

Hardwick 10k Race Instructions

Race permit: ARC/26/0350. Certified accurate 10 km course.

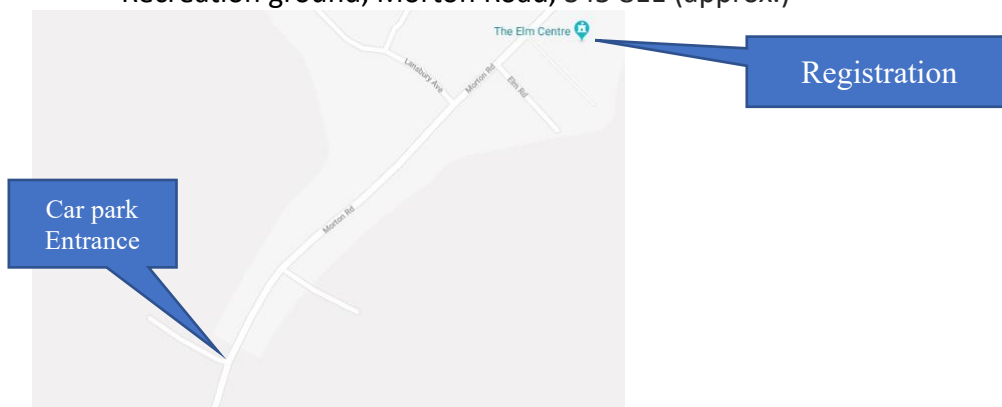
DATE of RACE: Thursday 16th July 2026
REGISTRATION OPENS: 6:00pm
REGISTRATION CLOSES: 7:15pm
RACE STARTS: 7:30pm
REGISTRATION LOCATION: Elm Centre, next to Pilsley Primary School, S45 8EU

Parking

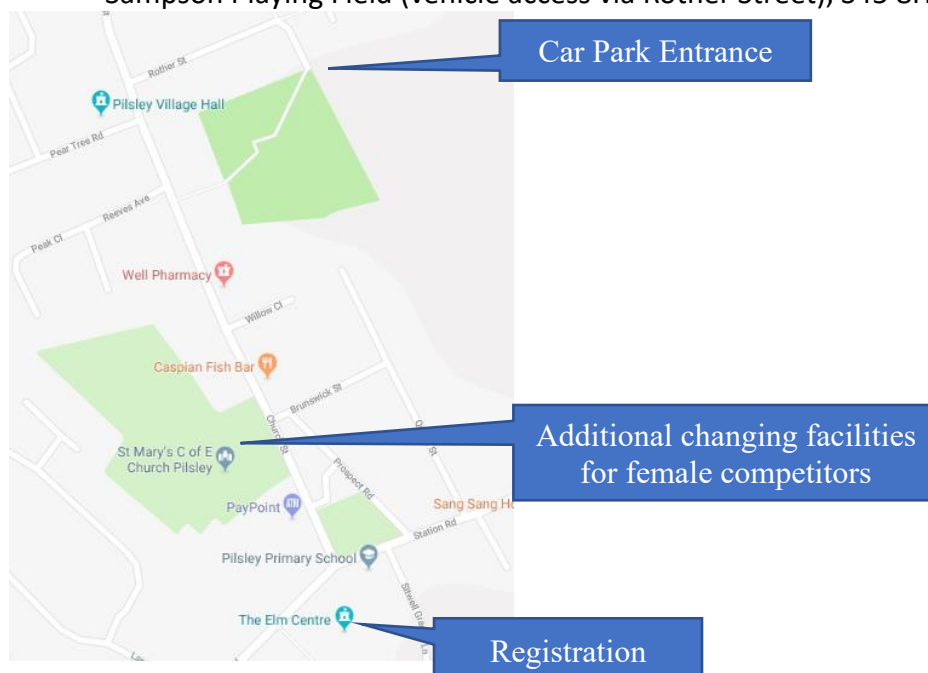
Follow the parking instructions, signs, and marshal directions. Please avoid parking on the course (esp. Station Road to the east of Pilsley) and do not attempt to park near registration as this has previously caused congestion. Both official car parks are near registration.

