### **51st PUNCHBOWL MARATHON 2020**

### **20 & 30 mile ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS**

### L-Left R-Right bw-bridleway fp-footpath rd-road trk-track TL-Turn left TR-Turn right

### BL-Bear left BR-Bear right RHS/LHS - Right/Left hand side

### FL-Fork left FR-Fork right wmp-Waymark post FiPo-Finger post kgt-kissing

### gate x-trk: crossing track x–path: crossing path y-yards GW-Greensand Way

### EMERGENCY TEL. NO: 0777 400 6249

0.0 miles Leave Chichester Hall by rear veranda. **1/2L** (140o) across recreation ground to **BL** on fp to house. Ahead along drive. At end of fence on L, **TL** off drive, following fence on L. Cross concrete hump bridge & ahead on fp thru woods. Under railway & ahead to rd. **TR** on rd& in 100y at FiPo, **TL** through old kgt & ahead (150o) on fp through woods, soon enclosed. At Y-junct, **FR** & follow winding path. At x-trk, ahead through wooden barrier. Follow fp, fence on R, to T-junct & **TL** on trk (drive), railway on R, to main rd. **A283 – GR SU 950383**

1.0 miles Cross rd **1/2L** & ahead up *Combe Lane* on LHS pavement. In 350y, at *Hurst Cottage*, **TR** to cross rd and ahead on fp (**joining GW,** which you follow for 2.8 miles & is well waymarked). Cross green footbridge over railway. Ahead on encl fp (crosses drive, becomes trk/drive, then fp, then trk/drive again,) for 800y to **FR** 15y before reaching minor rd (GW wmp).Crossrd & up gravel drive for 15y to **TR** uphill (350o) on fp. At staggered junct **TR** between benches & follow fp to minor rd. **TL** & follow rd uphill for 450y to reach T-junct **– GR SU 938383**

2.0 miles **TL** & in 60y **FR** off rd up steps on fp. In 600y at end of field on R & T-junct with GW wmp, **TL** (270o) down steep gully for 400y to reach main rd at Brook. Cross & down *Bowlhead Green Road*. In 450y go thru tall kgt on L of *Pine Lodge*, up steep fp, thru kgt & in 60y **TR** down wide grassy trk. At bottom keep ahead uphill, thru kgt to **Lower House Drive – GR SU 919387**

3.4 miles Cross drive, thru gate & ahead (260o) across 2 fields via kgt to go thru field gate. **BR** across rd, up steps & thru gate. **TR** along RH side of field. In 200y over stile & **TL** on enclosed fp to rd. Cross, thru kgt & ahead (240o) across field. If field is full of cows (it was on the marshals’ walk), please proceed slowly and cautiously. Over stile, across trk & thru kgt, down thru trees, over trk & continue down on fp. At 2nd trk **TR** & in 25y (wmp) **FL** down fp. At bottom, ahead & in 150y join metalled drive at *Cosford Farm*. In 50y **TL** (**leaving GW**) on trk (wmp). In 550y over x-trk & cross stile on RHS of electric gates (Hole Farm). Please do not go through gap between gates. Ahead up drive & in 100y just before house gate **FR** off drive & 10y later **FR** up trk. In 80y thru (open) gate and **FR** up trk. In 100y over x-trk & uphill on narrow fp to go thru kgt into hillside field. **1/2 L** for 5y then **BR** (270o) up field. Thru kgt, descend to go thru kgt then thru **A3 underpass (may have standing water but DO NOT CROSS MAIN A3 RD - (better wet feet than a broken body)** – **GR SU 901381**

4.7 miles Up steps & ahead along path to reach rd. Cross & **TL** up rd. In 450y at blue sign **TR** along trk (byway). In 80y cross cattle grid &**TL** up path (230o). In 700y pass metal barrier and **TL** on trk. In 250y, after crossing crest of rise & descending to pass two adjacent sets of low posts on R, reach low old wooden sign ‘*Pedestrian path*’ off trk on R. **FR** (200o) up narrow sandy path. At top of knoll, ahead down sandy path (steps) thru posts & **TR** over cattle-grid (200o). In 60y join metalled bw from L. In 70y **FL** thru posts& up metalled path (210o). In 150y **FR** on path down steep slope to trk, **TL** & in 25y **TR** (210o) to pass through saplings. Continue on wide trk around rim of Devil’s Punchbowl (old A3) for 3/4 mile to reach information board on low bank across trk. **TR** on path into trees to stay on rim of Punchbowl, passing viewpoint, for 2/3 mile to join trk from L & ahead thru gate beside cattle-grid to reach

