**TOUR DE TROSSACHS 2017**

**Start time 10:00 – Sunday, 8th October 2017**

Welcome to the 2017 edition of the Tour de Trossachs – I’m delighted to say that there has been no reports of roadworks so we are good to go (as at Monday night!).

In a break from tradition we have decided to take our sign on area ‘in doors’ – however riders are still encouraged to park behind the Scottish Wool Centre.

The Aberfoyle Memorial Hall address is Trossachs Road, Aberfoyle, FK8 3SW (red circle)

The Scottish Wool Centre address is off Main Street, turn left at Visit Scotland Centre and then left again behind the Wool Centre – Post code FK8 3UQ. (blue circle) *Please respect other car park users and be considerate while changing and placing your rollers.*

There are toilets at the Hall but there are also public toilets at the beside Visit Scotland building.



**The Course …**

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| [Click here for the route](http://www.bikely.com/maps/bike-path/73565)  On A81 at Shannochil Road end 1.5km south of the Roy Roy Hotel.  Fork left onto A821 through Aberfoyle village to turn right at Bank of Scotland building and proceed over the Dukes pass.  Keep right at the Loch Katrine road end (7.5ml).  Onto Invertrossachs Road junction (14.1m).  Turn right onto Invertrossachs Road and continue to junction of Callander to Glasgow A81.  Turn right onto A81 and continue to bottom of Braes of Greenock (17.2m).  Bear left onto B822 and proceed to junction at Thornhill A873 (21ml).  Turn right onto A873 and proceed through Ruskie to join the A81 on the other side of the Braes (25ml).  Proceed on A81 through Port of Menteith to finish at layby (28ml).  Approx 1mile from Rob Roy Hotel.  CARE MUST BE TAKEN BY RIDERS WHEN CROSSING FROM A811 onto Invertrossachs road you will be crossing over oncoming traffic and be vigilant on the Invertrossachs road, it is narrow and has driveways which people may be coming out of.  REMEMBER – MARSHALLS ARE THERE TO DIRECT RIDERS NOT STOP TRAFFIC FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE!!!  Hill Climb – there is also a time taken on the hill-climb – you will see the 200m to go before prime flag (green with white border) before the timekeeper at the top of the hill (beside a white flag) – remember and smile. |
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**Big Thanks time …**

Talking about marshalls – the delivery of the Tour de Trossachs is once again a massive team effort by members of Glasgow Ivy Cycling Club, other local clubs, friends and family. I would also like to thank the office bearers of CTT Scotland for their help and guidance throughout.

Thanks also to the Scottish Wool Centre for the use of their car park – please support them by browsing round the shop and buying some early Christmas presents or having lunch at the café – much recommended.

Here is the list of those who are helping – and I’m sure it will be added to on the day – mainly cause I just nag everybody to come out and help in what I think is the best bike race in the world !

HELPERS LIST

Signing on table – Lindsay Haveron - Glen Hornby -

Observer – Mhairi Laffoley

Start Timekeeper – Alex Hunter

Pusher offers – Iain Quinn

Hill climb timekeeper – Catriona Stirling

Hill climb recorder - Dave Bean / Graeme Cockburn

Finish Timekeeper – James Smith

Finish Recorder - Martin Knox / Dave Bean

Results board co-ordinator – Fiona Hazlett

Results board communications – Michael Burke?

Presentation co-ordinator – Fiona Hazlett

Presentation commentator / Race commentator – *someday my dream will come true and somebody will volunteer !!!*

Course signage – Paul Hornby/Stevie Hazlett

On course rider support – Stevie Hazlett

First Aid – Janette Hazlett, Ian Quinn

**Marshalls**

Rob Roy Roundabout – Linda and Geoff Smith

Right turn up hill – Marion Wilson, George Adams

Bottom of hill at L.Kat junction – Lisa H & Scott

Brig O Turk – not essential – nice to have

Right turn into Invertrossachs Road – Paul H and Glen H

Bridge at Invertrossachs – Alex Keys and Arthur McCann

Roundabout at Callander –Paul Walsh and Kenny Clark (experienced – made assumption)

Fork at Braes of Greenock start including road on left – **–** Jack McHugh & Mike Devlin

Thornhill – Kathleen Wren and David (bibs)

Bottom of Braes of Greenock Les McLeod / Craig Sproul

*Thank you my heros …*

*(hope you realise you now have a job for ever – usually first Sunday in October –*

*put it in your diary now please)*

**The Riders List …**

There has been one or two additions since the first sheet was published – *the usual – eeek I forgot the closing date – I’ve not got a pass out – oh I thought I had entered.* Just as well i’m nice … please remember to enter next time !

Good time to mention that there will be bin bags at the start for the collection on jackets etc – these will be brought back to the HQ afterwards for collection – anything left will be added to my cycling kit if it fits and I like the colour.

