



RISK ASSESSMENT

Courses and roads assessed. <u>LC2523</u>	Course local to: Cockerham, Stakepool, Preesall, Stalmine, Hambleton and Miller Island.
Date of assessment/review:	Name of assessor: Original assessment by Brenda Jackson modified by Kevin Hesketh

Course description

START approximately 2.5 miles north, north-west of Garstang on B5272 opposite the Patten arms and beside a green electricity junction box. Proceed north along the B5272 to junction with the A588 at Cockerham (2.40 miles) where bear left along the A588 via Stakepool, Preesall (CARE-Sharp left-hand bend), Stalmine and Hambleton to TURN by encircling Miller Island just short of Shard Bridge (13.92 miles). Retrace along A588 via Hambleton, Stalmine, Preesall (CARE-Sharp right-hand bend) and Stakepool to **FINISH** opposite open gateway adjacent to road drain on south side of road and 0.39 miles from Cockerham road junction with B5272. This is the same as Open Events course L2523.

Traffic flows

Mostly on rural A roads and a short stretch of a B road, with moderate traffic.

Course event/history

This is a Type B (Club) events course corresponding to L2523A open events course.



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Key identified risks

	Distance	Location	Identified Significant Risk/Hazards	Level of Risk Low/Med/High	Measures to reduce Risk (if applicable)
1		General requirements	Time of event meets CTT standards. Course clear on day.		Traffic counts Organiser to ensure course checked on day
2		Before start	Competitors parking. Competitors riding from HQ and warming up.	LOW	Organiser to place 'CYCLE EVENT' warning signs.
3		Start area	Competitors waiting	LOW	Organiser to display head up sign and position CYCLE EVENT warning sign to make riders aware of cycle event and ensure officials to wear high visibility jackets/bibs.
4		START approximately 2.5 miles north, north-west of Garstang on B5272 opposite the Patten arms and beside a green electricity junction box.	Competitor/holder up falling. Vehicles approaching riders from behind.	LOW	Organiser to brief start marshal to warn riders of approaching traffic. Organiser to position CYCLE EVENT signs.
5		Park Lane Bridge	Narrow bridge	LOW	No additional measures required.
6		Higher Crookhey Farm	Farm shop/carpark	LOW	No additional measures required.
7		Junction Cockerham Road/Main Street	Some heavy traffic joining course	LOW	No additional measures required.



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8		Cockerham village & junction with A588	Residential area/public house/village hall/car park. Riders turn left onto A588	LOW	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs and position 1 marshal at junction with A588 to direct riders and for safety.
9		A588 fast section over Cockerham Sands	Fast motor cycles, several farms/farm vehicles	LOW	No additional measures required.
10		A588 Lane Ends Farm/junction Horse Park Lane	Tight right bend and junction	LOW	No additional measures required.
11		Pilling village/Stakepool	Residential area/public house/shops/junction	MED	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs (x3) and position 1 marshal at junction for safety.
12		Junction A588/B5270	Tight left hand bend	LOW	Organiser to warn riders to take care at signing-on.
13		Junction A588/B5377	Tight left hand bend – difficult to judge for riders who are unfamiliar with it. Danger of riders approaching too fast and crossing centre line into oncoming traffic.	MED	Organiser to warn riders to take care by placing prominent notice at signing-on. Organiser to position 1 marshal on approach to left hand bend for safety, specifically to warn riders to slow down.
14		Hambleton village	Residential area/shops	MED	Organiser to warn riders to take care at signing-on.
15		Miller Island	Riders encircle island. Danger from traffic entering roundabout.	MED	Organiser to place cycle event warning signs and position 2 marshals for safety and direction.
16		Junction A588/B5377	Tight right hand bend	MED	See Item 13.
17		Junction A588/B5270	Tight right hand bend	MED	Organiser to warn riders to take care at signing-on.

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18		See Item 11		-	
19		See Item 10	Tight left hand bend.	-	
20		See Item 9		-	
21		FINISH opposite open gateway adjacent to road drain on south side of road and 0.39 miles from Cockerham road junction with B5272		LOW	Organiser to notify at signing-on that no times will be given to competitors or supporters at finish.
22		Finish area.		LOW	Organiser to remind riders at signing-on that no times will be given at finish and to continue straight back to HQ.

NOTES:

1. The use of a vehicle for the timekeeper(s) at start and finish is where appropriate and is only identified as an example for the action to be taken.
2. The small junctions or entrances to farms/facilities (garage, eatery, etc) that are not identified in this risk assessment have been considered, however are not considered significant to pose a risk and therefore have not been noted.
3. All rules of the road must be followed as to 'the Highway Code'.
4. This risk assessment shall be made available at the event signing on. By the riders signing on to event sheet they accept all hazards identified on this course and are aware that this is an open road event and that they have a duty of care and courtesy to other road users.

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