**WINTER TANNERS - 20 MILE ROUTE DESCRIPTION**

**SUNDAY 15 JANUARY 2023**

The registration, start and finish are in the Mole Business Park, **TQ160565**. Parking will be in the Mole Business Park close to the start/finish venue. Please follow the signs once you are in the Mole Business Park. Closer to the venue car parking marshals will also assist you.

**Drivers please note:**

The MOLE BUSINESS PARK is straight ahead, just after going under the double bridge on the one way gyratory system in Leatherhead. For those of you who use satellite navigation devices the postcode for the business park is **KT22 7BA**.

**For those people walking from Leatherhead railway station the directions are as follows**:

*If coming from the London direction* leave the station & **TR** down to main road. And …

*If coming from the Guildford/Dorking direction* leave the station & **TL**, at the traffic lights **TL** under bridge. And …

*Now united, walkers from both directions should* … **cross** RD, using the Pelican crossing & **keep ahd** on FP with railway fence on R. At end **cross** RD via traffic island & **TR** under bridge. **Keep ahd**, WITH CARE, **pass** MAGNET & enter MOLE BUSINESS PARK passing the security hut on L. **TL** on RD & keep ahd, passing grey building on L, to **cont ahd** on path to R of APPLIED PHOTOPHYSICS & across small car park to the START.

***ABBREVIATIONS****:*

*&=and, ahd=ahead, B=bear, BG=bridlegate, BHH=Box Hill Hike, BW=bridleway, BY=byway, cont=continue, ch=chain (22Y, 10ch=1furlong), CP=checkpoint, F=fork, FG=field gate, FiPo=fingerpost, FP=footpath, furlong=220Y (8 furlongs=1M), GW= Greensand Way, H=hand, HVT=Happy Valley Trail, HVT=Happy Valley Walk, immed=immediately, JTT= Juniper Top Trail, JTW=Juniper Top Walk, junc=junction, KG=kissing gate, L=left, LHG=Leith Hill Greenway, M=mile,* ***NB=stop talking/daydreaming and watch out carefully!****, NDW=North Downs Way, NT=National Trust, opp=opposite, R=right, RD=road, ST=stile, T=turn, thru=through, Tjunc=T junction, TK=track, WM=waymark post, XRD=crossroads, XTK=cross track, Y=yards, 4WD=4 wheel drive.*

***IF, & ONLY IF, INSTRUCTED TO DO SO BY MARSHALS AT START PLEASE REPLACE THIS PARAGRAPH WITH FLOOD ROUTE TO BE FOUND AT THE VERY END OF THIS ROUTE DESCRIPTION***

From front door go **straight ahd** across small car park & along enclosed FP, with APPLIED PHOTOPHYSICS on R. **Keep ahd** on RD with CARA TECHNOLOGY (grey building) on R. **TR** on pavement, by STOP sign. (**NB SHOW CARD TO MARSHALS HERE TO REGISTER YOUR START TIME!)**  Cont **ahd** **WITH CARE** to pass security hut & MAGNET on R. Keep **ahd** under 2 bridges & **TR** onto WATERWAY ROAD. Cont **ahd**, crossing MILL LANE **WITH CARE**, & follow pavement under bridge to **cross** RD at pelican crossing. **TL** along pavement under bridge & immed **TR** & keep **ahd** on pavement with RD on L. As RD swings R **cross** RD **WITH CARE**, & cont **ahd** on FP with FiPo on L & LEISURE CENTRE on R. When tarmac ends **keep ahd** over XTK (FiPo NORBURY PARK), **thru** metal KG & **along** enclosed path. **Thru** wooden KG, **under** bridge, **thru** 2nd KG, **ahd** on path across field, later close to trees on L. At end of field keep ahd on TK to go **thru** gateway/KG & **ahd** with fence posts on L. At house (ahd) **TL** along drive. In 2 furlongs go **thru** KG to **join** concrete drive from L to pass MICKLEHAM PRIORY & 25Y later ignore RT. In 2 furlongs **over** bridge then **TL** beside RD. In 50Y, opp FiPo, **TR** to cross dual carriageway **WITH GREAT CARE**. Cont **ahd** along drive, by wall end. In 40Y, when tarmac swings L, keep **ahd** on enclosed FP. Ignoring all turns cont **ahd** & thru churchyard & wooden gates. (2.6M)

**TQ171533**

**TL** along gravelled TK. In 150Y, at EASTFIELD COTTAGE entrance, **BR** **over** ST & **up** path. In 280Y, at WM, **FR** & 240Y later, **over** X-TK. In 250Y, **TR** to pass BHH WM on L & keep **ahd** downhill. In 30Y, just before defunct fence corner post, **TR** with FP. In 50Y, at seat, **ignore** FP on L. Follow path, soon steeply downhill, & **down** steps. **NB SLOW DOWN & STOP** at the bottom - DO NOT RUN STRAIGHT OUT ACROSS ROAD. (3.4M)

