



PROVISIONAL RACE INFORMATION - ROBIN HOOD ADVENTURE CHALLENGE 2012
SUNDAY 11TH NOVEMBER 2012
SHERWOOD PINES FOREST PARK – MANSFIELD – NOTTINGHAMSHIRE – NG21 9JL

Welcome

Welcome to the 6TH Robin Hood Adventure Challenge. This event has something for everyone whether you are an adrenaline-junkie wanting to challenge yourself on the off road duathlon course or simply enjoy exercise and want to take part in one of the 3 running disciplines, this is the event for you! This is an ideal family and corporate event set within the 1,200 hectares of woodland and open heath of Sherwood Pines Forest Park. This is your chance to become an 'Adventure Challenger' – one of Robin Hood's Merry Men or Women.

Confirmation of Entry

Competitors are requested to check on the list of entries posted on the web site to confirm that they have been successful in their application. One Step Beyond cannot be held responsible for loss of entries in the post and strongly advises competitors to enter on line if possible as this is a more secure entry system.

Race Rules

Duathlon - The event will be held under the rules of The British Triathlon Federation. Under these rules it is mandatory that all competitors must wear an approved helmet, that all cycles must be in a road worthy condition and that all competitors are insured by third party civil liability insurance – BTF Members are insured as part of their membership package, and all other competitors are required to purchase a Day Licence from the BTF as part of their entry fee. If you require further information about Race Rules, please visit www.britishtriathlon.org or telephone the British Triathlon Federation on 01509 226161.

Running events – the 5K & 10K will be held under the rules of UK Athletics. Under these rules it is mandatory that all competitors are insured by third party civil liability insurance – Members are insured as part of their affiliation package, and all other competitors are required to pay a £2 non-affiliation fee to ensure that they have the relevant civil liability insurance. If you require further information about affiliation please email info@englandathletics.org or telephone UK Athletics on 0870 9986700.

What Will You Need?

Duathlon - For the run sections, it is advisable to use a pair of trail running shoes. For the bike section, either a mountain or cyclo cross bike are recommended. All competitors will be required to wear an approved cycle helmet.

Running Events – Very simple clothes and trainers which you feel comfortable running in.

Public Transport

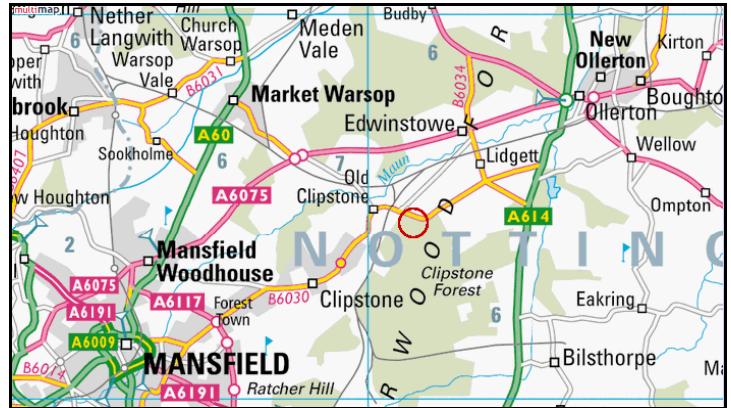
Nottinghamshire Public Transport – 0871 2002233 / www.travelline.info

Car Parking

All competitors will be required to pay for parking; the daily charge is £4 per car.

Directions to Sherwood Pines Forest Park (See map)

Sherwood Pines Forest Park is located off the B6030, near to Old Clipstone. It is equally easy to navigate from either the A60 or A614. Sherwood Pines Forest Park is approximately 30 minutes drive from Nottingham & Sheffield, being only 3 miles from the A1.



Race Packs

The **Duathlon, 5K & 10K Running Event** competitor's race packs will be sent out in advance of the event, they will contain:

- Final Race Information (this document)
- Race Number(s) (x 2 Duathlon)
- Electronic Timing Chip (attached to back of number)
- BTF Day Licence (Duathlon Only - if paid for when entering)
- Bike Frame Sticker (Duathlon Only)
- Bag Tag (Running Events Only)

The **2K competitors** will be required to collect their race number from the Enquiries Desk on the day of the event between 10:00 – 10:45.

