



## **Biddulph Valley – 22 October 2017**

### **VENUE:**

Car park opposite Siemens House, Varey Road, Congleton, Cheshire CW12 1PH

### **DIRECTIONS:**

See separate document

### **VENUE ARRIVAL:**

**Riders can arrive at the venue from 9.00am. Last Horse away 11.00am. (All 20 milers away by 10.00 please)**

Please ensure you print of a map and know your bib number. At the end of the ride members can record their official mileage on the list provided at the secretary.

### **ROUTE:**

You have a choice of official mileages: 8, 14 and 19 miles. Route is predominantly a trafficfree multi-user route along a disused railway line with flat terrain.

For over a 100 years trains travelled along this route carrying coal from Staffordshire to Congleton. Those of you doing the longest route will go to the restored Whitfield Colliery site where you will see Britain's biggest remaining colliery site, which has been designated by English Heritage as an Ancient Scheduled Monument.

The route will be marked between the venue and the start of the Biddulph Valley Way, at the 8 & 14 mile turn around points and around Whitfield Colliery. For the remainder of the route along the Biddulph Valley Way simply follow the sign-posts for route 55.

Please note that horses are requested to walk and trot only on the main track. There is an additional track for cantering provided along a section of the route & cantering opportunities along bridleways around Whitfield Colliery.

There are some road crossings so please cross with care.

### **FACILITIES:**

No Catering, no toilet, no water.

### **FIRST AIDER:**

This event doesn't have an official first aider, however there is a first aid kit located at the secretary.

**NOTES:**

Please leave venue in clean and tidy condition and clear dropping away.

**PHOTOGRAPHER:**

Sorry no photographer.

**RIDE ORGANISER:**

Sarah Griffiths email: [sarahgriffiths1@outlook.com](mailto:sarahgriffiths1@outlook.com)

**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**

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