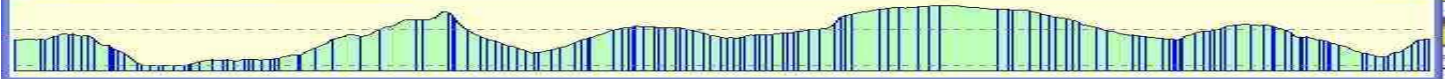


Hey Diddle Diddle

13.75 miles / 2970ft ascent

Hey Diddle Diddle 22km / 14 miles

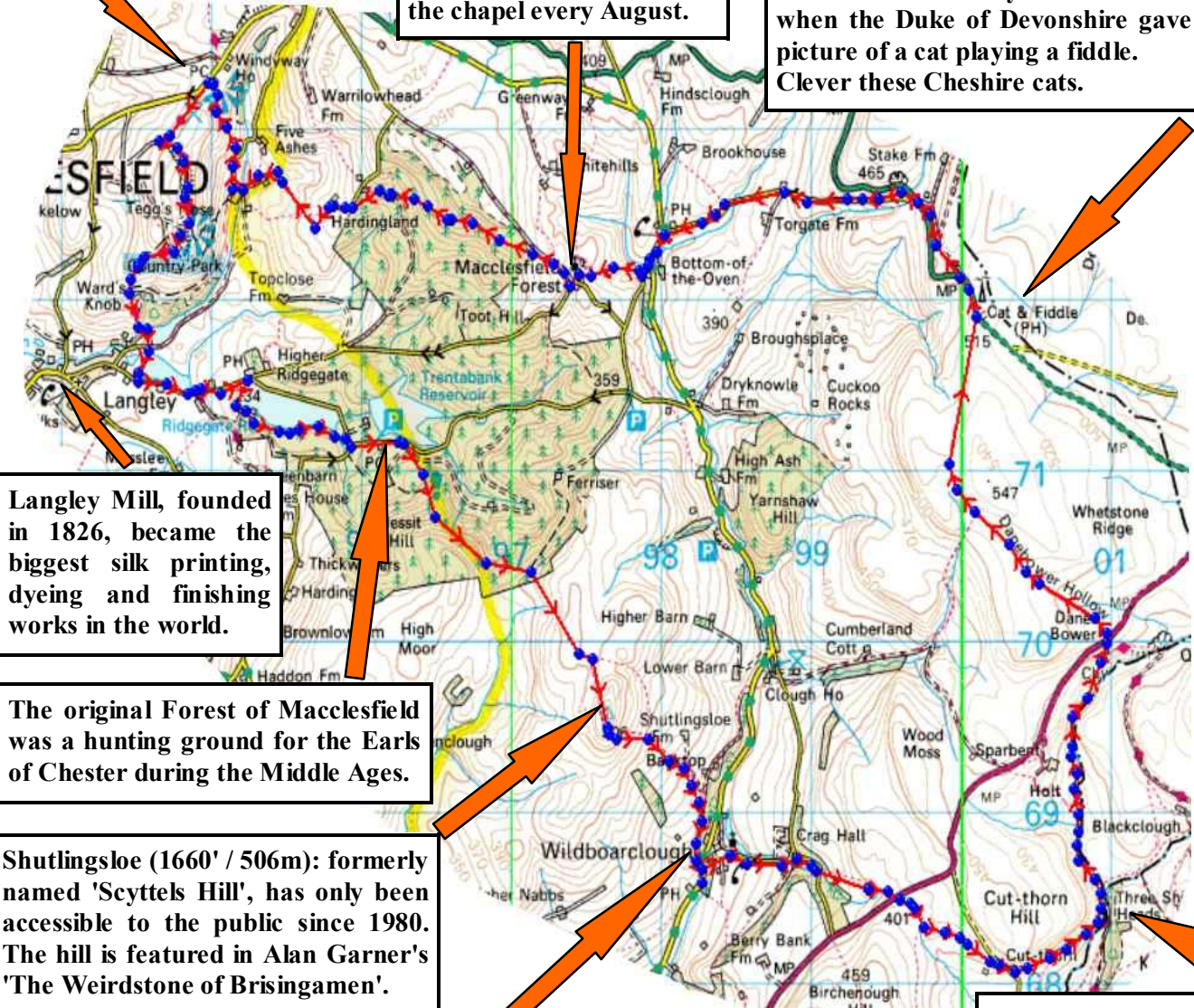


Teggs Nose, a quarry producing Millstone Grit from 1500's until 1955. Originally named Tegge's Naze. Tegge = an early Norse settler, Naze = nose or promontory. Or it may be that the hill originally looked like a sheep or 'teg'. Teggs Nose is on the Gritstone Trail and also has it's own 'Teggs Nose Trail', a 2.5 mile circular route that is far too short for Norman to even consider.....but it does have a climb.

Start / Finish

Forest Chapel, built in 1673, rebuilt in 1834, is a Grade II listed building. Rushbearing takes place in the chapel every August.

The Cat & Fiddle (Hey diddle diddle...Cat & Fiddle...Geddit? Never mind.) is said to have been named by the landlord in 1857 when the Duke of Devonshire gave him a picture of a cat playing a fiddle. Clever these Cheshire cats.



Langley Mill, founded in 1826, became the biggest silk printing, dyeing and finishing works in the world.

The original Forest of Macclesfield was a hunting ground for the Earls of Chester during the Middle Ages.

Shutlingsloe (1660' / 506m): formerly named 'Scyttels Hill', has only been accessible to the public since 1980. The hill is featured in Alan Garner's 'The Weirdstone of Brisingamen'.

Wildboarclough, formerly called 'Crag'. This name is recalled in the name of the Crag Inn, a pub which is sadly due to close due to a downturn in business in recent times.

A flood in 1816 swept away 4 bridges along with more than 2 miles of road. Other floods were recorded in 1828, 1832, 1872 (when a portion of the mill was carried away), 1910 and 1930. The most recent flood took place on 24 May 1989 when a tidal wave swept down Clough Brook destroying several bridges and sections of road.

Three Shires Heads is the point on Axe Edge Moor where Derbyshire, Cheshire and Staffordshire meet. The presence of the packhorse bridge shows the importance of this route for traders from nearby Flash and Hollinsclough to Macclesfield.