

24th STANSTED STAGGER 2026

Abbreviations: **AH** Ahead, **BL** Bear/Bearing Left, **BR** Bear/Bearing Right, **BW** Bridleway, **BWS** Bridleway Sign, **CB** Compass bearing, **EB** Earth Bridge, **E** Enclosed **EBW** Enclosed Bridleway **EP** Enclosed Path, **FB** Footbridge, **FC** Field Corner, **FD** Field **FE** Field Edge, **FPS** Footpath Sign, **GR** Grid Reference, **KG** Kissing Gate, **L** Left, **LH** Left Hand, **LHFE** Left Hand Field Edge, **MP** Marker Post, **P** path, **R** Right, **RH** Right Hand, **RHFE** Right Hand Field Edge **ST** Stile **TL** Turn Left **TR** Turn Right, **TK** Track, **WM** Waymark, **X** Cross/Crossing/Across/go through.

1. TR on St John's Road and after 120m **TR** on Burnells Way. At bend **AH** on narrow EP to road. **TR** on pavement to X road at zebra crossing. **TR** X side road and **TL** uphill to X railway. **TL** on Dairy Lane. After last house on R (Elms Lea) immediately **TR** uphill on P. Follow around RHFE to meet wire fence. **TR** towards allotments. **TL** on gravel TK for 450m to **TR** on EP. **TL** at T junction to car park. **TR** with church on L to road. **TL** on pavement for 200m to **TL** on drive (Stansted Hall). **BR** and **L** with drive to electric gate ('Elms Farm'). X KG by gate, **AH** on wide TK for 400m to MP, and **TR** under M11. **GR TL 528 246 2.0 miles**

2. AH to FD, **TL** on LHFE for 80m to FC, then **AH** on slippery P in wood (**taking extra care**) going steeply downhill to meet TK. **TR** X bridge and follow uphill to X railway. **TL** and R on LHFE to pass mast, then **AH** on grass TK to MP (pond on R). **TL** RHFE with ditch on R to X gate in FC. **TL** for 20m to X KG. **BR** X FD to X KG in treeline and **AH** on P to road. **TL**, **TR** with road at junction, passing Fullers End Cottage on R to T junction. **X road with care. GR TL 541 257 3.4 miles**

3. TL on grass verge, then pavement, to Daisy May's Farm. **TR**, **AH** on TK between animal enclosures, **BR** uphill with TK, then **AH** between paddocks to X single metal gate by barn (WM). **AH** to FPS with golf course **AH**, X drive to WM, X ditch, and **TR** with ditch on R. Follow ditch to large sign 'to the 6th tee'. **TR** X EB, then immediately **TL** with ditch now on L. **AH** LHFE, soon E with fence on R. **AH** on green lane for 1K to MP at wood corner. **TL** X gap, **AH** RHFE with wood on R to X EB in FC. **TR** around RHFE (wood still on R) to X EB in far FC (MP). **AH** X FD to FE and **TL** RHFE to MP in FC **AH** following hedgerow/ditch on L, then in 20m, **TR** (MP) on TK LHFE to road. **X road with care Road can be busy with fast moving traffic TR** on grass verge for 100m to **TL** X FB (FPS) by Garrolds Farm. **AH** RHFE for 100m to X EB, then **TL** LHFE to lane. **GR TL 574 256 6.1 miles**

4. BL to FPS, X by gate, **AH** RHFE (ditch on R) to MP in FC. **TL** RHFE for 120m to hedge/treeline corner, then **AH** X FD (CB 314°) to X wide EB (midway between telegraph poles). **TR** RHFE (ditch on R) to hedge and follow L to X FB on **R**. **TL** (MP), then **R** X FD following line of telegraph poles towards blue trailers. **TL** downhill on TK, X gate and X 2 EBs, then **BR** X FD to MP at fence corner. **TL** fence on R to X gate. **BR**, then L around yard to X gate to lane. **TR** downhill to FPS at bridge. **TL**, X gate, and **AH** on EP to meet road. **TR** uphill for 730m to X gate (FPS) by 'Tilty' sign at RH bend. **GR TL 594 266 8.1 miles**

5. follow E TK L and R, then wood on R, to X ST. **AH** down field to X ST and FB in FC. X EB and **TR** on P RHFE (brook on R), X FB, then **BL** on P X FD to go up bank in FC. **TR** on P LHFE, **AH** X EB, then **AH** to end of brick mill on R. **TL** X gate, **BR** uphill (passing ruins of Tilty Abbey on L) to X gate by church. **AH** on lane to T junction. **TL** to T junction and **BL** X road **with care** to X ST (FPS). **BR** X FD to X FB over River Chelmer. **AH** LHFE, X FB in FC, and **AH** on grass P to WM on telegraph pole with FB on L. **TR** uphill, initially following poles, then **AH** on P to meet fence on R. **AH**, then **BL** uphill to MP. **TR**, X KG, and **AH** on wide grass P to **Checkpoint**.