There are two car parks.

- Recreation ground, Morton Road, S45 8EE (approx.)



- Sampson Playing Field (vehicle access via Rother Street), S45 8HG



Registration

Please leave yourself plenty of time to register.

Race H.Q. is at the Elm Centre (next to Pilsley Primary School S45 8EU where the race starts) where race numbers, timing tags/chips, T shirts, and baggage labels will be available from 6:00pm. Changing facilities are available (additional changing facilities available at St Mary's Church Hall for female competitors). Registration will close at 7:15pm. Note that T shirts will only be available at registration – they will not be given out at the finish. Please note that baggage is left at owner's risk – do not leave valuables.

Fill in the back of your race number with your details and any relevant medical conditions. If you have already provided medical information, this will be available on request to medical professionals, but we recommend writing your medical details on the back of the race number panel.

The Race

Runners assemble at 7:15pm outside the Elm Centre for the 7:30pm start. Do not wear headphones unless they are of the approved bone conduction type (nothing over the ear), as you will not be able to hear marshals' instructions and it may invalidate our insurance.

Wear your number on the front of your vest and make sure it is visible to the timekeepers at the finish. The number panel also has the timing chip pre-attached. If you don't wear it, you will not receive a time or position.

Do not run under someone else's number. If you need to transfer your number to another competitor prior to registration day, please contact admin@hardwickrun.co.uk. Entries have now been finalised, and transfers may not be accepted.

We understand that occasionally something happens which means that last minute changes might be needed. In that case, please talk to Justin, who will be in the registration area. Do not run unless you have received confirmation that your new details have been registered.

Drinks will be available at 2k, 4k, 6k, 8k and the finish.
Dogs are not allowed on the course.
Please keep to the left and follow marshals' instructions.

If you think you will take significantly longer than 1 hour and 30 minutes to complete the course, please contact admin@hardwickrun.co.uk prior to race day.

Note that there will be a vehicle behind the last runners on the course, for safety – so please don't worry that someone is trying to get past you.

Prizes

There is a £100 cash prize for the first man and/or woman to beat the course record. The official course record for the 10k is 31:33 by Samuel Moakes, Sutton in Ashfield Harriers & AC, and 38:19 by Hayley Gill, Matlock AC {chip timings}.

Prizes for first three men and women. There is a first men's team prize {4 runners} and first ladies' team {3 runners}. There are also prizes in the age categories (first vets 40/50/60/70, men, and women) and the first Pilsley resident male and female. All competitors will receive a commemorative t shirt.

Prize giving will be at 8:30pm in the Village Green near the start/finish.

Sponsored Charity

This year's race charity is Edale Mountain Rescue, and a portion of your entry fee will be donated to them.

They will be selling raffle tickets for an opportunity to win a pair of running shoes up to the value of £150 (the winner may choose to top up the award if they wish to purchase shoes to a higher value). The prize includes expert advice and fitting from Mike Blair at Run Forest. All proceeds will be in support of Edale Mountain Rescue.

Timing Chips



Your timing chip is pre-attached to your number. It does not need to be returned at the end of the race.

Results

Results will be available on the race website, as soon as possible following the race.

www.hardwickrun.co.uk

You will also be able to view them live at [Results](#)

Photography

The race has an official photographer. The photographs will be made freely available on our Facebook website (<https://www.facebook.com/hardwick10k/>) shortly after the race. Competitors and spectators can also post photographs to our site.