Race Day Enquiries Desk / Late Entries will be open at:

Off Road Duathlon:	07:30 – 08:30
Running Events	10:00 – 11:30

Please note that all Duathlon athletes will be required to show either their BTF Licence or Day Licence (posted with Race Pack) when entering into the transition area. If you forget your licence, you will have to pay £5.00 for a new day licence; there will be no exception to this rule.

Transition Area (Duathlon Only)

When you first arrive, you will be required to show either your 2012 BTF Race Licence or your BTF Day Licence, which will be posted out to you in your race pack if you have purchased one upfront. Without either of these, you will be required to pay £5 for a BTF Day Licence. There will be no discussion on this point.

This is a fully secured area for competitors only, where you will keep your bike during the run sections. To get into the transition area you must show your race number & security wristband at ALL times. You will also be asked to show both your race number & bike number when taking your bike out. This is for your security. Please understand this may cause queues during peak times, but it is for your benefit.





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Team Event (Duathlon Only)

All relay team tags will take place by the team's bike racking position, inside the transition area. To compete in the Team Category, you will need 2 or 3 team members, one / two to complete the two run sections & one to complete the cycle course. To complete a 'tag' competitors are required to exchange their 'race number' which has the timing chip attached to it. We recommend that teams use elasticated number bands with their race number attached to it.

Bag Storage (Running Event Only)

There will be a small bag storage area available, please ensure you write your race number on the bag tag sent out in your race pack before handing in your bag.

Race Briefings

There will be a race briefing approximately 15 minutes before each event. This will take place inside the transition area for the duathlon and the start area for the running events. If you are unsure about anything please attend. The race briefings will inform you of any last minute route changes and safety points. If you have any questions or queries on race day, please ask them after the race briefings.

Provisional Event Start Times

Off Road Duathlon	09:00
2km Fun Run (Up to 15yrs old)	11:00
5km Trail Run	12:00
10km Trail Run	12:00

Electronic Timing

When you receive your race pack you will find your race number(s) inside. We are using the latest RFID chip timing system to time the race and your 'chip' is already attached to the back of your race number.

The chip that we are using does not contain a battery and is fully biodegradable and as such does NOT need to be handed in at the end of the race.

To help ensure that we capture your time there are 3 things you need to do:

1. Wear your race number visible to the front at all times
2. Do NOT tamper with the chip in any way
3. Attach with two pins or one Number Band your race number at the top corners only – DO NOT ATTACH THE BOTTOM

Using this cutting edge technology will mean results and category positions will be updated live as competitors cross the finish line. There will be a plasma screen providing live results to all competitors and spectators at the finish area. Please ensure that you only cross the timing points, which register your times, when you are competing. To avoid this problem do not climb over barriers as they are put in place to prevent access from these areas prior to the event. Failure to comply with this request will trigger the chip and will potentially invalidate your result.

Race Numbers

Please do not cut, fold or tare your race numbers.

- Duathlon – Race numbers must be worn front and back throughout the event. Please wear the race number with the timing chip on the front at all times.
- Duathlon Team Event – Runner front only / Cyclist front & back.
- Running Events – A race number must be worn on your front during all events at all times.

Please do not tamper with your race number(s) and do not forget to bring your own safety pins or number bands.

The Courses – will be marked from the afternoon of Saturday 10th Nov

Duathlon (Run 1: 1x 5K Lap – Cycle: 2x 8K laps - Run 2: 1x 3.6K Lap). The course for both the run & cycle sections will be marked from the day before.

The course has been completely redesigned from 2010 and takes in some of the best trails on offer at Sherwood Pines Forest Park, both adrenaline pumping uphill & downhill's as well as peaceful relaxing woodland paths. We are not giving too much away, but expect for your heart to be racing. Please note that the event is an off road event. That means that there will be additional obstacles, such as branches, roots, fallen trees, stones, sand, mud, holes, plus anything else that you might be lucky or unlucky enough to find, these form the course, add to the excitement, but also add to the danger so please be careful.

The key piece of information that you need to know is that for the Run sections you will be following **ORANGE** arrows and for the Cycle section you will follow **YELLOW** arrows.

