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7-9 JUNE



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TRANSCEND EPIC



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WELCOME

TRANSCEND **EPIC**

Saturday 8 -
Sunday 9 June
Nether Pirn Farm

Two-days of racing, a few thousand metres of descent, uplift for most of it - what more could you ask for?

How about shuttles between stages, great food, and some quality apres back at the festival?

Yep they're all part of it too.

A weekend of full-on quality shredding and adventure with a bunch of like-minded riders, with top notch beer and festival antics to come back to at night. Uplift by the awesome Adrenalin Uplift.

PLEASE READ THIS INFO CAREFULLY - IT CONTAINS THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW FOR THE EVENT.

VOID



TEMPEST
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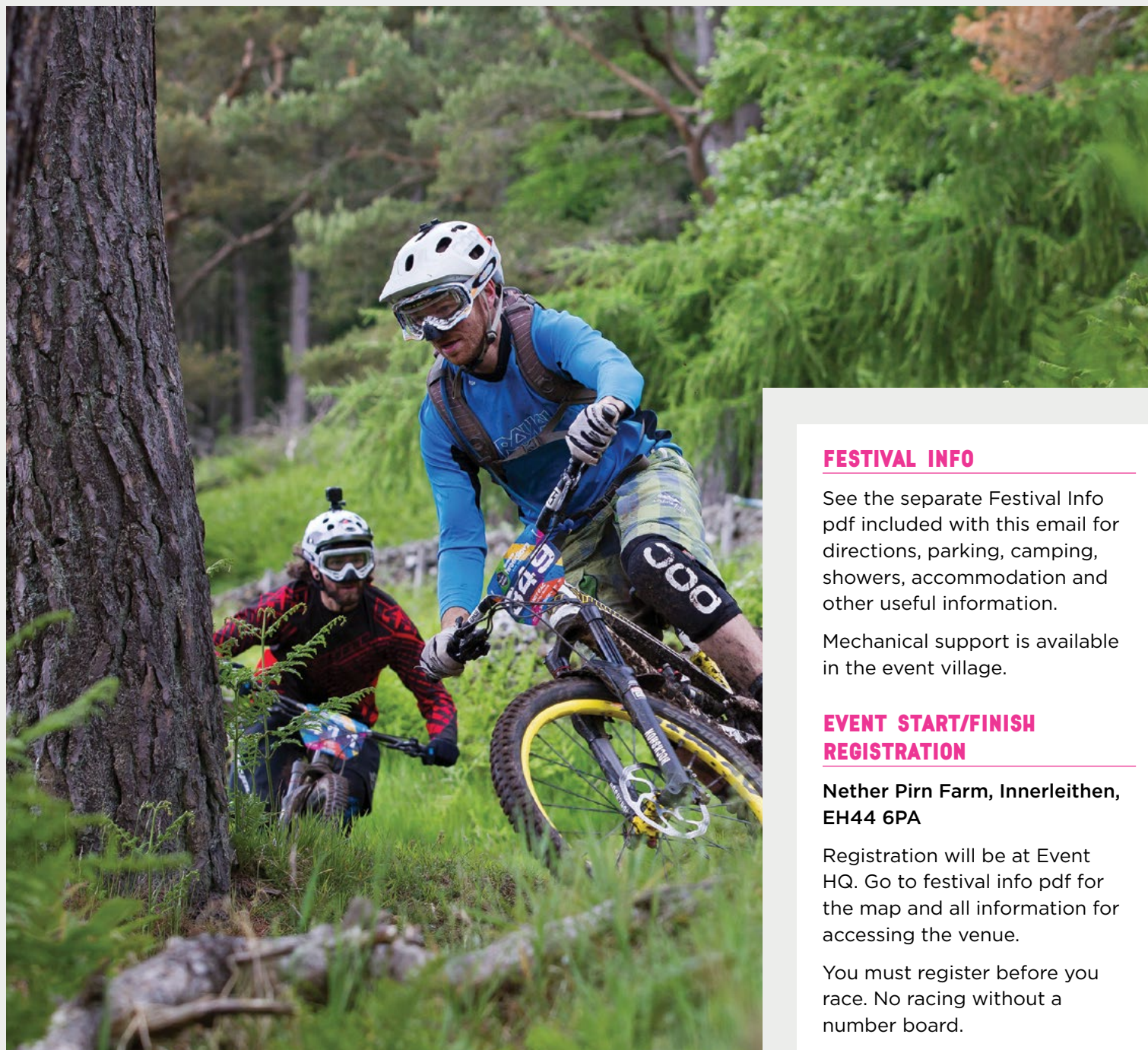
ABOUT THE EVENT

Transcend Epic is a brand new event for Transcend Festival. A two day trans-valley enduro adventure. The UK's first two day, multi venue, uplift-served enduro adventure. Over two days you'll ride some of the best enduro terrain in the country, on a trip taking you the length of the Tweed Valley forest park, and back again.

