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ABBREVIATIONS; R=right, L=left, T=turn, F=fork, B=bear, RD=road, FP=footpath, BW=bridleway, BY=byway, Y=yards, M=miles, ST=stile, KG=kissing gate, (X)-TK=(cross) track, junc=junction, W/M=waymark, cont=continue, immed=immediately, FiPo=fingerpost, opp=opposite, ahd=ahead, NT=National Trust, NDW=North Downs Way, Grid ref and approx mileage shown at start of paragraph.

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PLEASE ENSURE YOUR TIME IS RECORDED by Dave or John BEFORE YOU START

If the river bank is flooded you will be told to replace the first 2 and last 3 paras with the appendix

- 00.0M 163566 Leave car park by vehicle exit & TR. Cross RD at traffic lights & ahd along WATERWAY ROAD. 20Y after RD islands, TL to cross RD (you can use lighted crossing just under the bridge and come back if traffic is heavy). Along RD towards LEISURE CENTRE. When RD swings R keep ahd on tarmac FP to pass MOLE BARN.
- 00.6M 164557 Ahd over X-TK, thru metal KG & along L edge of field. In 500Y, FL thru wooden KG & along FP with river on your L. Under RD Bridge & 140Y later TR on FP between fence & hedge. Under railway, TR up steps, thru KG & TL across field. At far side of field TR along L edge. At field corner, TL to go over ST. Follow TK between fences. Keep ahd on concrete drive between buildings of BOCKETTS FARM (ignore "Pedestrians This Way" exit). Leave farmyard by forking R on the minor concrete drive which immed swings R. In 30Y, TL on BW.
- 01.6M 156549 In 500Y, TL on gravelled TK up to tarmac. Keep ahd to pass car park on your R. In 200Y FR. Keep ahd on this BY for 2000Y. Cross RD, thru 3 low posts & BL along NT PERMISSIVE PATH parallel with RD on your L. In 650Y (15Y after the tarmac on your L swings L to POLESDEN LACEY) join gravel TK from your L. In 160Y, pass turning on your R & 10Y Later, FL.
- 03.6M 135527 Keep ahd when TK turns to tarmac as it passes HOME FARM HOUSE to go downhill under 2 bridges. When tarmac swings L, keep ahd between 2 lines of trees. In 350Y, TR on TK coming up from your L. Keep to BW (drive, mainly unmade,) (passing YEW TREE FARM on your L) for \(^{1}/_{2}M. Thru barrier (probably open) & 35Y later, at 55 (facing away) W/M post, TR on FP thru barrier.
- 04.9M 130509 In 150Y, join drive (coming from LONESOME COTTAGE) for 30Y then FR off drive thru barrier. Keep ahd for 450Y, thru another barrier & 10Y later, keep ahd to ascend out of dip. Keep ahd over grassy X-TK & along narrower winding FP. 8Y before a sunken TK (BY), blocked off ahd, TL gently down bank to in 30Y, join the BY. In 25Y, TR between prostrate tree boles uphill to RD.
- And across car park to pass notice board 15Y on your R, thru trees. BR to pass NT RANMORE COMMON badge on your L & 25Y later, FL to stay in trees (ie **DO NOT** go thru gap ahead to the open area). Keep and over all X-TKs for further 300Y. At T-junc TR on TK parallel with RD on your L. In 220Y, BL to cont along RD for 25Y then BL (FiPo:BW) (ignoring the minor FP on your L after 4Y). In 150Y, at T-junc, TL. Keep and for 500Y to join NDW.

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The route now follows NDW for next 1³/₈M+

- Ob. 2M 120494 Cont and for further 140Y. 3Y after going thru gate, FR up bank. Follow this FP along hillside for 1100Y then FR on wider path down to RD. TR along RD for 12Y then BL thru 2 wooden posts. Follow main TK for 300Y as it ascends, levels & descends. Thru small gate (next to wide locked gate) & and on gradually ascending TK for 1000Y to pass BLATCHFORD DOWNS information board then thru KG.
- 07.6M 103488 In 14Y, TL on TK going downhill to **leave** NDW (ie **DO NOT** go thru 2nd KG). In 400Y, TL to pass dilapidated brickwork (old lime kiln) on your L. In 300Y, TR to cont downhill. 100Y after **passing** over railway, BL off main TK into wood. In 20Y, TL on narrow FP.
- <u>08.2M</u> <u>101480</u> **Keep** to this FP for 500Y as it bends R, joining TK from R at dark green arrow & gradually gets nearer to the wood edge on your L. At X-TK, **TL** in direction of dark green arrow. In 200Y, 10Y before W/M post (with 4 <u>facing</u> arrows), **FR**. In 350Y, **FR**. In 60Y, **thru** barrier into car park.

