

WINTER TANNERS – 20 mile Route description (Page 1)

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

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

- 00.0M 163565 **Leave** car park by vehicle exit & **TR**. **Cross** RD at traffic lights & **along** WATERWAY ROAD. 20Y after RD islands, **TL** to **cross** RD (you can **use** lighted crossing just under the bridge & **come** back if traffic is heavy). **Along** RD towards LEISURE CENTRE. When RD swings R **keep ahd** on tarmac FP to **pass** LEISURE CENTRE (including MOLE BARN) on your R..
- 00.6M 164557 When tarmac ends, **TR** on X-TK (FiPo:HAWK'S HILL). In 275Y, **over** railway, **pass** gate, **over** drive from water works & **ahd** on short cut across grass. **Swing** R thru gateway & **uphill** with young plantation on your L. In 200Y, **pass** redundant gate on your L & immed **TL** (FiPo:YOUNG STREET). In 700Y, **cross** BUSY A246 WITH GREAT CARE & **along** drive opp which immed turns R thru gate.
- 01.4 M 156550 In 75Y, **FR** off drive to **pass** small triangle on your L. In 16Y, **ahd** across concrete drive & tarmac walkway to **cont** with car park immed beyond hedge on your R. **Keep** to this BW, soon with field on your R, for 900Y. **Pass** brick barn on your L & 45Y later, **ahd** over X-TK to **stay** with field on your R. In 200Y, **pass** ROARING HOUSE FARM on your R then **ahd** thru barrier, still with field on your R. In 600Y, at X-TK, (barrier on your L & another one 40Y ahead) **TR** & 15Y later, **TR** again keeping same field on your R.
- 02.5M 148535 In 80Y, **TsharpL** along TK with unfenced field on your L & wood immed on your R. In 550Y, **BR** into wood. **Follow** BW thru wood (DO NOT go thru any of the barriers). In 180Y, **emerge** from wood as BW becomes encl with fence & fields on your L. In 650Y, **ahd** over X-TK (ST 10Y on your R) now going downhill. In 140Y, **BR** & **BL** over X-TK to **go** more steeply downhill. In 180Y, **cross** field at its narrowest point via 2 gates.
- 03.6M 147520 **TL** along RD. In 8Y, **TR** along BAGDEN FARM drive. In 110Y, **pass** entrance to house & 50Y later, **TR** thru small field, via 2 gates. with open barn on your L. **Ahd** in shallow valley of much larger field. **Thru** gate & **TL** along gravelled TK. In 500Y, **pass** TANNERS HATCH YH & the ALAN BLATCHFORD memorial seat on your R then **FL** to stay on wide TK.
- 04.3M 140515 35Y later, **FR (ahd)** to **pass** BEECHAMS COPSE 36 W/M post on your L. In 150Y, when BW swings R, **keep ahd** thru barrier. **Ahd** on this FP, initially gently uphill, for 1200Y **going over** a X-TK & **thru** a barrier.
- 05.1M 134504 20Y before RD, **TR** along TK parallel to RD on your L. In 150Y, **ahd** over drive. **Cont** with RD on your L for further 150Y then **TL** to **cross** RD & along gravelled drive. In 45Y, **pass** RANMORE CAMPSITE sign on your R & 12Y later, **ahd** thru barrier & **along** BY. In 250Y, **pass** campsite on your L to **go** downhill. In 100Y, **ahd** over X-TK (NDW) to **go** more steeply downhill. In 450Y, **join** TK from your L & 35Y later, at next X-TK, **BR** along wide BW to **pass** FORESTRY COMMISSION sign (hidden by vegetation until you pass it) on your R.
- 05.7M 131496 **Keep** to main TK near the bottom of the steep scarp on your R for nearly 1M **keeping ahd** thru 3 bridle gates (all 3 next to wide gates) but ignoring the gates on your L after 600Y.- the 2nd & 3rd gates you go thru are numbered 6 & 7 respectively.
- 06.7M 119488 **Join** TK coming from down the scarp on your R to immed **pass** a WALK THE CHALK W/M post. **Keep** to main TK as it sweeps L round a hairpin bend then R thru gate 8 & **along** L edge of field. **Over** railway. In 400Y, **pass** cream house on you R & 12Y later, **TR** to **go** between old barns.