There's no practice, just two days of full-on quality shredding and adventure with a bunch of like-minded riders. With the distances and travel involved into some more remote spots, some emphasis on the enduro spirits of independence and looking out for each other is encouraged as you travel through the valley forests and hills.

EVENT SPONSORS

Transcend Epic is supported by VOID, G-FORM, Tempest Brewing Co., WTB, High5, Julbo, Big Bear Bakery and Stoats. We wouldn't be able to do it without their support so a big thanks to them all.



FESTIVAL INFO

See the separate Festival Info pdf included with this email for directions, parking, camping, showers, accommodation and other useful information.

Mechanical support is available in the event village.

EVENT START/FINISH REGISTRATION

Nether Pirn Farm, Innerleithen, EH44 6PA

Registration will be at Event HQ. Go to festival info pdf for the map and all information for accessing the venue.

You must register before you race. No racing without a number board.

TIMING CHIPS

The event uses SPORTident Air timing, and riders will carry an active timing card which will record their times as they pass the various timing points on the course. It is not necessary to manually dib or touch your timing card to a timing station – your time is recorded without contact as you roll past the start timing station and ride past the finish timing station.

Your time will be recorded:

- At the very start, before you leave the Event village/HQ.
- At the start and finish of every stage.
- At the end of the race, before you hand in your card at the Timing Tent – when you'll be given your results.

Active timing cards must be returned to get results. Non-returned cards will be charged at £60 per card.

You can only ride each stage once.

All riders' times are logged and available at the finish. On handing in your timing card, you will be given a print-out of your times.

You must wear your timing card on your RIGHT wrist. Timing stations/ card readers are all on the right-hand side of the trails.

COURSE INFO

Maps will be emailed to all riders and will be downloadable from the event page on the TweedLove website. There is no official practice for this event, though there are plenty of trails to ride. All trails are closed until the event starts on Saturday morning, and event officials may be working on and taping them up until that time.

The course will be made up of 12 stages in total, with Stage 7 repeated at the end to make a 13th stage. Stages will be in Glentress, Traquair, Caberston and Yair forests.

Riding will vary from fast and flowy to tight steep and technical. The course is designed to be suitable to be ridden blind with no forced gap jumps or large drop offs. Trails in the forest can often feature roots and narrow, tree lined trails. Some trails have significant amounts of loose rocks, others off-camber roots. Riders should adjust their speed accordingly and ride safely.

All hazards on the course will be identified with warning signage. A double downward arrow sign indicates a steep or technical section/trail hazard. A triple downward arrow sign indicates the most difficult or most severe technical sections on the course. We recommend all riders inspect all technical sections before riding.

IMPORTANT: On some more open sections, tape 'gates' will be used. This will involve a set of taped posts on either side of the track, which form a gate. Anywhere there is tape on both sides of the track, the rider must pass between the two sides of the gate. Failure to do so will lead to disqualification.

EVENT SCHEDULE

Friday 7 June

14:00 – 19:00 Registration at Event HQ

17:00 – 18:00 Transcend Epic Happy Hour: meet and greet in the Tempest Marquee (register first to grab your drinks token!)

18:15 Rider Briefing - Tempest Marquee

Saturday 8th June: Glentress/Traquair

07:30 – 09:30 Registration & Timing Chip Collection at Event HQ

09:10 Rider Briefing – Primary School

09:30 First Riders off

09:50 Rider Briefing – Primary School

Sunday 9th June: Caberston/Yair/Traquair

09:00 First Riders off

17:30 Podiums

Innerleithen Stages

UPLIFT AND ROUTE FINDING

Adrenalin Uplift are providing the uplift for the Transcend Epic riders over the weekend. The pick up point for the start of the day is next to the Festival at the entrance to the primary school.

