

WINTER TANNERS 21 mile ROUTE DESCRIPTION

13th January 2002

ABBREVIATIONS: R=right, L=left, T=turn, F=fork, B=bear, RD=road, FP=footpath, BW=bridleway, BY=Byway, Y=yards, M=miles SP=signpost, ST=Stile, Cont=continue, (X)-TK=(Cross) Track, junc=junction, NDW = North Downs Way, GW=Greensand Way
Approx mileage and grid ref shown at beginning of each paragraph.

00.0M 163566 Leave car park at railway end & TL on FP down steps. Cross RD at traffic lights & ahead along WATERWAY ROAD. 20Y after RD islands TL to cross RD & along RD (SP:LEISURE CENTRE). When RD bends R, keep ahead across grass to pass MOLE BARN.

0.6M 164557 Ahead over X-TK (SP:NORBURY PARK) then thru gate & along L edge of field. Keep ahead thru gate (with river on your L), under RD bridge.

1.0M 163552 15Y later FR. In further 120Y thru hedge gap & TR (fence on L). Under railway then TR up steps & thru gate. TL & in 12Y TL again to go along L edge of field (railway on your L). Over ST into next field.

1.3M 163546 BR uphill to pass close to a clump of trees (in the field) on your R then keep in same direction & your escape ST (in the top fence next to a gate) will come into view when you go over the knoll.

Note: If you, as is the want of some, do not read the description fully & thereby take the wrong line across the field, you may encounter another gate & ST lower down in the far fence. The organiser does not want to hear any pathetic excuses about extra mileage because you went over the wrong ST. THOSE WHO TAKE THE RIGHT LINE WILL PROBABLY NOT NOTICE THE WRONG ST

1.6M 162543 Along TK for 100Y then join TK from your R. Keep to gravelled TK for 700Y then thru gate (just past barrier) & ahead along tarmac drive for 1200Y then FR (ahead) on gravelled BW (cycle TK logo on post). In 500Y keep ahead thru car park then TR on tarmac.

3.0M 158524 In 25Y TL over ST then $\frac{1}{2}$ R across field. Over ST in fence at bottom of field, thru scrub, thru barrier then downhill along L edge of field.

3.4M 158519 TL along RD for 100Y then TR on BW. In 500Y (when drive bends L), BR (ahead) on BW. Ignore ST after 25Y to keep ahead between fences at first then thru wood. At top, join TK from your L for 25Y then over slanting X-TK to FR on BW.

4.6M 149507 In 1000Y cross RD to cont on BW. On emerging from trees, TR on FP parallel to RD (with trees on your R). In 350Y (just after passing church) BR with TK into trees. Pass barrier (on your R) after 60Y & 200Y later BL across grass, RD & car park.

5.2M 141504 Thru gate & ahead on middle of 3 grassy TKs to go steeply downhill & thru gate. BR with FP along top of open hillside with wood on your R after 40Y.

5.4M 138501 In further 200Y (at ST on your R) TL downhill with steps after a few Y then follow fence on your L for 10Y & over ST to cont with fence on your R. More steps lead down to a wide TK on which TL for 8Y then TR thru gate. Along R edge of 2 fields then over railway (WITH CARE - WATCH FOR TRAINS)

5.6M 138498 Along R edge of next field into trees. Ahead over stepping stones & along FP with fence on your R. When fence ends, keep ahead on enclosed TK then on reaching tarmac TL & in 15Y TR on drive going away from SPRINGFIELD HOUSE.

6.0M 141493 When drive bends R, keep ahead over ST & across field to bridge BUT DO NOT GO OVER. TR along stream (on your L) for 150Y then thru gate to cross stream & along FP between houses. TR along pavement. At T junc keep ahead along enclosed FP.

6.9M 134483 At next RD cross BUSY A25 WITH CARE & along Rookery Drive. At entrance to THE ROOKERY FL on BW. In ½M ignore ST on your R to stay on BW. When field on your L ends, the BW goes into trees uphill.

7.7M 132473 On emerging from trees TL on BY taking either of 2 wide TKs running parallel to one another.

THE ROUTE IS NOW AHEAD ON THIS BY (WOLVENS LANE) FOR 2M THRU TO CHECKPOINT 1 but there are points of doubt so note following progressions. 600Y the 2 TKs merge, 60Y ignore the wide TK which appears on your L briefly, 1000Y BL (ignoring false TK ahead) thru sunken section, 200Y over X-TK, 150Y FL, 900Y pass unoccupied cottage (on your L), 700Y:

CHECKPOINT 1 - COLDHARBOUR
OPEN 09.30 - 12.00

You now have the option of changing to the 30 mile (or 27 mile) route. If you wish to do this please tell the registration marshal who will give you route description pages 3 to 6 (white sheets) for the 30 and page 4(sub) (pink sheet) for the 27. You will be asked to surrender your green number card and receive a yellow replacement to hand in at the finish. NOTE: If you opt for the 27 you will have to surrender the yellow card for a red one at checkpoint 2 - see instruction at bottom of page 3

THE NEXT CHECKPOINT FOR THE 21 MILER IS 3
ONLY THE 30 and 27 MILE ROUTES VISIT CHECKPOINT 2

9.7M 148446 TR (not the sharp R with the immediate barrier) & in 50Y pass COLDHARBOUR COMMON sign & thru barrier. In 160Y FR. In further 300Y TR to go thru earth bank & immediately TR again. Keep ahead for 800Y (ignore TL after 450Y) then TK becomes gravelled at TILLING SPRINGS. In further 350Y join TK from your L (still gravelled) to reach RD after another 800Y at TRIPLE BAR RIDING CENTRE.

