

## City of Stoke A.C.

**Saturday 13th November 2021 at 1.30pm (Women) 2.30pm (Men) - Betley Court Farm, Main Road, Betley, Crewe, Cheshire, CW3 9BH (website - [www.betleycourtfarmhouse.co.uk](http://www.betleycourtfarmhouse.co.uk)).**

**Fixture 1 Birmingham & District Invitation Cross Country League - All Divisions plus the Women's Midland Cross Country League( All Divisions)**

City of Stoke AC are hosting the 1st Fixture on Saturday November 2021 of the Birmingham and District Invitation Cross Country League – All Divisions. The event is to take place at Betley Court Farm which is private farmland with full permission of the landowner.

The Event will be held under the current B&DICC League Rules and relevant UK Athletics "Rules for Competition".

Race HQ Race HQ, for Registration, Refreshments and Results, will be adjacent to Start and Finish area (as shown on Plan of the Course).

There are no changing facilities but we will be providing Portaloos on site. There will also be a mobile refreshment unit.

The Course is located in the rolling hills in the very North of Staffordshire.

It is easily accessible from J16 of the M6. For those new to the area, a map and directions are also associated to assist (Sat Nav users try CW3 9BH). The details will also be on the website of the B&DICC League ([www.birminghamccleague.co.uk](http://www.birminghamccleague.co.uk)). Clubs and their Members will be able to download their own copies if required.

There are no issues with parking as ample space for cars and buses will be available on site and will be adjacent to the course with only a couple of minutes' walk to the Start and Finish areas. Although parking is on a large field the ground is on a slope and is well drained and no problems are envisaged. It has recently been used to park over 1000 vehicles at "Betley Bonfire" which attracts 10,000 people a year. The farmland has a couple of footpaths which are open to the public but they are not heavily used.

Clubs tents can be pitched close to the Start and Finish Area.

The course is on open farmland which is highly scenic and undulating. All of the course is on grassland which in general is fairly even. Part of the course skirts Betley Mere which is a designated SSSI area and as such is very scenic. Although there are a couple of dirt tracks to cross it is recommended that spikes are worn (12mm minimum).

We wish you all an enjoyable day. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require further information.

Yours sincerely,

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## **Directions**

Betley lies to the West of the M6, above J15 and just below J16. It is more straightforward to come off at J16 as it only involves a couple of roads and roundabout and is through open countryside whereas coming from J15 involves navigating around the suburbs of Newcastle-Under-Lyme.

### **From J15 M6**

- Junction 15, take the A500 exit to Stoke-on-Trent/Newcastle-under-Lyme
- At the roundabout, take the 1st exit onto Newcastle Rd/A519. Continue to follow A519 – continue for 0.5 miles
- At the next roundabout, take the 2nd exit onto Clayton Rd/A519 - continue for 0.8 miles
- At the next roundabout, take the 1st exit onto Dartmouth Ave - continue for 0.7 miles
- At the next roundabout, take the 2nd exit onto Sneyd Ave - continue for 0.5 miles
- At the T Junction turn left onto Gallowstree Ln - continue for 0.4 miles
- At the roundabout, take the 1st exit onto Keele Rd/A525 - continue for 0.3 miles
- At the next roundabout take the 2<sup>nd</sup> Exit - continue for 5 miles (A525/A531)
- Destination will be on the left – Betley Court Farm Betley, Crewe CW3 9BH, UK.

### **From J16 M6**

- At junction 16 take the 1<sup>st</sup> exit - A500 exit to Nantwich/Crewe – continue for 2.1 miles
- At next Roundabout take the 1st exit onto A531 - continue for 1.0 miles
- At the next roundabout, take the 1st exit onto Newcastle Rd/A531 - continue for 0.4 miles
- At the roundabout, take the 2nd exit and stay on Newcastle Rd/A531
- Continue to follow A531 - 2.3 miles through Betley.
- Destination will be on the right – Betley Court

## Course Map

This is a 3 lap course of approximately 6.4 miles