You now follow cycle route 22 for the next 3M+ apart from a short diversion to checkpoint 1

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07.1M 121483 **Keep** to this BW between fences for 1100Y. **Cross** RD diagonally **L thru** low posts & along TK. In 25Y, **BR** (barrier on your L). In 100Y, **TL** uphill to *divert briefly from cycle route 22*. **Follow** TK as it bends R & 8Y after passing picnic table on your R, **TL** into:

Checkpoint 1 - Abinger Roughs Car Park - Open 09.15 to 11.30

The 20 mile route does not visit checkpoint 2 so your next checkpoint is 3

07.9M 110480 **Leave** car park thru gap by gate (to your R as you came in) to **pass** green dog waste bin on your R. **Descend** on main TK for 450Y to **join** TK from your R & *rejoin cycle route 22*. In 50Y, in dip, **ahd** over wide X-TK (gate into field on your R). **Keep ahd**, mainly uphill for 460Y to go **thru** a clearing. At other side of clearing, **BR** on main sandy TK to **pass** W/M post on your L (**ignore** L turn immed after W/M post). In 440Y, **ahd thru** gate & **along** encl BW. In 200Y, **thru** gate & 20Y later, **TL** down tarmac lane.

09.0M 095474 **Cross** busy A25 WITH GREAT CARE & **TR** along pavement. In 230Y, **TL** along drive (BW) - tarmac at first - later concrete. In 300Y, **FL** off drive to **pass** garden of BROOK COTTAGE immed on your R. **Pass** house on your L (SOUTHBROOKS FARMHOUSE – nameplate at hedge corner) then **TR** along tarmac driveway.

09.4M 089473 In 250Y, **pass** TWIGA LODGE on your L. Immed, as driveway swings R, **ignore** unmade TK leading to farm on your L but 2Y later, **TL** on encl BW (fence & field on your R). **Keep ahd** passing farmhouse & other outbuildings on your L.

09.8M 084475 **TR** along lane to **go** under railway bridge. Immed **TL** along pavement of HIGH VIEW. In 230Y, when RD bends L, **cross** to opp pavement to **pass** seat & shelter on your R. **Cross** QUEEN STREET & **along** GRAVELPITS LANE. In 40Y, **ignore** R fork to GRAVELPITS COTTAGES & 80Y later, just before GRAVEL PITS FARMHOUSE, **TR**.

10.0M 081475 In 15Y, **FR**. **Keep ahd** between fences then along R edge of field for 600Y altogether. At fence corner on your L, **TR** (to leave cycle route 22) down encl FP to church. **BL** to pass churchyard on your R & VIRGINIA COTTAGE on your L. **Pass** war memorial then along pavement near houses/shops on your R.

10.6M 073477 **BR** over river bridge to **pass** TOILETS on your L & **along** MIDDLE STREET. At T junction, **TL** along UPPER STREET. In 30Y, **TR**. **Pass** car park & entrance to sports ground on you R & **ahd** along BY.

10.7M 073479 In 300Y, **under** RD bridge to **go** steeply uphill. In 500Y, **ignore** R turn. In 45Y, **pass** Pill Box on your R. In 35Y, still on BY, **ignore** another R turn. In 85Y, **FR** off BY through barrier (a bit tight to keep motor cycles out). **Keep ahd** mainly uphill (path bends L & narrows as it levels out) for 600Y then **TR** on wide surfaced TK.

You now follow NDW for the next 3½M.

11.6M 080489 In 1100Y, **pass** 2 wide surfaced TKs (either side of a large round concrete brick structure - water holder) on your L. In 450Y, **pass** LITTLE KINGS WOOD VIEWPOINT on your R & 200Y later, **FR**. In 60Y, **TR** thru barrier to pass notice board on your L. After 40Y, **follow** fence on your R for 410Y. **Ahd** over gravelled BY via 2 gaps in fences.

