

RACE INFORMATION

Welcome to Witney Roadrunners' main event of the year - The Wychwood Brewery Cotswold Classic 10 mile Road Race. For latest race news visit our website: www.witneyroadrunners.co.uk/cotswoldclassic

The Cotswold Classic is a firmly established event in the local running calendar and is once again the Oxfordshire County 10 Mile Road Race Championship. The club wishes to thank all the Oxfordshire County officials, marshals and helpers, The Kings School and all our sponsors, who enable us to hold the race. Your race number and timing chip will be available to pick up on the day. Have a good run.

Toby Clarke, Race Director

TIMETABLE

8.00am Runners registration desk opens

9.50am All 10 mile at start line

10.00am 10 mile Road Race starts at the school

12.00pm Presentations2.30pm Site closes

RACE HEADQUARTERS

Located in the main hall of The King's School, New Yatt Road, Witney, Oxfordshire OX29 6TA. Please observe all instruction signs, and if you have any questions contact the Information Desk.

RACE PROFILE

The race is over an undulating course starting and finishing at The Kings School. There will be two water stations on the course and one at the finish area. There will be plenty of marshals on the course. Please obey their instructions at all times. Mile markers are at every mile, and a time clock at the finish.

INFORMATION DESK AT RACE HQ

Pick up of chips and numbers, late entries and other matters. A race profile with risk assessments and the UKA race permit will be available for scrutiny.

RACE H.Q. & CAR PARK

Witney is just off the A4O, approx. 13 miles from Oxford and 27 miles from Cheltenham. The race HQ is on a quiet road just to the north of the town. Parking is available nearby. Their will be marshals to direct you to one of two available car parks. There is no parking at the school

CHANGING

There will be some changing facilities in the school classrooms. A few showers may be available but no guarantee. Toilets are in the main school building, but bear in mind this is a junior school so the facilities are designed for young children. Please respect the school and do not urinate in the school grounds.

SECURE BAGGAGE AREA

A secure area is provided within the school for your kit. Please use the facility, as we cannot be responsible for items left in the changing rooms. Somebody will be on hand with the bags during the race but you still leave any baggage at your own risk.

RACE CATEGORIES & PRIZES

Please refer to the list displayed on race day. Wine will be given to the 1st Male Team (4 to count) and 1st Female Team (3 to count) in the 10 mile road race.

THE START AND FINISH

The race starts and finishes at the school.

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Will all runners please compete the important details on the reverse of the running number as soon as you receive it on race day. If you have any pre-existing medical conditions it is particularly important that you do this. If you don't, we won't know. If you have any doubts as to your health, please don't run as this course has some good hills.

AT THE FINISH

The finishing line is the start of the finish funnel, and this is where times will be recorded. Your number will be recorded automatically once you cross the line.

REFRESHMENTS

Water and beer will be available at the finish. We expect tea, coffee and a hotdog stand to also be on site.

RUNNING NUMBERS

You will need to pick up your timing chip and number on the day so please do arrive in plenty of time. The number should be securely fixed to the front of your vest. Safety pins will be available. Do not fold, cut down or deface your number as this may lead to disqualification. Do not give your number to another runner without informing the information desk, as it could result in confusion and disqualification.

FREE CLUB PLACES

For every 10 entrants from one club, that same club can claim **one free entry** into the 2018 race. So – 40 entrants from 'XXXX Road Runners' means 'XXXX Road Runners' can claim 4 free entries for 2018. It is non-negotiable, there is no cash substitute and places cannot be carried over. Claims must be made between 18th September 2017 and 30th September 2017. A voucher will then be provided per entrant which can be presented on race day in 2018.

MEDICAL FACILITIES

There will be qualified first aid cover and an ambulance. The medical HQ will be located close to the finish area at Race HQ. The Course Marshals are available to report casualties to Medical HQ.

RESULTS

Results will be available at the finish

COURSE SAFETY

The 10 mile race is run under UKA rules. Runners should adhere to instructions of marshals. As mentioned previously runners using head phones will be disqualified. Spectators must not follow the race on bicycles, skates, scooters, motorbike or car. No dogs with runners please. There will be a lead car, and a bike or car following at the rear of the field. In order to process results in time for the presentation at 12.00p.m. there will be an official time limit for recording finishers of 2.5 hours, after which time the race officials and marshals will be withdrawn and any runners remaining on the course will do so at their own risk.

USE OF HEADPHONES IS NOT PERMITTED AND WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION

Please note that any runners using headphones during the race will be disqualified. The roads will NOT be closed to traffic so it is essential that all runners are able to hear instructions from marshals and course officials and that they can hear traffic and emergency vehicles approaching from both directions.

TRANSPORT

Witney does not have a train station. The S1 Bus runs every half an hour from Oxford on Sundays. It can be boarded at the Bus Station and Train Station in Oxford. Alight at Newlands in Witney and follow the race signs. It's approximately 1 mile to the Race HQ.

FEEDBACK

We appreciate all feedback and if you have time to provide feedback via Runner's World or via email: Cotswoldclassic@mail.com. We will try to improve next year's race accordingly.

COTSWOLD CLASSIC FESTIVAL OF RUNNING 2018

We look forward to welcoming you to next year's event. This is provisionally set for September 2018, with the final date subject to confirmation from Oxfordshire County Athletics Association when the Race Calendar is finalised later this year.

FACEBOOK/TWITTER

Be the first to hear about the latest news, confirmed dates and race entry opening via our Facebook page www.facebook.com/cotswoldclassic and TwitterFeed @CCFestivalRun.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Should you have any further questions you can contact us via email: cotswoldclassic@mail.com