

CTT Newsletter - October 2020

The Coronavirus risk assessment has been updated, please take the time to familiarise yourself with it; district websites are nearing completion; event applications need to be submitted now; and don't forget to re-affiliate your club!

Coronavirus – amended risk assessment

The risk assessment covering Coronavirus has been updated. The main amendments cover local lockdowns, hill climbs and team time trials. The risk assessment is relevant for both competitors and organisers, so please would everyone involved with an event take the time to read this. To view the full document please click on the link below: https://www.cyclingtimetrials.org.uk/documents/index/covid-19

Coronavirus – local lockdowns

There are many local lockdowns in place around the country. The restrictions for different areas vary. Please would you ensure that you are familiar not only with the local lockdown restrictions that may affect you and where you live, but if you have entered an event you must also check to see if there is a local lockdown that affects the area where the event is taking place. In some areas, the lockdown restrictions state that people within the area affected must not leave that area and may also state that people from outside that area must not enter into the area affected. The onus is on you, the competitor, to make sure you comply with this.



Coronavirus – spectators

Unfortunately, under the current guidelines, spectators are not allowed at CTT events. This includes hill climbs. Organisers are asked to make sure this is explained on the start sheet, although they cannot physically force people not to stand on the side of the road. If you have family or friends who are riding events please do as asked by the organisers, they have enough stress at this time without more worrying about spectators.

A big thank you!

Everyone at CTT would like to say a big thank you to Nick Clarke, Arctic Aircon RT, for his help with the Covid-19 risk assessment, which has meant that events were able to take place this season. Nick kindly offered his time and expertise to aid Nick Sharpe, National Secretary (Legal & Corporate), and together they have kept an eye on the constant changes to legislation and adapted the risk assessment as, and when, necessary. Thank you Nick – and Nick!









Event applications

Can all organisers and clubs who are intending to organise open events next year please make sure they have sent their application forms to the respective districts as soon as possible. Time is now getting short and districts need to sort the event calendar so it can be agreed and then sent to Stewart Smith, National Secretary (Competitions and Development) for input on to the website and into the handbook.

Closed circuit events

This year has seen a huge rise in the popularity of closed circuit events and, with this in mind, the board are asking districts, clubs and organisers if they have any suitable venues in their districts and to look into the possibility of organising events at them. Closed circuits are, of course, particularly popular with the juveniles, juniors and novice riders, where they can get used to racing in safe surroundings.

The evening club series at Croft has been such a success this season that two more events have been scheduled for Sunday 18 and 25 October. Both are club events and can be entered online or on the day. Very successful CTT closed circuit events have also been run at Goodwood Race Track and Mallory Park with many 100s of riders enjoying the experience over a good number of weeks.

Championship and Classic Series levy

At a recent board meeting it was agreed that there would not be a rise in the 2021 levy for either National Championships or Classic Series events.

District websites

Work on the new district websites is nearing completion with all set to go live during the closed season. These websites will give districts the opportunity to publicise what is happening locally, plus appropriate newsfeed and race results being shared from the main CTT website. Clubs will also be able to upload their club event listings meaning it will be easier for riders to find out where and when they are being held. This should also help if riders



are out of their own district for work, etc and looking for events.

Competition records

Competition record for Juveniles 25 miles and also for tandem trikes 15 miles (across all categories) will now be recognised. Invitations are therefore invited for 'best on record' claims for these categories. It is recognised that initially there may be difficulties in meeting the requirements as set out on page 246 of the 2020 Handbook (Competition Records) and each claim submitted will be considered on its merits. Claims should be submitted to Stewart Smith, the National Secretary (Competitions & Development) stewart.smith@cyclingtimetrials.org.uk







Club re-affiliation

Clubs are reminded that re-affiliation to CTT is due from 1 October, they have until 31 December to pay, after which a late re-joining fee of £20 payable. If club secretaries and treasurers wish to pay online, please click on your name (top right when logged on) and see if you have Club Panel as the first option, if so, click on that and from there you can pay using credit or debit cards. If not, please email support@cyclingtimetrials.org.uk Organisers will need to go into their Admin Panel and then click on Switch to Club, in the black panel on the left.

Finally – as clubs have their own AGMs and new officials are appointed can you please make sure the CTT website is update appropriately. We will be needing contact clubs in the coming weeks.

Stay safe!