CHECKPOINT 1 – ABINGER ROUGHS CAR PARK - OPEN 09.30 to 12.00

The 20 mile route does not visit checkpoint 2 so your next checkpoint is CP3

- 08.8M 110480 Leave car park thru barrier on L (from the direction you entered). In 60 Y, At X-TK, TR. In 70 Y, swing L & immed TR on very faint FP thru trees for 35 Y to FiPo at RD. Cross RD diagonally L & along FP opp. At T-junc, TR on wider TK. In 130 Y, join gravelled TK from your R. At next T-junc, TL to pass 5 DEER LEAP.
- 09.1M 113478 Ahd between trees. Thru barrier & ahd along gravelled TK. Pass 2 houses (2 & 1 DEER LEAP). Swing R as TK becomes tarmac.
- 09.7M 119473 At main RD (A25), TL along pavement. In 350Y, at finger post, TR thru gap in hedge (FiPo:FP) to cross busy A25 WITH CARE & ahd along FP. Over ST & BR across field. Over ST, ahd thru wood & across field to TK via 2 more STs. Pass house on your L & TL on tarmac drive.
- 10.2M 123471 40Y after BENTLEY COTTAGE, **TR** over ST & along L edge of field. Over ST, **ahd** along FP & **up** steps. **TR** on wide TK. In 900Y, **over** ST (by gate) & immed **TL** over ST. **Follow** FP steeply uphill. In ¹/₄M, **ahd** over staggered X-TK now with fence & field on your R. In 200Y, **cross** RD (**look** for the occasional car) via KGs.
- 10.9M FP (grassy at first) into trees, steeply downhill, over ST, along L edge of field, between fences then with fence on L. Up 2 steps, over ST & TL. In 150Y, BL (ignore ST on your R) as TK deteriorates. In 1100Y, thru 2 brick pillars then BR & BL along BW to cont parallel with RD on your L. In 250Y, cross drive & BR on BY. In 400Y, reach main RD.
- 12.5M 127478 Cross busy A25 WITH CARE. Ahd over ST & between fences. Over ST to go more steeply downhill passing misshapen beech tree on your L & jutting fence corner on your R. Keep gorse on your R to pick up FP thru trees & pass pond on your L. FP passes a redundant ST to join a grassy FP from your L. Over next ST to pass VALE FARM COTTAGE on your L. In 450Y, TL on 2nd unmade drive.
- 13.0M 130485 In 500Y pass COOMB FARM & 200Y later (just before THE EMPTY BOX COMPANY) TR. Follow main TK to go under railway then with fence on your L. Thru small gate (by locked wide gate) & TR on TK. TK goes thru gateway (gate open) then double gate (use the small gate). 250Y later (at X-TK & just after FORESTRY COMMISSION sign) TL
- 14.0M 131496 In 40Y FR. Follow orange arrows thru trees. Thru gate & cont gradually uphill on

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open hillside for 550Y. At KG, **<u>DO NOT</u>** follow orange arrow (6) into wood but **BR** to **cont** on open hillside with fence & wood on your L. **Ignore** 1st KG (into wood) on your L. 70Y after wood ends, **follow** FP as it bends L thru gate into STEER'S FIELD. **Cross** field on wide grassy TK going steeply uphill at first, to **leave** field via KG.

CHECKPOINT 3 – STEER'S FIELD (Denbies Hillside) CAR PARK - OPEN 11.15 to 17.00

- 14.8M 141503 From the KG you entered the car park, **TL.** In 20Y **TR** to **cross** RD (via 2 footbridges). **TL** along grass verge. **Ahd** over 2 gravel X-TKs to **pass** cottages on your R & immed **TR** on 3rd Gravel X-TK. **Thru** barrier on TK with hedge on your R for 30Y then **FL**. In 1300Y **pass** the ALAN BLATCHFORD memorial seat on your L.
- 15.8M 140515 Ahd on TK past TANNERS HATCH YOUTH HOSTEL. In 550Y (when TK bends L at W/M post with blue arrows faded to white) TR thru gate & across field. At W/M post, FL & thru wider gate to pass open barn on your R. Thru another gate & TL to pass house on your L.
- 16.4M 148520 TL along RD for 6Y then TR thru gate. Across field at its narrowest part to leave thru gate ahd. Cont on BW with fence on your R at first. BR then BL over X-TK to cont uphill. In 140Y ignore 1st W/M post but 20Y later (at X-TK with ST 10Y on your L) TR (FiPo:FP). Follow winding FP for 800Y
- 17.1M 154525 Pass CRABTREE COTTAGES & ahd on tarmac. In 400Y, TL thru car park. Thru 3 low posts as you pass information board on your R. In 500Y, join tarmac drive from your R. In 650Y cont with fence on your R. Keep to this fence for further 750Y (passing main entrance to NORBURY PARK HOUSE after 580Y). When fence bears away, keep ahd downhill on tarmac drive. Ignore BW on your L after 20Y but 100Y later, TL thru barrier on descending FP. In 400Y, under railway bridge.
- 18.8M 164543 In 80Y, thru KG & TL on TK (FiPo: LEATHERHEAD). In 250Y thru KG. Ascend on enclosed TK then BR. Keep to river on your R for 800Y going thru KG, under bridge & thru another KG. Follow FP as it gradually eases away from river along R edge of field. Thru a metal KG, over TK & along tarmac FP.
- 19.7M 163557 Keep ahd along pavement of RD coming from your L. Cross main RD (using lighted crossing just under railway arch on your L if necessary). TR along pavement with railway up on your L. At traffic lights, cross RD via triangular island. TR along pavement & TL into car park.

FINISH - LEATHERHEAD 20.3 Miles GR 163566

Registration marshal will be at the finish from 12.00 to 19.00 approx. If you arrive earlier, please note time on card (24 hour clock) and place in metal tool box chained to the post of pay machine. If you arrive later, please text/phone 07929 274169 or 01483 487705 to register your finishing time.