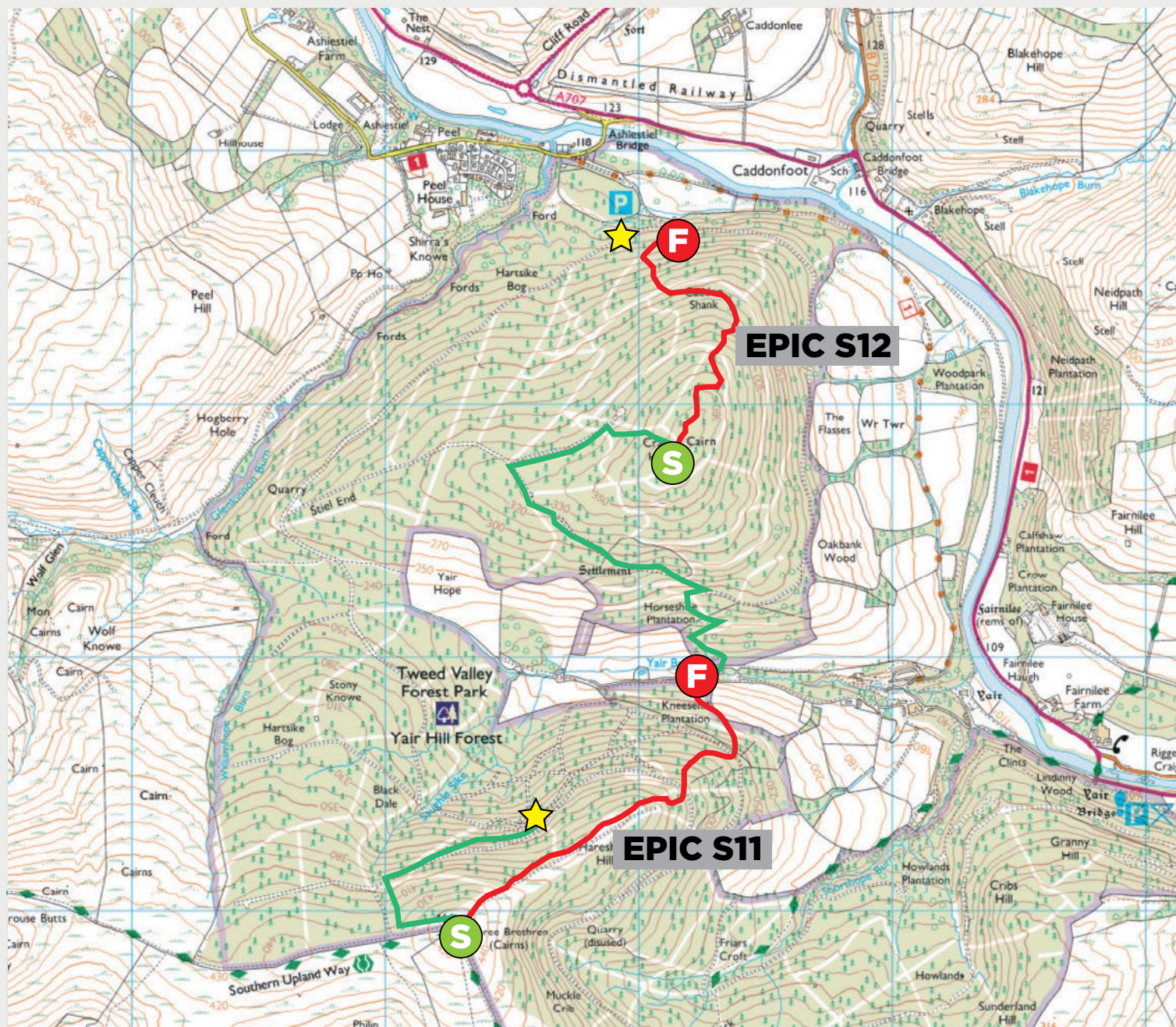
- Please follow instructions from marshals and event officials.
- After every drop-off pink Epic signage will lead you to the next stage of the event.
- A fore-runner will check the course and give marshals the all-clear for racing, and a sweeper will follow the last rider.
- If possible, keep on the same bus/shuttle as you started on, but if you're asked to wait for the next one for some reason, please comply with the request! All buses have 16 available seats – there will be 14 racers per bus, with two spaces help for riding marshals, media or officials per bus.

You will be provided a map to assist you in finding your ways to the start of each timed section. Every transition is signed with PINK signs and flags but due to the remote locations and expansive nature of the Epic a level of route finding and self sufficiency is essential. There will be a marshal at the start and end of every stage to ensure appropriate time gaps are kept between racers and to help with any questions. Signage will be in place as required. Ride the trails as they were intended to be ridden, if tape is down or a line looks like a cheat line stick to what you think is right. Cheaters are not welcome and will be disqualified.

