



Gotham Spring Ride 2022

Sunday 15th May 2022

VENUE: Lambley Show Ground, Leake Road, Gotham, Nottingham, NG11 0LE

Directions

From either direction, leave the A453 at the new 'West Leake Junction' & follow signposts to West Leake & Gotham.. Head along West Leake Lane until you reach a crossroads. At this crossroads you turn Left & follow the road all the way down to the mini-island. Turn right off the island on to Gypsum Way & continue long there until you reach another mini-island. Turn right again & head towards East Leake along Leake Road. The Venue will be clearly signposted on the right hand side.

WARNING: The gate to the venue may not be manned, so please be careful.

Parking

Parking is in the form of fully fenced field, allocated for our use. The roadside gate MUST to kept CLOSED at all times, due to livestock in the field. Leake Road is very busy & therefore, please take care when entering the show ground

Venue Arrival:

Competitive Riders can arrive at the venue from 8.00am, Pleasure Riders 9.00am. Once you have parked up and unloaded your horses please come to the self check-in at the secretary's tent, where you can collect your bib & emergency wrist bands.

Competitors Briefing – This will take place at the secretary's tent.

Competitors – Your vet times have been allocated on a separate document. Please note you risk elimination if you are late for the vetting. Please make sure you notify the vet writer upon arrival at the vetting.

The vetting will take approximately 3 minutes as your horses heart rate will be taken for a full minute.

Check the board upon arrival for last minute route changes and confirmed distances as times & points will be worked out from the official mileages displayed on the day.

THE VENUE IS A COMPULSORY WALK ZONE.

Dogs must be kept on leads at all times

Pleasure Riders.

Please be aware that no pleasure riders will be allowed out on course until 9.30am this is to allow the competitors to get underway. Pleasure ride times are first horse away 9.30am, all 15 milers must be away for 11.00, last horse away at 12.30pm.

If doing the route twice please start by 10am.

All riders to be back at the venue for 3pm.

Route

The course will be marked with coloured chalk arrows, although we do ask all riders to bring a printed map with them. The route also has various road crossings, some roads will be marshalled but please take care on all road crossings. All Marshalls and helpers have given up their day to ensure you have a pleasurable ride, please thank them when passing through.

Competitors please ensure you are checked off at every check point, it is the rider's responsibility!

Pleasure ride distances: 5, 9, 15, Miles. (NO lead rein). Please print a map off before you come, but note any route changes and alerts/hazards on the secretaries' board.

The ride takes in quiet villages, open farm land, wooded areas, a stretch alongside the golf course & a chance for a good canter up the legendary 'Cheese & West Leake Hills'. There is very little roadwork but there are some stony tracks which, may require barefoot horses to be booted. Some fields may have cows in them.

First Aider: This event does not have an official first aider, however there is a first aid kit located at the secretary.

Photographer: www.indiepics.co.uk

Ride Organiser: Marie Hanlon Email enquiries to Simon James : Simsal@hotmail.co.uk

Facilities: Catering and toilets are available. **THERE IS NO WATER ON SITE**

Equine Flu Vaccinations: Riders are required to carry their horse passports at all times and horses must have up to date vaccination against equine influenza. The Sport Endurance minimum requirement is either an annual booster within the last 12 months or the first two vaccinations of a new programme.

By agreeing to our Terms and Conditions when booking a ride, you are confirming that your horse will have the required vaccination against equine influenza on the day of the ride. You may be refused entry to the venue if this is not the case

Notes: All droppings and rubbish must be picked up off the venue and taken home

NB. ALL LATE BOOKINGS NOT ON THE BIB NUMBERS LIST MUST BRING A PRINTED COPY OF THEIR BOOKING CONFIRMATION (OR SHOW CONFIRMATION EMAIL ON THEIR PHONE)

No SPURS or Whips longer than 30" as per our rules.

Standing Martingale are also not permitted without written approval prior to the ride

Hats must be properly secured by a chin strap

Head Cameras may be used but are not recommended as may alter the safety of the hat.

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

We hope you have an enjoyable ride