

Derby Runner X/C Series



Organised by Hermitage Harriers R.C.



SUNDAY 15th. February 2026

Holly Hayes Wood, Whitwick, Leics.

Staged with the kind permission of Friends of Holly Hayes Wood

PERMIT No. CC2026/TBC

Same Venue as previous stagings

Allow 15-20 mins walk to the start/finish area from car parking areas.

Grid ref for X/C course (not parking): SK443 154

Tents & Portaloos near Hilary Crescent playpark - 5-mins walk to Pub. Please only drop tents off here. NO PARKING (road or grass) re Paramedic parking/access.

Start Times: Juniors 10:00 am Adults: Men 10:30; Ladies 10:34 5-10 MINS WALK TO START

Junior Entry £2, Adults £7 (includes a £1 to Holly Hayes Wood allowing use of course). Cash-on-day.

Course details/footwear: 80 metres of tarmac per lap (Adults); some gravelled paths; mainly grass, mud, woodland trails = TREE ROOTS/TRUNKS, VOLCANIC ROCKS (not active). 1 brook crossing for adults.

**Junior: School years 3-6 - 1 lap anticlockwise inner woodland trail loop (approx. 0.9 mile),
School years 7-12 - 2 laps.**

Adults (approx. 5 miles) – 1 small clockwise loop just under 1M; 1 medium anticlockwise loop 1.75M; 1 large anticlockwise loop 2.45M.

Please note the following:

- Course will be marshalled/pegged/posted – please keep to this.
- This is public woodland/grassland – please be courteous to other users of the woods.
- Please take all litter home with you (course and car parks)

Post race event: The Lady Jane Pub, Hall Lane, Whitwick

Contact: Paul Gregory 07779 319179

Adults and Kids course below (NEAR-UNCHANGED to the below – some groundworks required to run it on EXACTLY same paths as previous at time of writing):

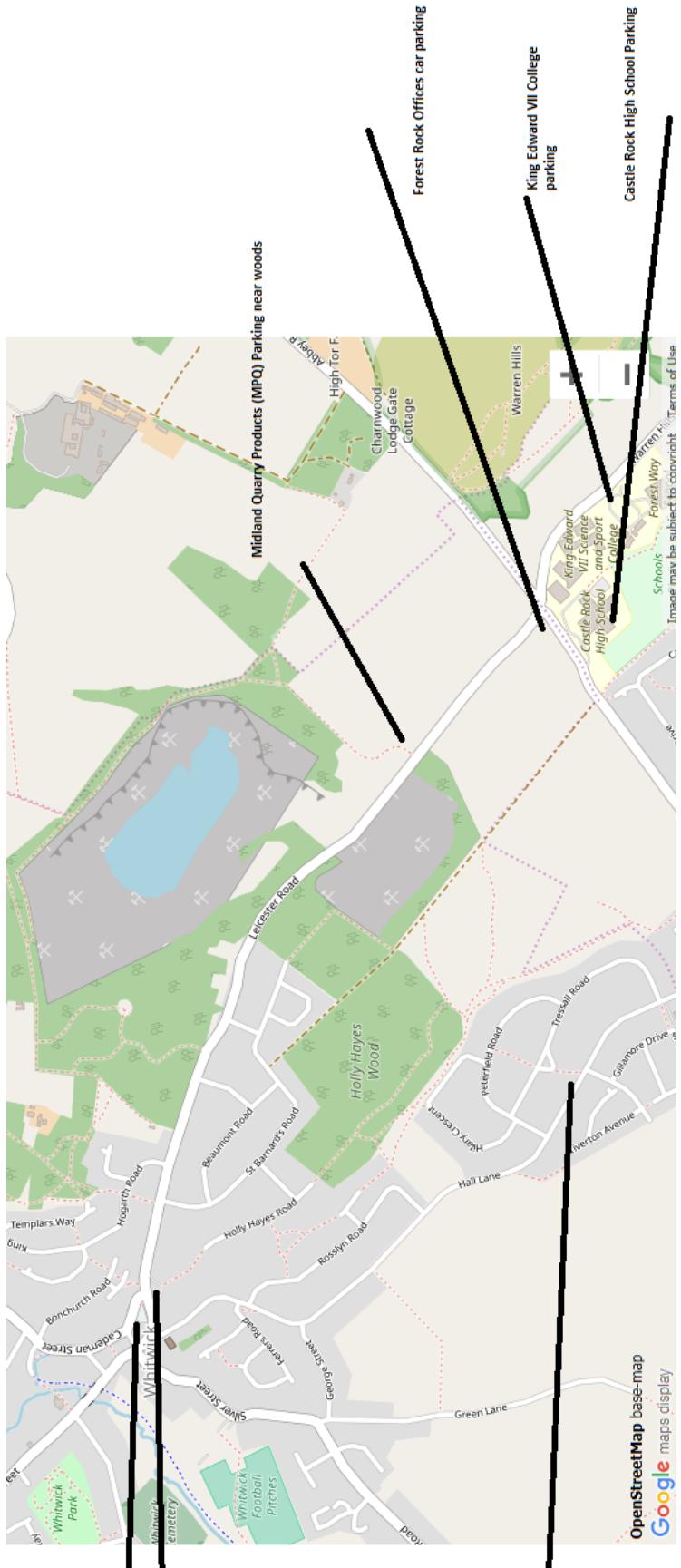
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CAR PARKING OPTIONS (see map next page). Minimum 3 per car, where possible.

NOTE: Car Parking at Castle Rock Drive MAIN ENTRANCE on Meadow Lane WILL be reduced this year re construction work at the school. The 'island' entrance off the Copt Oak Road (Previously King Edward VII College/now Forest Way School) still an option for at least 50 cars, but please do make good use of the Quarry and Forest Rock Offices parking if required; and we may need to also fill the single file parking bays down Meadow Lane without blocking residents' drives IF everything full.

Thereafter several roads also border the woods/course with direct footpaths leading from Abbots Oak Dr, Rosslyn Rd, Holly Hayes Rd, St. Bernard's Rd, Leicester Rd. Not an official endorsement.... just telling you what these roads are called. IF you park on these or Rosemary Cres, Peterfield Rd & Tressell Rd then please do NOT block drives or cause inconvenience to residents. **DO NOT PARK on Hayes Close**



- 2 Municipal car parks near start of Hermitage 10K (these are the nearest to tent area and Adult finish

Lady Jane Car Park IF
staying for results (near
grass)

OpenStreetMap base-map
Google maps display