Blair Atholl Risk Assessment 2024

Name of activity, event, and location	Estate Cycle, Blair Atholl International Scout Jamborette, Blair Atholl Estate, Blair Atholl, Pitlochry PH18 5TH	Date of risk assessment	20 th of April 2024.	Name of person doing this risk assessment	Fraser Wright
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		review			

What could go wrong? What hazard have you identified? What are the risks from it?	Who is at risk?	What are you going to do about it? How are the risks already controlled? What extra controls are needed?	Review & Revise What has changed that needs to be thought about and controlled?	
A hazard is something that may cause harm or damage. For example: young people, adult volunteers, visitors		How will they be communicated to young people and adults and remain inclusive to all needs? Controls are ways of making the activity safer by removing or reducing the risk. For example, you may use a different piece of equipment or you might change the way you do the activity.	Keep checking throughout the activity in case you need to change what you're doing or even stop the activity. This is a great place to add comments which will be used as part of the review.	
Hazard- Bike with Fault Leaders, Risk- Mechanical fault could lead to Participants injury. Initial State		Controls - All bikes will be M checked prior to activity sessions. Any issues will be reported, documented and given to a silver Velotech or higher mechanic to repair when possible. Leaders to carry basic tool kit and puncture repair kits to enable the to perform "get me home" repairs. Upon returning to camp, fault will be documented and reported to tea mechanic.		
Hazard- Collison with Traffic and members of the public Risk- Injury	Leaders, Participants, Public	Controls - Roads and Traffic – Riders will be supervised during the ride, One leader will ride at front of group acting as spotter and informing group of oncoming hazards. Riders will be informed that Paths are public use and to be careful of their positioning and be vigilant for oncoming traffic and traffic coming from the rear, ensuring all group is aware of any danger/hazards. Members of the public will be made aware of cyclist presence by use of posters along route clearly		
Hazard- Falling from bike- caused by trail dangers, Risk- Injury	Leaders, Participants	 marked with dates and times of trails in use. Controls- Compulsory use of Helmets no older the 5 years and Gloves for all riders. Helmets will be checked to ensure they are fitted correctly prior to mounting bikes. Using the tip test and ensuring the chin strap ant be pulled over the chin. All participants will complete a basic skills check prior to leaving sit, ensuring everyone can cycle and control a bike confidently. Postpone ride or curtail due to weather. Weather will be monitored view met officer weather app, if wind exceeds 30mph, yellow weather warning is issued or temp raises beyond 30c, the cycle will be postponed. Trail conditions will be monitored and if found to be damaged the group will return the way they have come. Have communication with main site if help required. Check condition of trail. Trail assessed 20/4/24 (See Below) 		
Hazard- Riding as part of a group (Group Management Leaders, Participants Controls- Riders will have their speed controlled with a leader setting the pace. No participant shall overtake the lead cyclist. Regular stops at preset locations to allow riders behind to regroup. Register taken to ensure all members present before setting off and headcounts performed during the cycle.				

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		A leader will be at the back to act as a shepherd, to provide encouragement to those at the back of the group.	
Trail Report Assessed 20 th of April 2024 Hazards – Terrain, Cattle Grids, Gates, George (Off trail), Bridges. Risk Injury.		 Participants will be made aware that trail has public use with other cyclists, walkers, and horses on the route. Prior to leaving site. Dear and field gates will be left how they are found so not to impact activity on the estate. Livestock will be given a wild berth, and cyclists may have to dismount to avoid stressing livestock. Any damage found whilst on the trail or any accidental damage caused will be reported to the estate. Risk Level; Low 	To be reassessed closer to camp.
Hazard- Weather Conditions Heat/Cold Risk- Sunburn, Heatstroke, Hypothermia	Leaders, Participants	 Controls-Ensure that riders are wearing the weather appropriate clothing, Waterproof are advised to be carried at all times. Postpone ride or curtail due to weather. If wind over 30mph, temperature exceeding 30c or yellow weather warning issued as per met office weather app. Check the weather prior to activity. Ensure that the Riders have a water supply e.g. water bottles, take regular breaks to avoid exhaustion and dehydration. 	
Hazard- Inappropriate Clothing Risk- Injury	Leaders, Participants	 Footwear- no open toed shoes (Flip-flops, Sandals) or Inappropriate footwear (Wellie boots) Clothing- No Loose-fitting trousers, long or exposing dresses. Leaders- will ensure participants have appropriate footwear and clothing when collecting participants from Sub-Camp. Participants will be asked to ensure they have a rain jacket, in case of change of weather during activity. 	

Don't forget, as part of your programme planning, you should have contingency activities in reserve just in case you can't do what was planned or you need to stop half way through. Make sure this is shared with those involved, so everyone knows how to respond. You should have risk assessed contingency activities prior to them taking place and communicated key information to those involved as with all activities.

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