



NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE BRIDLEWAYS ASSOCIATION



Pleasure Ride Guidelines

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North Staffordshire Bridleways Association (N.S.B.A.) Pleasure Rides are non-competitive rides that utilise bridleways, tracks, lanes etc. and may also include access to a large area of otherwise unavailable off road riding, for which special permission has been granted for that ride only. These areas must not be ridden on any other occasion.

¹RIDE ENTRIES are due in at least ten days before the event, unless otherwise stated, and should be sent to Jude Sockett on a standard N.S.B.A. ride entry form FULLY COMPLETED, with the correct entry fee.

To receive the ride details by post please enclose a large s.a.e. with 1st class stamp.

To receive the details by email please contact jude.sockett@btinternet.com

The details should be studied prior to the ride.

By signing an entry form you are confirming that you have appropriate, current Insurance Cover for your Public Liability.

On arrival at the venue, please park where the steward indicates, otherwise park in a safe and tidy fashion, showing consideration to other riders and members of the public.

Report to the ride secretary before setting out on the ride wearing your wrist band which will be checked and your departure time will be recorded. Collect a wrist band from the ride secretary if this is your first ride.

ALL RIDERS must wear a wrist band stating: - name / first line of address / post code / emergency contact number.

On completing the ride it is vital that you report to the ride secretary for your safe return to be noted, you will then be given your rosette, and a blank wristband for the next ride.

Please leave the venue tidy i.e. no litter, droppings or hay from hay nets.

¹Riding hats conforming to the latest B.H.S./Endurance GB rules must be worn at all times whilst mounted.

Horses that kick should wear a red ribbon in their tail, young / inexperienced horses a green ribbon, stallions a blue ribbon.

Please carry a penknife and piece of baler twine in order to secure all gates, never leave a gate open for the next rider assuming that they will close it.

It is assumed that all riders are familiar with the Highway Code especially the section for Horse Riders, and are capable of riding at a steady speed over varied terrain, to average a speed of 5 mph. If you are unsure of your own or your horses' ability, arrange to ride with someone prior to the ride, we can not undertake to find a riding companion on the day.

Enjoy your ride, taking care not to hinder other riders and showing consideration when passing slower, nervous or excitable horses. In order to continue to hold 'Pleasure Rides', and to positively represent the interests of those wishing to see the continued use of bridleways and other rights of way, N.S.B.A. needs the goodwill of the public and especially that of the land owners.

Please always ride courteously.

¹ Updated from previous Issue