Please remember to shout your number as you cross the line, if you are able, it really does help the timekeepers.

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| **bib** | **start\_time** | **firstname** | **lastname** | **club** | **gender** | **category** |
| 1 | 10:01 | mark | leadbetter | Stirling Bike Club | Tandem | Veteran |
| 1 | 10:01 | Donald | McLean | Stirling Bike Club | Tandem | Veteran |
| 2 | 10:02 | Grant | Baxter | Stirling Bike Club | Tandem |  |
| 2 | 10:02 | Katy | Baxter | Stirling Bike Club | Tandem |  |
| 3 | 10:03 | Mike | Thomas | West Lothian Clarion | Male | H3 |
| 4 | 10:04 | Darren | Carruthers | Glasgow Green CC | Male | Senior |
| 5 | 10:05 | Brian | Muir | Royal Albert CC | Male | Veteran |
| 6 | 10:06 | Alistair | MacDonald | Sporting Club Gothic | Male | Veteran |
| 7 | 10:07 | Paul | Rodwell | Ayr Roads CC | Male | Veteran |
| 8 | 10:08 | Nathalie | Jones | Glasgow Triathlon Club | Female | Veteran |
| 9 | 10:09 | Emily | Palmer | Glasgow Nightingale CC | Female | Senior |
| 10 | 10:10 | Jamie | Kennedy | GTR | Male | Veteran |
| 11 | 10:11 | Ian | Martin | Velopreda | Male | Veteran |
| 12 | 10:12 | Ian | Loughran | Velopreda | Male | Veteran |
| 13 | 10:13 | Lindsay | Foster | Hitchin Nomads CC | Male | Veteran |
| 14 | 10:14 | Murray | Doyle | Bute Wheelers | Male | Veteran |
| 15 | 10:15 | Daniel | Cain | Glasgow Green CC | Male | Espoir |
| 16 | 10:16 | Patricia | Baird | Inverclyde Velo | Female | Veteran |
| 17 | 10:17 | Helen | Miskelly | Deeside Thistle CC | Female | Veteran |
| 18 | 10:18 | Miriam | Rennet | SVTTA | Female | Veteran |
| 19 | 10:19 | john | leonard | Velopreda | Male | Veteran |
| 20 | 10:20 | Neil | Muir | Royal Albert CC | Male | Senior |
| 21 | 10:21 | Laura | Nicolson | Moray Firth CC | Female |  |
| 22 | 10:22 | Neil | Griffiths | Glasgow Wheelers | Male | Senior |
| 23 | 10:23 | Andrew | Wilson | Saint Christophers CC | Male | Veteran |
| 24 | 10:24 | Andrew | McGhee | Glasgow Couriers | Male | Senior |
| 25 | 10:25 | Eddie | Addis | RT 23 | Male | Senior |
| 26 | 10:26 | Sarah | Walker | EDCO | Female | Senior |
| 27 | 10:27 | Joshua | Graham | Glasgow Nightingale CC | Male | Senior |
| 28 | 10:28 | Robert | Shennan | Johnstone Wheelers | Male | Veteran |
| 29 | 10:29 | Douglas | Crawford | Glasgow Cycle Team | Male | Junior |
| 30 | 10:30 | wilson | renwick | Velo Schils Interbike RT | Male | Senior |
| 31 | 10:31 | Andrew | Stewart | Dunfermline CC | Mile |  |
| 32 | 10:32 | stuart | macgregor | Pro Am RC | Male | Veteran |
| 33 | 10:33 | Stuart | Mcclymont | Lomond Roads CC | Male | Veteran |
| 34 | 10:34 | Ross | Clark | Dooleys RT | Male | Senior |
| 35 | 10:35 | Lewis | Duff | GTR | Male | Veteran |
| 36 | 10:36 | Callum | Shackley | Glasgow Cycle Team | Mile | Junior |
| 37 | 10:37 | Thomas | Mcnulty | Glasgow Nightingale CC | Male | Veteran |
| 38 | 10:38 | alan fraser | robinson | Velo Club Cumbria | Male | Veteran |
| 39 | 10:39 | Mark | Wood | Elgin Cycle Club | Male | Veteran |
| 40 | 10:40 | Carlos | Riise | Shetland Wheelers | Male | Veteran |
| 41 | 10:41 | William | McMillan | Glasgow United CC | Male | Veteran |
| 42 | 10:42 | Ben | Norris | Dooleys RT | Male | Senior |
| 43 | 10:43 | edd | shackley | Glasgow Ivy CC | Male | Veteran |
| 44 | 10:44 | Martin | Edgar | Lomond Roads CC | Male | Espoir |
| 45 | 10:45 | Arthur | Doyle | Dooleys RT | Male | Veteran |
| 46 | 10:46 | Graham | Smith | Law Wheelers | Male |  |
| 47 | 10:47 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 48 | 10:48 | Thomas | Gooding-Hill | Ayr Roads CC | Male | Veteran |
| 49 | 10:49 | lynsey | curran | Dooleys RT | Female | Senior |
| 50 | 10:50 | Aidan | Quinn | Dooleys RT | Male | Espoir |
| 51 | 10:51 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 52 | 10:52 | Colin | Sales | Paisley Velo | Male | Senior |
| 53 | 10:53 | Brian | Marsland | Lomond Roads CC | Male | Veteran |
| 54 | 10:54 | Jimmy | Storrar | Perth United CC | Male | Senior |
| 55 | 10:55 | James | Cusick | Dooleys RT | Male | Veteran |
| 56 | 10:56 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 57 | 10:57 | Louisa | Sturrock | Cairngorm Cycling Club | Female | Veteran |
| 58 | 10:58 | David | Deady | Glasgow Green CC | Male | Veteran |
| 59 | 10:59 | sean | quinn | Law Wheelers | Male | Veteran |
| 60 | 11:00 | Robert | Friel | Pro Vision Cycle Clothing | Male | Senior |
| 61 | 11:01 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 62 | 11:02 | Ritchie | Provan | Glasgow Couriers | Male | Veteran |
| 63 | 11:03 | Martin | Kane | SVTTA | Male | Veteran |
| 64 | 11:04 | Gary | Davidson | East Kilbride Road Club | Male | Senior |
| 65 | 11:05 | Douglas | Watson | Icarus Racing | Male | Veteran |
| 66 | 11:06 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 67 | 11:07 | Douglas | Stevenson | Velopreda | Male | Veteran |
| 68 | 11:08 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 69 | 11:09 | Jon | Clarke | GTR | Male | Veteran |
| 70 | 11:10 | Adam | Wild | Tyneside Vagabonds CC | Male | Espoir |
| 71 | 11:11 | Special | Guest | ???? |  |  |
| 72 | 11:12 | Jason | Roberts | Pro Vision Cycle Clothing | Male | Veteran |
| 73 | 11:13 | Edward | Atkinson | Elgin Cycle Club | Male | Veteran |
| 74 | 11:14 | Ross | Thomson | Dunfermline CC | Male | Junior |
| 75 | 11:15 | Jon | Entwistle | GTR | Male | Veteran |
| 76 | 11:19 | Scott | Newman | Glasgow Couriers | Male | Senior |
| 77 | 11:17 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 78 | 11:18 | Craig | Allison | Ayr Roads CC | Male | Senior |
| 79 | 11:19 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 80 | 11:20 | David | Griffiths | Pro Vision Cycle Clothing | Male | Senior |

