

King Henry VII signpost and plaque – Longwater Lane



Plaque wording

THE ANCIENT ROAD THROUGH THE LONG WATER
← TO EVERSLEY AND DOGMERSFIELD

FAIR GREEN AND THE SITE OF THE
FORMER VILLAGE
MAYPOLE →

ON NOVEMBER 6TH 1501 KING HENRY VII WAS HUNTING IN THESE WOODS WITH PRINCE ARTHUR AND PRINCE HENRY WHEN THE SPANISH ENVOYS CAME TO TELL HIM THAT PRINCE ARTHUR'S BRIDE, THE INFANTA KATHERINE OF ARAGON AND HER RETINUE HAD REACHED HIS LODGE AT DOGMERSFIELD.

THIS SIGNPOST IS MADE FROM PIECES OF YEW FROM THE OLD TREE THAT FORMERLY STOOD BESIDE THE 16TH C ALMSHOUSE WHICH TERMINATED THIS GREEN. THE TREE WAS CUT DOWN ON 1ST APRIL 1976.

THIS PLAQUE AND SIGNPOST WAS PLACED UPON THE GREEN BY THE FINCHAMPSTEAD SOCIETY, THE FINCHAMPSTEAD SCOUT GROUP AND THE BERKSHIRE BOY CHORISTERS ON THE 21ST OCTOBER 1978.