11.2M 135456 TR along RD for 10Y then FR (ahead on FP to pass THE GARDEN COTTAGE sign. In 800Y pass the cottage itself & keep ahead for further 1400Y as TK deteriorates ignoring all STs on your R. Between pillars (entrance to house) then keep ahead on FP (or along RD). At COAST HILL FARM, BR on BY with fence on your R.

12.8M 127478 At RD cross BUSY A25 WITH CARE & ahead over ST. BR & 10Y after fence corner BR again on FP thru gorse bushes & over ST. TR on grassy TK then over ST to pass VALE FARM COTTAGE then immediately TL on narrow FP. Ahead over next gravelled TK, through trees for 20Y, along R edge of 3 fields, over railway bridge.

13.5M 123489 Along R edge of next field, over ST, thru trees, over TK & still ahead uphill on earth then grass TK. Near the top join a chalky TK from your L & about 60Y later TL with this TK thru trees & immediately TR to go thru gate. (very briefly on NDW & now rejoining the 30 mile route).

13.9M 121494 In 200Y (at notice board) keep ahead on the wide TK (to leave NDW). In 250 TR along TK where trees do not meet overhead for 350Y but just after they do TL. Keep ahead on TK to RD.

14.4M 121500 TR along RD for 15Y then TL thru first set of 2 low posts. In 20Y FR. Ahead at staggered X-TK & 16Y later FL at blue arrowed post. In 100Y cont ahead with fairly open space (spasmodic trees) on your R. In 200Y (15Y before large oak tree & where TK ahead runs alongside field) TR on faint FP (across corner & along L edge of my fairly open space & going away from the field). Ahead into trees & 50Y before car park TL on TK to cottage.

14.9M 124505 TR to cross RD then ahead past "no horses" sign downhill, over X-TK, up bank & over another X-TK. Decend to 5 TK junction & BL uphill thru barrier. Ahead for 500Y, thru barrier & cross drive (diagonally) of LONESOME COTTAGE.

15.5M 130509 In 100Y, ahead over X-TK (thru 2 barriers & 90Y later BL thru another barrier & ahead on TK. Pass house on your L & 7Y before hedge corner, TR on FP then keep ahead to ALAN BLATCHFORD MEMORIAL SEAT at

CHECKPOINT 3 - TANNERS HATCH YOUTH HOSTEL
OPEN 12.30 to 17.00

16.3M 140515 Ahead on TK past hostel. In 550Y (by blue arrowed post) TR thru gate & across field. Ahead thru small gate to pass barn (on your L) then TL to pass BAGDEN FARM.

17.0M 148521 Cross RD diagonally L & up BW going thru 2 gates. BR then BL over X-TK to cont uphill. In 140Y ignore 1st waymark post but 20Y later (at X-TK) TR thru barrier. Follow FP for 800Y going thru 2 more barriers (1 broken) then at CRABTREE COTTAGES, TL (SP:Bookham & 20Y past seat).

17.6M 154525 In 1400Y (at grass triangle) FR & 35Y later (at fence corner) TR thru barrier. Ahead on FP for 500Y (ignore TKs to L) then BR to join TK coming from your L & thru barrier. In 5Y FL then ahead over TK & BL with powerlines across clearing.

18.8M 154537 Pass seat on your R & 80Y later FL under powerlines to pass 2nd seat on your R. Ahead over chalky X-TK then TL on next X-TK (i.e. ignore BW ahead) & in 15Y FR on FP thru barrier WALNUT TREE CLUMP.

18.9M 155538 Ahead on grassy TK across clearing then on TK thru trees. Thru barrier & 20Y later join wider TK from your R. Follow gravelled TK for 400Y then when it bends R (seat on your L) keep ahead on FP which soon descends steeply.

19.7M 162548 Thru gate & TL to go along L edge of field. In 200Y TR across field to pass end of tree line (on your L) & thru wooden gate (in hedge just to L of metal gate ahead). Under railway & between fences.

20.1M 163550 At river TL (river on your R). Keep with FP when it bears L away from river along R edge of field. Ahead over X-TK, pass MOLE BARN & ahead on RD.

20.8M 161561 Cross main RD WITH CARE then TR on pavement with railway up on your L. At traffic lights, ahead across RD, up steps & immediately TR into car park.

FINISH - LEATHERHEAD

21.1 Miles

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The registration marshal will probably not be at the finish until approx 14.00. If you arrive before that time would you please note the time you arrive on your number card using the 24 hour clock and place the card in the box which will be at the pay machine in the middle of the car park.

The registration marshal will leave at approx 18.00. If you arrive at the finish after this having completed the whole route and wish to be included in the results, Please ring 01276 856672 after 20.00 to register your finishing time.