12.9M 096487 **Cont** with another fence on your R for 400Y. **Keep ahd** for further 20Y to **FL** thru KG & **pass** WHITE DOWN LEASE NT badge on your L. In 350Y, **ahd** over stony BW via 2 KGs then **pass** BLATCHFORD DOWNS notice on your R.

13.3M 103488 Gently **descend** (apart from a short rise as you pass the 2nd pill box) for 1000Y. **Thru** narrow gate (next to wide gate). **Follow** main TK (**ignoring** immed **FR** & L turn 10Y later) as it swings L uphill, levels out then swings R steeply downhill to RD on which **TR**.

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14.0M 113487 In 12Y, **TL** past concrete post. **Keep** to main FP, **ignoring** all TKs on your L for 600Y. **Thru** gate & **ahd** with fence on your L. In 450Y, **join** TK coming uphill from your R to **go** thru gate 9. In 150Y. At WHITE DOWNS notice board on your L, **BR** off main TK along FP. In 250Y, **FR** gently downhill. In 500Y, at X-TK, **TL** uphill *to leave NDW*. In 250Y, **ahd** over X-TK. In 200Y, **swing** R. **Ignore** 2 L forks then **swing** L to **go** along L edge of open grassland into:

Checkpoint 3 - Ranmore Common Road Western Car Park – Open 11.15 to 17.00

15.4M 126501 **Leave** checkpoint via car exit. **Cross** RD & **ahd** along BW. **Ahd** over immed & all other X-TKs for 900Y then, when BW swings L, **TR** thru broken barrier. In 10Y, **ignore** narrow FP on your R to **go** steeply downhill. In 70Y, at X-TK in valley bottom, **TL** on narrow FP now with field (beyond trees) on your R. In 150Y, **thru** barrier then **join** stony TK from your L.

16.1M 127511 In 12Y, **TR** over ST. **BL** diagonally uphill across field to far top L corner. **Ahd** thru gap & **along** R edge of next field. **Ahd** over ST & 20Y later, **join** gravelled drive from your R. In 200Y, when drive bends R to go past entrance to house, **keep ahd** on narrow TK thru trees, **thru** gate & **along** R edge of field.

16.5M 131516 In 140Y, as you **pass** fenced off trees on your L, **BL** (350°) to **ease** away from R edge & **go** thru widest gap in treeline (7 large trees). **Keep ahd** (350°) into dip then **uphill** to gates. **Ahd** thru narrow gate (next to wide gate). In 8Y, **ignore** another small gate on your R, as you **join** a TK from your L. In 200Y, **over** X-TK.

17.0M 131523 In 140Y, **emerge** from trees & along TK with unfenced field on your R. In 550Y, **join** TK from your R. In 20Y, **pass** lone beech tree (with drive to farm behind it) on your L. In 140Y, **BL**, but **maintain** direction, along TK to **go** parallel with RD on your R. In 650Y, **ahd** thru 3 low posts, **cross** RD & **along** BY.

17.8M 140532 **Keep** to BY over all X-TKs etc for 2000Y (1 mile & 1 furlong) then **join** wide gravelled TK from your R. In 200Y, **ahd** over BOCKETT'S FARM tarmac drive & **along** gravelled TK for 15Y then **TR** along "BRIDLEPATH" between the drive on your R & RD on your L. In 500Y, **TL** on surfaced drive up to RD.

You now follow the outward route in reverse

19.4M 156550 **Cross** BUSY A246 WITH GREAT CARE, **thru** 4 metal posts & **along** BW (FiPo:HAWKS HILL). In 700Y, **TR** (FiPo: GIMCRACK HILL) to **pass** redundant gate on your R then downhill with young plantation on your R. In 200Y, **swing** L thru gateway & 3Y later, **FL** to **short cut** across grassy area. **Cross** waterworks drive, **pass** gate & **over** railway. In 275Y, at X-TK, **TL** along tarmac FP **passing** Leisure Centre on your L.

20.2M 164557 **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

20.8 Miles

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