Great Easton Village Hall (Opens 10.15 Closes 12.00)

GR TL 607 255 10.4 miles

6. TR and **AH** on pavement to FPS and X road and pass memorial. **AH** on gravel between Essex House and Cottage by the Green to enter EP. At MP **AH** downhill with fence on L, **TR** to X FB and **AH** X FD following Telegraph poles to X 2nd FB. **AH** X FD to FE. **TL** with river on R to X ST. **BR** on P and cont. RHFE to X FB on R. **TL** X 2nd FB, **AH** on P X FD towards houses to X FB in FC. **TL** with ditch on L to go up steps (MP). **AH** with new houses on R to **TR** at P junction (depression on R). **BL** to road. **TR** on verge then pavement, then **X road with care before bend** to 'Tingie Hoe'. **AH** on drive to pass redundant KG. **GR TL 609 240 11.6 miles**

7. AH uphill RHFE and follow around hedge to road. **TR** on verge passing 'The Old Library' and **AH** to pass St Mary's Church and Little Easton Manor. Keep **AH** downhill between ponds, then uphill passing Easton Glebe, to gravel/concrete TK on L and Easton Lodge car park entrance on R (FPS). **TL** on wide TK, **BL** and **R** to hard standing (dung/hay heap on L), then **AH** on straight concrete TK ignoring Xing TK and later Xing P, for 850m. **GR TL 592 228 13.6 miles**

8. TL with TK for 50m to X FB on R. **BR, TL** on grass TK on RHFE, then **AH** to meet concrete TK. **TR** for 50m to MP on L, then **TL** X FD to X gap. **AH** X FD, passing hedge to far hedge. **TL** uphill over A120. **AH** to gate. **BR** X FD to gate. **TR** and follow gravel TK through farm and **AH** on lane to road. **X road with care** and **TL** on Church Lane. **AH** to church gate. Enter graveyard and **AH** on path with church on L, then leave P to **BL** X graveyard, passing bench on R, to X EB in LH corner.

GR TL 587 209 15.1 miles

9. AH on grass P middle of FD to meet ditch/hedgerow. **AH** ditch on L to X EB between concrete blocks in FC. **AH** LHFE to X KG by shed in FC (WM). X ST by gate, **AH** LHFE to lane, then **BR** to Coldharbour Farm. **AH** on EBW, X FB, then **AH** to FD. **TL** LHFE for 725m to MP in FC. **TR** (ditch on L) LHFE to FC. **TL**, then **R**, now RHFE to X Drive. **AH** keeping close to hedge on R to FC. X FB or gap (WM), then **AH** on EP LHFE to X ST by gate to road. **X road with care** and **TL** to Marsh Lane on R. **BR** to **Checkpoint**.

Great Canfield Village Hall (Opens 11.45am Closes 3.00pm)

GR TL 586 181 17.4 miles

10. TR out of checkpoint to **X road with care** and **TL** RHS of road (**beware of traffic**) for 900m to Helmans Cross. **TR** on Cuckoos Lane and follow for 800m to pass Lingford Cottage. Follow TK and red byway WML, keeping to RHS as TK is likely to be flooded or very muddy around the bend. **AH** on byway LHFE. **AH** as TK becomes E for 1K to meet lane at 'Bullocks'. **AH** on lane, **TR** at junction on RHS of road (**no pavement take care**), to **TL** 50m before bridge on EP (MP Cycle Route 16).

GR TL 568 210 19.8 miles

11. Follow to disused railway. **TL** (Cycle Route 16) for 4K passing Takeley Station, Stane Street Halt, and Hatfield Forest Country Park. Soon after passing the forest, **TR** at Xing TK with factory building on L to road. X road **with care to** WM (CR16).

Water/Refreshments

GR TL 528 213 22.4 miles

12. TL on EBW. Follow for 660m to T Junction. **TR** with fence and lake on R Following BW (CR16), Xing bridge over stream, bridge over A 120, through 2 subways, to junction. **TL** over M11 and follow BW for 600m. 20m before lane by thatched cottage, **TR** on LHFE.

GR TL 512 224 24.0 miles

13. AH in FC on EP with dog field on R. Follow fence on R, with recreation ground on L, **Beware of tree roots** then AH on narrow EP in FC to FPS. **TL** on P (car park on L), then **R** around scout hut, to go between bollards. **TR** on lane/drive. **AH** on TK with bungalows on L to FC (pair of FPS). **TL** with bungalows now on L. At Xing P (dog bin), **TR** X FD (CB 20°) with view of windmill AH. **AH** RHFE downhill, then **AH** in FC on EP to road. **GR TL 510 238 25.0 miles**

14. TL, X road at traffic Island, and **TL** on pavement to FPS (70m). **TR**, then **BL** on narrow EP with fence on L. Follow EP to Brook View. **TR**, then **L** on West Road. When road narrows at brick pillar and 'No Parking' sign, go **AH** for 100m and **TL** on narrow P to X railway.

15. TL on P at bottom and **TR** (no cycling sign) X FB over brook. **AH** uphill to meet road (Millfields). **AH Beware speed bumps** to Junction. **AH** X road to street lamp and **TR** on narrow EP by number 41. **AH** with recreation ground on L to road. **X road with care TR** downhill on pavement, crossing St John's Road, to church gate. **TL** and AH past memorial. **BR**, with hall on R to side door and **Finish**.

St John's Church Hall

GR TL 512 250 26.2 miles

Congratulations!

