
Halstead race 5 info

Halstead Road Runners look forward to welcoming you to Round 5 of the Ness XC league on Sunday 15th February 2026 at:

Gosfield School
Cut Hedge Park
Halstead Road
Gosfield
CO9 1PF.

Junior Race - 10.00am
Senior Race - 10.45am

The courses are approximately 1 mile (junior) and 5 miles (senior).

The course starts/finishes on school fields but is mainly run on footpaths in the woods & on field edges, so as with all cross country please be aware of tree roots & other usual obstacles and listen to the marshals.

Please note that the woods are still open to the public during the race and we do not have any priorities so there might be dog walkers & families about so listen carefully to the marshals and give space to any members of the public you may see.

CAR PARKING

On arrival please follow the marshals instructions to the car park.

The main car park is bay marked so please park considerately so we can maximise all available space.
Car sharing where possible will also help with maximising space.

TOILETS

There will be 3 portaloos available for use on the main car park, approximately a 5 min walk from start/finish area.
Other toilets will be available for use in the main sports hall, just a short walk away from the car park.

There are also changing rooms in the sports hall in the event of bad weather but the showers MUST NOT be used.
Ideally though please come race ready or change at the car/field.

RACE INFO

On arrival at site please follow marshals instructions to the car park, to get to the new start/finish area DO NOT walk across any school fields, go back on to the school road, turn left past sports hall etc as if you are leaving the site & the start/finish area is down there on the left.

Marshals will be in position to guide you.

There are sheep grazing in a pen on this field DO NOT pet or feed these animals.

Warm up/cool downs for the race will have to be done on the access road on site or in the woods.
DO NOT enter main school fields as these are strictly out of bounds.

Staff members are on site & anyone caught running in these areas could result in us not being able to use the site going forward.

The new start area only gives us about a 200m run before the runners enter the woods so please try to place yourself on the start line in some sort of order, fastest nearer the front etc so to help try and limit any potential bottleneck as you enter the woods.

RESULTS

On arrival please come to the HRR gazebo to collect your club's yellow plastic folder to place your results/tokens in.

After the race please return your completed forms/tokens back to gazebo ASAP so we can start collating results.

OTHER INFO

Please note anyone travelling to our event from the Colchester side, which unfortunately will be most of you, there is a complete road closure between White Colne into Earls Colne for gas works.

The best way to get round this will be to take A120 through Coggeshall & Bradwell to Braintree then turn right on A131 towards Halstead. Then at High Garrett traffic lights turn left towards Gosfield.

Please allow extra time for this.

There will be no food or drinks available at this event so please bring whatever refreshments you & your team require & take all your rubbish home with you.

Please remember that these events are put on & marshalled by runners like yourselves who have given up their own time so this can go ahead so be kind & give them a little smile & a thank you. It goes a long way!!

We look forward to seeing you all on the 15th.