WINTER TANNERS ROUTE DESCRIPTION

Sunday 18th January 1987

ABBREVIATIONS: R=right, L=left, T=turn, F=fork, B=bear, H=hand, cont=continue, thru=through, RD=road, DR=drive, FP=footpath, (X-)TK=(cross)track, M=miles, Y=yards, OPP=opposite, GR=national grid reference, *=critical instruction.

Approx mileage shown at the beginning of every paragraph.

ENSURE YOUR TIME HAS BEEN RECORDED BEFORE YOU LEAVE

0.0M: Leave car park & TR. TL at traffic lights to roundabout. Cross RD to go down RD OPP (not under railway bridge). When RD bears R, keep ahead on grass to pass MOLE BARN. Thru gate & TR on TK. Follow over railway to BL then R uphill to junc where TL. Ahead to cross RD VITH GREAT CARE to go down DR OPP.

BOCKETTS FARM - GR 157551

1.0M: When DR bears L (into farmyard) keep ahead on TK. In 1200Y pass ROARING HOUSE FARM then in further 600Y *TsharpR (to leave wood on L). In 110Y *TsharpL to resume previous direction (now with wood on R). Keep ahead for 1M to descend to RD. Down DR OPP to pass

BAGDEN FARM - GR 148520

3.2M: In 200Y *TL by stile up path between fences. TR before gate into wood. After 300Y ahead over X-TK then 500Y later FR and cont to RD. TR along RD past RAWMORE CHURCH to T-junc Cross main road WITH CARE near RANMORE EAST CAR PARK - GR 144503

4.3M: Go over 2 stiles & ahead with fence on L. Thru gate Cat field corner) to go steeply downhill thru trees. *TR in 150Y on broad TK.

Ahead over stile in 1000Y then in further 200Y TR (at hairpin bend) to resume direction. Cont ahead for 900Y. At set of gates (by ruin) TL thru small gate on TK. Under railway, zig-zag through COOMBE FARM & ahead on drive for 500Y. At T-junc TR. Ignore R fork after 150Y. BL at post box & over stile. Keep fence on L to church DR. TL to cross A25 WITH GREAT CARE into WOTTON HATCH PH car park to

DRINKS - OPEN 9.15 to 10.45

WOTTON VILLAGE HALL- GR 126476

6.9M: Over stile & across field. Ignore stile to DR but go over stile in far RH corner. Follow path as it descends, over stream, ascends, over TK, ahead when TK goes R at top then descends again. TL at T-junc. Ahead for 1000Y (ignoring FL at house) to RD at

FRIDAY STREET - GR 128458

8.1M: Ahead along Rd by lake to pass STEPHEN LANGTON PH. When RD ends cont ahead on TK for 800Y, RD for 90Y then TK for 1000Y to CHERRY TREE COTTAGE. TR to RD. TL for 100Y to T-junc. HalfL thru barrier on BW for 400Y & TR at X-TK. In 500Y come to RD near

LEITH HILL CAR PARK - GR 131432

9.9M: TR on RD for 20Y then TL on TK with earth bank on L. BL at wooden fence & in 250Y shead over DR. In 600Y (30Y after stream joins path) BL past post on BW to R of field. TL then R through UPFOLDS FARM to cont on DR to RD.

UPFOLDS FARM DRIVE - GR 114432

11.1M: TL for 100Y. *TR over stile & along R edge of fields. At far R corner keep ahead with fence on L. Cross RD & steeply uphill on FP OPP.

Near top, swing L under power lines & in 150Y TL on main TK. In 20Y FR & 330Y later FR again. IN 30Y FL & in further 60Y FL again round edge of hill top to HOLMBURY HILL summit. TR down short gully into trees.

Ahead for 600Y ignoring all R forks to

HOLMBURY HILL CAR PARK - GR 099432

12.4M: Leave by car park exit, over RD & down TK to BL on crossing TK & cont downhill. IN 150Y *TR over stile. Ahead thru posts & between fences for 800Y. Cross RD & up DR of school. In 120Y BR on tarmac then on up bank into trees. BL to fence then BR uphill thru iron fence. Over TK to cont uphill & TL at top on firebreak. In 300Y pass house on R & 10Y after far garden corner, *BR uphill. Join main TK from R, round hill edge & in 200Y TR to PITCH HILL trig. Ahead for 200Y, BL at deep quarry to

PITCH HILL CAR PARK - GR 080426

14.1M: Cross RD ahead up tarmac & gully. FL past Windmill then keep ahead to RD. Cross RD & up RD OPP for 20Y then BL over car park & up TK. BR below viewpoint & follow hill edge. FL in 200Y. Just before RD TL on TK for 200Y. BR across RD to take L of 2 TKs OPP. In 200Y *BR on BW (newly cleared & signposted by Surrey Group Members). Ahead over wide TK in 250Y then, at next wide TK (by Wickets Well), TsharpL on narrow FP (yellow arrow) going uphill. (No not wander to R on dumny path part way up). Cont over top going ahead over wide TK. HalfR over next wide TK (near bottom) & down gully to TR at garden hedge. Join DR to RD.

