

SCHEDULE

MBBA Faulkland Fun Ride - Sunday 7th September

7th September 2025 Stubble Field at Crossroads, Hassage Lane, Faulkland, BA3 5XG

The Mendip Bridleways & Byways Association committee are organising a Fun Ride from Faulkland, Somerset

Choice of two routes (no jumping)

8.8 miles (approx 2 hrs 30 mins)

12 miles (approx 3 hrs 30 mins)

NB: This ride is not suitable for lead-rein riders or carriage drivers.

Useful Info

 Date Opens:
 07/09/2025 09:30
 Date Closes:
 07/09/2025 00:00

 Booking Opens:
 21/07/2025 00:00
 Booking Closes:
 05/09/2025 11:59

Withdrawal Date: 05/09/2025

Organiser

The Mendip Bridleways & Byways Association generalmbba@gmail.com / 07813696802 Please no calls before 8.30am or after 6pm. Thank you.

Secretary

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Classes

Faulkland Fun Ride Entry Allows one rider, cyclist, walker entry to the MBBA fun ride

Location

Stubble Field at Crossroads Hassage Lane Faulkland BA3 5XG

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Refund / Withdrawal Policy

Withdrawal Date: 05/09/2025

No Refunds after the withdrawal date for whatever reason. Before this date full refunds to be given.

If the MBBA need to cancel this event, all entries will be refunded in full.

Please note that booking fees are non-refundable in all circumstances.

Additional Details

BOOKING & FEES

- Entry per person is £18.00* for an MBBA member
- Entry per person is £20.00* for a non-member (please do consider joining us)

*Booking fees from Horse Events apply

- There will be **no entries** accepted on the day
- Entries close on Friday 5/9/25

LOCATION INFORMATION

- Parking will be in a stubble field by kind permission of the The Francis Family.
- What3Words location is ///fingernails.acids.intricate postcode to follow is BA3 5XG
- NB There is NO hard standing parking for this event.
- This event will be CANCELLED if the weather is too wet. You will be notified by email 24 hours before the event if this is the case and refunds (minus booking fees) will be issued.

ROUTES INFORMATION

- There will be a choice of two routes, 8.8 miles (approx 2hrs 30 mins) or 12 miles (3 hrs 30 mins)
- Both routes are a mix of steep hilly tracks, bridleways and single track tarmac lanes with two road crossings. Horses will need to be fit and well.
- Cyclists, runners and walkers welcome but these routes are not suitable for nervous or lead rein riders.
- No dogs allowed please leave them at home.
- No jumps on the route, just beautiful countryside to enjoy.

REFRESHMENTS, PHOTOGRAPHER, ROSETTES

- · Refreshments available on site by @steamandsaddlecoffee
- Photographs from True to You Photography www.ttyphotography.co.uk
- Rosettes for all finishers if you'd like one!
- Loos available in the parking field.

START TIMES

- No individual start times will be issued.
- Riders, cyclists, walkers must start between 9.30am and 11.30am no later. If riding slowly please start by 10.30am
- Anyone under 14 must participate with an 18+ adult.
- Anyone aged 14 17 may participate without an 18+ adult but must be signed in by an 18+ adult at the start of the event.

CONTACT & OTHER DETAILS

- MBBA Organiser emergency contact numbers are: 07947 103891 or 07813 696802
- Respect for landowners and their stock is paramount.
- Please remove any rubbish and horse manure before you leave the venue.
- Please ensure you have read through the Terms and Conditions below before booking by entering this event you agree to comply with these terms.

Happy riding!

With thanks, the MBBA committee.

Entry Conditions

Terms and Conditions

Mendip Bridleways & Byways Association Fun Ride - 7th September 2025

Start location: Stubble Field at Hassage, Knoll Lane, Faulkland BA3 5XG - by very kind permission of the Francis Family

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Description of Fun Ride Routes

There are two routes to choose from 8.8 miles and 12 miles. The ride is over our network of byways and bridleways and there are sections of country lanes between them. There are some opportunities to canter and some beautiful views across the Mendip landscape. There is one shallow ford to cross on both routes.

Conditions of Entry

Booking and Refunds

- 1.1 Horse entry numbers are limited so all bookings must be made online in advance, with full payment due at the time of booking.
- 1.2 The booking is non-refundable; refunds will only be made on production of a valid veterinary or doctor's certificate or at the organiser's discretion.
- 1.3 We reserve the right to cancel the event at any time due to wet weather which will cause car park issues or unforeseen circumstances or any other reason that is in the best interest of horse, ride. In the event of cancellation, payments will be refunded. Please note that booking fees through 'Horse Events' are non refundable.

