

# Cotswold Classic Middle Distance Tri 2022 Race Information Sheet

# Race date - 10<sup>th</sup> July 2022

# **Dear Competitor**

Please find as follows the full race information pack for competitors of the Cotswold Classic Middle Distance Triathlon on July 10<sup>th</sup> 2022

Within this race pack we will cover the following;

- 1. Location & Parking access
- 2. Registration schedule & details/requirements
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The race will start and finish at Waterland Outdoor pursuits (lake 32) based on Spratsgate lane, Ashton Keynes, Gloucestershire. The postal code for this location is GL7 6DF and it's located just off the spine road intersection from the A417/9

Parking access on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July will be at the above marked Parking Field & Ovrerflow field which is accessible from both directions on Spratsgate Lane The area will be open on race morning from 04:00

Parking is owned by a local farmer, who donates the profits to a local charity (Last year was Wiltshire Air Ambulance), and carries a charge £5 for Sunday. This is payable in cash only, so please have the correct change in your hand on arrival as fumbling for cash at 4am in the dark is not much fun.

This car park will accommodate all competitors. If you can lift share, then this would help the general flow of the day as it will leave more parking spaces for any support crew members who arrive later in the day.

If it is a sunny day on the day of the race, the waterpark car parks will be full very early, so please be mindful of this is you have people arriving later

# 2. Registration schedule & details/requirements

You will get your race bib and bike sticker in the post in the week running up to the race

You will then need to register\* at transition on race morning from 04:00-06:00 At registration you will need your race bib and a valid 2022 BTF membership Photo card (Or a screenshot of your card, but must have a pic of you)

If you are not a 2022 BTF member, you will need photographic ID (Drivers license, passport etc –a scan/pic on phone is fine) and £5 cash for a BTF day license I'm afraid we cannot take card payments as the signal the registration area is patchy at best.

Once you have registered, you will get a wrist band and can head into transition to rack your bike, where you will find your timing chip/strap and swim hat.

\*There will be an early registration window on Saturday afternoon along with a non compulsory briefing time communicated by email

### 3. Race day schedule & Start time

04:00 Car Parks open

04:00 Registration/Transition opens for bike racking

06:00 transition Closes

Mass Start Wave - 05:55

Wave 1 06:00-06:10

Wave 2 06:10-06:20

Wave 3 06:20-06:30

Wave 4 06:30-06:40

Wave 5 06:40-06:50

Wave 6 06:50-07:00

After 07:00 you will not be allowed to enter the water and start your race, so please be prompt with your arrival at Swim start.

Please ensure when entering transition, that your bike is labeled up with the supplied race number bike sticker and that you are wearing your helmet fastened so that the safety marshals can check it. (Only competitors with a race number will be allowed to enter transition)

There are 40 x portaloos near to the race start area chutes.

There will be 2 x portaloos in transition, but these will not be open until the race starts, and will be for use during the race if you need to go in transition

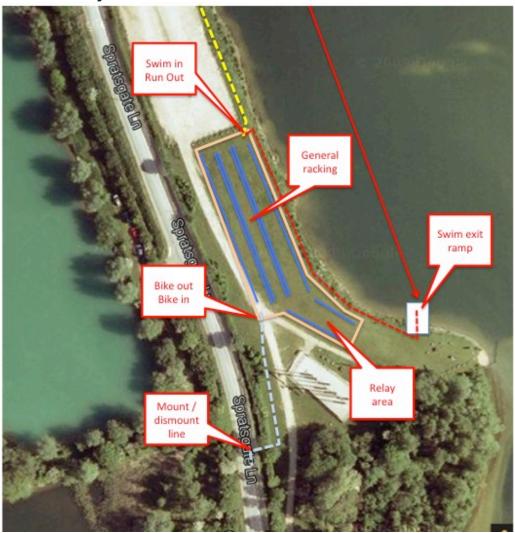
The transition will be cleared of all competitors at 06:10.

