

De Cymru Group of Endurance GB

WENTWOOD NATIONAL RIDE Sunday 20th October 2024



Please Note; NO SMOKING OR OPEN FLAMES ANYWHERE ON THE VENUE OR IN THE WOODLAND.

VENUE : Ninewells, Wentwood O.S. Map No.171, Grid Ref: 424 944 (w3w; elevator.readjust.fights)

DIRECTIONS : Leave A48 at Caerwent (approx. half way between Chepstow and Newport) for Wentwood and Llanvair Discoed. Follow directions for Wentwood through Llanvair village for approx. 2 miles. Ninewells is the first picnic area on your right after passing the reservoir.

DO NOT FOLLOW YOUR SAT NAV You will end up 1 mile away in small lanes

On Arrival: please note that parking at the venue is extremely tight so please follow the instructions of the Car Parking Stewards.

Then please take your completed master card, horse registration card and membership card (if you have them) to the secretary and collect your rider bib.

Present your horse (compulsory for all classes) to the farrier for shoe/feet inspection. When your vet sheet has been initialled by the farrier, please make your way to the vetting area.

The Vetting Steward will direct you in turn to a vet.

Please make sure you register with the timekeepers at the start and at the finish of your ride. All horses should present to the vet without a saddle within 30 minutes of finishing.

***There is no catering on-site, however, please feel free to follow the signs and walk down to the Glade Tearooms for refreshments

*****Crew Update*****

Due to a complaint by a local resident, there will no longer be crewing at the cross roads "Crew Point 1". You may crew by walking into in the forestry near Cadera Beeches where the route passes. Please park with respect for other users. No horses to enter the car park.

If you have any queries regarding these instructions please do not hesitate to ask any of the ride officials. We will try to help. Alternatively, you may contact the ride organiser before the ride on 07867512673 or sue.box@gmx.co.uk

THE ROUTE : The route will be marked with orange tape and orange spray paint.

32km S/F – A – B – A - C – D – CP1 – C – D – CP1 - E – CP2 - D - C - A- S/F

28km S/F – A - C – D – CP1 – C – D – CP1 - E – CP2 - D - C - A- S/F

20km S/F – A – C – D – CP1 – E – CP2 - S/F

10km S/F – A – C – D – CP1 – C – C- S/F

The route is a challenging one with some good stretches where it is possible to make up time. In particular the route can be stoney in places and wet and in other places slippery so please take extra care to look after your horses.

It is strongly advised that all horses should have some sort of foot protection in the form of boots if not shod

PLEASE NOTE:

Please do not ride on soft woodland verges or those near residential properties.

Whilst we do our best to mark the route, marker vandals operate in this area! **Please be prepared carry and use your map.** If there is a problem with markers on the day it is because they have been moved!

Please follow the countryside code and ride with care and consideration towards other forestry users to help us maintain our good relationship and reputation with the Woodland Trust and Forestry Commission.

- Please Do Not enter forestry land with crew vehicles.
- **Dogs must be kept on leads at all times.**
- **Please take care on public roads and road crossings.** Follow the highway code.
- You are riding in the forest so beware of low branches and tree roots
- There are several unauthorised mountain bike trails in the area of Kemeys Bank and it is advised that competitors stay alert for cyclists emerging from these.
- Illegal motorcyclists may be encountered
- Please read and take note of the NRW Biosecurity – Overarching Statement (see below)

HATS: Please see below the new rules regarding hats.

A hard hat with the chinstrap securely fastened and must be of standard British PAS 015: 2011 provided it is BSI Kite marked; European VG1 01.040: 2014-12 provided it is BSI Kite marked; American ASTM F1163: 2015 or 2023 provided it is SEI marked SNELL E2016 or E2021, Australian and New Zealand AS/NZS 3838: 2006 onwards provided it is SAI global marked. (BS) EN1384:2023 (with or without Kitemark and IC Mark for 2024.

Please note the following

- a) “this ride is run under Endurance GB rules”
- b) The organiser of this ride has taken reasonable precautions to ensure the health and safety of everyone present. For those measures to be effective, everyone must take all reasonable precautions to avoid and prevent accidents occurring and must obey the instructions of the organiser and all officials and stewards
- c) “Save for death or personal injury caused by the negligence of the Organisers or anyone for whom they are in law responsible, neither the Organisers of any event to which these rules apply, nor the Endurance GB, nor any agent, employee or representative of these bodies accepts any liability for any accident, loss, damage, injury or illness to horses, owners, riders, land or any property whatsoever whether caused by their negligence, breach of contract or any other way whatsoever”

d) NRW Biosecurity – Overarching Statement

“The threat to our forests and woodlands has never been greater. Trees and plants in Britain are now vulnerable to a range of new pests and diseases as a result of a combination of climate change and the increased movement of goods around the world. Activities on the NRW Estate can increase chance of spreading a pest or disease. Everyone who visits or works on NRW’s Managed Estate can make a difference.

The minimum level of biosecurity in all cases is to arrive with clean footwear and clothing and clean footwear and clothing either on site or at home before visiting another woodland, “Leave the Forest in Forest”. Greater level of biosecurity will be determined by the Assessment.”

Emergency phone number for the day please make a note of this from the noticeboard and carry it with you during the ride. 07867 512673

ENJOY YOUR RIDE!!