**TQ177529**

**Cross** RD and car park **WITH CARE** and keep **ahd** between posts. In 40Y **FL** thru small gate & in 60Y keep **ahd** on main path unerringly up to the summit. **Bear R** onto stony path & later **thru** BG. Keep **ahd** for 2 1/2F, to pass blue-topped JTW WM on L. In 330Y, at blue-topped JTT WM on R, **FL** & 30Y later **TL** to pass HVT WM on R. In 300Y **FR,** soon passing HVW/JTT WM & houses on L. Keep **ahd** to RD. **Cross WITH CARE** & **TR** on path parallel to RD. **NB** In 20Y **TL** on unmarked path & cont **over** sunken TK onto NDW. Cont **ahd** on level path & at FiPo **swing L** with FP, **up steps**. At top & FiPo, **TR** with path. At path junc & FiPo, keep **ahd down steps** & **TR** down BW, leaving NDW. At path junc & wooden FG, **TR**. In 10Y **TL** downhill, **over** bridge to RD. (5.7M)

**TQ193505**

**TL** on pavement & in 50Y **cross** RD **WITH GREAT CARE** via island & **cont in same direction** on opposite pavement. After last house on R, at FiPo, **TR** onto enclosed FP. Just before RD, **TL** over FB & **TR** along RH edge of BIG FIELD. **Please keep to the edge** & at corner **TL** onto tarmac path. Cont **ahd**, ignoring all RTs, to end of hedge on R. Keep **ahd** &, 5yds before Ollie’s seat, **TR** to **cross** RD **WITH CARE** to FiPo & cont **up** enclosed FP. Ignore all RTs to emerge from wood & **TL** up BW. In 8Y **TR** onto FP (GW) & cont ahd **over** FB, along RH field edge, **thru** BG & along RH field edge. At FiPo & BG keep **ahd** with fence on L. At end go **over** tarmac drive & ahd **thru** gate, churchyard &archway to **TR** on path beside RD. Keep ahd, **over** bridge **IN SINGLE FILE WITH CARE,** & 20Y later **TR** thru metal KG. Ahd **across** field (160º) & on **thru** woodland, via FB, & metal KG, to emerge from trees & **ahd** on RH field edge. At redundant stile **BR** (250º) to FiPo. C**ont uphill** & **along** ridge, keeping river in sight to R. Pass beacon on L & keep ahd to go **thru** metal KG.  **Up steps** & **ahd**. At FiPo on corner **TL** (180º) to pass just to R of trees. At 4th tree **BR** (240º) aiming just to L of hedge line. **Follow** hedge to red topped gas post & then **BL** (250º) to corner. **Thru** metal KG & along enclosed path to RD. **Cross WITH CARE** & **TL WITH CARE** to Tjunc. **TL WITH CARE** & **cross** RD **WITH CARE** to (8.5M)

**CHECKPOINT 1** **STROOD GREEN OPEN 0945 TO 1130**

**TQ204485**

**Leave** CP, to initially retrace your steps. At RD junc **TR WITH CARE** to pass FiPo on R & cont ahd. At duck warning triangle & FiPo **TL WITH CARE** & along RH field edge & **thru** gap in hedge. Cont to **cross** next field (240º) & RD **WITH CARE, thru** gap in hedge& **TL** along pavement. In 25Y, at FiPo, **TR** & cont **ahd** to **cross** FB & ST & then **cont** along enclosed path & **thru** KG.  **TR WITH CARE** along RD. In 1 furlong ignore L turn &, 2 1/2 furlongs later, **TL** on tarmac FP towards PONDTAIL FARM. Just before farm buildings **TR** over ST. **Cont** along LHS of 2 fields & over 3 more STs. **TL** on broad path & **ahd** around metal gates. Cont **ahd** for 4 furlongs to join tarmac & 120Y later, at tarmac drive, **TR** to main RD. **TR** on pavement. In 70Y **TL** & **cross** RD via island **WITH GREAT CARE**. **TL** on pavement & follow it round 1st corner. (10.7M)