Each wave will have a ten minute window in which to start. There will be chutes marked for the start, and your race time will commence as you pass the timing mat into the water. There is no specific order within your wave All competitors will be started at circa 5 second intervals

After the race, when collecting your bike from transition, please provide the marshal with your race number so that they can match it to your bike label. Without this, you will not be allowed to remove a bike from transition

#### 4. Race Information

# **Transition layout:**



#### **Swim Course:**



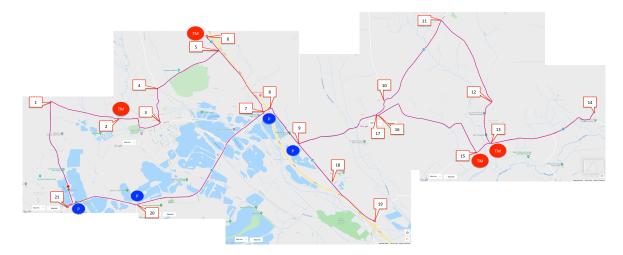
The 1900mtr swim will be one marked anticlockwise lap of the course marked out on the day. You will enter the water in the shallow area from the starting mat on exit from the start chute

Once exiting the water on the ramp marked out by flags, swimmers will make their way into transition through the marked route into the far right hand corner of transition.

You can swim Front Crawl, Breast stroke or even Butterfly, but we ask that you do not swim back stroke – The reason for this is that if you are in trouble in the water, please roll on your back and raise your hand to draw the attention of the water safety crew. Back stroke can easily be mistaken for this action.

#### **Bike Course**

More info and downloadable GPX File on bike course at https://www.mapmyride.com/routes/view/4257970519



The bike route is two loops, which are predominantly 'out and back' and comes back past the lake for the start of lap 2

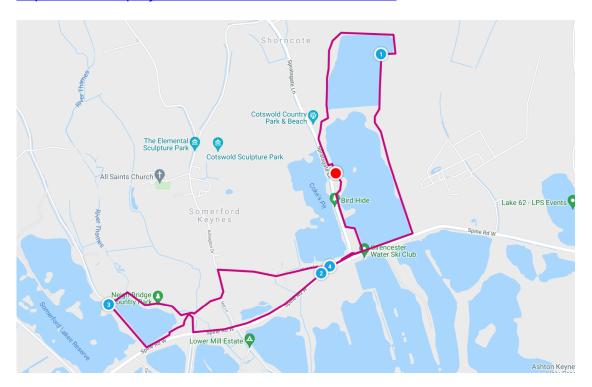
There will be an aid station located on the Latton road section of the return leg of the lap. You will only be allowed to access the aid station on the return leg (around 24miles and 51 miles) and cyclists must not attempt to use the aid station on the outbound leg of the course as crossing the road at this point is both dangerous to yourself and also to cyclists moving at high speed in the other direction

When using the aid station, you must slow to a reasonable pace (ie 5-10mph max) where the team will pass you either High5, Water or gels on request.

Before the aid station, there is a bottle drop for you unwanted bottles

#### Run Course:

More info and downloadable GPX file on the run course at: https://www.mapmyride.com/routes/view/4386445063



The run course is 3 laps and finishes in a chute adjacent to the race start.

#### 5. Rules and Regulations

The race is a non-drafting event and will be run in accordance with the rules set out by the British Triathlon Federation

<u>Littering or discourteous riding will not be tolerated in any shape of form, and any competitor caught littering or riding discourteously to other competitors or road users will be instantly disqualified – No exceptions.</u>

We will aim to provide as many bins as possible on the course and all marshals will have a bin bag, so please hold your gel wrapper etc and discard appropriately. The courses for this event are through a beautiful part of the country and one complaint for a resident could see the permit for this event cancelled for future years. Please don't spoil it for the rest of us. Sorry, rant over!

#### 6. Points of Contact

During the day, if for any reason you or your family need to get hold of the organisers, then the following contact numbers should be used; 07595 591612 Graeme Hardie, Race Director 07879 048417 Nicci Hardie, Registration Manager 07979410455 Steve Dutton – start/finish/transition

# 7. Age Groups and prize Allocation

- Male Senior (18-49yrs on race day) 1/2/3
- Female Senior ((18-49yrs) 1/2/3
- Male Vet (50yrs and above) 1/2/3
- Female Vet (50yrs and above ) 1/2/3
  - Relay 1st place

Results will be available almost immediately through our timing partners – www.dbmax.co.uk

If your family and friends want to track you live during the day, then we will post a link up to DBmax's online tracker on the race website over race weekend under the results section <a href="http://113events.com/cotswold113/results/">http://113events.com/cotswold113/results/</a>

Trophies will be posted out after the race

#### 8. First Aid and Medical Cover

The medical details provided in competitor entry forms have been provided to our Medical partner company, who are providing first aid cover at the event. This information will not be quickly accessible should there be an accident, so please can all competitors mark any medical condition or medication on the reverse of their race numbers along with their names.

