







# Challenge Tires London & South East Cyclo-Cross League Round 3 and the AEIGHT bike co Sussex League Round 2

# Sunday 28th September 2025

Pippingford Park Manor, Nutley, Uckfield, TN22 3HW

What3words

(what 3 words denotes approximate location for the car parking – please also see maps)

#### 1. Introduction

The C and N Cycles team welcomes you to Round 3 of the Challenge Tires London & South-East Cyclocross League and also Round 2 of the AEIGHT bike co Sussex League.

#### 2. About the course

A mixture of grass, woodland tracks, gravel and elevation we have a great scope at Pippingford. Starting on the grass the start funnel join the circuit proper after about 100 metres, goes past the pits and then a wide right turn on the grass for about 150 metres with a full 180 degree turn to come back towards the woods. Exiting the woods we have a short grassy section to reach the gravel path before the final push up to the top field following the tree line. We turn after 100 metres and descend with flowing turns back down the gravel path. We follow the gravel path and cut right into the mini bog area before using more of the gravel to loop down (past the pits) and back up to the separate finish line. After the finish we detour into the grass before making our way back to the gravel path. Here we cut across to a separate section of woodland and with switch backs and punchy corners. These are a mixture of ups and downs and makes its way all the way back down to the lower field where we join a gravel road that leads on to the grass and continues through the pits.

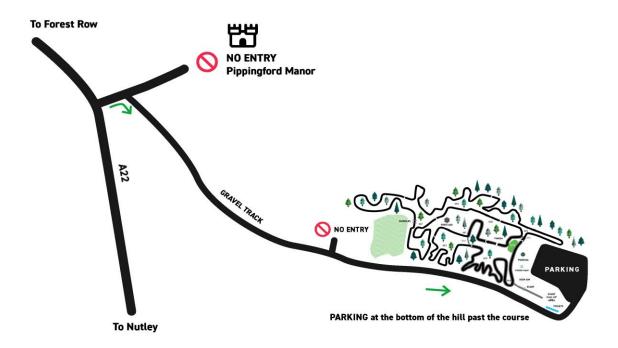
The under 8/10/12 course uses the woodland twisty section with cut throughs to reduce the climbing and create a course that can be seen from 1 or 2 vantage points

## 3. Travelling to the event

The nearest railway station is East Grinstead which is about 8 miles away.

Pippingford Park is just off the A22 between Wych Cross and Nutley. The entrance is by a parking layby and will be signposted with London and South East League flags and or 'Cycle Event' signs. Once you have entered the Estate, please ensure you turn right after approx.100 meters follow the signs down the rough gravel path for around 1km to the designated parking area. You will see

the race course on your left as you get near the parking area and the entrance to the car park will be signposted and/or marshalled. Please see map below.



## 4. Sign on

Please collect your race number pack from the Sign on Gazebo near the parking area/pits. You will need to keep these and bring them every time you race in this year's league.

We suggest you allocate 5 minutes to set up the number pack and timing chip. Riders are not required to sign anything and are to use their race number for all events in the League. Riders will be confirmed at the event by the timing system picking up their timing chip at the start of the race. This means that you will not have to revisit sign-on at any other event you enter in advance once you have your race number pack.

If you have pre-ordered a 2nd bike number, follow the same process as above.

If you have forgotten your numbers, you will need to visit the timing tent (not sign on) by the finish line and collect a 'Temporary number' which you must return after your race. This will be your race number for the day only.

#### Important note

All riders must have their race numbers attached to their bike for the practice sessions.

#### Return of last year's number pack

In our drive to keep costs down to you as riders and recycle equipment as much as possible, we really would like you to return your number tail fins and jersey numbers from previous seasons. There will be a marked crate at Sign on for you to do this.

#### 5. Toilets and Showers

Portaloos are situated in the car park as detailed on map below. There are no showers on site. Whilst there are water taps, they will be 'off' for the day of our event.

## 6. Course – approximate outline



### 7. Catering

In a late change of plan, The Charming Belle have agreed to step in and be our mobile caterers for the day. They offer a typical fair that includes breakfast baps, fries and sandwich burgers! They catered for the MTB races held at Pippingford Park and came highly recommended.

### 8. Parking

Parking will be in the lower fields for this race and will be signposted. It's a gravel path all the way and can you please keep the speed low especially as you enter the car park and event arena

It's a grass car park and It's on a slight slope so please park across the slope - not facing up or down hill - and with consideration for other people. There will be some car park attendants for the main arrival to start set up the car park. Once that is in place it is pretty clear how to park.

#### 9. Event Officials

**Event Organisers** – Paul Neville, Amy Thomas and Damian Pittock

Email: <a href="mailto:pdm.neville@gmail.com">pdm.neville@gmail.com</a> (Paul Neville)

Chief Marshal – Ashley Coups

**Chief Judge** – LCCA Timing Team

**Timekeeping** – LCCA Timing Team

British Cycling Chief Commissaire – Stuart McGhee

British Cycling Commissaire 2 – Peter Lloyd

Course Design - Paul Neville

First Aid Provider – EMATS Limited

**Governing Body** – British Cycling

### 10. Race Programme and timetable

Race	Gridding	Race Start	Duration
Practice 1 U8/10/12 (Short Course Only)	9am to 9.15am		
Under 10	9.15	9.20	10 mins
Under 8 (Line up behind the U10's)	9.15	9.20	10 mins
Under 12	9.35	9.40	15 mins
Practice 2 (Full Course)	10am to 10.35am		
Under 14/16	10.35	10.40	30 mins
Junior + V40 Open	11.20	11.30	40 mins
Female (All Cats)	12.20	12.30	40 mins
Practice 3	13.20 to 13.45		
Vet 50/60/70+ Open	13.45	13.50	40 mins
Senior Open	14.40	14.50	60 mins

**Practice times** – Please note that course open times are provisional as dependent on lap times and conditions. Please look for the green course open and red closed flags for accurate info on when you can get on course.

You must have your bike number fitted to your bike for the practice sessions.

**Gridding** – Gridding will be created for each event race and advertised on the league results website and Facebook page before the event, any queries in gridding may be raised on Friday via email as posted on the results site. Please visit the London and South East Cyclo Cross Website <u>rules section</u> for a full explanation of how the gridding has been created.

#### 11. Podium Presentation times and results

Prizes will extend to top 3 finishers in each category

Podium Presentation		
U8/10/12 (18)	10.15	
Youth (12)	11.45	
Vet 40/Jun Open and All Female Categories (24)	13.30	
Vet 50/60/70+ Open (9)	15.00	
Senior/U23 Open (6)	16.00	

#### Results

Race Results and overall league tables will be published online as soon as feasible after each race. Race queries can be made up to 6pm on the Tuesday after each race by emailing <a href="mailto:admin@londonxleagueresults.co.uk">admin@londonxleagueresults.co.uk</a>. Once finalised the results will be sent to BC update events page and allocate national rankings points.

## 12. Technical Regulations

The event is run under the rules of the British Cycling Federation <a href="here">here</a>

London and South East Cyclo Cross rules and info on league available here http://www.londonxleague.co.uk/rules/

Results will be published on the London and South East Cyclo Cross website and Facebook pages pretty much on the day of racing

Any queries on results please visit here for info how to do this admin@londonxleagueresults.co.uk.

## 13. First Aid and local hospitals

#### Medical Services are provided by:

#### **EMATS Limited**

Garland House,
Desborough Avenue,
High Wycombe,
Bucks,
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www.emats.co.uk

#### **Local Hospitals:**

Princes Royal A&E, (5.5 miles) Lewes Road, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 4EX

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