

The second KRR-PRR mob match – 23.8.23

What: It's Race 7 in the PRR Hills Are Alive series. It's in the KRR Off-Road Championship. **But, far-and-away-most-of-all, it's a head-to-head, team-to-team, yellow-versus-green 'mob match' between the two clubs.** Bring it on.

When: Wednesday 23rd August.

- registration/numbers from 6:30 (*bring safety pins!*)
- last registration - 7:15pm
- race briefing - 7:15pm
- race start - 7:30 pm.

KRR have been clear that they'll be sticking tight to time because of daylight availability.

Where: Crook of Devon (CoD), 20 or so miles S of Perth, best approached via the M90 at J6 (Kinross junction) and the A977. **Registration/race HQ is at the Village Hall** at the very east (Kinross) end of the village (the first building on the left as you enter the village from the east). Postcode is **KY13 0PG**. The place looks like this:



Parking and travel: There is a car park at the hall, but it only holds 15-20 cars. There will be some 90-100 runners. So please:

- **car share**, as 'densely' as possible. Arrange sharing from Broxden P&R on the PRR Facebook page.
- **park as tightly/smartly as possible in the car park.**
- if the car park is full, park further into CoD but please park considerately.

Signing up for the race: If you plan to run, and haven't yet signed up to do so, please do so at Entry Central (EC) [here](#). We can add a few runners on the night, but for the purposes of processing the quite-complex results, it helps a great deal of people book in via EC.

Toilets: are at race HQ/the hall.

After registration: The start is 600m away to the north; runners will jog there *en masse* after the race briefing at 7:15.

Late arrivals: not at all recommended. Last registration really is 7:15.

Club kit: To make identification of the competition clear, **club colours must be worn!** There are a few spare, borrowable vests (ping Mark), and Elvis (Stewart Reid) can supply new ones. New-style vests (the whiter ones) are preferred where possible, but old-school designs are fine if not.

Face paint: KRR won this fixture in 2022, it is said, solely because they were wearing face paint in club colours. Lisa Aikman and a couple of other PRR make-up specialists will be able to provide a green-and-white, Adam and the Ants-kinda look once you've picked up your number. Obviously not obligatory, but do give it a go!

Tea: will be served immediately after the race, (sandwiches, cake, tea etc) at race HQ. This tea isn't mandatory, but is much recommended. With KRR having gone to some effort to provide it, it would be awkward for us at PRR if many of us were not to take it. **Cost is £5, payable at registration. Please do remember to bring as cash** to hand in when you pick up your number. **I'll assume everyone is taking tea unless they tell me otherwise; please let me know if not for you.**

The course (see course map [here](#), scroll down there for profile):

Many PRRs have now recce-d the course and know what it holds, but for others:

- It's **5.7 miles (9.2 km) in length** and pretty much a **trail race**.
- Will be marked by signage, flour arrows/crosses (do not take a crossed path!) and marshals.
- There is around 2.5km of tarmac on the course, in two longish ~1.2km sections. The rest is all good trail, much of it compacted gravel trail.
- There are **3 road crossings**. KRR will have them marshalled (if they have enough marshals), but please be aware of the hazard here and, race as it may be, please heed marshals and avoid doing any daft.
- The course is nowhere as savage as the Birnam course of 2022. There is a (trail) hill at roughly half-way, but this is not steep (except in descent).
- Note that the run home from crossing the Devon gorge at 6km is very gently uphill, and you definitely notice it!
- The start, with almost 100 runners, is going to be busy. The course is narrow after the first 300m, and faster runners will want to position themselves cleverly by the time of that narrowing!

Footwear: is a personal thing, but trail shoes with a light-to-medium lug + some cushioning are probably your best bet, especially if there's been any rain. A road shoe will certainly be OK. Mudclaws should be nowhere necessary.

How the mob match works: Is explained [here](#). Note that we've made a subtle (but necessary) change to the way that the overall win is determined in the event of a 1-1 draw.

Perth Road Runners Hills Are Alive Series: Points will be assigned as per any other race. Normally, a PRR can opt not to be assigned SS points by not wearing club colours. This would make the mob match tricky, **so any PRRs not wishing to take HAA points at this race should pre-warn** (ie before the race) **of this intention at championship@perthroadrunners.co.uk.**

Marshalls: we really need a few marshalls and timers/results takers for the evening. Please contact championship@perthroadrunners.co.uk if you can assist.

Any questions, do just ask!

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