#### 9. Nutrition and Aid Stations

On the bike course, there will be one aid station located in the layby on the Latton Road

This aid station on the bike course will hold 750ml Bike bottles containing High5 Carbo drink and Water

There will also be High5 Gels (Gel type = High5 AquaGel – Previously known as High5 ISO gels)

Located just before the aid station will be a bottle drop area. Please ensure that you discard of any unwanted bottles here.

Discarded bottles will be collected up and placed in a pile near to the race HQ after the race, so if anyone wants to collect any bottles that are special to them, this is your opportunity. After this, they will be binned assuming the wasps and ants haven't already eaten them

Due to Covid Rules, you will need to stop at the Aid station, and collect either bottles or Gels from the Tables

The 3 lap run course will have 3 aid stations roughly equidistance around the course

Aid stations 1 and 3 will have Cupped Water and High5 Gels only

Aid station 2 will have as follows : Cupped Water Cupped High5 Cupped Flat Coca Cola
High5 Gels
Jamaican Ginger Cake
Chocolate Chip Cookies
Salted crisps (Normally discos as these are the saltiest)
Haribo Jelly babies
Half Cut Bananas

# 10. Race Photography

Free Race photography will be provided by Charles Whitton Photography. They will have race photographs and finish line pictures available very quickly after the race. We will pay for one free downloadable photo from your collection, and they will have many others for sale should you want more or to have them printed onto a mug or other types of memorabilia

http://www.charleswhittonphotography.com

#### 11. Marshal Support & Day instructions

The Marshals make this event what it is, and without them it just wouldn't be able to happen.

So with this in mind, please can I ask that all competitors (if safe to do so) try and say thanks to at least one marshal on the way round the course to show them they're appreciated? It can be a thankless job at times for them stood on a junction guiding you super fast guys and girls on your way to a new PB, so this could be your way of giving something back and showing your appreciation.

Also, we're always after more marshals, so if your wives, husbands, sisters, brothers, friends, colleagues, enemies etc are coming with you on the day and want to earn a special 113 team tech shirt, a £40 113 events 2023/2024 voucher or £20 cash and a free cup of tea, burger and an ice cream as well as a great view of the race and to be part of the event, then please email me at Graeme@113events.com

No experience is required, just the ability to shout support and to know your left from right.

#### 12. Relay team Specific Instructions

Relay team members must line up in their area of transition awaiting the team member from the previous section. The baton will be the timing chip. The swim member of the relay team need not wear a number and the cyclist can wear this waiting for the swimmer to pass the timing chip as he enters transition. In line with Social Distancing measures, the timing chip must be wrapped to the transition rack from one side, that person step back, before the next person takes the timing chip from the rack on the other side and then continue on with their race. If team members are from the same household, they can cross the line together. If not, then a 2m distance must be maintained in the finish chute. The team time will be recorded by the person wearing the timing chip, and any delay for member 2 and 3 is not recorded.

Bike and run relay team members must wear their number bibs at all times, and these bibs must be marked on the reverse with the competitors name, and any relevant medical information

#### **Final Note**

This is the UK, and although it's June and supposedly summer, it can still be cold, windy and wet, so with this in mind, please bring clothing for the bike and run that will stop you from freezing just in case. You can always leave them in transition if you don't need them.

Typically, in this area we get very little rainfall and a normal July Day would be around 18-20deg, but you never know.

Please let me remind you quickly of a couple of main points from above;

- On Sunday morning, you'll need to register and have photographic ID with you (BTF license is fine) – If you don't have your 2022 licence or are not a member, then you'll need to buy a day license from us for £5 cash and provide alternative photo ID (Passport, driving license etc) – No ID or license, then no registration – No exceptions, sorry.
- Absolutely no littering or discourteous riding Any littering / Bad riding will be instant disqualification
- Parking on Sunday will cost £5 cash payable on the gate, so please bring change in hand ready so as not to delay the parking process

Anyway, I hope I haven't put you all to sleep, so happy racing and if anyone has any questions or wants more information in the meantime, please feel free to get in contact with us on 07595 591612 or Graeme@113events.com

Cheers and Happy racing

Graeme, Nicci and the 113 Events Team