

LORD CORNETS CLUB



Thursday Ride Risk Assessment **Introduction**

This is a Ride-out on 7/6/2018 and the ride has been organised by the Lord Cornets Club and takes in the lands surrounding Lanark with walk, trot, canter and gallop all being encountered. The ride takes in both road and off-road activity.

This document has been prepared with the intention of explaining how the event will be managed and what procedures are in place to ensure that risks are minimised and to safeguard all those involved.

1. **THE ACTIVITY.** Members of the public have elected to partake in this event either riding their own horse or hiring from others. Riders should have pre-registered their interest in partaking but all riders will require to register on the day of the event.
2. **REGISTRATION.** Registration will be within the marshalling area in Delves Park and non-registered riders will be precluded from participating. The route will be as designated in the attached addendum 'Route/times and map' but may be subject to change should circumstances dictate i.e. weather, hazards or dangers.
3. **CONSENT.** Any child participating who is under the age of 18 should complete a 'consent form' at the time of registration.
4. **INSURANCE.** Third Party Liability Insurance is in place for the event and all riders must provide evidence of proper insurance. Those hiring from riding establishments will have the appropriate cover provided by the hirer.
5. **PURPOSE OF THE EVENT.** The event is not a race. It is intended that participants enjoy the local scenery whilst experiencing the ride-out on horseback.
6. **EVENT RESPONSIBILITY.** The Lord Cornets Club and the stewards/marshals of the day have overall control of the event and all participants **MUST** obey all instructions issued by them. The marshals decisions are final.
7. **MARSHALS.** Marshals have been designated for the ride and can be identified by their wearing of 'MARSHAL' armbands. In addition to those riding, there will be 2 marshals riding quad bikes who will also be identified by arm bands and Hi-Viz vests.
8. **COMMUNICATIONS.** Strategically placed marshals within the ride will be equipped with 2 way communication radios for inter-steward/marshal contact. In addition to this, the following will also have the same means of 2 way radio communication – Police, First Aid, on-the-ground emergency contact person. Police and First Aid will have their own inter-service communication system, therefore if they are informed of any incident by 2 way radio, they can communicate within their own organisation as required.

Marshals should also have mobile phones for outside emergency communication. Should anyone become aware of an incident/emergency, this should be communicated via 2 way radio or mobile phone if necessary.

9. **POLICE.** Police Scotland will be in attendance to assist with road policing where the event requires roadwork.
10. **FIRST AID.** Vehicle cover has been arranged. One vehicle is an off-road vehicle capable of following the ride over all but the roughest of the terrain. There will also be qualified personnel with all the necessary equipment in attendance.
11. **SUPPORT TEAM.** The support team will be on-the-ground members who have vehicular access around the ride and who will be in direct communication with the ride marshals. The support team are also responsible for the **EMERGENCY CONTACTS**, including- general emergency 999 calls, horse hirer details, farrier, emergency stabling for horses, veterinarian services.
12. **ACCIDENT/INCIDENT POLICY.** Should an accident or incident occur where a person has sustained injury that requires medical attention, an incident 'log' should be compiled detailing all the relevant information. Should an accident/incident occur that is not serious, the person will be advised to check their medical condition with their own GP on return home.
13. **RISK RATING.** The risk rating considered appropriate for this event is 'MODERATE'.
14. **RISK ASSESSMENT.** A risk assessment has been carried out prior to the ride where all routes have been checked to ensure that they are appropriate for the event and are free from potential hazard and whilst giving the riders the opportunity of enjoying the local countryside.