It is not possible to provide uplift for all of the stages, due to remote locations/access issues, or other logistics, so a few transitions must be completed by pedalling only.

After Stage 6, you must descend to the Trailhead car park to catch the next uplift bus. We recommend you use the Demo descent (waymarked with red demo signs) but there are other ways down too – check Trailforks for the choices. Stay off taped race trails as they may be live with riders in other events and races.



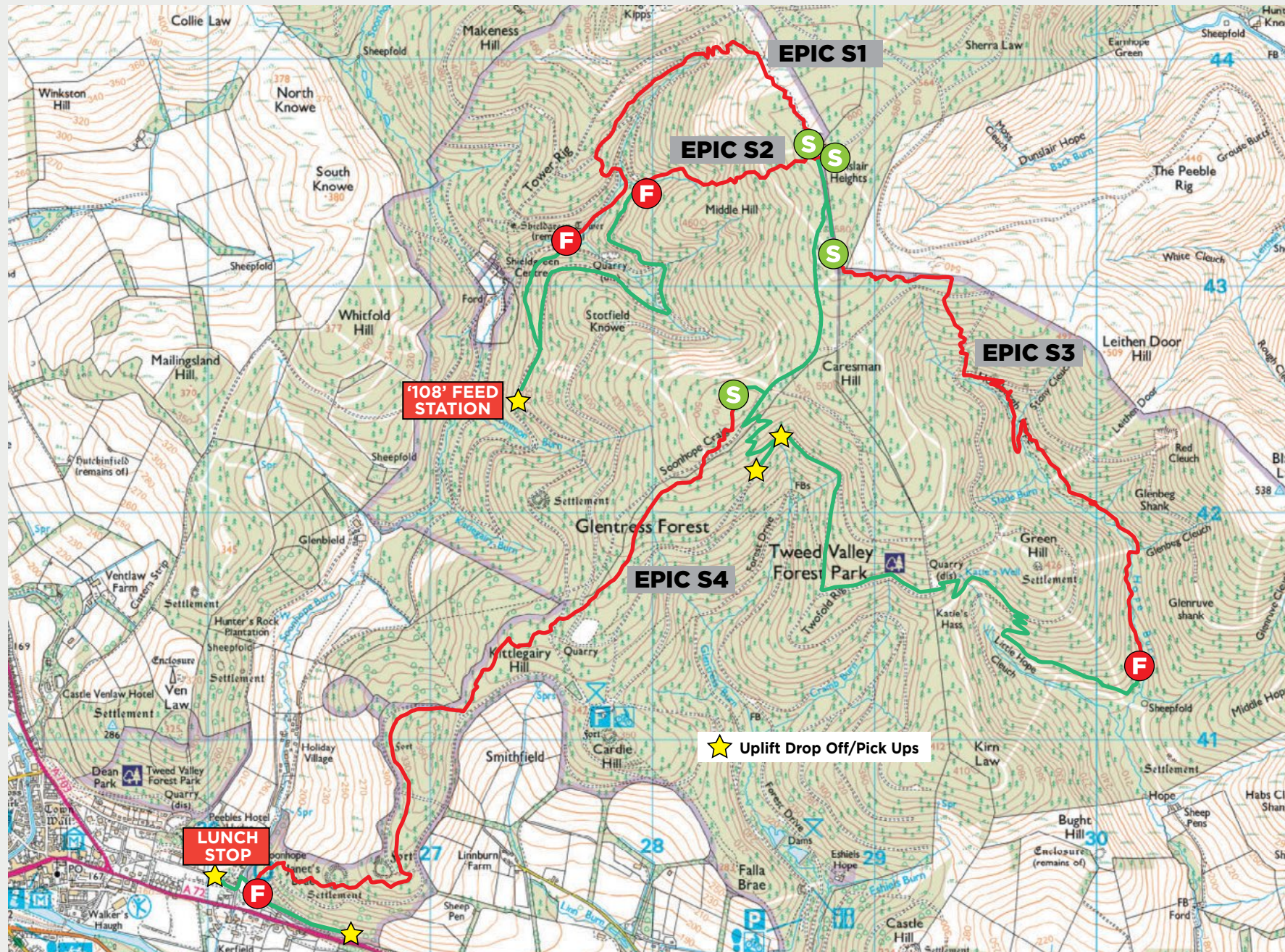


Yair Stages

FINAL UPLIFT

At the end Sunday we will have an optional uplift giving you the chance to race the final stage again. We appreciate that some of you may not be up for it so if you don't fancy it get back to the event village hand in your timing chip and chill out. If you do fancy it you will ride the final stage 13 again and your best time will be kept for your overall result. You must hand in your timing chip once you have finished to let us know you are back safe and to receive your race times.

