

TRAIL BREAK PRESENTS



THE 2003 WIGHT DIAMOND FESTIVAL WILL BE BIGGER AND BETTER THAN EVER!

Over the past seven years, The Wight Diamond has earned its reputation as the best mountain bikers party on the calendar. This year is going to be better than ever!

The weekends events centre on the two day **Wight Diamond Challenge** navigator race, which takes place over Saturday and Sunday. This is the ultimate Navigator event using the whole Island as its course. But if two days of all out competition sounds a little too serious for you, enter the **Trail Ale Trail** instead - the checkpoints are pubs and cafés and prizes will be awarded for 'entering into the spirit of the event'!

Following its successful introduction last year, the **King of the**

THE EVENT CENTRE

The event centre is once again the **Ninham Country holiday centre** which is just on the western outskirts of Shanklin grid ref. 572827. (Tel: 01983 864243) The site offers loads of camping space (and big pitches too) and is nicely situated for the best of the Islands trails (3 trails actually pass through the site). With well landscaped grounds, in a sheltered part of the Island, plenty of showers and toilets and even a heated swimming pool the site offers everything you need for your early summer break. Add in all the Trail Break event facilities and great entertainment and you have an unbeatable package.

There will be full on site catering for the weekend too, including full cooked breakfast, teas, snacks and hot meals. Hot meals include tasty BBQ options (vegetarian also), pasta meals, pig roasts, soups, puddings and childrens meals. As in previous years... just pay as you go.

Hills will be back to challenge you on Monday (if you're feeling strong enough) featuring the **SIS Hedstart Challenge** for hung-over hardcore. Alternatively, the **Chill in the Hills** will offer a more laid back Monday ride before you head off for your afternoon ferry.

As usual the main events will be complemented by a whole heap of side-show events activities going on back at base. The big marquee will be back, featuring its usual attractions of food stalls, full bar and excellent live music. Sunday nights prize giving party is always a lively affair, with live music 'til late and the party going on into the small hours (perfect preparation for Mondays Hedstart Challenge!)

*If you've never been to the **Wight Diamond** before, come and see what you've been missing - it's the event mountain biking was invented for!*

FERRY & ACCOMMODATION

Use the entry form below to book the event with Trail Break, but book your accommodation on the event site direct with

Ninham Country Holidays - Tel: 01983 864243 or email: office@ninham-holidays.co.uk

Accommodation bookings & payments can be made directly with **Ninham**. They can also arrange the best ferry deals, either with Wightlink or Red Funnel, so you can book your ferry and camping at the same time.

And don't forget Ninham as a great base for future biking trips to the Island!

Ferries to the IOW run from Lymington to Yarmouth and Portsmouth to Ryde (wightlink) and Southampton to Cowes (Red Funnel). The nearest terminal to the event site is Ryde.

Got no car? - Take the Portsmouth to Ryde foot passenger crossing and get the Island train to Shanklin station which is under 1k from the camp site.

For ferry bookings call

Red Funnel 023 8033 4010, www.redfunnel.co.uk

or

Wightlink 0870 582 7744, www.wightlink.co.uk

or ask Ninham Country Holidays or your accommodation supplier about the best deals.

There are other options for accommodation within easy reach of the country park call Isle of Wight Tourism (01983) 813813 for options.

24th - 25th May

THE WIGHT DIAMOND CHALLENGE

Join over 600 cyclists for the south of Eng-lands leading off road navigator race.

This classic two day navigator event is just amazing! There are 30 check points set out across the whole Island, each with a set points value. You have 7 hours on day one and 5 hours on day two to visit as many as you can and collect as many points as possible. Just mark them up on your map and go. It doesn't sound too difficult, but you'll soon find out that the Isle of Wight is a lot bigger than it looks on the

map!

But the beauty of an event like this is that you choose your own route, so you don't have ride any further than you want to. If you do want to go for the big scores, visiting all of the check points is probably beyond even best riders.

However seriously you compete, when the riding is over, Sunday nights prize giving party is the perfect way to round off the event!

The TRAIL ALE Trail

If the main Wight Diamond Challenge just sounds too much like a serious competition, the Trail Ale Trail will be more up your street.

We originally introduced this as the 'Cream Tea' category aimed more at family and recreational riders. But the event has become more and more popular with the kind of mountain bikers who are serious about having fun.

So we broke out a few bottles of our excellent in house beer and the Trail Ale Trail was born. A two day 'competition' (and we use that term very loosely) for the more 'laid back'

rider.

The course uses a mix of checkpoints, some up in the hills, shared with the Wight Diamond Challenge and some easier ones at pubs and tea shops so you can choose a route that suits your style of riding and plan a few leisurely stops on route. There is still a family category, so this is still the event to bring the kids to, and there are still points to get and prizes for the winners, but expect a few bottles of Trail Ale to be given out to some of the more memorable competitors too!

