



## RACE INFORMATION

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Welcome to Witney Roadrunners' main event of the year – The Cotswold Classic 10 mile Road Race. For latest race news visit our website: [www.witneyroadrunners.co.uk/cotswoldclassic](http://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 (see notes). 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** Presentations (estimate)
- 2.30pm** 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 will be available for scrutiny.

### RACE HQ & CAR PARK

Witney is just off the A40, approx. 12 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. There will be marshals to direct you to one of three available car parks so please look out for them as you approach.

### 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 not at all times, so 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. We aim to start the presentations at midday, however there is a chance this may run late if eligible runners are still on the course.

## THE START AND FINISH

The race starts and finishes at the school.

## EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Will all runners please complete 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.

## 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 number on the day so please do arrive in plenty of time. The number should be securely fixed to the front of your vest. 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.

## COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Entries for the County Championships must be in a **minimum of 8 days** prior to the event. Entries in after this point **will not be counted** in the county championships.

## NUMBER SWITCHING/REFUNDS

If you contact us early enough, we are happy to switch details to another runner if you have already entered and are unable to run. **(we can do this up to 8 days before the event, Not after)**. Please DO NOT run under another runner name.

## 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 and on the website: [www.witneyroadrunners/cotswoldclassic](http://www.witneyroadrunners/cotswoldclassic)

## PHOTOS

Barry Cornelius plans to take photographs of this race for publication on his website **www.oxonraces.com** and for possible use by the press, and by running you accept this. You will be able to download his photos free of charge. If you do not wish your image to appear as a significant part of any photograph that he publishes or provides, you

should put a bold red cross across your race number - felt tip pens will be provided at the Race HQ for this purpose. If you are under 18, please ensure that your parent/carer is happy for photos of you taken at the race to be published on the web. If you or your parent/carer do not wish photos of you to be published on the web, please add a large thick red cross to your race number.

## 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. There is 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: [toby@clarkevanmeurs.co.uk](mailto:toby@clarkevanmeurs.co.uk). We will try to improve next year's race accordingly.

## FACEBOOK/INSTAGRAM

Be the first to hear about the latest news, confirmed dates and race entry opening via our Facebook page [www.facebook.com/cotswoldclassic](http://www.facebook.com/cotswoldclassic) and Instagram: [cotswoldclassic10](https://www.instagram.com/cotswoldclassic10)

## FURTHER INFORMATION

Should you have any further questions you can contact us via email: [toby@clarkevanmeurs.co.uk](mailto:toby@clarkevanmeurs.co.uk)