
ROUND 2 - RIDLEY-LAZER WMCCL

Organised by Solihull Cycling Club

Sunday 16th September 2018

Heart of England Conference and Events Centre,
Meriden Rd, Fillongley, Coventry CV7 8DX

Following on from a fantastic and entertaining first round of the series expertly hosted by Redditch Road and Path CC, Solihull CC extend a warm welcome to all riders, officials, sponsors and supporters heading to round 2. We are sure everybody will once again have a great day of racing at this wonderful venue.

Parking

The venue will be open from 08:45. There will be a **£3 parking charge** for all vehicles brought onto the site to attend the event. The parking fees will be collected by Solihull Cycling Club volunteers, but the money will all go to the Heart of England Centre. Please do not try to avoid this charge. Our continued use of this excellent venue for cyclocross depends upon the Centre getting a reasonable return. Please be ready on entry with the correct change.

Please note that other events may be held on the same day in an adjacent field at the Centre. The Centre's restaurant will also be open for lunch. Therefore, you must not park in the Centre's normal visitor car park (on the left as you drive in) nor on the road outside the venue. Please park only as directed by our volunteers.

Rider Registration

If you did not collect your rider number at round 1 last week it will be available for collection in the registration marquee if you know your league number collect it from the first desk and move through to the sign on table.

Otherwise sign-on as below:

Sign On

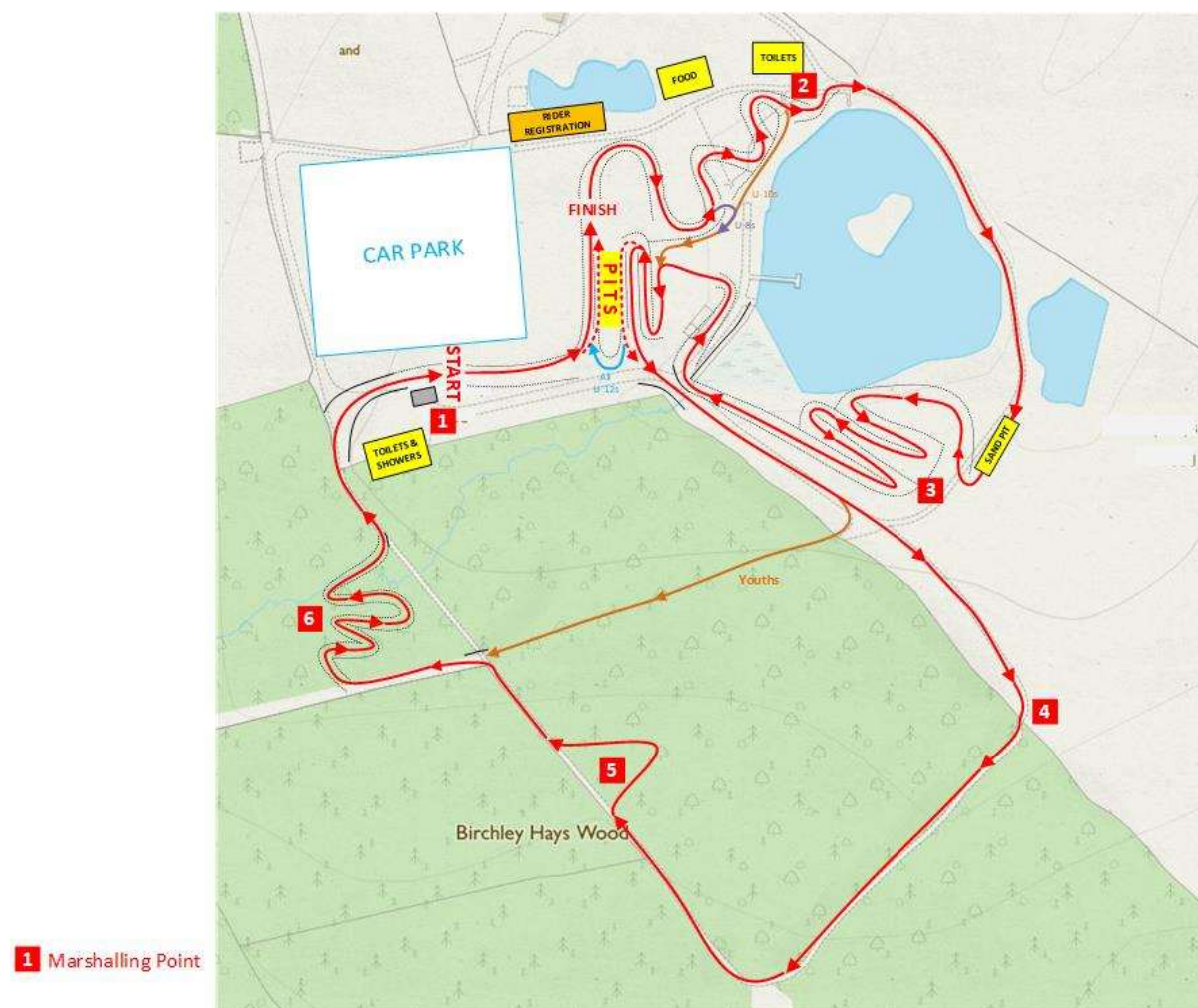
This will be in a marquee next to the entrance into the main field. It is the same marquee used for previous races at this venue. Please leave your bikes outside and do not block the entrance. You will be given a token when you sign-on that you will need to hand in at the Timing Chip Table with your BC membership card in order to obtain your timing chip. **If you are a family and have several chips, please make sure you put the correct timing chip on the correct rider.** This is a common error.

