T165 Revised Course 2018 – HQ at Hamsterley Village Hall

**15.75 miles – 1 laps**

Start on the unclassified road opposite the ‘Hamsterley’ sign to the west of the village (just beyond the tennis courts) and proceed West on unclassified road which runs along Southern edge of Hamsterley Forest, towards Woodland. Turn right at farm bungalow, signpost “Middleton / Egglestone” (4miles), and fallow the single track roard to bear left at ‘Y’ junction with B6282 into Woodland (5miles). Proceed through Woodland village to carry straight on at ‘The Edge Hotel’ and fallow the unclassified road towards Toft Hill. Turn left at the ‘T’ junction with the B2682. Butterknowle – Toft Hill road into Toft Hill (10.6miles), where turn left onto A68 in front of Sportman Pub (11.6miles) EXTRA CARE Follow The A68 downhill to bear left onto unclassified road to Hamsterley village, signposted “Hamsterely Forest” and just before bridge over River Wear (13.2miles). Climb up into Hamsterley and past the village hall to finish at the Start / Finish area opposite the ‘Hamsterley’ sign to west of village adjacent to Tennis Courts.

Prize List (One prize per rider)

1ST £30 2nd £20 3rd £10 4th £5

1st Female £20 1st Junior £15 2nd Junior £10

1st Vet 40 £10 1st Vet 50 £10 1st Vet 60 £10

Spot Prizes for finishing Results Position for following

20 £5

30 £5

40 £5

Safety Notes

Riders should obey the Highway Code at all times and in particular not cut corners or takes risks with control of their bike on long descents and into corners.

In addition to their personal safety riders also have a responsibility to the sport to ride in both a fair and safe manner.

Safety information and on the day risk assessment will be available when you sign in for the race and an experienced club member will be available for younger riders and novices to discuss any concerns about the course and conditions.

You are advised that:

* No U-Turns are to be made in the vicinity of the timekeeper and no dismounting in the finishing area.
* Sections of the course may be in poor repair. Be aware of this and ride accordingly.
* No cutting corners or crossing white lines – if witnessed by an official you WILL BE disqualified.
* Head up and watch out for **POTHOLES** and oncoming traffic.
* **TAKE EXTRA CARE ON THE DESENT OF A68 FROM TOFT HILL TO RIVER WEAR PRIOR TO CLIMBING UP INTO HAMSTERLEY VILLEAGE**

Final note to all riders the forecast for this weekend isn’t great I still want the event to go ahead I plan to put the event signage up on Saturday evening once this has been done I will try and sent email around all entrants to let everyone know what the current conditions are on the course as I am aware some people are travelling fair distance to event. I will check the course early on the morning of the event also and send any updates via E-MAIL.Please check your emails for updates on Saturday Evening and Sunday morning. Fingers crossed the snow stays away if it does I strongly recommend extra base layers. I hope everyone enjoys the event and look forward to seeing everyone on Sunday morning

Regards

Andy Strong