

RISK ASSESSMENT FOR HILL RACE

Event Normans Law Assessment carried out by Roger Rees

Venue Luthrie Signed Roger Rees

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This is a short (7k) hill race in daylight hours in springtime, over undulating ground, with no great altitude, and no scree or cliff hazards. Some of the race passes through working beef and dairy farmland. The ascent is routed through a series of gates; the descent is not routed. Runners must have DoB before 2002. The race is run according to FRA Safety guidelines, as has been intimated on the website.

STEP 1 List the hazards identified STEP 2 Recommendations for minimizing risk STEP 3 – Action taken

COURSE e.g. tree roots, streams (flooding)	RECOMMENDATIONS e.g. taping off	ACTION
	area, rerouting course	
Varied terrain – road, trail, open hill,	To advise runners of protocols for	BEFORE RACE DAY: get tape, scissors,
farmland.	experiencing/ witnessing injury and getting	saw, signage; marshals and hi-viz.
	lost	
Gates/ stiles on route (compulsory on ascent)	To have marshals in place.	ON RACE DAY: arrive in good time to mark
	To check for fallen timber and to mark-up	up ascent, put out signage, distribute hi-viz,
Possibility of fallen trees on the trail section	ascent with tape on the morning of the race	brief marshals
	To advise runners and have marshals in	
Remote possibility of vehicular traffic	place	
	Signage and marshals in place before race	
	start	

STRUCTURES e.g. damaged barriers, guide	RECOMMENDATIONS e.g. replace or	ACTION TAKEN
ropes to tents frayed	remove	
N/A		
COMPETITORS e.g. changing facilities,	RECOMMENDATIONS e.g. signage and	ACTION TAKEN
toilets, out of bounds areas.	advice	
Toilets and changing at Luthrie Village Hall	Intimated on website and at registration	Done
COMMUNICATIONS e.g. lack of signal for	RECOMMENDATIONS e.g. use of two	
mobile phones,	way radios	ACTION ON THE DAY. Marshalls to have
Inadequate communication between marshals	No problem with mobile phone signal along	mobiles /exchange numbers with Clerk.
along race route.	the route.	
	Marshals to each have a mobile phone and	
	know the number to use to contact the Clerk	
	during the race.	
OFFICIALS e.g. adequate numbers,	RECOMMENDATIONS e.g. briefing,	
knowledge of course i.e. location of first aid	signage, course map	ACTION ON THE DAY. Sweeper to run,
Runners going off-route.	Runners to be counted out and in	with mobile phone.
	Marshal at the gates on ascent, and at the	
	summit	Start/finish officials to count runners
	Sweeper at the back of the race so that	
	marshals will know when all the runners	
	have gone through.	
FIRST AID e.g. adequate numbers, access	RECOMMENDATIONS e.g. increase	ACTION ON THE DAY
onto and off course	numbers, signage,	
Medical emergencies	Sweeper.	To take defib and First Aid kit
	First Aid kit and defib in place at the	
	start/finish	
CAR PARKING AND VEHICLES e.g. safe	RECOMMENDATIONS e.g. rerouting	ACTION
access, crossing course	access, provide signage, fluorescent vests	
Car parking is tight at Luthrie; to encourage	Intimated on website	Done
car sharing and responsible parking		

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