26th May

THE KING OF THE HILL

THE FIVE HILL NAVIGATOR TIME TRIAL

After two days of riding the Wight Diamond Challenge, you should be nicely warmed up for the **King of the Hill** mountain navigator/time trial. Make the most of the weekend by taking on this great ride on the Monday before you head off to catch your ferry home. Navigate, against the clock, around a route that takes in five of the Islands most impressive hills. Time bands for the event will be set based on the shortest route between check points, so you can either ride to win your category, aim to make it into a target time band, or just enjoy the scenery (and maybe a pub stop on route).

And if you need an extra challenge...

THE HEDSTART CHALLENGE

The only problem with putting on a competition the

day after the Sunday night party is - how to make it fair on people who enjoyed themselves a little too much the night before?

Thanks to our friends at SIS, we have the answer. The SIS Hedstart Challenge is an extra category in the King of the Hill, strictly for party beasts only. All you have to do is down at least **five pints** on Sunday night (and get your card stamped at the bar to prove it) and ride the Five Hills on Monday morning. You can gain an unfair advantage too, by earning a time bonus for every pint over the five (last years competition was won in the bar on Sunday night!)

To get you into racing condition, you'll get a pint of **SIS Hedstart**, (the patent racing and hangover recovery mix) at the start, and the respect and admiration of your peers at the finish. So, if you ride hard and party harder ... you **know** what you have to do!

The Chill in the Hills

There is an easier option for Monday morning.

The Chill uses the same format as the popular Evans rides - just follow the marked route! You'll be timed and there are

target time bands to aim for if you're feeling frisky, or you can just take it easy, shake off that 'morning after' feeling and wind up a busy weekend with a leisurely cruise on some leisurely trails.



ENTRY FORM



THE WIGHT DIAMOND FESTIVAL 23rd - 26th MAY 2003

Photocopied or printed internet entry forms may be used. Final details sent out 2 weeks prior to event.

Complete names of additional competitors, enclose details/photocopy, if more than 3 competitors

Competitor 2 Competitor 3

Number of adult spectators Number of child spectators

All return details (directions & event rules will ONLY be sent to the name listed below)

COMPETITOR 1

ADDRESS

POSTCODE SEX AGE DOB

EMAIL (clearly)

EMERGENCY PHONE No.

Any medical conditions that may stop you from participating in this event?

How did you hear about this event?

I (and my team mates) understand the severity of this event and the necessity for mountain biking experience to safely undertake it. I (and my team mates) therefore do not hold 'Trail Break' or any of it's representatives responsible for any injury/damage or illness sustained to me or my property howsoever caused during or after this event. I sign this form on behalf of myself and my team mate/mates on the understanding of the above disclaimer. No refund will be given in the event of cancellation within 2 weeks of the event. Refunds prior to this date will be charged an administration fee.

SIGNATURE

DATE

CATEGORY SECTION (compulsory)			
Wight Diamond Challenge			
MENS TEAM (2 males combined age u 80)	<input type="checkbox"/>	SINGLE MAN (single male 16 - 40 years)	<input type="checkbox"/>
VETERANS TEAM (2 males combined age 80 or over)	<input type="checkbox"/>	VETERAN SINGLE MAN (single male over 40 years)	<input type="checkbox"/>
WOMENS TEAM (2 females all ages)	<input type="checkbox"/>	SUPER VET MAN (over 50 years)	<input type="checkbox"/>
MIXED TEAM (1 male 1 female all ages)	<input type="checkbox"/>	SINGLE WOMAN (all ages)	<input type="checkbox"/>
FAMILY (must include at least one u16)	<input type="checkbox"/>		
TRAIL ALE TRAIL			
Fun (for single/groups any age)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Family (must incl. min. 1 u16)	<input type="checkbox"/>
King of the Hill			
SENIOR MALE	<input type="checkbox"/>	VETERAN (M) (over 40 years)	<input type="checkbox"/>
JUNIOR (16 - 18 years)	<input type="checkbox"/>	SUPER VET (M) (over 50 years)	<input type="checkbox"/>
FEMALE	<input type="checkbox"/>	SINGLE SPEED OPEN	<input type="checkbox"/>
MIXED TEAM (under 16 plus an adult, or male and female team of 2)	<input type="checkbox"/>	SIS HEDSTART CHALLENGE	<input type="checkbox"/>
CHILL IN THE HILLS			
Fun (for single/groups any age)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Family (must incl. min. 1 u16)	<input type="checkbox"/>

PRICING SECTION (compulsory)			
Item Description	Adults	Kids (6-14)	No Items Amount
Camping - Contact Ninjab Country Holiday for booking. Tel: 01983 864243			
Laminated map (OS 1:50,000 copy)	£11/map	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Entry fees include access to entertainment			
WIGHT DIAMOND CHALLENGE			
Single event fee	£35/single	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Team entry (two riders)	£66/team	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Trail Ale Trail	£28/adult £5/child	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
KING OF THE HILL	£15/single entry	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Chill in the hills	£10/single £12 family	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Event Fee full weekend (Person attending, but not racing. Includes live music and access to marquee. Event passes will be checked!)	£8/adult (children free)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Overall Entry Cost £		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Please complete this entry form clearly, in capitals and send with a cheque to the address below. Closing date for postal entries 20/05/03 Telephone for availability beyond this date.

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