**Checkpoint 1 - Highcombe Edge – GR SU 887364 (Open 09:00 to 11:00)**

7.3 miles Ahead on main trk. In 550y, at wmp, **FR** (30˚) on main trk. In 500y pass electricity post on R. In 350y at x-trk (12 disc wmp), **TL** (320˚) downhill. In 170y, at T-junc, **TsharpR** (10˚) & ahead down path via gate into gully for 900y to rd. Cross & ahead down trk, over x-trk & in 70y **FR.** Ahead to (busy) rd, cross & **TL** on rd, using RHS verge where possible.In 320y (after *March Hares*) **TR** thru posts. Follow initially winding path for 100y uphill to T-junct with trk. **TL** & in 10y **TR** up bw. In 100y at x-trk **TR** (100o) & ahead uphill to reach TRIG POINT on **Kettlebury Hill – GR SU 885393**

9.6 miles Just beyond trig point **TL** (10o**)** down sandy trk. In 100y join trk from L & ahead over x-trk. Ignore all turns L & R to follow main trk as it contours along Kettlebury Ridge. In 1.1 miles (cycle post no 35 on R) **FR** to continue on ridge for 700y. At 4 short wooden posts across trk, **FL** (20o) down rutted trk. In 160y over x-trk & **TL** (300o) (wmp 101 on L) down wide sandy path. In 200y pass 11th tee on L & ahead (320o) keeping on bw across HANKLEY COMMON GOLF COURSE. In 550y ignore RF, at *Horse Riders* sign on L, & 550y later **BR** to join trk from L. In 160y **TR** across golf course car-park. Ahead on bw with course on R. When course ends (wmp) **FL** to pass lake on L & reach T-junct. **20 & 30 mile routes diverge here.**

*30 MILE WALKERS REACHING THIS POINT AFTER 12:15pm SHOULD CONSIDER SWITCHING TO THE SHORTER ROUTE AS THEY ARE LIKELY TO BE TIMED OUT AT* ***The Sands*** *CHECKPOINT*

**20 MILE ROUTE DESCRIPTION CONTINUES ON PAGE 3**

**30 mile route:** 12.5 miles At T-junct **TL** on wide trk. In 650y, just before rd, **TR** down enclosed path. At end **BR** on rd verge to reach RIVER WEY bridge. Cross bridge & in 20y **TL** on bw. In 550y **TL** on metalled byway & when tarmac ends keep ahead on trk. In 160y **FR** on trk. In 375y join drive from L & in 40y reach rd. Cross & ahead along trk. In 400y, at T-junct with gate ahead, **TL.** In 500y at (busy) rd (B3001) **TR** up rd. In 250y, (after *Keepers Cottage Stud* on L) **TL** on bw. In 400y reach rd. Cross & swing **L** on bw opposite. In 60y (bw581 marker post propped against tree on RHS of path) **FL** on fp. In 175y **FL** to pass thru barrier & **BR** across car park to **BR** up path (0˚). Up stepped path to summit of Crooksbury Hill GR SU 878459. Ahead between trig pillar & RH bench, & down wide fp (30˚). At fork **BslightlyL** and ahead downhill between concrete posts. At next junction, **FR**. At rd, **TL**. Ahead up rd & over X-rd. In 50y **TR** into

