



## RIDERS' NOTES

### For Bard's Ride

### On Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Dear Rider

**Welcome to the Bard's Ride organised by the Warwickshire and Coventry Historic Churches Trust (WCHCT).**

We hope you have found all the information you need on the RiderHQ website.

These notes are intended to ensure all riders get the maximum enjoyment from the rides which are ***fun events where speed and time are of no consequence!*** If you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact the Bard's Ride admin team at [bardsride@gmail.com](mailto:bardsride@gmail.com)

Have a great ride and thank you for your support. All proceeds from the Ride will go to WCHCT (and to specific local churches designated by riders, if they wish, at registration). You can also set up a personal fundraising page at [Just Giving](#)

We would be very grateful if you can raise funds, however modest, to help us preserve our historic church buildings for future generations.

#### **BEFORE THE EVENT**

**Bike:** Please make sure your bike is in good order and bring with you a puncture repair kit or spare inner tube.

**Clothing:** Although it is early autumn please be prepared for the worst! Helmets must be worn and high visibility clothing is recommended.

**Fitness:** All riders take responsibility for their own fitness (and adults and guardians for their children's fitness).

#### **THE DAY OF THE EVENT**

**Location:** Newbold-on -Stour Village Hall, CV37 8TU, on village green by A3400.

**Parking:** Car Parking is provided close by, follow signs.

**Registration:** Registration is open from 8.30 am and closes at 10.45 am.

This takes place at the village hall. For riders who are registering on the day, we are unable to take credit cards, **so payment must be in cash please.**

All riders **MUST** register at beginning and the end of the event.

A sticker with your registration number and name will be issued to you. Please attach to your helmet.

#### **Start times**

**Challenge Ride** (40 miles). From 9 to 10.am

**Fun Ride** (18 miles). From 10 to 10.45 am

### **Catering**

**Start:** From 8.00 to 10.30am (Newbold-on-Stour Village Green)

Riders and supporters can purchase a superb breakfast before the event provided by Todenham Manor Farm. Tea and coffee will be provided by Newbold church. These are both **cash only**.

**En route:** Some churches will provide water, squash and, in some cases, snacks.

**Finish:** From 1pm to 5pm

Delicious barbecued food, cold drinks including lager / beer will be available for purchase (**cash only**) from Todenham Manor Farm at the finishing event at Honington Hall, CV36 5AA. **Please note that if friends and family are joining you there, dogs are not allowed in Honington Hall grounds.**

### **Parking and Toilets**

Parking at Newbold will be clearly marked in nearby field.

Do not park on verges or in the village.

Parking at village hall is reserved for organisers and disabled.

Parking at Honington Hall will be provided along the drive for followers.

Toilets are available at the start and at some churches. A portaloos will be available at Honington Hall.

### **Young Riders**

Young riders under 18 must be accompanied by Parent / Guardian or other responsible adult. They are accountable for the young riders during the event and will be required to confirm their responsibilities at registration. They must understand the demands of cycling on public roads and the abilities of the child and take appropriate precautions whilst riding.

No special provisions have been made for under 18 riders and DBS checks may not have been made by the organisers.

## **ROUTES AND SAFETY**

**40 miles Challenge route – Green Signs**

**18 miles Family Fun ride – Blue signs**

All rider must wear a serviceable and correctly fitted helmet. Failure to do so will result in disqualification to ride. A mobile first aid post will be provided at the start and finish.

Please observe the Highway Code, be respectful and courteous all other road users.

Do not obstruct the road to passing traffic. Ride single file on A roads.

**Road marshals will be located at three higher risk locations:**

Halford / Fosse Way / Idlicote Lane junction (Family Fun ride and walkers)

Fosse Way / Darlingscote / Shipston junction ( Challenge route)

Honington / A3400 junction on your return route to car park after the event.

### **CHALLENGE ROUTE (40 miles) (map in two sections)**

[\(see Google map links on Bardsride.co.uk\)](#)

Newbold to Whichford

Whichford to Honington

#### **Section 1**

**Newbold-on-Stour Village Green** (St David's)

**Whitchurch** (St Mary's)

**Preston-on-Stour** (St Mary the Virgin)

**Ilmington** (St Mary's)

**Darlingscott** (St George's)

**Shipston-on-Stour** (St Edmund's)

**Barcheston** (St Martin's)

**Sutton-under-Brailes** (St Thomas a Becket)

**Cherington** (St John the Baptist)

**Whichford** (St Michael's)

#### **Section 2**

**Whichford** (St Michael's)

**Brailes:** (St George's)

**Brailes:** (Catholic Chapel of SS Peter and Paul)

**Tysoe** (St Peter's)

**Oxhill** (St Laurence's)

**Whatcote** (St Peter's)

**Idlicote** (St James the Great)

**Honington** (All Saints) Finishing event.

### **FAMILY FUN ROUTE (18 miles) [See Google map link on Bardsride.co.uk](#)**

**Newbold-on-Stour Village Green** (St David's)

**Halford** (St Mary's)

**Barcheston** (St Martin's)

**Brailes:** (St George's)

**Brailes:** (Catholic Chapel of SS Peter and Paul)

**Oxhill:** (St Laurence's)

**Whatcote:** (St Peter's)

**Idlicote** (St James the Great)

**Honington** (All Saints) Finishing event.

**In the event of a serious incident, call emergency services first, and then our number: 07785 243388 (James Kerr).**

#### **DISCLAIMER**

The Warwickshire and Coventry Historic Churches Trust have striven to plan a safe event, however they accept no legal responsibility or liability for accident or injury however caused. All individuals participating do so at their own risk and are therefore fully responsible for their own and their children's behaviour and safety during the event.

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