Glentress Stages



RULES

RIDER BRIEFING

Mandatory Rider Briefing is 18:15 on Friday at the Tempest marquee and 09:10, 09:50 on Saturday at the Primary School (you must attend one of these briefings). Any changes to the race will be notified to riders at this briefing. It is mandatory to attend the briefing for event safety reasons. Non-attendance at the Rider Briefing will not be an acceptable excuse for any rule violations.

START TIMES

Start times stickers will be given to you when you register and collect your numberboard. Start time stickers should be attached to your top tube.

Riders can choose a start time at event registration (first come first served), and can ride with friends all the way round the course – it is essential to register with your riding mates in order to be sure you can ride round together as you will be given the same or consecutive start times.

All riders' times are logged and available at the finish. On handing in your timing card, you will be given a print-out of your times.

You must wear your timing card on your RIGHT wrist. Timing stations/card readers are all on the right-hand side of the trails.

RETIRING EARLY?

A sweeper will go round the course behind the last riders. If you retire for any reason please inform Event HQ on 07496 871220 – please program this number into your phone prior to the event as this will ensure that it is easily available to you.

WHO WINS?

Total time over the race stages will be used to work out who has won. All stages from 1 to 12 will be included plus your fastest time on stage 13.

1st, 2nd and 3rd fastest in each of the categories will receive a prize.

In the event of a tie, the higher placed rider in the final stage of the race will be awarded a higher placing.

All results will be available online on the TweedLove website as soon as possible after the event.

PITS

No team pit space is available in the Event Village unless pre-booked.

SAFETY

You must ride safely, in control and within the limits of your ability at all times – this includes when overtaking. **HELMETS MUST BE WORN & FASTENED AT ALL TIMES WHILE YOU ARE RIDING YOUR BIKE.** Any rider failing to comply with this will be disqualified.

Trails used for the race stages are closed to the public for race days. However, please remain vigilant in case someone strays onto the course who shouldn't be there.

CLOTHING AND KIT

Please make sure that you are well prepared for a day out on the hills. Despite it being June we're still in Scotland and you'll be out exposed to the elements for several hours.

You must have the following:

- Helmet (Open or full-face)
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- Mobile Phone (charged)
- Bar end plugs
- Suitable clothing for a day in the Scottish hills
- Innertubes/puncture repair kit
- Multi tool
- Basic, well maintained first aid kit
- Food and fluids

Strongly Recommended:

- Knee pads
- Elbow pads
- Gloves
- Eye protection (glasses or goggles)
- Front mudguard
- Full body cover and waterproof jacket if conditions cold/wet
- Suitable backpack
- Emergency blanket

NUMBER BOARDS

Every rider will get a number board. Number boards must be fixed on the handlebars (we'll provide the zip ties) and must be readable throughout the competition.

Medical conditions and emergency contact details must be completed on the reverse of the number board (make sure you have these details with you!)

No rider may use another's rider's event number.

RACE CATEGORIES

Male	Female
• 16-39	• 16-39
• 40+	• 40+

FOOD AND DRINK

We have sent you a survey asking for dietary requirements if you are yet to fill this in please [click here](#) as soon as possible to give us your details. Lunch both days will be provided, Saturday by Peebles Hydro and Sunday by Caberston café. Energy food will be provided by High5 with a selection in the vans and a feed station on the Saturday at Glentress. Water will be available in all uplift vans but please prepare to take on the course under your own provisions.

FIRST AID

First aid cover will be in place all weekend. First Aid cover is provided by Tweed Valley Mountain Recue and Phoenix medical. Report to the nearest marshal if assistance is required or phone the number on the back of your number board. In an emergency always phone 999 first before contacting us, if you require mountain rescue ask for the police then mountain rescue.

SOCIALS

Join the conversation on Facebook and Instagram using the hashtags: **#Transcend** **#TranscendBikeFestival** **#TweedLove**

TERMS & CONDITIONS

The organisers shall have unlimited rights to publish pictures and video images of the participants; to forward these photos to press representatives and to use them for marketing activities. By taking part you are agreeing to be photographed or recorded for video purposes. You are also agreeing to potential video recording by drones, at any location around the event and course. Any drones operated on behalf of the organisers will be piloted by legally registered and qualified operators. Photography and video recordings may be used for promotional and publicity purposes.

