Assessment of Risks Applicable to the FWCC Club Run Route Known as 'Meon Valley 78'

Overview

This Tab assesses the risks specific to the 'Meon Valley 78' FWCC club run route and should be read in conjunction with the generic club run risks Tab
This route is one of the longer routes and is used generally by the fast & intermediate groups. (Route is an option 3 long ride)

Route Description

This route starts from Wickham Community Centre and heads SE to Staples crossroads
It then heads NE via Worlds End, Hambledon and Broadhalfpenny Down.
It continues towards East Meon turning E to climb Harvesting Lane
It continues S to Chalton and Finchdean where it turns N via Idsworth to Buriton and then on to the Causeway, Petersfield, Stoner Hill and Priors Dean
The route turns W to Privett, West Tisted and the A31
The course makes a left turn SW just before the A32 to North End, Cheriton and Beauworth
At the Milburys PH it turns NW to Lane End then SW to Upham and Lower Upham
It then goes SE towards Bishops Waltham and turns left towards Ashton and Dean and on to the top of Wheeley Down
At the bottom of Wheeley Down the route crosses the A31 to Hayden Lane and then on towards the Sustainability Centre
From the Sustainability Centre the route turns right SE to Soberton, Mislingford and returns to Wickham

Route Statistics

Distance	78 miles
Height gained	4731 feet
Maximum gradient	12%

Risk Assessment

ID	Description of Hazard	Location	Distance into route	Level of Risk	Mitigation	Action
1	Staggered Crossroads	Bridge St/A32	0.4 miles	Medium	Riders take care crossing major road at staggered junction	All riders
2	Acute junction on downhill	Clanfield Road/East Meon Road	11.,1 miles	Medium	Riders take care to look back to their right	All riders
3	Poor Surface	Harvesting Lane	12.7 miles	Medium	Riders take care on section before hill starts	All riders
4	Steep Downhill	Hogs Lodge Lane	14.8-15.9 miles	Medium	Riders take care on fast downhill	All riders
5	Very Steep downhill	Kiln Lane, Buriton	25.2-26.5 miles	Medium	Riders take care, particularly near reaching bottom, poor surface and crossroads	Ride Leader to warn riders not familiar with locality. All Riders
6	Narrow Lane downhill with sections of bad surface.	West Tisted, Punsholt Lane	39-40.4 miles	Medium	Riders to take care	All Riders
7	Very acute left turn	Old Park Road	43.9 miles	Low	Riders take care when turning left so as to avoid large areas of gravel	All Riders
8	Crossroads	Woodfield Road/A272	48.5 miles	Medium	Rider to take care crossing main A road with potentially fast moving traffic	All Riders
9	Crossroads	Longwood Dean Lane/Belmore Lane	53.4 miles	Medium	Rider to take care crossing main A road with potentially fast moving traffic plus gravel on junction	All Riders
10	Joining Main Road	Upham Street/Winchester Road	56.5 miles	Medium	Riders take care joining and using Wincester Road for short distance	All Riders
11	Poor Road surface	Lime Kiln Lane	59.8-60.3 miles	Medium	Rides take care, road surface, pot holes, broken edges and gravel	All Riders
12	Steep Downhill, gravel and uneven surface	Wheeley Down road	59.8-60.3 miles	Medium	Riders take care particularly towards the bottom. Gravel on corners and uneven surface	All Riders
13	Turn onto and off main A Road	Wheeley Down road/A32 /Hayden Lane	60.3 miles	Medium	Riders take care joining main road and then turning right off of it	All Riders
14	Turn onto and off main A Road	Buddens Lane/A32/Bishops Wood road	75.3-75.4 miles	Medium	Riders take care joining main road and then turning right off of it	All Riders