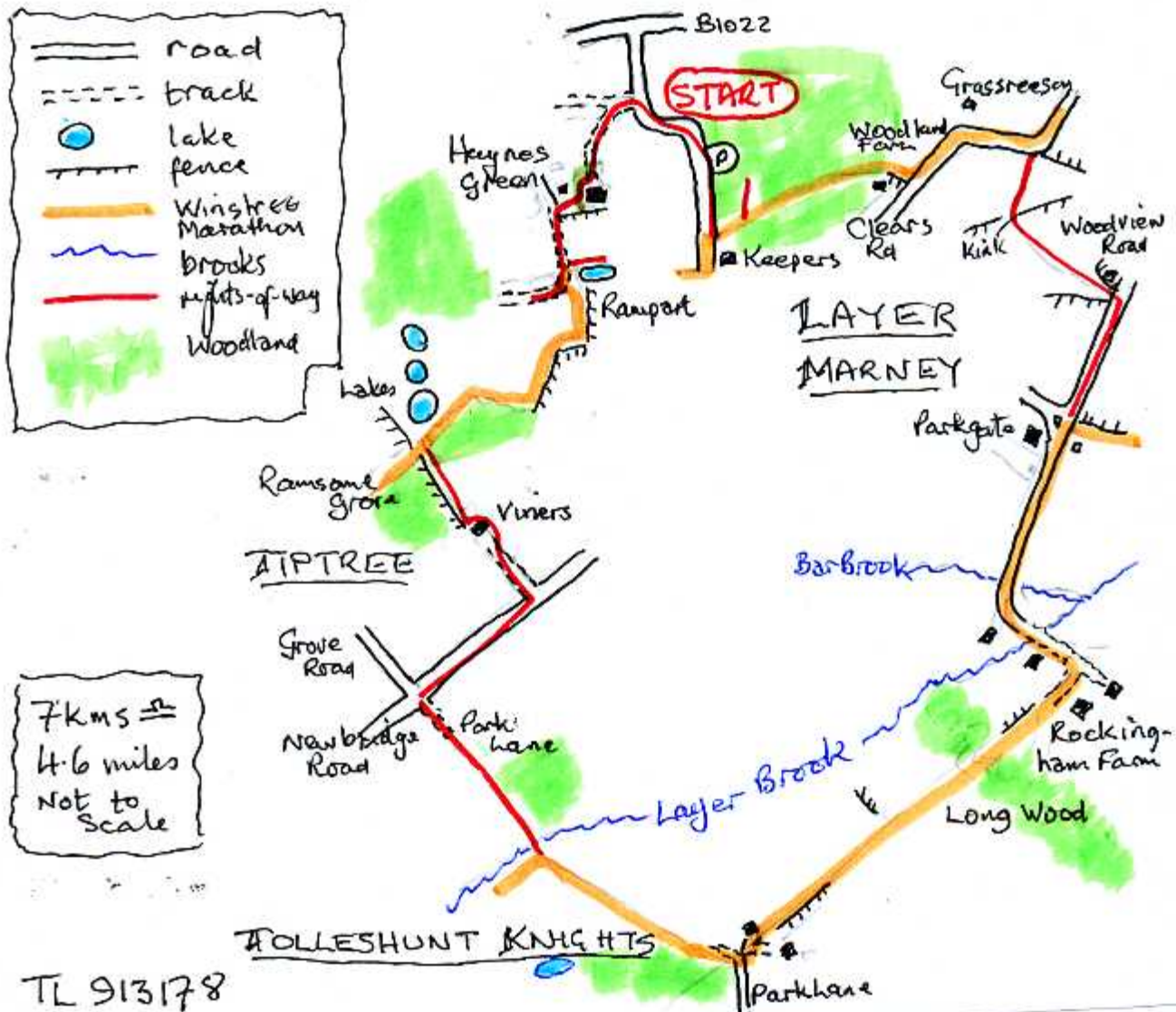


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Layer Marney, Haynes Green Road verge under Layer Wood's canopy. Move along the road N towards Messing, and turn left on Haynes Green Farm drive, fork left and serve W of the Manor as directed by yellow arrows. A gate amid leylandi foliage gives access to a grassy passage S of a residential barn. Join the track by a wicker fence, going left to the Rampart, where the track goes right. Ignore it. Stay straight ahead aiming for Tudwick's watertower silhouette. Eventually the leftside hedge guides around Z bends to an anglers' lake. Somehow the path has got to lip of the lake and it leaves an awkward slither down to Ransome Grove's footpaths. Keep ditch on right to plod SE by Viners Farm out to Tiptree's Newbridge Road. Uphill right, face oncoming traffic as far as Grove Road. Twist left opposite to stride Park Lane down to Layer Brook and up to Tolleshunt Knight's tarmac version of Park Lane. Preferring softer surfaces, proceed left between two large dwellings to have hedge on right as Long Wood is approached. The path gains a midfield loneliness as the metallic gate of Layer Marney's woodland is met.

A good path ensues to emerge overlooking Rockingham Farm. Descend to pass N of the farmstead and join the road rising to Parkgate, and beyond to the path left off Woodview Road. From the stile and garden hedge it kinks across a large grazing plot to emerge on Clears Road by Grassreasons. Venture left on a footway-less highway to Woodlands Farm where a path hints right by a wall. Get under Layer Wood's canopy which stretches W to complete the circuit.

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