HARDMOORS 26.2 WHITE HORSE MARATHON ROUTE DESCRIPTION

CW = CLEVELAND WAY

- 1. From the Race Start follow the path until you reach a junction.
- 2. At junction turn right onto the CW
- 3. **Follow CW**, (keep to left hand path right path is a bike trail)
- 4. **Ignore any turnings** to the left or right
- 5. At path junction (after 2 miles) ignore left fork & **continue ahead** following CW sign.
- 6. Eventually pass by farm building on right (2.9 miles) stay on track
- 7. Pass through gate & cross over road to reach CHECKPOINT 1 (3.5 miles)
- 8. Leave CP & pass by gate following CW sign into Boltby forest
- 9. Pass through next gate and continue ahead on track.
- 10. Pass through next gate and turn right onto lane
- 11. Continue on lane uphill and ignore track to the left leaving lane.
- 12. Pass through gate towards High paradise farm
- 13. Continue on track keeping **High Paradise farm to your right**
- 14. Follow track up to the gate and the path junction
- 15. Pass through gate and at the junction turn left following the CW
- 16. Continue ahead on track **passing through woods** ignoring any tracks off to the left.
- 17. Leave woods & continue straight ahead passing through metal gate signed CW
- 18. Continue straight ahead on track
- 19. At track crossroads is **CHECKPOINT 2 (7 miles)**
- 20. You will see this CP again at 15 miles
- 21. After leaving CP continue straight ahead on CW passing 'NO CARS' sign on right
- 22. Keeping stone wall to your left continue ahead on wide track

- 23. Pass through metal gate
- 24. Shortly after gate continue straight ahead at junction keeping to the main track
- 25. Just after cattle grid ignore track off to the right & continue ahead on CW
- 26. Continue on track as it descends the hill side
- 27. Ignoring any paths to the left or right **continue descending wide track**
- 28. Pass alongside metal gate
- 29. Continue heading straight ahead towards the road
- 30. Just next to the road is Square Corner & CHECKPOINT 3 (9.5 miles)
- 31. Retrace your steps heading back up the hillside
- 32. Pass alongside metal gate
- 33. **Turn right** at the first signed track on the right (cycle route 65)
- 34. Pass through wide wooden gate
- 35. Continue on wide track
- 36. After 0.60 miles **ignore the track off to the right** & continue descending straight ahead
- 37. Ignore any tracks to the left or right and continue descending main track
- 38. Pass by large wooden gate and car park on the right.
- 39. Continue on track as it becomes a lane
- 40. At the end of the lane turn left onto the road (signed 65) passing house on the left
- 41. At **next junction turn left** (signed 65 and Kepwick)
- 42. Ignore left turning to Honey Kiln farm & continue ahead on road
- 43. Continue following road ignoring any private roads or paths off to the left or right
- 44. Just after a mile on reaching road junction turn left on road
- 45. Pass Kepwick Hall on the right
- 46. Continue on road/lane for the next 1.5 miles
- 47. The **road starts to climb steeply after** a short distance
- **48.** At the VERY top of the climb pass through metal gate to reach **CHECKPOINT 4 (15 miles)**
- 49. After leaving CP continue directly straight ahead on wide track

- 50. Pass through **metal gate** & continue ahead on wide track
- 51. Pass through **next metal gate** and continue on wide track.
- 52. Continue ahead **descending on wide track** ignoring any tracks off to the right
- 53. Pass through **metal gate** and continue descending on track
- 54. Pass by the entrance to **Arden hall on left** & continue ahead on lane signed Hawnby
- 55. Continue on road as it crosses a stone bridge ignoring any paths off to the left or right
- 56. At the road junction turn right on road signed Helmsley 6.5 miles
- 57. Pass by **church** on your right
- 58. At road junction just after Hawnby Stores & Tea Room **turn right** (signed Helmsley)
- 59. **Ascend road hill** keeping to the road ignoring any paths or roads off to the left or right
- 60. At the top of the hill is situated **CHECKPOINT 5 (20 miles)**
- 61. On leaving CP5 turn left onto lane leaving road
- 62. Continue on lane passing Murton Grange on your right.
- 63. **Continue ahead on road for 1.2 miles** ignoring paths or tracks off on left or right.
- 64. Follow road as it descends down to a ford.
- 65. Cross ford and ascend road until reaching a public footpath sign on your left.
- 66. Turn left following sign leaving road to pass through the large wooden gate.
- 67. Continue directly ahead on grass path
- 68. Pass by & follow bridleway sign heading towards woods in distance.
- 69. Pass by next bridleway sign and enter woods.
- 70. Pass through wooden gate & continue ahead on path for next mile through woods.
- 71. At wooden gate pass directly through & follow path gradually descending.
- 72. Pass the bath on your left & continue ahead through wooden gate to join the road
- 73. Continue on road **ignoring gate to your right**
- 74. **Descend Hill** on road

- 75. At bottom of the hill take track leaving road on left hand side
- 76. Pass through gate and follow path
- 77. Continue on duckboards alongside the river
- 78. Pass through gate and continue ahead along path
- 79. Pass through next gate and turn left onto track
- 80. Pass over bridge and continue ahead on track
- 81. Take footpath on right (signed Rievaulx) passing through a gate
- 82. Keep close to river & pass through next gate (usually hidden by trees)
- 83. Continue across next field keeping close to fence line on left.
- 84. Head directly towards the Abbey
- 85. Pass through gate and continue ahead
- 86. Pass through next gate and again keep straight ahead
- 87. Pass through next gate left of the barn
- 88. Pass through another bloody gate and turn right onto the road
- 89. Continue ahead on road passing Abbey on left
- 90. On reaching road junction turn right to cross the stone bridge
- 91. Continue along the road.
- 92. **Ignore the first turn off** (Cold Kirby/Old Byland Rd)
- 93. Leave road (CW signed) just after the bend CHECKPOINT 6 (25 miles)
- 94. Leave CP & pass through a gate following the forestry track.
- 95. Follow the track as it runs alongside a stream.
- 96. Leave the track to cross the stepping stones on your right.
- 97. **Go through the gate** and join the forestry track.
- 98. At junction of two forest tracks turn left up FlassenDale.
- 99. At break in the forest, turn right and climb steeply up a side gully. (Signed CW)

- 100. On reaching the grass field continue ahead with fence on left.
- 101. Follow Low field lane.
- 102. When lane turns left, turn right down a short slope (CW Signed)
- 103. Follow track into **Cold Kirby**.
- 104. Pass Church on left & continue straight through the village on the main road.
- 105. After last house on left turn left along lane called Cote Moor Road. (Signed CW)
- 106. Follow lane as it turns right then left along field edge to reach forestry track
- 107. **Turn right onto forestry track** & continue along track.
- 108. Pass over stile & follow fenced path keeping Hambleton House to your right.
- 109. Go through gate & turn left following CW Sign
- 110. After 50metres turn right at Footpath Sign (signed Sutton Bank) leaving the CW
- 111. Follow path as it continues alongside of woods (keeping the woods to your right)
- 112. On reaching crossroads, diagonally cross track following directional arrow
- 113. Pass through wooden gate & continue ahead on wide track between cycle paths
- 114. **Pass under bridge** & continue directly ahead on path
- 115. Follow path to the road & Sutton Bank Visitor Centre RACE FNISH (29 miles)

THE LAST 200 METRES TO THE FINISH WILL BE SIGNED ON THE DAY