

Druid's Temple Cyclocross - 27th October 2019

EVENT INFO AND FAQs

RACE CATEGORIES, TIMINGS AND ENTRY FEES

YCCA age categories for men, women, boys and girls from the 1st September 2019 are:

Age categories		Approx registration time	Race start time	Entry fee
Mens	Womens			
Under 8 (Born 2012 or later)	Under 8 (Born 2012 or later)	9.30am – 10.15am	10.30am	£3
Under 10 (Born 2010-2011)	Under 10 (Born 2010 - 2011)	9.45am – 10.30am	10.45am	£3
Under 12 (Born 2008 – 2009)	Under 12 (Born 2008 – 2009)	10.15am – 11.00am	11.15am	£3
Under 14 (Born 2006 – 2007)	Under 14 (Born 2006 – 2007)	11.00am – 11.45am	12.00pm	£7
Under 16 (Born 2004 – 2005)	Under 16 (Born 2004 – 2005)	11.00am – 11.45am	12.00pm	£7
Lunch				
Prize giving for children's morning races		Bivouac Café/Barn	1pm	
Fun Race – men and women age 16 and over (born 2003 or earlier) non-British Cycling members only		12.15pm – 1.00pm	1.15pm	£12
JUNIOR (Born 2002 – 2003)	JUNIOR (Born 2002 – 2003)	1pm – 1.45pm	2pm	£10
SENIOR (Born 1980 – 2001)	SENIOR (Born 1980 – 2001)	1pm – 1.45pm	2pm	£12
VET 40 TO 49 (Born 1970 to 1979)	VET 40 TO 49 (Born 1970 to 1979)	1pm – 1.45pm	2pm	£12
VET 50 (Born 1960 -1969)	VET 50 (Born 1960 -1969)	1pm – 1.45pm	2pm	£12
VET 60+ (Born 1959 or earlier)	VET 60+ (Born 1959 or earlier)	1pm – 1.45pm	2pm	£12
Prize giving for adult afternoon races		Bivouac Café/Barn	3.30pm	

Entries

Entries can be purchased with cash only on the day. Please bring cash with you to the event and if possible please bring the correct change for your entry fee. Thank you.

Registration

Registration will take place in the barn at Bivouac Cafe. Registration for each race will open 1 hour before the race and close 15 minutes before the race. You will be given a timing chip. This must be removed and handed in to the marshal when you cross the finish line.

FAQs

Why are we holding the Druids Temple Cyclocross?

We want to run a legacy event for all ages and abilities following the UCI Road World Championships that are being held in Yorkshire in September 2019. This event is a collaboration between:

- **Swinton Estate** which is kindly hosting the event in this wonderful location, Druid's Temple at Bivouac.
- **Yorkshire Cyclocross Association** which runs a Winter Cyclocross Series across the county.
- **Moonglu Cycling Club**, our local cycling club which is dedicated to members of all abilities with a mission to enjoy riding bikes and making the most of the fantastic countryside in North Yorkshire; and
- **Friends of Grewelthorpe School (FROGs)**, a local charity that is fundraising to build a new classroom at their thriving village primary school.

What is cyclo-cross / Cross racing / CX / cyclocross?

Cyclocross is a bicycle race around a short off road circuit for a fixed amount of time and the winner is the cyclist who travels the furthest within the time. A children's circuit might be 500m long and the race might last fifteen minutes. An adult circuit might be 1 to 3km long and the race might last up to an hour. The race aims to challenge riders over different surfaces and obstacles. The circuit at Druid's Temple includes gravel, grass, tarmac, heather, tussock and dirt tracks. Each rider wears a timing chip on their leg which records the distances travelled. No part of the course is on a public highway so the event is ideal for all ages and standards. There is a pit area on the circuit so that riders can deal with any mechanical issues/punctures during the race if they need to. Cyclocross is one of the fastest growing family cycling sports as all ages can take part and we are very excited to be bringing a race to our area for the first time.

Separate races are organised for each age group. Depending on numbers, sometimes more than one age group races together in the same race. Each race starts with a 'mass start' and if there is a particularly large entry for a race, riders may be started in waves on the sound of a whistle, as directed by the marshals. A bell will ring to tell you when you are on your final lap. The results are processed by the timing chip computer and there will be prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places for male and female of each age category.

Which race should I enter - my age group race or the over 16s fun race?

Regular cyclocross riders and club riders will usually enter their age category race. If you are trying cyclocross for the first time and are not a member of British Cycling, why not enter the Over 16s/Adult Fun Race. This will be a half hour race over the full course which will give you a fun introduction to the sport. If you are entering your kids, enter them in their age group race and then why not have a go yourself in the adult fun race?

What bike can I use?

