

ILAM RIDE

Sunday 17 September 2017

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 8.45 am. First Horse out on course 9.30 am. All 16 and 20 mile riders to be out on course 10.30 am. Last Horse away 11.00 am

The venue is field parking and will be full due to the number of entries. No hard standing available. All vehicles will be shown where to park by a steward to maximize space.

THE VENUE FIELD IS A WALK ONLY ZONE. DOGS ARE ALLOWED IN THE VENUE FIELD BUT MUST BE KEPT ON A LEAD AT ALL TIMES.

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

ROUTE:

There are four route options – 6, 10, 16 and 20 miles.

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 also that you know your bib number.

The ride will be mainly over fields, with some quiet lanes and tracks. 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 parts of the route – these areas are shown by two way arrows on the plans – please pass carefully and be courteous on these sections.

The ride will be marked with tape, paint 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. Meat and veggie burgers, hot dogs, hot and cold drinks and homemade cakes! There is no water at the venue but there are some cattle troughs along the ride routes.

RAFFLE:

A raffle will take place to raise funds for Ilam Primary School. Raffle tickets will be on sale from 9.00 am to 12.00 noon - please buy tickets 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.

FIRST AIDER:

This event does not have an official first aider, however there is a first aid kit located at the Secretary trailer.

NOTES:

Camping and Corralling – you can arrive at the venue from 4.00 pm onwards on Saturday 16 September. Follow the signs in the venue field to the camping/corralling area.

PHOTOGRAPHER:

Ruth at Indiepics. www.indiepics.co.uk

RIDE ORGANISER:

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EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS ON THE DAY OF THE RIDE ONLY

0741 508 3807 or 0774 256 0778

Please note that mobile phone reception is weak or non-existent on parts of this ride. If you cannot contact the emergency numbers above ask a steward or another rider to go back to the Venue or to a Checkpoint – whichever is the nearest.

FOR YOUR OWN SAFETY – CHECK THE NOTICE BOARD ON THE DAY OF THE RIDE TO CHECK IF THERE ARE ANY LATE ROUTE CHANGES AND READ THE RISK ASSESSMENT

RULES:

ALL RIDERS SHOULD READ THROUGH OUR RULES – THESE CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE

No SPURS or whips longer than 30” as per our rules.

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 WEAR THE FOLLOWING TAIL RIBBONS FOR GUIDANCE.

TAIL RIBBONS:

Please wear the following 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

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