**Checkpoint 2 - *The Sands Room*** (Sands Village Hall) **GR SU 882465** **(Open 11:15 to 13:30)**

15.7 miles Leave hall, down ramp, ahead to end of building & up steps. **TL** along enclosed fp to sports field. **BR** to cross diagonally (140˚) to far R corner to exit along fp into woods. At end cross rd & ahead along drive (*Long Hill*). In 700y at barrier, *Forestry Commission* sign on R, **TL** & cont ahead to gradually join wooden fence on L. At fence corner swing **L** with path & cont (fence still on L). In 90y, at T-junc, **TR** past barrier & in 70y, at x-trk, **TL**. In 45y **FR** (soon downhill) with mature pines on R, young dense plantation initially on L. At end of glade on R, **TL** on gravel trk & 170y later **BR** to join wide trk from L. In 230y thru barrier (*Crooksbury Common* sign) & 60y later **FR** onto path to rd. Cross, thru fence & **BL** across clearing to join trk thru wood. Ahead for 550y, over 3 x-trks. After 3rd x-trk, ahead on narrow path. In 130y **BR** to join fp from L & 50y later **TL** on main trk (40˚) to rd via barrier. **TR** & in 30y cross rd & down narrow winding path. In 330y reach **Hampton Park Drive GR SU 907457**

18.0 miles **BR** over metalled drive (do not go down drive to *Warren Cottage*), thru carpark & **BL** down path to T-junc at edge of pond. **TL** & in 20y **TR** between ponds. Ignoring all R turns keep ahead with (derelict) fence on L & in 400y reach pond on R. Ahead past pond and 170y after endof pond, at 2nd wmp with green & purple discs, **FR** (10o) up sandy path (Puttenham Common.) In 400y over diagonal x-trk to join & **BR** on trk from L (100˚). In 100y pass mature conifer nearby on R. Ahead across multipath junction (wmp) and ahead ignoring all turns L&R. In 600y, **50y before overhead wires**, **FL** (60˚) on narrow path into trees, soon passing under wires. In 220y, at x-trk, **TL** & 20y later **TR** thru barrier (*Lascombe Walk* sign) on fp thru wood, later enclosed. In 250y over drive, thru kgt & ahead (50˚) across field. Thru kgt & across 2nd field (40˚) to **TR** on lane. In 900y join lane from L & in 120y (now in Puttenham GR SU927477) ahead along *The Street*. At *The Good Intent* pub **TR** up *Suffield Lane*. In 60y ahead over stile (**numbers check here**) & ahead along enclosed path. At wood on R **FR** along fp in trees to pass stile & thru kgt into field. Ahead across field (180o). At far end thru kgt, **BR** on fp across next field & **BL** down beside fence. At fence corner, ahead (180o) then **BR** to far corner to exit thru kgt to rd. **TR** & in 140y **TR** thru gap beside fieldgate & ahead on enclosed fp. At open field keep ahead along RH edge. At field end pass derelict kgt & into woods along initially sunken fp. In 170y at multiway junction, ahead (270o) (wmp). In 150y at T-junct **TL** down sunken bw & keep ahead for 270y to join metalled drive past **Rodsall Manor GR SU 920457**

22.1 miles Keep ahead on drive, ignore 1st bw on L, & in 100y, just before *Rainbows End* & RH bend in rd, FL on bw. In 400y at house on L keep ahead & follow drive keeping wall/buildings on L. When wall ends TL on path around lake (on R.) When lake ends, ahead between railings, over x-trk & ahead (1800) on path thru wood for 500y to rd. TL & in 90y TR on winding bw thru trees. In 260y thru gate, across field (2400), thru gate & TR on trk to rd. TL & in 300y cross rd to continue on RHS (blind bend ahead). In 200y, just before *Paulshott Cottage,* TL thru gate, ignoring fp closed sign on gate. In 60y TR (2200) thru fence gap & ahead on fp to T-junct at fence. TL thru (open) fieldgate. Ahead thru trees across sleeper walkway, into field to fence corner. BR across sleeper walkway. Ahead (2000) along enclosed fp. Just before creeper covered WWII bunker on R, FL, ahead 10y to FL again (do not cross stile.) If this route is flooded, return to creeper covered bunker and follow route in *italics* below.If not, ahead on permissive footpath to T-junct at River Wey & TR over footbridge. Ahead along bank path to rd (B3001 - very busy)*.* TL & cross bridge. Route description continues after italics paragraph below

*Alternative route: Return to creeper covered bunker and TL (2000) to cross stile & ditch bridge. Ahead (2100) across open field to cross stile near far LH corner to rd (B3001 - very busy). TL on verge for 20y, then cross rd to RHS to continue on verge. At bridge, cross to traffic island, up along island then cross to LHS rd. Cross bridge over River Wey.*

