

# Saucony English Cross Country Relays

## Berry Hill Park, Mansfield - Saturday 2nd November 2024

The Saucony English Cross Country Relays are once again to be held at the popular at Berry Hill Park venue. The ECCA thanks you for your entry, and we hope you have a good day.

### **Event Administration**

Collection of numbers (with chip within) will take place in a LARGE MARQUEE JUST OUTSIDE THE ATHLETICS TRACK.

### **DECLARATIONS:**

A few days before the event day Team Managers will be emailed a link to declare their runners online. This link can be used to start and edit declarations up until midnight the Friday before the event. Any changes or declarations can be made on the event site on the morning of the event under small Popup Marquees opposite the Admin. Marquee on laptops provided by FR Systems.

Please note that numbers for the first 5 races will be available from 9:00am. However, numbers for the last 5 events the U17 Men, U15 Girls, U15 Boys, Snr Women and Snr Men WILL NOT be available for collection until 11:00am.

In the Senior Men's race, at the end of the programme, on the last leg there will be a mass start for Teams that have been lapped. Exact timing of this will be decided on the day.

### **Travel to Berry Hill Park, Mansfield** (Also see map on web site)

As last year, we are operating a 'park and ride' system for this year's event from 3 alternative car parking facilities. **NO PARKING IS PERMITTED FOR ATHLETES AND SPECTATORS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE PARK.** There is limited parking in the park for officials only.

Those travelling from the **South or Midlands** should use parking at West Notts College (**NG18 5BH**) and the crematorium (**NG18 5BJ**). Exit M1 at junction 27 then follow the A611 for Mansfield. Both car parks are located just before you get to the junction with Nottingham Road, and will be clearly signposted.

Those travelling from the **North** should use the car park at Linney's (**NG18 4FL**). Leave M1 at junction 29 and follow A617 to Mansfield, then A6009 St Peter's Way and A6191 Ratcliffe Gate (becomes Southwell Rd West) – car park is accessed via Adamsway which is just off the A6191 and will be clearly signposted.

If travelling via the A1 from the Newark direction get on to the A617, the Southwell Rd, and approach Linney's (**NG18 4FL**) via A6191 Southwell Road West.

Shuttle buses will operate from all the above car parks regularly from 8am until 4:30pm. Directions to Berry Hill Park will also be signposted for those who prefer to get to the park on foot.

**There is a £5 charge for parking, which should be paid online, in advance, using the link on the Sportsoft website.** You will receive a receipt which will serve as your entry ticket, and which will have your registration number displayed in bold for easy reading by security staff. Please have this available either on a mobile device, or as hard copy, when you enter the car park. There will be limited access available to pay on the day, but this will be by **card only**, at a cost of £10.

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**Adhering to the Parking system is critical to the ongoing future of the event.** These arrangements are made in collaboration with local residents and Mansfield District Council, and the ECCA have worked hard to get to this position. Considerate parking is a condition of our future use of the park for this event.

### **Club tents – drop off**

Each club will be issued with ONE permit (on application to [admin@englishcrosscountry.co.uk](mailto:admin@englishcrosscountry.co.uk)) for a lead vehicle to offload gazebos/club tents etc. This will allow them access to the car park at the Coal Authority **NG18 4RG**. It should be noted that it is 500m from here to where the Club Tent area is. Drop offs will be allowed at the Coal Authority, but vehicles must then go to one of the designated car parks. **Disabled parking** is available on site, please email [admin@englishcrosscountry.co.uk](mailto:admin@englishcrosscountry.co.uk) for permit.

### **Use of Toilets**

We received a number of complaints last year regarding people using the bushes around the Coal Authority car park as an emergency toilet! This will be monitored by security guards this year – there are plenty of toilets supplied within the park for the event, so **PLEASE USE THE TOILET FACILITIES PROVIDED ON BERRY HILL PARK**, and not the car park!

### **Coaches / large minibuses**

Coaches and large Minibuses will be directed to Blackscotch Lane **NG18 4WJ** where parking will be allowed opposite to the park. To make sure there is enough parking please let us know if your Club is travelling by Coach or Large Minibus by emailing [admin@englishcrosscountry.co.uk](mailto:admin@englishcrosscountry.co.uk) with the information.

### **TEAM MANAGERS:**

**PLEASE MAKE SURE THIS INFORMATION IS GIVEN TO ALL TRAVELLING TO MANSFIELD ON THE 2nd NOVEMBER TO HELP ENSURE THAT A GOOD DAY IS HAD BY ALL**

Eamonn Martin, ECCA Hon Sec