

Meet at Carlcroft Farm in upper Coquetdale (post-code NE65 7DD) at 10am for a 8 mile (with 1565ft of ascent) **RED** walk which will follow a section of the Pennine Way and Border Ridge to the west of Windy Gyle. There is a grass verge beside a wood close to Carlcroft. The walk will visit the summits of Lamb Hill, Beefstand Hill and Mozie Law. Although it may be attempted in either direction, clockwise avoids an early steep climb. A footpath leaves the track to the farm left uphill to Yearning Saddle where a refuge hut can provide a refreshment stop. The refuge shelter at Yearning Saddle is one of two on the section of Pennine Way between Burness and Yetholm, the other being at Auchope Rigg. The shelters, initially old goods wagons, were introduced following the death of a student from Gateshead who died in poor weather on the Pennine Way. The character of the path to Yearning Shelter has changed in recent years. Blindburn farm received £1m to remove sheep from the hill and a large forest was planted. From the shelter, the Pennine Way is followed North beside the border fence to reach Lamb Hill, with a trig point on the Scottish side of the border. The path continues along the English side of the border along a stone path. The path was constructed a few years ago as an erosion control solution. Prior to this the path was boggy in wet weather. The route continues over Beefstand Hill and Mozie Law to reach The Street, an ancient route. This is followed South towards Coquetdale. The track climbs to Bought Law from where a line can be taken to Carlcroft which involves a steep descent. As an alternative continue down the Street until a path crosses. Take the right turn and follow the path back to the starting point at Carlcroft.

