

PLAYFAIR PARK AND CEDAR HILL GOLF COURSE

This walk is a definite one-booter. You can choose to do the whole walk (about 1.5 hours) by starting at Playfair Park or you can just walk around the golf course (about an hour) by starting from the golf course parking lot at 'F' (take Derby Road off Cedar Hill Road or Shelbourne Road). To get to Playfair Park, turn off Quadra Street at Rock Street, opposite the Shell gas station.

1. From the parking area just wander through Playfair park (with it's incredible field of camas in the spring) but be sure to end up on the footpath that take you around the bottom of the trees and rhododendron area (with trees on the right and grass on the left). When you come to Cumberland Road turn right and look for a path at 'B' between the backyards of houses just up the road on the left. When you get to Judge Place, turn left again.
2. Cross Blenkinsop Road (with care) at 'C' and take the pathway directly opposite the junction with Judge Place. A short stretch of pathway leads to a T-junction where you turn right into a cul-de-sac. Walk up the slight rise and keep right along Fairlane Terrace; this will bring you down to Queensberry Avenue. Across the avenue you'll see a trail at 'D'. Keep right down a short hill. This trail leads all the way around the golf course.
3. At 'E' you can cut the route short if you wish by following the trail across the golf course to the club house. Cross the parking lot and pick up the trail on its far side. Turn left at 'F'.
4. When you reach North Dairy Road follow the path to the left and keep left down into a creek valley and a short bridge. The path then takes you past the recreation buildings and up a hill towards the clubhouse. At the parking lot just keep going straight on. Eventually, the trail swings around the top of the golf course.
5. Once you are past the duck pond at the top of the golf course follow the trail or the road back to the junction with Fairlane Terrace, turn right and follow the route back to Blenkinsop and Judge Place. Please note that you'll find lots of ducks at the duck pond, most of which are highly tolerant of humans and dogs!
6. Follow Judge Place back to the end, passing the pathway on the right that brought you up from Playfair Park on the way out. At the end of the road you'll see a pathway running up a slight rise. This pathway runs along a fence line straight back to the parking lot.