



Ilam Ride 6 September 2015



VENUE: Latham Hall farm, Green Lane, off Calton Moor, near Swinscoe DE6 2BU

DIRECTIONS:

From Stoke – Take the A52 towards Ashbourne. You will go through Froghall, Whiston and the edge of Caldon Lowe. At the main road junction with the A523 turn left towards Leek and then **immediately right** into Green Lane – signposted Calton. **Do not** go straight across at the main road junction to head to Ilam. The venue field is the second field on the left off Green Lane.

From Leek – Take the A523 towards Ashbourne. Go through Waterhouses village and climb up a hill. You will go over some rumble strips and the road then levels off. **Just before** the A52 turn to Stoke take the left turn to Calton into Green Lane. The venue field is the second field on the left off Green Lane. **Please give motorists plenty of warning that you are turning left as this junction is in a dip in the main road.**

From Ashbourne – Take the A52 from Ashbourne towards Leek. You will climb a steep hill and pass through Swinscoe village. About 1 mile from Swinscoe there is a junction with a left turn to Stoke. **Immediately after** this junction turn right at the signpost to Calton into Green Lane. **Do not** turn right at the main road junction to Ilam.

There will be warning signs close to the A523/A52 junction to advise other traffic using the road that there will be trailers and horse boxes turning just before or after this junction – look out for these.

VENUE ARRIVAL: Riders can arrive at the venue from 9.00 am. First horse out on course at 9.30 am. Riders doing 20 miles distance to be out on course by 11.00 am. For shorter distances last horse away by 12.00 noon.

Please note that there are 2 maps for this ride – Loop 1 – (6 miles) and the additional Loop 2 (4 miles) to give a total of 10 miles. Please ensure you print off both maps if you plan to do any distance exceeding 6 miles and know your bib number. At the end of the ride Members can record their official mileage on the list provided to the Secretary.

ROUTE: There are four route options – 6 miles (Loop 1), 10 miles (Loops 1 and 2), 16 miles (Loops 1, 2 and 1) and 20 miles (Loops 1 and 2 ridden twice)

The ride will be over quiet lanes, farm tracks and fields. There are some steep ascents and descents – riders may wish to dismount on some of the descents. There are many canter opportunities and stunning views. There are many gates on route but it is planned that all will be manned. There will be cattle and sheep on the route.

There will be horses travelling two ways on two sections of the route – at the start/end of the ride between the venue and the second field off Green Lane and also from Checkpoint 2 out and back from the start of Loop 2 until the outward horses leave the tarmac road. Please pass carefully and be courteous on these sections of the route.

THE VENUE FIELD IS AS WALK ONLY ZONE.

The ride will be marked with yellow tape and with black arrows on a yellow background.

FACILITIES: Toilets and catering on site. Catering is being provided by volunteers to raise funds for Ilam Primary School. There will be a barbecue (meat and veggie options) soft drinks (no hot drinks) a cake stall and a raffle. There is no water at the venue but there are some cattle troughs along the ride route.

FIRST AIDER: This event does not have an official first aider, however there is a first aid kit located with the Secretary.

NOTES:

Camping and Corralling – you can arrive at the venue from 5.30 pm onwards on Saturday 5 September.

There will be a raffle in aid of Ilam Primary School. Prizes include Bliss horse bedding, horse feed, horse treats and a bottle of champagne! Raffle tickets will be on sale from 9.00 am to 12 noon – please buy these when you book in. The raffle will be drawn just after noon so please check if you have won when you hand your bib back in.

Please clear droppings from the field and take any rubbish home with you.

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RULES: No SPURS or whips longer than 30" as per our rules. All riders should take time to read through our rules – these can be found on our website

Never pass another horse without asking permission first, always pass at a pace no more than trot. Remember that not everyone may be a confident rider or they may have a novice horse, please see below tail ribbons for guidance.

TAIL RIBBONS: Please wear the follow ribbons in your horse's tail if needed.

RED RIBBON – My horse may kick

GREEN RIBBON – I or my horse are nervous /novice, approach with caution and pass with care

BLUE RIBBON – My horse is a stallion

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS ON THE DAY OF THE RIDE ONLY: 07742 560778 or 07796 597288.

Please note that mobile phone reception is patchy or non-existent on a parts of this ride. If you cannot contact the emergency numbers above ask a steward or another rider to go to the nearest RAYNET checkpoint if you cannot get there yourself. **FOR YOUR OWN SAFETY – CHECK THE NOTICE BOARD ON THE DAY OF THE RIDE AND MAKE A NOTE OF THE RAYNET CHECKPOINTS ON YOUR ROUTE MAPS AND ALSO FOR ANY ROUTE CHANGES.**

**NB. ALL LATE BOOKINGS NOT ON THE BIB NUMBERS LIST
MUST BRING A PRINTED COPY OF THEIR BOOKING
CONFIRMATION TO GIVE TO THE SECRETARY.**