WINTERFOLD COTTAGE DRIVE - GR 062432

15.7M: BL across RD to TK OPP. In 100Y path goes parallel to tree line in earth bank on R then in further 110Y *TR over stile (by "PRIVATE FOREST" sign) on FP with fence on R (and lovers can use sunken BV on L). At gate BR to keep fence on R then at fence corner in 150Y TL thru gateway to go over sunken BV. Pass through MAYOR HOUSE FARM complex & in 100Y *FR (not TR). Cont ahead over all X-TKs & past fenced enclosure on R to cross RD into

FARLEY HEATH CAR PARK - GR 052448

17.1M: Across car park to take sandy TK directly ahead (157 to R of tall birth tree). Keep ahead over all X-TKs (including wide TK by blue marker 12/AV/20 after 8007). In further 3007, ahead ignoring TKs forking L & turning R. Cont to go over X-TKs for 5007 when #TR at X-TK by tall birth set in a triangle. In 807 FL then in 507 FR to multi-TK clearing. Take TK most directly ahead (3rd from R) to pass under railway in 9007 & on to ALBURY CC PAVILION - GR 059469

DRINKS - OPEN 11.30 to 15.30

19.0M: Cont along metalled TK & BR at triangle to RD. Ahead along Park RD OPP with fence on L. At South Lodge *TL over stile. HalfR thru trees then across field with fence on R to pass cottage. BR thru 2 gates & cont ahead with TILLINGBOURNE stream on L along FP then RD into SHERE VILLAGE - GR 073478

20.1W: TL along NIDDLE STREET & TL at T-junc for 20Y then TR into recreation ground. Go up TK to L of ground. Pass under A25 bridge up sunken TK. FR after 200Y. Pass pillbox & uphill ignoring all TKs to R. At top TR on metalled TK. Ahead for 2M then ease over to TK on R with fence on R. At fence corner keep ahead to

WHITE DOWNS ROAD - GR 114497

23.5M: Ahead on TK OPP. 50Y before next RD FR. In 160Y TL at X-TK by stump to RD. TR along RD WITH CARE for 20Y then TL on TK. Ignore first TK going parallel with RD. FR at post in 150Y. Keep ahead to RANMORE WEST CAR PARK - GR 124505

24.5M: Keep ahead to RD at cottage. TR on drive (5% to R of yellow marker 94/5), Ahead on FP & over X-TK at bottom to ascend. Over next X-TK. At 5 X-TKs (in dip) BL thru barrier. Keep ahead (through 2 more barriers) to BL past LONESONE COTTAGE. Keep ahead for 600Y (going thru 3 more barriers). At PROSPECT LODGE, over stile then in 15Y *TR over stile. In 600Y reach the ALAN BLATCHFORD memorial seat at

TANNERS HATCH YOUTH HOSTEL - GR140515

DRINKS - OPEN 12.30 to 17.00

25.8M: Cont on TK for 500Y. At gravelled area in dip *TR across field with fence on L. Pass to R of buildings, then TL on TK to pass BAGDEN FARM. Cross RD to (go thru 2 gates) uphill thru trees. In 250Y *FR. BL in 800Y (to emerge from trees) nowwith fence on L. TR on TK past CRABTREE COTTAGES & ahead for 400Y to wood.

WESTHUMBLE ROAD - GR 158524

27.4M: *Just before picnic table on R, TL along FP parallel with wood edge. IN 500Y join DR coming in from R. Follow DR for 1400Y (picking up & following fence on R). 140Y after fence corner *TL thru barrier on FP. Pass under railway & TL on TK by cottage. In 300Y (at top of rise) BR to keep river on R. Cont on FP (mainly by river) to go under RD bridge. Thru gate between walls over TK & ahead thru gate. Pass Leisure Centre on L & join RD from L. Ahead to cross RD by bridge. TR for 10Y then BL to keep railway on L. TR at traffic lights & in 30Y TL into

LEATHERHEAD CAR PARK - GR 163566.

THE FINISH

WELL DONE

PLEASE ENSURE YOUR FINISHING TIME IS RECORDED