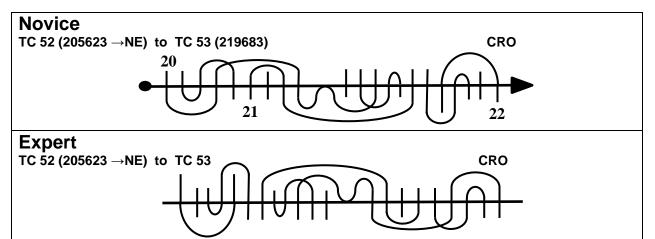


ROUTE EXPLANATION

LEG 8

TC52 to TC53



It is interesting to see these two spaghetti side by side. They look similar, even the same at first glance, but one of them is upside down. Regular readers will know that spaghetti relates to grid lines crossed or touched by the route.

Novices have a ball and arrow so they know which way it runs. And the three GLs which are numbered in fact confirm 9 of the 22 GL crossings/touches. It is worth marking all of these up on the instruction. Starting with the 20 takes you out of GS2062 on the red road, and having to cross GL20 again three GL's later means that the second crossing is GL63. That gives you 3

more of the 22, and leads you to GL64 after GL21. And that will be the only time you will cross GL64 on this section.

You know the next 2 GL's (a cross and a touch) are GL20, and after that you have to head north over GL65 (because it's not GL20, and cannot be GL19 because it's a GL you are only going to cross once and you would have to cross GL19 at least twice to get to TC53). If you've got this far you will have no problem getting the rest of the correct route to the TC.

Experts have no numbered GL's, and no ball and arrow so first of all have to work out which end to start at.

You know that the route has to initially head west on the red road (the yellow and red to the east are dead ends, and heading north on the yellow means either the first GL is a touch or, if you cross it, you cannot cross it again (as the spaghetti indicates that you will) until you have crossed five others, and neither end of the spaghetti offers either of those options). So if you start from the left the first and fifth crossings are GL20 which is not possible.

So that leads to a start from the right, and looking ahead with a bit of trial and error will keep you on the correct route, with the control shortly after the final GL crossing.