Registration

- 2.1 You must complete the advance registration form through Horse Events ahead of the event. This is an online form.
- 2.2 No start times will be allocated. The ride commences at 9.30am with the final riders allowed to set off at 11.30am. If you are a slower rider, please aim to set off no later than 10.30am. No riders will be permitted to start the course after the final closing time.
- 2.3 On arrival all riders must report to registration to:
- Present booking reference
- Collect ride number bib which must be worn at all times
- Take note of any safety information
- 2.4 If it is necessary to retire during the route please stop and contact our emergency number. Our Fun Ride Manager will advise on the safest return route to the parking area. Please do NOT turn around and ride against the flow of the route without requesting assistance.
- 2.5 On completion of the route or retirement, having signed in, all riders must report to the registration tent to:
- Sign out of the course
- Collect rosette (optional)
- Return number bib
- 2.6 Failure to sign out will require our event organisers to contact you after the event to ensure you have returned home safely and remind you of the requirement to sign out. Persistent failure to sign out may lead to the event organisers refusing to accept future entries from you.

Rider & Horse

- 3.1 Riders must have appropriate and current public liability insurance cover which is available through the British Horse Society, The Pony Club and other bodies.
- 3.2 All riders must wear a hard hat to the current approved standard (correctly fastened) when mounted. All riders are strongly advised to wear appropriate body protection.
- 3.3 Riders must follow all directional and safety signage. Only marked routes may be followed.
- 3.4 Riders must follow all instructions given to them by the Fun Ride manager and the stewards on the route. Please note that there will not be a paramedic or a vet in attendance. Please be sure to stick to the marked routes on the bridleways and do not venture onto crops. We rely on the cooperation of our landowners and many are very helpful in maintaining the paths.
- 3.5 All riders must have full control of their horse at all times and be appropriately skilled to ride and handle horses safely in a sensible manner. Horses must not be left tied up unattended.
- 3.6 Riders should carry a mobile phone on them, emergency contact numbers are available to take note of at registration and also are marked on the course jumps.

- 3.7 The minimum age for horses and ponies is 4 years.
- 3.8 The route is not suitable for lead rein walker with very young or nervous riders. Dogs are not permitted on the route and we ask that you leave them at home. There is no shade available in the parking area and we reserve the right to force entry into a vehicle if we believe that an animal has been left in distress.
- 3.9 Overtaking is permitted, please calmly alert those ahead of you of your intention and await an affirmative response before proceeding. Please pass slowly and stop if asked. Be aware that there will be riders and horses of all ages on the ride, so please show courtesy when overtaking and don't crowd into people in narrow spaces. Some of the routes are popular with walkers, so please pass them with care.
- 3.10 Horse Welfare is key to the values of MBBA. There are stony tracks on the ride and some steep hills (both up and down on the 12 mile route). Please ensure that your horse is carrying an appropriate size and weight of rider and has a level of fitness and training for the terrain. No spurs or drawer reins will be permitted on the ride.
- 3.11 Please report any bib numbers of riders who do not abide by the rules to a steward.

Safety of Children

- 4.1 An adult must sign for any rider under 18 years of age and remains completely responsible for their safety and actions at all times.
- 4.2 The minimum age for riders is 4 years of age.
- 4.3 Children aged 14-17 may complete the route on their own, provided that an adult signs for the rider at the beginning and end of the course, and remains available to contact whilst the ride is underway.
- 4.4 Children aged up to and including 13 years of age must be escorted by an adult (aged 18 years or over) on a horse. If the escorting adult is unable to attend or complete the route, the children must also retire at this point.
- 4.5 Children must adhere to all terms and conditions as stipulated
- 4.6 In addition to our requirement for all riders to wear a hard hat, we request that children under the age of 18 should also wear appropriate body protection at all times during the course.

Emergency Procedures

- 5.1 All riders are required to sign in and out of the event.
- 5.2 There will be no paramedic in attendance, all riders ride at their own risk.
- 5.3 A vet will be a local vet on call to attend site incidents if required. They will NOT be at the event. All veterinary costs will be the liability of the rider or owner of the horse.
- 5.4 Two emergency contact numbers will be provided at the time of sign in. If there is no answer then please send a text message to either number and you will receive a call back.
- 5.5 We do not stipulate the use of medical arm bands, however, we would advise bands are worn if a rider has specific medical details that the emergency services need to be aware of in the event of an accident, and this may include any contact details.

Conditions of Acceptance

- 6.1 You agree to indemnify the Mendip Bridleways and Byways Association and keep The MBBA indemnified against all liabilities, costs, expenses, damages and losses suffered or arising from or in connection with any breach of these terms by you.
- 6.2 These rules are in the interest of your own safety.
- 6.3 By signing the disclaimer you are agreeing to abide by these rules.
- 6.4 Subject to these terms, you also accept full liability for the actions and safety of any persons who accompany you.

Photography

- 7.1 By participating in the Fun Ride events you give the MBBA full permission to use any photos taken for promotional purposes. This may include e-newsletters, online and print advertising, circulation to the media and any other media we may choose to use in the future.
- 7.2 If you would like your images to be removed from our library please email generalmbba@gmail.com with a full description of your rider bib number, your outfit, horse and date of the fun ride attended.

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