**TQ184501**

Keep **ahd** on RD between car parks & **over** FB. Cont **ahd** up RD **WITH** **CARE**. At RD junc **FL** on tarmac & in 2 furlongs, at WM (BHH) **FL**. At next WM **FL**, go **thru** KG & **FR** uphill & ahd **thru** small gate. At path junc ignore RF & **cont** ever upwards to Tjunc.  **TL** thru small gate & keep **ahd** to go **thru** 2nd gate. Ignore stepped path on L & **cont** on, later going uphill, to join path from R. In due course pause to **read** gravestone on R & cont **ahd**, as another path joins from R & path starts to descend. Cont on broad chalk path, **thru** gate, to end of chalk path in open grassy area. **Bear** **L**, to pick up narrower chalk path next to trees on L **Follow** thisas it swings L & then R, beside trees/ scrub on L, & then **CAREFULLY\*** steeply downhill all the way, to finally go **thru** gate. (\* If path appears too slippery use grass path immediately to R to descend to small gate on L at bottom of hill.) (12.2M)

**TQ171520**

**TL** on pavement, pass the TITHE BARN on L & **follow** pavement round corner & over bridge. **Keep** **L** & **downhill** round barrier.  **TR** under subway, **TL** uphill & keep **ahd** to **cross** WESTHUMBLE STREET **WITH CARE**. In 500Y, at FiPo, **TR** towards brick pillars, **thru** gate on L & keep ahd **under** bridge & **thru** small gate. **Ahd** & in 500Y, at FiPo, **TL** thru gap in hedge. **Ahd** thru vines. At FiPo keep **ahd** on stony TK. At path junc & FiPo cont **ahd** to go **downhill**, **thru** KG, & **up**, later thru trees. At path junc **FR** (FiPo on L) & **cont** on initially enclosed path, soon tarmac, & **ahd** on RD **WITH CARE**. In 140Y at RD junc **TR WITH CARE** up CHALKPIT TERRACE to Tjunc. **TL** on pavement & soon **BR** down grass.  **Cross** RD **WITH CARE** & **TR** on pavement. In 20Y, at FiPo, **FL** up FP. At path junc & NT sign **FL** & in 100Y ignore LT to **cont uphill**. In 50Y ignore RT & 35Y later, at WM, **TL** gently uphill, ignoring all turns. In 5 furlongs, shortly after entering trees, pass WM on L (30 mile route joins here). In 2 more furlongs, just before LHG WM on R, **TsharpR**. In 400Y, at WM on R, **FL** uphill & follow path round bend & **thru** KG. Keep going relentlessly uphill to pass bench on R & **thru** gateway. Now **pass** FiPo & 2 more benches on R & then **BR** to follow hedge round corner and up to (15.9M)

**CHECKPOINT 3 - STEERS FIELD - OPEN 1100 TO 1730**

**TQ141503**

**Leave** CP **thru** gate & keep **ahd** over car park **WITH CARE** to grass verge & **TL**. In 30Y **TR** & **cross** RD **WITH CARE** via 2 FBs & **TL** on wide path. **TR** on 3rd gravel TK, **around** RH barrier & in 30Y **FL**. In 1100Y **pass** the ALAN BLATCHFORD MEMORIAL SEAT & TANNERS HATCH YOUTH HOSTEL, both on L. In 470Y, at bottom of hill, **TR** thru BG. **Follow** fence on L to end & **BR** thru wooden BG. At Tjunc **TL** to RD. **Cross** 1/2L **WITH CARE** & **thru** BG. **Ahd** with fence on L, **thru** BG & **up** BW. **BR** then **BL** **over** XTK & cont **uphill** & **ahd** over XTK, at FiPo. In 800Y at end of fence on R, cont on main TK **thru** wood & in 180Y **FR** to emerge & **follow** LH field edge with wood on L. At Tjunc **TR**, in 80Y **TL** & in 15Y **TL** with field on L & wood on R. Keep **ahd,** ignoring all turns, past ROARINGHOUSE FARM on L & later over XTK to pass brick barn on R. In 950Y **ahd** past BOCKETTS FARM on R & keep **ahd** to RD. (19.7M)

**TQ156550**

**Cross** RD **WITH GREAT CARE** to pass metal post & keep **ahd** on path. In 620Y **TR** (30Y before FiPo GIIMCRACK HILL) **BR**, thru gap, onto downhill path & 140Y later **swing** L & immed **FL**. **Pass** waterworks path, **over** railway & in 275Y, at XTK & FiPo (LEATHERHEAD), **TL** on tarmac FP & **cont** to end. **Cross** RD **WITH CARE** & **TR** on pavement to end. **TL** under bridge & immed **TR** to cross RD at pelican crossing. **TR** & follow pavement under bridge & keep **ahd** to **cross** MILL LANE **WITH CARE** & **follow** pavement to **TL** under 2 bridges. Keep **ahd WITH CARE** to pass MAGNET & security hut on L. **TL** on RD & keep **ahd**, passing dark grey building on L. Cont **ahd** on path to R of APPLIED PHOTOPHYSICS & across small car park to the FINISH. (21.2M) **WELL DONE!**

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