

Northern Cross Country Championships, 25th Jan 2020 Camp Hill Estate, Nr Bedale Travel Directions and notes for Competitors, Club Team managers & Spectators.

** UPDATED COMPETITOR AND SPECTATOR PARKING INFORMATION**

Introduction

This is the first time that NA have used this venue, and reflects the stated commitment to spread our championship events around the Northern area.

The venue is firm and dry in most of the two parking / club tent and the Start / Finish fields. The western end of the site – where the red course route goes, is very much wetter – with lots of surface water. It does offer very varied terrain but will prove fairly demanding for athletes and spectators. Wellington boots are a must if you plan to watch the races on the red course lap, and keep your feet dry!

Access to the venue

Access to and egress from the venue however is via some narrow country lanes and involves traffic management and extensive signage arrangements to ensure that everyone gets in and out safely. The event will use two entrances to the site. These are shown on the separate Layout plan. (entrance 1 and 2)

All coach & minibus permit holders should use the main (Southern) entrance to access the site (Shown as Entry point 2 from South on the plan). All the above must clearly display permits, which will be issued by the Northern Athletics Office, in response to email applications. There is a charge, payable to Northern Athletics, for coach (£30) and mini bus (£15) parking permits. Details of the Coach and Minibus parking and drop off arrangements will be issued with the permits. Coaches or mini buses who turn up without a permit will be subject to an increased charge on the day at the drop off point (£50 & £25)

Officials will also park in this car park.

Competitor and Spectator Parking

Enter via car park number 1 on the map.

There is a car parking fee of £5 per car, which will be collected at pay points in the parking area. Please have the correct money ready to pay to minimise any delay in getting parked. We urge competitors and spectators to car share wherever possible. All parked cars will get an event programme issued as part of the parking fee.

Please follow the parking steward's instructions directing drivers where to park. Clubs bringing a large heavy club tent, will pay the £5 parking fee on entry, and with the proposed layout should be able to park close to where the club tent area is located.

Coach and Minibus permits must be applied for by 12:00 midday on Weds 22nd Jan.

All the car parking is on grass, so please take care & drive carefully to avoid getting stuck when entering or leaving the parking areas. Please also note that, depending upon the ground condition and the weather next week, the parking areas as shown on the plan may change to use the driest areas available. The access points should hopefully remain the same but the areas and routes within the park may be different, These will be clearly signed & an updated version of the plan, will be uploaded to the NA website after a site meeting on Weds the 22nd January, if that is deemed necessary.

Travel to Camp Hill for competitor and spectator cars.

All vehicle drivers are urged to follow the event direction signage from Junction 51 on the A1 (for those travelling from the North) and from Junction 50 on the A1 (for those travelling from the south). The travel times to the venue should be approx 10 - 15 minutes from both Junctions following the A 6055 and the event signage

As already mentioned, the access roads are narrow and pass through some villages, please drive slowly and considerably through the villages and on the narrow roads.

The expected arrival profile for cars and coaches will mean that any car wishing to leave the venue **before 2pm** must follow the exit signs to leave the estate at the western end using the estate roads. At the end of the estate roads cars wanting to travel south should turn left and those wanting to travel north should turn right at the road junction (Moor lane). (This route is shown on the associated Site Access and Egress plan.

Once the Senior women's race is underway, we would hope to have all three access points open as exits

Other Important Event Information

- Registration is located in the buildings next to the Coach & Minibus Parking with the entrance on the South side of the building. This is about 400 meters from the club tent area. Team managers arriving by coach or minibus should collect numbers and chips first. For those parked nears the club tent area we will have a safe pedestrian route to Registration marked out. Numbers can be collected for all races on the first visit to reception
- Dogs are allowed onto the event site but must always be kept under control on a short lead and be kept away from any grazing animals or wildlife. Owners should also collect any dog poo in disposal bags and place in the waste bins
- Spectators are free to use the area covered by the course, but there is no access to some areas of the Park, and the main house area above the parking / club tent field.
- Please use the designated gates & course crossing points to reach the event area.
- Any lost child should find an event marshal (who will be wearing HI Viz Event Marshal bibs), or report to the Announcers cabin.