

Please find, below, final details of the Hathersage Hurtle.

We're sending this today so that you have plenty of time to read the details, prepare and contact the run organisers should anything be unclear. If you have registered and/or paid for someone else and you receive this please forward this email to them.

To contact the organisers, please email: hathersagehurtle@gmail.com

The Hathersage Hurtle 2018: Final details

The Hathersage Hurtle is a 20-mile circular route starting and finishing in Hathersage. It is a challenging course with stunning views of the Hope Valley. It is on trails, footpaths and quiet country roads and we recommend that you wear trail shoes.

It is a fixed route and participants must follow the route as defined by the course map. No shortcuts allowed.

Racetek dibbing stations will be in place along the route as marked on the course map. The dibbing stations will be held by marshals and participants must dib at each of the nine checkpoints (including the finish). You will be shown how to dib when you register (it's very easy!) and marshals will be at the checkpoints to help too. The route will be marshalled at important interchanges but it is otherwise partially marked with red and white tape.

Please make yourself familiar with the route and consider carrying a map.

Start/Finish: The Football Fields, Hathersage, Derbyshire (next to The David Mellor Cutlery Factory)

Registration: Opens at 7:15am

Emergency number: 07599 879155

Start times: Walkers: 8:00 am - 9:00 am / Runners: Mass start at 10:00 am

Amenities: Tea, coffee and lots and lots of lovely cake will be available all day at the Start/Finish. There will be burgers and beer for sale at the Start/Finish from 12noon.

There are three feed and drink stations on the route (marked on the course map).

Changing facilities, kit storage and toilets: At the Start/Finish

Travel to Hathersage

Please car share if possible or come by public transport, as parking is limited in the village. Hathersage train station is only a 10-minute walk from run registration.

Parking

Free car parking is available in the field opposite the race start/finish and you are asked to use this rather than parking in the village or parking on the streets.

If the field becomes too waterlogged, alternative parking will be organised. Directions will be given on the morning of the event.

Parking is also available in the car park in the village. If you do use this car park it may take you 15 minutes to walk to registration. If you do not use our parking facilities, please ensure that you park respectfully. Police/Traffic Wardens may issue tickets if cars are illegally parked.

Do not leave valuables visible as this may be an invitation to thieves.

Registration and recording

Walkers and runners will need to register before starting the run. All competitors will be issued with their race number and Racetek dibber.

You **MUST** inform the nearest marshal or telephone the organisers on the emergency number: 07599 879155 if you retire for any reason including injury, getting lost or dropping out. We do not want to launch a rescue search for missing walkers/ runners.

If you do retire you **MUST** report to the finish to return your dibber.

Please take care not to lose your dibber. Any lost dibbers will incur a **£30** charge and could disqualify you from taking part in a future event.

The Start

When you arrive at registration, you will be given your dibber. The dibber will be attached to your wrist via a provided wristband.

Walkers: When you are ready to start (any time after 8am), you will need to dib the start box which will be held by a marshal at the entry gate to the football field. This will record your exact start time.

Runners: Call up for the start will be at 9.45am from the football field. There is a mass start at 10am in the field on the opposite side of the road to the football pitch, approximately 200m away. Exit the football field, cross the road, turn left and take the first footpath on the right after crossing the river. Marshals will be there to direct you. Please take care crossing the road. The race will start at 10am. If you are late your time will not be altered.

The Finish

At the end of the event dibbers **MUST** be handed in to the organising team so that we know you are safe. This is an essential safety requirement of the event and avoids an unnecessary search for participants.

Storage and Keys

Kit storage will be available at the Start/Finish in the changing rooms at the football pavilion. Anyone from the organising team will be able to direct you towards this on the day.

All kit is left at your own risk and the Hathersage Hurtle will have no liability towards any loss.

Car keys can be left with registration at owner's risk. All keys **MUST** be clearly labelled with name and contact number.

Equipment

The weather can be very changeable at this time of year. In the light of this we recommend that you consider both the forecast and the full recommended FRA kit – i.e. full waterproof body cover, hat, gloves, compass, whistle, map and emergency food.

There is limited food and water available around the route (3 food/water stations). You should not rely on this so please bring additional food and water if you consider it necessary.

We advise carrying a mobile phone with the emergency number.

We reserve the right to refuse entry on the day to any entrants that we don't believe are adequately equipped.

The Course

The course is detailed on the run website (www.hathersagehurtle.com) and maps can be downloaded from there.

The course is a fixed course. Anyone found to be taking short cuts between checkpoints will be disqualified and will not be allowed to enter future Hathersage Hurtle races.

Registered runners must not start before the mass start at 10am.

Please, no dogs on the course as it is lambing and nesting time.

Landowners have provided consent for the course route. Please advise the nearest marshal if you cause damage to private property such as a fence or wall.

Changes to the course

We reserve the right to change the course, or make any other amendment that we deem necessary. Any change will be communicated to you at registration or sooner if practicable.

The Country Code

The route crosses private land. Entrants are respectfully requested to keep to the footpaths and to honour The Country Code and respect landowners' property. We do not want to jeopardise the run for future years.

Keep the Peak District beautiful: please leave your litter in a feed/drink station bin or take it home with you! Discarded wrappers may be a hazard to wildlife and negative environmental impact may jeopardise future races

Cut off times

Please note the closing times for the following checkpoints:

- Feed/water station 1 (Shatton) 12.00
- Feed/water station 2 (Dennis Knoll) 13.30
- Feed/water station 3 (Burbage South) 15.30

If you arrive after these times the marshals will have left and there won't be any refreshments.

The event officially finishes at 5pm for both walkers and runners, if you believe you are going to finish after this time please contact the organisers on **07599 879155**.

Participant ejection

We reserve the right to refuse entry to the Hurtle or to ask you to cease participation if:

- You fail to follow instructions given by Hurtle officials.
- You attempt to participate in the Hurtle in a manner that we, acting reasonably, believe:
 - May cause injury to you or another participant.
 - May damage or harm the environment.
 - In our opinion is likely to cause offence.
 - Otherwise causes a risk or potential risk to health and safety including any failure, in whole or in part, to comply with the restrictions
- In our opinion you are unfit to participate in the run due to:
 - The consumption or use of alcohol or drugs.
 - An injury or illness.
- You fail to arrive at the start location at the specified time.
- You are unable to make sufficient progress in the Hurtle to allow you to complete the race in line with the cut off times.

If you are refused entry to the Hurtle or we ask you to cease participation in the Hurtle, you must remove your runner's identification number and dibber and return them to a Hurtle official.

Contacting the organisers on the day

If you need to contact the race organisers on the day you can reach them on **07599 879155**. This phone will be switched on at 8am on race day.

Results

Competitors will only be eligible for a run time if they complete the course before the official cut off time of 5pm (subject to variation at the organisers' discretion).

Final race results will be displayed on the website.

Prizes

Prizes kindly provided by local businesses including **ALPKIT, GO OUTDOORS, OUTSIDE, COW CLOSE FARM, HOPE VALLEY VETERINARY CLINIC, MAAZI and SANGAMS**

Approximate time of prize giving: 2pm

Spot prizes: The Strava segment 'The Hurtle Hurt' will be marked. It's up the causeway after Dennis Knoll. Make sure you upload your run to Strava to be a contender.

We look looking forward to welcoming you to Hathersage and hope that you have an enjoyable day in the beautiful Peak District countryside.

The Hathersage Hurtle Committee

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