Running Events

Little John 2km Fun Run – This will be a simple out and back course offering lots of spectator points to watch the kids take part in their event.
The Maid Marian 5km Trail Run (1 lap) – The course will follow the internal roads and trails within the park providing competitors with a safe enjoyable event.
The Robin Hood 10km Trail Run (2 laps) – The course will be two 5km loops following the Maid Marian course along the internal roads and trails of Sherwood Pines, perfect whether you are chasing down a fast time or simply enjoying the scenery.

Medical Cover

The safety of our competitors is paramount. Onsite during the event will be a specialist medical company set up to supply the highest calibre of comprehensive medical cover to sporting events such as this. On the day there will be a team of first-aiders, nurses and state registered Paramedics. If before, during or after the event you feel that you require any type of medical care, please do not hesitate to contact an event marshal.

Medical Conditions

We request that all competitors write their next of kin & contact details on the back of their race numbers using a waterproof pen. If you have any type of medical condition or are taking any type of medication please write a large 'MC' on the bottom left of your race number. Please write your medical condition fully on the back of your number also. This will only be used in the event of you being involved in an accident.



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Prizes

There will be prizes in the following age categories for both male and female competitors: TBC

Presentation will take place within 30 minutes of the last competitor finishing each event. You must be in attendance to collect your prize. Prizes will not be sent out after the event.

Penalties & Appeals (Duathlon Only)

ALL penalties issued by the British Triathlon Race Referee will be displayed on a Penalty Board at the entrance to Registration. Appeals against these penalties must be made in writing to the race referee within one hour of a penalty being notified and be accompanied by a fee of £15.00 refundable if the appeal is upheld. It is your responsibility to check this Penalty Board.

Results

The results will be available to download on www.onestepbeyond.org.uk from the Monday following the event.

Marathon Photos

Marathon-Photos.com is the official photography partner for capturing your exciting moments at The Robin Hood Adventure Challenge. Every competitor will find their photos within 24 to 48 hours after completion of the event, and will be able to search by entering either their race number or family name. Each photo is available either with their finishing time or as a photo certificate for download, or a printed copy. A picture album "Digital Super Pack" will be on offer at a special price. For one fixed price Marathon-Photos will supply all the identified photos of each runner in these ready-to-print formats either to download onto their computer or on a CD. This includes: Photo Certificate, Race Time Photo, Commemorative photo original camera file and web ready images.

Marathon-photos.com will email all competitors with a direct link to their personal photos.

Facilities

It is difficult to believe that you are in the centre of major woodland when you arrive, nestled into the forest you will find a large selection of facilities including a visitors centre, toilets, mountain bike hire shop, children's play ground & picnic area.

Refreshments

A superb café conceals itself nicely into the forest surroundings, serving an excellent mixture of fresh hot & cold food & drinks.

Sherwood Pines Cycles

If you require any last minute equipment, need to purchase energy products or simply fancy hiring a bike, Sherwood Pines Cycles is a permanent cycle store on site within the grounds of the venue.

Withdrawals

If you wish to withdraw from the event, then please follow the guidelines contained within our 'Terms & Conditions Of Entry'. Please note that under no circumstances will any race credits be issued without following these guidelines. No race credits will be issued to those withdrawing after the withdrawal date of 2nd November. Please note that you are not allowed to give your entry away, if

you are not going to take part, please follow the guidelines to withdraw from the event. Competitors will be asked to show photographic identification before they are allowed into transition to stop the swapping of entries.

Race Office Closure

The One Step Beyond race office will be closed from Thursday 8th November at 5pm. Please do not leave messages or send emails regarding this event, as we will be on site setting up for the event.

Race Volunteers – Please Help

No event like this can run smoothly without the help of many marshals. If you have friends or family that will be supporting you at the event, why not ask them if they would be willing to give up a couple of hours to help marshal. All marshals will receive an event shirt, food & drink. If you would like further information about becoming a race marshal please contact robinhood@onestepbeyond.org.uk. You do not require any previous experience or knowledge to become a race marshal; any training required will be given on race day.

Thanks

Thanks to the Forestry Commission for allowing us to use Sherwood Pines – a fantastic venue.

Final thanks to all the individuals who have agreed to give up their time to help set up and marshal at the event. It takes a great amount of work to organise an event such as this.

Further Information

Any questions related to the event can be answered by emailing robinhood@onestepbeyond.org.uk.

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