

Spring Ride-Yellow Attire 12th April 2026

Please note – There will be Roadworks on Ulnes Walton Lane and the road will be closed to through traffic. Follow the directions in red below. Do not hope that the road will be open – you will get stuck!!

M65 from East Lancashire and Yorkshire

Follow signs towards Preston. At the end of the M65 turn left at large roundabout and proceed along A582. At roundabout go straight across over railway bridge to double roundabout. On second roundabout take right exit on to Flensburg Way. At the next lights (household refuse site on right) keep left, signed B5253 still on Flensburg Way. At next roundabout take 2nd exit and along to traffic lights, (Dunkirk Hall public house on right). **NOW FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS BELOW. DO NOT GO YOUR NORMAL ROUTE**

At these Traffic Lights – go straight on.

Next T-junctions – straight on.

Roundabout take 2nd exit.

Roundabout take 2nd exit (right turn).

Just after BP Garage on LHS and Rose & Crown Pub on RHS turn right signposted Wymott Prison.

Follow this road for about ¾ mile and you will come to the Venue on your LHS.

M6 from North - Junction 29

Bamber Bridge Follow signs towards Preston. At the roundabout after the 'Poachers Tavern' public house keep left. Proceed across roundabout on the A582 over the railway bridge to double roundabout. On second roundabout take right exit on to Flensburg Way. At the next lights (household refuse site on right) keep left, signed B5253 still on Flensburg Way. At next roundabout take 2nd exit and along to traffic lights, (Dunkirk Hall pub on right). **NOW FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS BELOW. DO NOT GO YOUR NORMAL ROUTE**

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M6 from South - Junction 28

Leyland Turn left at end of slip road towards Leyland town centre. At double roundabout turn right to larger roundabout, take 2nd exit and turn left at the traffic lights into Golden Hill Lane. Follow this road to traffic lights at shops. Through this set of lights to roundabout, turn left onto Schleswig Way to traffic lights (Dunkirk Hall public house). **NOW FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS BELOW. DO NOT GO YOUR NORMAL ROUTE**

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Junction 27

Standish Take B5250 to Eccleston. Once through Eccleston village you will go over a hump back bridge. The road forks to the left, take the left fork and follow the road to "T" junction, with the Rose & Crown public house facing you, turn left onto the A581. Turn 1st right at white railings into Ulnes Walton Lane, (signposted Wymott Prison). Follow this road for ¾ mile. On the left is Moss Lane. Turn into Moss Lane, Showground entrance 150 yards on right.

M61 Junction 8 Chorley

After heading for Chorley when you come off the motorway, turn left at the Hartwood Hall roundabout. At the traffic lights turn right down side of Chorley Hospital. Through next set of lights and on reaching the next roundabout take the 2nd exit onto Westway. At next roundabout turn right through Euxton and over railway bridge. At mini roundabout turn left onto A49 then 100 yards turn right onto the A581 (Euxton Mills pub on the corner). Follow this road until you come to the Rose and Crown public house on your right.

Turn first right at white railings into Ulnes Walton Lane, (signposted Wymott Prison). Follow this road for 3/4 mile. On the left is Moss Lane. Turn into Moss Lane, Showground entrance 150 yards on right.

A59 Liverpool/Ormskirk

Turn right 1/2 mile past Rufford Old Hall onto the A581. Go through Croston until you come to "T" junction (The Mill Restaurant facing) turn right. Take the first left at white railings into Ulnes Walton Lane, (signposted Wymott Prison). Follow this road for 3/4 mile. On the left is Moss Lane. Turn into Moss Lane, Showground entrance 150 yards on right.

From Southport Area

Turn right at roundabout on the A59 1/2 mile past Bank Bridge, onto the B5247, through Bretherton. Stay on this road until the railway bridge then turn left into Moor Road (B5249). Proceed down this road until you see the Garden Centre on your left. Take the next road on your left, which is Ulnes Walton Lane, (signposted Wymott Prison). Follow this road for 3/4 mile. On the left is Moss Lane. Turn into Moss Lane, Showground entrance 150 yards on right.

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Dear Rider

Thank you for your entry to our Spring Ride. Your start time is any time between 9.00 and 10am. If you have any problems or queries en route or on the ride, please phone the emergency contact numbers: Janet on 07976 726212 or Sarah on 07505 006436 Pat on 07734 385108.

Please **do not arrive at the venue before 8.30 am**, as you will be unable to enter the gates. There are toilets and water facilities at the venue. Please clean up after your horse including any dropped hay and haylage etc.

Refreshments are provided for riders, included with entry fee. However, we welcome donations towards our Fund Raising and take cash or card. Non riders are welcome to refreshments, however we do ask for a donation. **Please support our Raffle – great prizes and all money raised to Alzheimer’s UK – cash or card.**

Also remember we have permission to use parts of the route for this day only. These are not public bridleways, so please be courteous to other users, and smile at the locals – we want to keep them on our side!!!! **DO NOT GO ON ANY MAINTAINED GRASSED AREAS.**

As usual there may be some **BANGS!!** near the river bank i.e. shot gun noise!! Sorry we can't do anything about this. Strictly no crewing in Bretherton. Take care on Ridley Lane and the track at the back of the prison as the surface can be **slippery**, you can see where you need to slow down. **PLEASE** take care crossing all roads as some of these are quite busy.

Be particularly cautious on the Riverbank; whilst it is lovely to canter along here, please think about the other riders and horses, **and don't gallop past anyone**, – it will be too cold to take a dip (and it's deep)!!!! BUT if you are nervous of the bank and are walking, please do let other riders pass you as queues and horse traffic jams can be equally dangerous. If you are nervous let the steward know and they can point out a bypass! **Please remember it is safe as well as courteous to ask for permission to pass anyone anywhere!**

NOTE: new riding hat regulations are in operation and the British Horse Society (who's insurance covers this ride) stated the following:- A hat which is manufactured to EN1384 only is no longer accepted. The new standards will be on display at the secretary's desk if you are not sure what applies - so check yours out!!!

Finally, we really do hope you have a lovely ride and once again thank you for your support. Have fun and take care!!!!!!

Patricia Kelly
Ulnes Walton Bridleways.