**Timetable …**

Event crew start to arrive at venue to prepare – 8:00

Sign on opens for riders – 9:00

Marshalls all in place and confirmed – 9:50

First rider off – 10:00

Last rider off – 11:20

Estimated last rider over the line – 13:00 (don’t be insulted David I expect you to be catching some people!)

Prize presentation – 13:30

**Prize Presentation …**

This will be at the Aberfoyle Memorial Hall – please walk up from the car park or bring your bikes – there will not be enough car parking. The time is estimated and we will endeavour to get the prizes agreed as soon as possible after the last rider crosses the line. If you are a prize winner but cannot stay – let me know and I’ll arrange for it to be posted/transferred to you soon after the event. (Or you could donate it to the charity started by Stevie Blom – Return To Life - just saying ! - https://www.facebook.com/ReturnToLifeR2L/)

**Prizes**

Estimated at present

Men – 1,2,3,4,5,6 fastest for whole course

Men – 1,2,3 fastest for hill climb

Women – 1,2,3 fastest for whole course

Women – 1,2,3 fastest for hill climb

V40 – Men and Women – fastest for whole course

V50 – Men and Women – fastest for whole course

V60/70 – Men and Women – fastest for whole course

Vet on Standard – VTTA prize

Junior – 1 fastest on whole course

Junior – 1 fastest for hill climb

**Handy mobile phone numbers on the day** …

Janette Hazlett – Race HQ – 07717 815725

Steven Hazlett – Roaming Rider help on course – 07534 426297 *if you become a bit stuck – either phone HQ or Stevie and we will arrange for somebody to come out and help. He will be driving around the course so if you don’t have your phone (who would !) just wait or get to the nearest marshall and we will get help to you.*

*Mhairi Laffoley is our observer and will be out on the course too.*

***That’s it I think – looking forward to seeing you all on Sunday and for the Trossachs to return to full strength in future years – encourage your clubmates, friends and family to come and take part in the legend that is the Tour de Trossachs (I may also ride myself one year – since it was pointed out to me that J J Harris rode it before he organised if for 36 years)***