 cars.

Walk back to the main road, turn right (north) and follow Brock Rd north for one kilometer to the junction with Albright Rd. Use caution along this road as it is very busy.

(For the first 600 metre or so the eastern verge of the road is wide and grassy. When you reach a sign "trail crossing" cross the road and use the ATV trail on the west running parallel to Brock Rd)

When you get to the junction with Albright Rd turn left between two concrete blocks and follow the trail west. The track is blue blazed as it is a sidetrail of the Oak Ridges Morrain Trail.

After 600 metres the track turns left into a field but you continue straight onto the grassy trail through the bush.

After another 300 metres you reach a gate. Turn left following the blue blazes.

Follow the fence line and blue blazes. After about 400 m the trail turns sharply right. Keep following the trail westbound and after 1100 metres you reach concession rd 4.

Turn right (north). Follow this quiet country road for a total of 1800 metres until the white blazes of the main Oak Ridges Morrain Trail leave the road eastbound.

The trail is mostly flat and leads through young mixed forest. At CL3 turn left (north) to follow signage for Great Trail (white blazes).

At a jumble of intersections keep following the white blazes. Once you are in sight of houses turn right (east) following the main trail (white blazes). The trail widens and meanders. Bear left at NT2, still going east and following the white blazes, staying on the main trail. You are now in the Norton Tract walking through pine plantation.

You exit the forest at Brock Rd where you turn right (south). Follow Brock Rd for 750 metres. There's an ATV trail on the east side of the road allowing you to keep away from the heavy traffic.

Just past Mason House Gardens (which you'll see on the west side of the road) the trail turns left (east) into East Duffins Headwaters. The post is tagged N1

The pretty and narrow trail winds through hardwood forest, following the white blazes. Ignore any side trails on your right which lead to private property.

After climbing a small hill post N2 marks your arrival in the main section of North Walker Woods. Ignore the trail to the left (blue blazes) but keep right following the blue and white blazes.

At N11 turn right (south) following the blue and white blazes and directions for the Great Trail. At N10 turn left staying on the Great Trail (white blazes).

Shortly after, the trail turns sharply right (south) and crosses a small rise. Keep following the white blazes. The trail turns east.

At N9 turn left rejoining the blue blazes and staying on the white blazed Great Trail.

After 300 metres you reach concession rd 6 at post N8 where you turn right (south). There's roadside parking for 5 cars.

Follow the road for 500 metres, walking on the left facing what little traffic there is.

Walk past the junction with Albright Rd. and turn left into the parking lot (room for 10 cars) and follow the trail east. Be careful to take the southern of the two parallel trails. If you take the northern trail (like I did) you can cross back to the southern trail at post W2.

At post W2 turn south following the blue blazes.

At the next crossroads (unmarked) go straight (south) leaving the blue blazed trail which turns right.

At the next crossroads (unmarked) go straight and keep going south. Soon after a slight bend you reach a fork at W10 where you take the right hand trail.

After about 300 metres a barely noticeable trail takes you to the right (west).

The trail soon turns south again then climbs a small rise and rejoins the blue-blazed trail. Turn left (south).

Soon you arrive at a T-junction where you turn right to stay on the blue blazed trail.

The trail descends slightly to reach W15 where you turn right (southwest).

The trail climbs through pretty hardwood forest and after about 350 metres you reach concession rd 6. Some people park on the side of the road here but it doesn't seem to be quite legal.

Cross the road and re-enter East Duffins Headwaters at F7. The trail briefly turns north and via a couple of hairpin bends curves away from the road to reach a fork where you turn right.

The trail passes two benches at a lookout point (there isn't too much of a view as the trees have grown in). The trail then descends and meanders through dense bush to reach F6. You will see the post at the bottom of a drop in the trail but before you descend and reach the post you take a sharp right. (west)

Walk through a pretty stand of American beech and birch, descending to F3.

Go straight at the crossroads, up the short but steep climbs. Skirting a pond in a deep hollow to your left, the trail goes up and down as it wends its way through hardwood forest to F1. Turn

After about 200 metres you reach a meadow where you turn right (north)

At F11 go straight and almost immediately the trail bears left and climbs to the top of a hill overlooking another meadow on your right. Ignore the trail coming in from the left and follow the trail as it runs between two fence lines for 300 metres to the parking lot at 2499 Brock Rd. (15 cars)