Cyclocross bikes look a bit like road bikes with mountain bike tyres. Not everyone has a dedicated cyclocross bike so people use mountain bikes, rugged hybrid bikes, gravel bikes – just so long as your bike has enough grip on the tyres to get you through the muddy sections, you are welcome to bring any bike. Some children have even competed on balance bikes!

What do I wear?

Every entrant of any age must wear a correctly fitted cycling helmet that conforms to a recognised safety standard. Please see for details:

https://www.britishcycling.org.uk/zuvvi/media/bc_files/rulebook/2018/british-cycling-handbook-2019.pdf

The event is being held at the end of October and some parts of the site are exposed. Please be prepared for any weather and bring sufficient clothes to keep you warm and dry before, during and after the race. Don't worry if it is chilly, you will soon warm up during the race!

What other events will there be?

There will be a number of other events and activities for adults and children to enjoy, such as:

- children's bike agility course - can the children make their way around the obstacles, along the planks and between the boards without wobbling off?! In fact, can the grown ups too?!
- static bike show down – test your wattage and see if you can get yourself on the leader board!
- off road pedal go kart time trial – adults and kids – you think you can pedal your bike fast? Well, see if you can get on the leader board in an off road pedal go kart!
- vintage and classic bicycle display – test your bike knowledge with these classic bike beauties.
- more for the kids - nerf gun shooting alley, football shoot out, guess the weight of the giant pumpkin..

Funds raised will go towards Grewelthorpe Primary School's appeal to build a much needed new classroom.

How do I find out my results?

1st, 2nd and 3rd places in each race will be calculated so that prizes can be given at prize giving. The full results will be published shortly after the event on the YCCA website – follow the link on the event website.

Prizes and presentation of prizes

Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed riders in each category. The presentation of prizes will take place at Bivouac Café at 1pm for the children's morning races and 3.30pm for the adult afternoon races.

Catering

There will be burgers, hot dogs, a licensed bar as well as the usual delicious menu available to purchase from the café at Bivouac. Tea, coffee and cakes will be available to purchase from the marquee on the course.

Toilets

There are toilets at Bivouac Cafe and there will be portaloos by the Pits.

Bike Hire

Not got a bike with grip on its tyres? Not a problem! Mountain bikes will be available to hire for £10 on a first come first served basis. Our thanks go to Dave Mann at Nidderdale Cycle Hire.

Accommodation

Why not make a weekend of it and stay on-site at Bivouac in the rustic Tree Lodges, Meadow Yurts, up in the Loft or in the Snug. <https://www.swintonestate.com/bivouac/> Bivouac has a café selling delicious fresh hot and cold food and has a licensed bar.

Car parking

Car parking is free. Please follow the signs into the grass field car park as you arrive and park as tightly together as you can in the marked spaces. Please drive carefully through the entry/exit gateway and make every effort to cause as little damage as possible to the field please. Thank you.

The Environment

The event is being held on private land in a fabulous Dales landscape with abundant native flora and fauna. Please help us to keep the area pristine. We want to leave no trace behind us after the event. We will provide recycling bins around the site. Please use them or take litter home. We are endeavouring to avoid using plastic wherever possible and would appreciate your help with this. Thank you.

Venue and Directions

Venue: Druid's Temple at Bivouac is part of the 20,000 acre Swinton Estate. We are immensely grateful to Lord and Lady Masham and the Swinton Estate for kindly hosting our event. This is one of the most picturesque settings in the Yorkshire Dales with breath-taking views over the moorland and valley below.

Address: Bivouac at Druid's Temple, Masham, Ripon, North Yorkshire HG4 4JZ

Directions: Use the postcode HG4 4JZ with your Sat Nav and it will bring you to the event at Bivouac.

From the North exit A1 at Junction 51 (A6055/A684) and travel to Masham.

From the South exit A1 at Junction 50 (A61 Ripon/Thirsk) and follow signs to Masham.

Head out of Masham on the A6108 towards Leyburn. Just as you are leaving Masham turn left along Fearby Road towards Fearby. The route will be signposted from this junction. Drive 1.5 miles to Fearby. Drive through Fearby and continue 0.8 miles then take a left turn immediately before Kell Bank C of E Primary School towards Swinton and Ilton. (If you reach Healey, you have gone too far.) Drive to the bottom of the valley, go over the bridge and turn right at the T junction. Drive up the hill and continue for 0.6 miles then take a right turn to Bivouac (large signs).

Sponsors

Please support our sponsors. This event could not run without their generous support. We are extremely grateful and want to extend a very big thank you to each and every one of them.

Volunteers

Please thank the volunteers who will make the day possible. Thank you to all of them for giving up their time so readily and for all their hard work on the day.