The organisers retain the right to change rules, terms and conditions as required.

- You must provide an emergency contact number.
- Practice is only permitted on the sections of course indicated and race number boards should be attached to your bars at all times during practice.
- Please note that practice on the various stages is unmarshalled and there may be other riders using the trails.

- Practice is only allowed at the times notified in the Race Notes.
- Under no circumstances will aggressive riding or behaviour towards other riders be tolerated. Any race entrant found to be discourteous in any way to other riders will be disqualified from the race and future events.
- Attending race briefings is mandatory
- Anyone caught course cutting will be disqualified and banned from future events
- The course features climbs and descents on a wide variety of trail surfaces. All riders must complete the entire course on the same bike – frame, suspension (rear and front) and wheels.
- Marshals and riding marshals will be on duty throughout the course, and anyone found to be changing equipment/wheels etc will be disqualified. New tubes are fine of course.
- In case of a mechanical failure leading to the need for major equipment replacement, a race official should be informed
- No electric bikes either during practice or race day
- Signage will be in place along the entire course warning traffic of the event, but riders are always responsible for their own safety.
- The transition/linking sections may include public roads with traffic present, where you must ride responsibly and considerately, and follow the Highway Code at all times. For riders from abroad, please remember to ride on the left.
- No e-Bikes are permitted for this event

- Every rider is responsible for their bike and equipment. The condition, quality and construction should be suitable to ensure the safety of riders or other persons. Riders must carry sufficient spares for their own use. Mechanical support may not always be available on course.
- All equipment used at an event must be fit for purpose and ridden / used at riders own risk.
- Riders must be courteous and aware of other cyclists around you. Slower riders must allow faster riders to pass by pulling over at a suitable place to enable a safe overtaking move. Riders catching the rider in front must clearly (and politely) indicate which side they wish to pass on.
- Foul or abusive language and poor behaviour will not be tolerated and will mean disqualification from this and possibly other future TweedLove events. Everyone's here to have a good time.
- Intentional moving of any posts, markers or course marking tape will result in disqualification from the event.
- Riders going through or under/over course tape and short-cutting the course will be disqualified.
- The race is open to all riders, and no licence is required.
- Riders must obey all event marshals' and event officials' instructions.
- Riders can not accept support (e.g. spares, repairs) from a non-racer, except official race mechanical support.
- Please don't drop any litter – marshals will have bin bags!
- Failure to comply with gear regulations will result in disqualification.

Responsibilities

Riders attend the event on their own account and at their own risk. The rider is responsible for the safety of his bike, equipment and clothes. The organisation is not responsible and cannot be held responsible for any injuries and/or damages as results of any action during the event, or during practice for the event.

The organisers reserve the right to disqualify any rider in breach of any of these regulations.

This agreement starts with the entry. The organisation reserves the right to make any necessary changes or even to cancel the whole event according to safety problems at any time, official orders, government laws or other unforeseen events.

The organisers will endeavour to give all entrants a time derived from the electronic timing chip system provided. However, they are not responsible in the unlikely event of fault in the electronic timing system.

Protest

Protests against the result or disqualifications should be addressed to the Event Organisers within the 30 minutes following the end of the race.

Waiver of liability

Every rider understands and admits that his participation in the event

is voluntary. He/she assumes full responsibility for any injuries or damages from his/her participation in, or practice for, the event.

He/she recognises and understands that mountain biking and the activities associated with this event may be hazardous, that his/her participation is solely at his/her own risk and that he/she assumes full responsibility for any resulting injuries and damages that may occur.

Every rider affirms that he/she is in good health. He/she declares that he/she is physically fit and capable to participate in the event. Every rider understands it can be a strenuous day out with significant amounts of climbing and distance to be cycled in order to complete the course.

Every rider has to acknowledge that he/she has read and understand this entire waiver of liability and agrees to be legally bound by it.

Look after our forest

You must wash your bike and tyres thoroughly after riding, to reduce the risk of forest diseases, which currently (and seriously) threaten larch, ash and other species throughout the UK. Thanks for your help.

The bike wash at Transcend is free for this reason – please use it!

More info here: <https://scotland.forestry.gov.uk/keep-it-clean>