THE CANADA HEIGHTS HARE AND HOUNDS

19/3/26

Information for those new or fairly new to Hare and Hounds events

Eligibility

- Although a Hare and Hounds is something like an Enduro, all Hare and Hounds events on Canada Heights are open to Motocross riders and Motocross bikes as well as Enduro riders and bikes. Items NOT required for any bikes include lights (neither front nor rear), horn, road number plate or road registration. At Canada Heights, motocross, enduro and trials tyres are acceptable for all bikes. Tear-offs are NOT allowed at Canada Heights nor any enduro or Hare and Hounds (that's an ACU rule for all venues).
- ACU enduro and motocross licences are acceptable – if you have neither and you enter using goracemx.com DO NOT put anything in the 'Licence Number' box. GoraceMX will add the cost of a 1-event licence to the enter fee. You need to sign a 1-event licence form at signing-on. If you enter the H&H on a paper form, add £25 to the entry fee and state "Day" against the licence number. You will have to fill in a one-event licence form at the event.

Before the day

- Check brake pads, chain and sprockets condition carefully - you will be riding the equivalent of about three motocrosses during the day.
- Bring enough petrol for four hours riding (20 litres should do it).
- Bring plenty to drink (non-alcoholic!) - a catering vehicle will be on site for your family / helpers during the day.
- We issue all riders stick-on numbers for front and side plates. They will be in the correct colours for each class, so do not ask to change class any later than one week before the event!

On the day - before the start

- Sign on (don't forget your phone with your licence QR code). -You will be loaned a wristband transponder which you must give back at the end of the event.
- Collect a coloured wristband for your mechanic (if you have one) to allow him/her access to the refuelling area. Only one mechanic per rider and only those with wristbands will be allowed into the refuel area. The area is considered as part of the track - no children, hangers-on, etc. are allowed.
- Take petrol cans, tools, drink to the refuelling area - you should not return to your vehicle once the event has started.
- Push your bike to the Scrutineer then the start area in good time to start exactly on the right time for your class.
- There will be a Riders' Briefing around the Signing-On area about 15 minutes before the first class's start time. Please attend as there will be important information to hear.
- Keep your vehicles locked when unattended, and do not leave "nickable" things outside. Sadly, things have gone missing from Canada Heights paddocks before. Keys of vehicles can be left with the Secretary of Meeting.

Riding the event

- Your aim is to complete as many laps as you can during the three hours of the event. ***There are no scheduled breaks during the event***! (The three hours is from the start of the first class away – the Championship class)
- All riders in each class starts together – Championship, Expert, Clubman A, etc
- You must **STOP** at the check point on **EVERY LAP** and wave your wristband transponder close to the reader. A light will flash to indicate that the transponder has been read.
- You may ride into the 'pits' area at any time and as many times as you like – but the 3-hour clock will keep ticking! Use the time to refuel and have a drink if you don't carry a drink back-pack. **YOU MUST STOP YOUR ENGINE before refuelling (penalty for not stopping is exclusion from the event).**
- There is no Special Test in this event.
- **Blue Tape Areas**: Blue tape alongside the track means WALKING PACE while you are between the tapes. That's no more than 5 m.p.h. Action will be taken against anyone we see riding faster – you may be held at the checkpoint for several minutes, or exclusion for persistent offenders. You have been warned!
- A chequered flag will be shown exactly 3 hours after the start. **To be classed as a finisher, you MUST cross the finish line and 'touch' the transponder reader AFTER the 3-hour time limit**. You may wait in the refuelling area or just before the finish line if you do not want to start another lap – but do not block the track for other riders. No riders will be allowed to start a fresh lap after the chequered flag has been shown.
- The finishing order of riders who have completed the same number of laps will be determined by the order in which they touch the transponder reader after the 3-hour time limit.

Hints and tips

- Before the start and at every pit-stop, HAVE A DRINK. If you wait till you are thirsty, it is too late - you are already de-hydrated! If you have a camelback, use it, especially if the weather is hot.
- There are riders of all abilities on the track at the same time. Fast riders: please don't shout or shove slower riders into the bushes, and slower riders please let the quicker riders through – they are probably not competing against you in your class.

If anything is unclear, or you have any more queries, please phone, text or email me before the day - don't leave it till just before the start, I'll be too busy then!

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