Data Protection

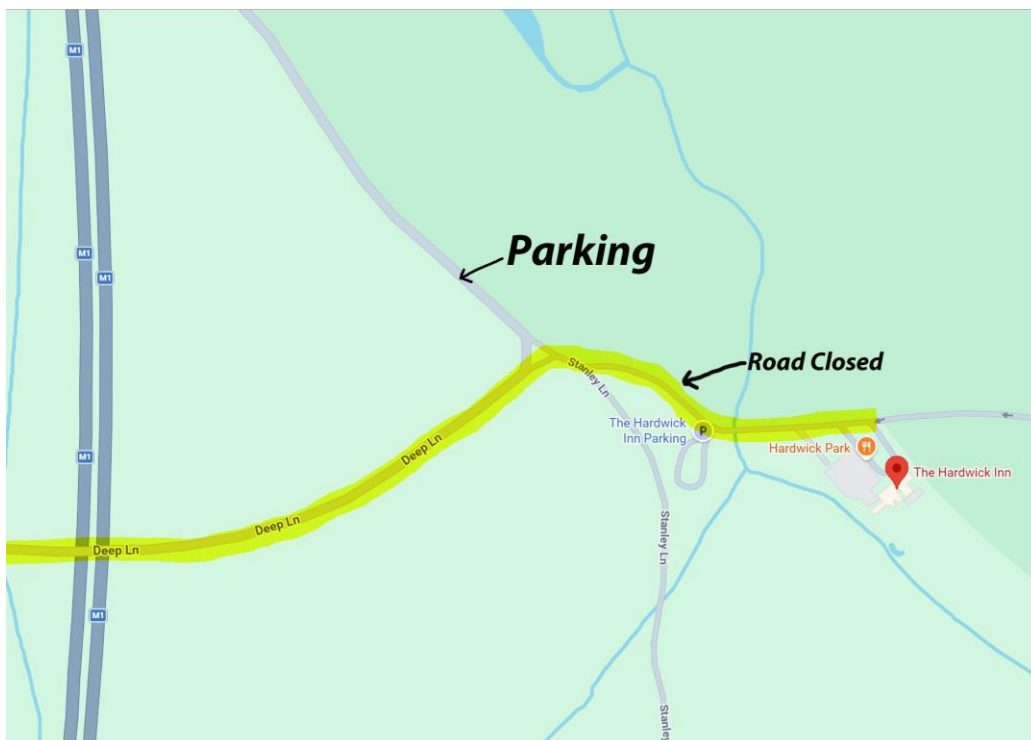
Our policy can be viewed [here](#)

Spectators

The race course includes a section within the National Trust Hardwick Estate. The National Trust has asked us to issue the following message:

Spectators on the Hardwick Estate accept that they are there at their own risk. They are expected to conform with the National Trust code of conduct at all times, and they are advised to take extra care around cattle that are free roaming on the estate.

Note that any spectators who visit the Hardwick Inn (on the course) will not be able to enter or leave the car park during the race. If you wish to avoid any inconvenience, you can park on the road nearby as shown below.



Refreshments & Entertainment

These will be available on the Village Green, adjacent to the start/finish area.

Tribute to Cyril Leason & Mike Bravin

There will be one minute of applause just before the start of the race (19:28) to celebrate the lives of Cyril and Mike, both of whom have passed away within the last 12 months.

Cyril Leason founded the "Historic Hardwick Hall 6 Mile Road Race" in 1981. The idea for the race came to him while he was out on an early morning run. It struck him that a route from Pilsley village to Hardwick Hall would make an ideal race distance, attracting competitors from around the country as well as from the local community, while also providing publicity for Hardwick Hall and the National Trust. He organised the race for around 30 years. You can read more about its history [here](#).

When responsibility for organising the race was taken over by Pilsley Parish Council, later joined by the Pilsley Village Sports Association, Mike Bravin became Race Director, helping to continue Cyril's sporting legacy. He brought renewed energy to the event and expanded its appeal and reach, attracting ever-increasing numbers of competitors.

Both Cyril and Mike enriched the lives of so many people. They were respected, admired, and loved by the communities they served. They will be greatly missed, and we have dedicated this year's race in their honour.