

ScottishPower Renewables Kirkcudbright Criterium: Information for Entrants

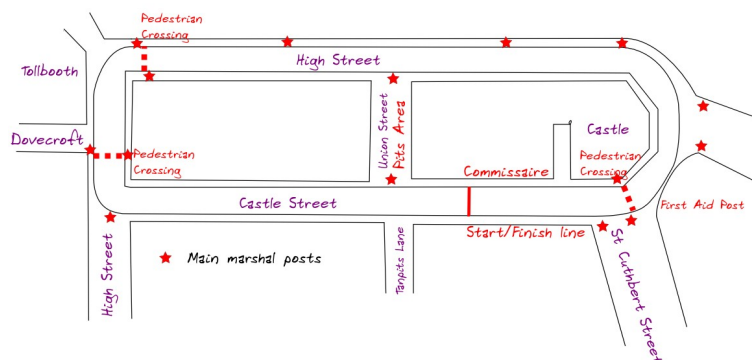
Where do I park?

The nearest parking that is likely to be free is the Council offices car park off St Mary's Street just by the Museum. I would strongly advise against trying to park on either the High Street or St Cuthbert's Street, as they're likely to be horribly congested. The Harbour Square will be closed for parking as there will be a vintage car rally on there. Parking will be available at the school and by the swimming pool, both signposted from the south end of St Mary's Street.

Where do I sign on?

The commissaire's post will probably be at the Pipe Band Hall close to the council offices on Darr Lane (off St Mary's Street) (Note! To be confirmed). Please sign on there, between 1pm and 2:00pm.

The Course



The course is from the start/finish line north along Castle Street, left around the castle, straight down the High Street to the Tollbooth, left following the High Street, left onto Castle Street and back to the start/finish line. There are a number of drain and manhole covers; entrants are strongly advised to ride the course before the race starts to familiarise themselves with the position of hazards.

The Event

The provisional programme for the event will be

Starts	Finishes	Event
2:00pm	2:20pm	Fun race (adults)
2:40pm	3:10pm	Under 16s race

3:40pm	4:45pm	Elite race
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You may practice on the course between 1:30pm and 2:00pm.

If the fun race and Under 16s race put together have fewer than 40 entrants, we may run both classes together for thirty minutes.

Elite entrants please form up on St Cuthbert's Street opposite Harbour Square at 3:20pm. The commissaire's car will then lead you on a controlled lap around the course to the start line. The commissaire will then signal the start. The event will run for one hour plus six laps. Approximately every fifteen minutes the commissaire will signal a prime by blowing a horn or sounding a bell. The prime will be awarded to the first rider across the line on the following lap. Following a prime the last riders across the line may be asked to drop out; if you are asked to retire your number will be shown on a whiteboard at the commissaire's station and you should leave the course at the pits area. Prizes will be presented on the stage in the Harbour Square shortly after the event.

Pits area/First Aid Post

There will be a pits area in Union Street on the left of the course immediately before the start/finish line. If you have a mechanical problem such as a puncture, you may stop once only for one lap at any time up to the end of the first hour. You may not enter the pits area from the High Street end of Union Street. You may not stop in the last six laps. There will be a first aid post on the Mote Brae, on the right of the course opposite the Castle.

If there are problems

Marshals will be positioned along the course; they will wear high-visibility tabards or jackets. If we need to stop the race for any reason, marshals will signal this by blowing three prolonged blasts on their whistles. Marshals with walkie-talkie radios will be positioned on each corner. If you hear three prolonged blasts on a whistle, you should slow down immediately and stop if signalled to do so by a marshal.

Who is responsible?

The Criterium is being organised by Stewartry Wheelers in association with the Kirkcudbright Festivities Committee. If you need any further information, contact Dougie McFern, Stewartry Wheelers, 17 Meadow View, DG7 1HF or phone 01556 504309. Stewartry Wheelers gratefully acknowledge the support of Scottish Power Renewables, Castle Douglas Cycle Centre, Dumfries and Galloway Council, Stewartry Tyres, and Scottish Enterprise Dumfries and Galloway in staging this event.