At far side of bridge, cross to RHS rd. At *The Golden Fleece* pub TR thru carpark, ahead thru gap between fence & trees, pass garages, ahead along drive & TL with rd (Hope Street) to reach main rd. TR for 230y to reach

**Checkpoint 3 - Elstead Village Hall – GR SU 904434 (Open 11:00 to 16:30)**

**30 MILE ROUTE DESCRIPTION CONTINUES AFTER NEXT PARAGRAPH**

### **20 MILE ROUTE CONTINUES HERE**

12.5 miles At T-junct **TR** (40o) on trk, pass thru barrier ahead, swing **R** & then **L** up leftmost of 3 trks. Follow main trk along northern edge of HANKLEY COMMON for 1.1 miles, ignoring all R & L turns, passing turnings to *Upper* *Hankley Cottage* at 0.6 miles, and *Hankley Farm* at 0.8 miles. At 1.1 miles reach carpark & ahead to join tarmac rd (90o). In 0.5 mile pass **Elstead Church** on R and join main rd from R. Ahead along LHS rd to reach your **2ND checkpoint**, on L.

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**30 & 20 MILE ROUTES: JOINT ROUTE DESCRIPTION CONTINUES HERE**

24.6/14.3 miles. Leave Elstead Village Hall & **TL** on rd. At *Hope Street* on L, **TR** to cross rd into *Stacey’s Farm Road* & immediately turn up enclosed **fp on L**, between houses. Thru kgt & ahead keeping (intermittent) hedge on L. Thru kgt, **TL** & in 5y **TR** (160o). In 100y thru timber kgt & along R edge of 4 fields on enclosed fp for 1200y (fields also to R, beyond trees). At end of 4th field thru kgt then ahead to cross stile beside metal gate onto MOD Training Area (2 white MOD and double yellow triangle signs) on **Ockley Common – GR SU 911423**

25.6/15.3 miles Keep ahead (150o) & in 400y join trk from R. Keep ahead & 200y later over x-trk. In 150y join trk from L (2 wmps at junct). **BR** (170o) on trk. In 130y pass *Natural England* board on your L. Ahead to follow main trk along edge of Ockley Common, later into trees, over all x-trks. In 1250y at x-trk pass *Natural England* board on your R. Ahead & in 450y reach trk junct with a green *A3 Gap closed* sign and a yellow triangle sign (which may have fallen over into the bushes.) **BR** (220o) & in 400y ignore left fork to A3 (visible ahead) to **FR** then **BL** to join trk from R. In 400y reach *Natural England* board & **TL** between fences to rd. Cross & ahead over **A3 bridge – GR SU 911397**

27.5/17.2 miles At far side cross slip rd & **TL** down rd to *Bowlhead Green*. In 480y (40y before rd bends R) **TR** on trk & in 80y **TL** on bw. In 160y cross rd & ahead down trk opposite. In 270y, where trk swings R towards house, **BL** on bw for 5Y then **FR** (80o). Ahead for 750y to rd & ahead on rd, using verges. In 150y **TL** into car park, **BR** to pass in front of notice board then **TL** on path. In 15y **FR** & 40y later **TR**. In 50y join fp from L & in 160y at x-trk **TR (**130o.) 120y later, 30y before barrier, **FL.** In 50y **FR** to rd. **A286/ROKE LANE – GR SU 931399**

28.9/18.6 miles Cross A286 to path (70o) to follow blue-topped posts. Ignore left fork at 70y and 130y later, **FL** (following main path.) In 60y join wide path from L. In 270y at overhead power lines, **TR** on wide grassy trk to rd. **TL** & in 200y **BR** on 2nd trk to pass in front of cottages. At end ahead down fp with fence on L, over drive & ahead around small lake. Up 24 steps, follow fp to L, then R, passing houses. Join metalled trk from L, down thru carpark & at T-junct, **TL** down rd, (Church Lane.) In 180y reach (very busy) A283 & **TR** for 200y. WHEN SAFE cross to Chichester Hall. Keeping hall on L, pass around outside of hall to **back veranda** to Finish checkpoint. Please do not use front entrance to hall.

**Remove boots and shoes on veranda please**

**FINISH GR SU 948394**

Thirty mile route: 30.3 miles Twenty mile route: 20.0 miles

**Well Done!**

**NO BOOTS IN HALL PLEASE**

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