Assessment of Risks Applicable to the FWCC Club Run Route Known as 'The Candovers'

Overview

This Tab assesses the risks specific to 'The Candovers' 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 Intermediate and Fast groups. To be paired with the 'Alresford' route.

Route Description

This route heads North from Wickham, through Swanmore from where it heads west to Bishops Waltham
From Bishops Waltham the route heads north through the villages of Ashton, Upham and on towards Lane End
The route then travels a short section of dual carriageway and continues north to Ovington, and skirts around the west side of New Alresford
The route continues in a northerly direction through Abbotstone to Totford, then onwards through Brown Candovwer and Chilton Candover. Coffee stop at The Yard, Chilton Candover
The route then heads in a due south direction over Bugmore Hill and on towards Old Alresford and New Alresford
From Alresford the route heads due south to Cheriton, New Cheriton, Kilmeston then on to Beacon Hill.
From Beacon Hill the route continues south through Upper Swanmore, Swanmore before finishing at Wickham.

Route Statistics	
Distance	47.1 miles
Height gained	2718
Maximum gradient	9%

Risk Assessment

ID	Description of Hazard	Location	Distance into route	Level of Risk	Mitigation	Action
1	Descent on narrow road without kerbs	Newmans Hill	1 mile	Low	Riders to be vigilant as kerb edges have deep rough sides, particularly when passing oncoming traffic	All Riders
2	Steep Ascent with Bollards to navigate.	Beeches Hill, North of Bishops Waltham	5.6 miles	Medium	If practical, the ride leader should give verbal warning before the start of the climb. Riders to be vigilant and stay in single file. Cars may be travelling quickly downhill in the opposite direction.	Ride Leader; All Riders
3	Busy Main Road; fast moving traffic; crossing road at brow of hill onto minor rural road	A272 Petersfield Road (Lane End to junction with Rodfield Lane)	12.3 miles	Medium	The route follows the A272 for a short distance and crosses over the road at the brow of a hill. Ride leader to warn riders to be vigilant and stay in a single file.	Ride Leader; All Riders
4	Crossing of Busy Dual Carriageway	A31 Alresford Road	15.1 miles	Medium	The route crosses a fast dual carriageway that requires careful attention by all riders. The ride leader to warn riders before crossing both lanes	Ride Leader; All Riders
5	Bends in the road	Ovington	16.1 miles	Low	A right then left bend are slightly sharper than might be anticipated. Ride leader to warn any inexperienced riders if possible	All Riders
6	Crossing of busy main road	A272 at Cheriton	24.5 miles	Low	Rides to be vigilant when crossing the road which may have fast moving traffic	All Riders
7	Steep Descent	Descent of Beacon Hill	28 miles	Low	Riders to ride at a speed they are comfortable with, and be aware of oncoming traffic	All Riders
8	Very sharp, blind left turn	Park Lane (Descent towards Upper Swanmore)	31.4 miles	Medium	If practical, the ride leader should give verbal warning to slow down before reaching the very sharp left hand turn. Riders to be vigilant and stay in single file.	Ride Leader; All Riders