



**Carlisle Reivers Club Ride - Route & Ride Factsheet**



Route Planner Input				
Route Title	Hethersgill - Blue			
Ride Level	Confident Riders Capable of Riding Safely in a Group			
Link to Strava Route	<a href="https://www.strava.com/routes/9612061">https://www.strava.com/routes/9612061</a>			
Distance (miles)	28 Miles			
Speed	Average between 14-16 mph			
Estimated Cycling Time	2	Hours	0	Minutes
Level Description	This ride is designed for confident riders who can maintain an average speed of around 15 mph whilst riding safely in a Group.			
General Description	This is a rolling route with a couple of hills in it to ensure that riders challenge their fitness levels and improve their Group riding skills. It is mostly on Country Lanes and should be fairly quiet so far as other traffic is concerned. Most of the hard work is done in the first half of the route and the group will enjoy the benefit of their hard work as the return is mostly downhill to Carlisle. The Group should stay together until after they have left Houghton, after that the Ride Co-ordinator may split the Group in 2 to allow faster riders the opportunity to return to Rickerby Park at a faster pace.			

Route Prescription				
Setting	Road			
Design	Circular			
Topography	Rolling with a Couple of Climbs			
Main Level	Tarmac (Roads)			
Bike Suitability	Suitable for all bikes with gears	Child Trailers	No	
Suitable for Adapted Bikes	No	All Ability Cycling route checklist completed	No	
Ride Leader Information / Advice	The Group should ride together until after Houghton on the way back, when the Ride Coordinator may split the Group into 2 to allow faster riders the opportunity to work hard on their way back to Rickerby Park.			

Route Planner Details	
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Start Location Details	
Location Address	The Cenotaph, Rickerby Park
Postcode	CA3 9AB
Changing Facilities Available	Available
Toilets Available	Available
Car Parking Available	Available
Charges	Free
Nearest Train Station	Carlisle



**Carlisle Reivers Local Risk Assessment Form**



Name of Ride Leader	Steve Hampton	Date Risk Assessment was carried out	2 Feb 2020
How will you communicate with appropriate people/organisations in an emergency?	Mobile Phone	If using a mobile telephone, can you get adequate signal on the route?	Yes

Generic Risk Assessment Form for Ride Leaders			
Risk/Hazard Description	Risk Rating	People at Risk	Control measures
Fall from cycle	Low	Riders, leaders	Riders are strongly encouraged to wear a suitable and properly adjusted helmet. Route chosen carefully with regard to the group, skill level, gradients and terrain. Group trained to cope with identified hazards.
Collision between two or more riders	Low	Riders	Clear instructions on spacing, particularly when going downhill; encourage communication with others in group verbally and with hand signals etc.
Collision between rider/leader and other road users	Low	Riders, leaders, members of the public	Clear instructions on spacing, particularly when going downhill; encourage communication with others in group verbally and with hand signals etc. Brief group on dangers presented by others e.g. pedestrians, animals and other cyclists and on how to ride socially responsible.
Traffic accident	Medium	Riders, leaders, members of the public	Give group clear instructions on speed, formation, spacing, signals and communication. Brief group on problems of on-road sections and of dangers presented by others e.g. vehicles, pedestrians, animals and other cyclists. Deploy other staff and responsible adults appropriately throughout the group.
Road Junctions (Traffic lights, Cross Roads, Roundabout, Multi Lane Junctions)	Medium	Riders, leaders, members of the public	Give group clear instructions on speed, formation, road positioning, spacing, signals and communication. Brief group on dangers presented by others e.g. vehicles, pedestrians, animals and other cyclists. Deploy other staff and responsible adults appropriately throughout the group.
Narrow lanes / Roads	Medium	Riders, leaders, members of the public	Give group clear instructions on speed, formation, road positioning, spacing, signals and communication. Brief group on dangers presented by others e.g. vehicles, pedestrians, animals and other cyclists.

Mechanical breakdown	Low	Riders, leaders	All Riders should ensure that their bikes are maintained adequately for intended ride. Ride leader to carry spares and tools
Medical emergency	Low	Riders, leaders	Ride Leaders are all strongly encouraged to complete a suitable First Aid Course. Ride Leaders should carry a First Aid Kit.
Adverse weather conditions	Low	Riders, leaders	Check current forecast, advise on appropriate gear and clothing, check gear immediately prior to trip. Have alternative routes in mind, modify/shorten if necessary.
Navigational error	Low	Riders, leaders	All Club Ride Leaders should have a thorough knowledge of the Route and be aware of short cuts that can be taken in case of emergency. Staff training in use of map, compass and cycle computer. These items to be carried if appropriate.
Group separation/missing group member(s)	Low	Riders	Ride Leaders should ensure that the Group stays together throughout the Ride, any Riders going off the front of the Group are considered to have left the Group and are responsible for themselves.

Route Specific Risk Assessment - please detail specific risks not covered in the Generic Risk Assessment above						
ID	Distance from start (please complete one)		Level of Risk	Location of Hazard	Description of hazard and resolution/action	People at risk
	Miles	Kilometers				
1	0.2		Low	Leaving Rickerby Park	There is a Cattle Grid as you leave the park, warn the Group and if necessary, be prepared to walk over the Grid if Necessary.	Ride Leaders, participants and other road users.
2	2		Low	Joining Cycle Path	Warn the Group that there are bollards in the pathway as you join the Cycle Path. The Cycle Path is shared with pedestrians, be prepared to slow and give way if necessary.	Ride Leaders, participants and other road users.
3	6.7		Medium	Left Turn joining A689	Warn the Group that we are now joining a busy main road. We are on this stretch for 150 mtrs before turning right towards Irthington. The road at the right turn is in poor condition with deep ruts in the middle of the road and at the junction.	Ride Leaders, participants and other road users.
4	8.5		Low	Climb up Irthington Hill	Warn the Group that they are going to turn left onto a steep and narrow country lane, it is about 300 mtrs long.	Ride Leaders, participants and other road users.
5	9.3		Low	Hill top leaving Newtown	Warn the Group, this is a right turn onto the busy Brampton Road, which then drops downhill quite steeply, after crossing the bridge at the bottom there is a left turn.	Ride Leaders, participants and other road users.
6	19		Low	Crossroads at Smithfield	Warn the Group that we are crossing a busy road and need to give way to traffic from the left and right.	Ride Leaders, participants and other road users.
7	23.6		Medium	Crossroads outside Houghton	Warn the Group that we are crossing a busy road and need to give way to traffic from the left and right.	Ride Leaders, participants and other road users.
8	28		Low	Entering Rickerby Park	Remind the Group about the Cattle Grid.	Ride Leaders, participants and other road users.
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