Please return your timing chip to the Timing Chip Table after the race and collect your membership card.

The Course

The course is almost the same as last year except for the addition (for older age categories) of a new sand pit. There are gravel tracks, grassland and woodland sections. The following map is an indication of the course. We might vary some aspects in response to conditions at the weekend. Shorter course

variations will be in place for the U-8, U-10, U-12 and U-14 races, but these will use parts of the main course, so the usual restrictions will apply to warming up during those races.



Pits

The pits are easily accessed from the car park. Please follow the route marked with cones and you will find gaps in the tape. There will be A-frame bike racks in the pits for those of you who don't have a helper. Hopefully, you will not need to use jet washers, but if you do, please do so only in the designated area. Only one helper per rider in the pits area please.

Changing Room and Toilets

There is a small changing room with two showers and toilets in a building on the opposite side of the car park to the Rider Registration Marquee. There will also be portable toilets next to the registration tent and there is a toilet block at Point 2 on the map. **Please leave all showers and toilets as you find them.** If it's muddy, please get rid of the worst mud outside before you take a shower.

Prizes

Cash prizes for the Over-12 categories will be paid after the event according to the size of field via WMCCCL bank transfer. Medals will be given to the top-three in all Under-12 categories, and every Under-12 rider gets sweets at the finish. All top-three finishers are requested to go immediately to speak to the commentator after they finish.

Blacksheep Sports Timing

We welcome back Julian and his team from Blacksheep Sports Timing. Timing is fast and with

accurate results appearing early evening at www.chiprace.co.uk. Errors are rare and tend to be created by riders not wearing the correct chip or forgetting to wear it. Result queries will be handled up to 48 hours after the results are published by email to Blacksheep Sports Timing.

Please remember:

Check your race number and Chip number are the same.

When you finish, make a mental note of who is in front and behind you. If there is a chip error, it is then easy to track the problem from manual recording.

Chips must be returned at the end of the race.

Food and Drink

Hot food and drinks will be on sale close to the Rider Registration tent. This is provided by the Heart of England Centre and you are encouraged to give them your custom.

Spectators

Please use the crossing points when moving around the course. There are many good spots to watch the race and all of the course is accessible. Please ensure young children are supervised at all times as there are a number of tempting structures around the course which could lead to injury if children were to climb or play on them unsupervised. The varied nature of the course offers the opportunity to watch riders tackle all that the wonderful sport of cyclocross can throw at them. Course maps and other information will be on display near sign-on.

Cyclocross racing is **tough** please give every rider positive and enthusiastic support.

For the youth riders and especially those Under 12, please ensure that their race experience is fun. They all approach their racing differently but all try their hardest and all want to have fun. Please ensure that whether the riders are hardened battlers or joyful tootlers that they get nothing but positive encouragement throughout to ensure that they enjoy their race experience, want to stay in the sport and cannot wait to get on the grid for round 3.

We hope you have a great days racing and look forward to seeing you.

Organising Committee

Solihull Cycling Club