



The BlueSky Challenge - Event Information Sheet

The event consists of 5-7 hours of non-stop adventure with 5 core adventure activities, and has been designed not only to test your fitness level but your mind as well. The emphasis of the event is on teamwork and it is certainly not an 'elite' event, as we would like to encourage everyone to have a go!

Teams of 4 eager adventurers will travel together through all stages competing against the clock and collecting bonuses from the different checkpoints and activities.

There could be no set route or order in which the teams complete the activities and reach checkpoints, therefore a cunning strategy with brave team tactics are vital.

Checkpoints will be placed around the course and it will be up to the teams to find these as effectively as they can, and take part in any special activities on route.

The team that wins will not necessarily be the first team across the finish line, as other teams might accumulate more bonuses through their prowess at the activities.

Please read on for the structure of your day...

On Arrival

Your destination and registration venue for the start of the day is the BlueSky Experiences HQ at Bachilton House, Methven, Near Perth.

Please follow the signs to the designated parking zone. All participants must park in this zone. Lastly, but very importantly, please approach the venue very carefully on the access road as there are speed bumps, children and other local residents that use the road daily.

It is advisable for you to arrive early to allow plenty of time for you to register and get ready for the main event. Car parking will be manned by our hi-viz marshals from 7.30 a.m. on event day.

Registration 8.00am

Team Registration runs from 8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. – please make sure you arrive in good time as you will have plenty of things to do before the Team Briefing at 9.00 a.m.

At registration, teams will sign for their day ahead, collect information and present their kit so that we can see that you are all ready for a safe day ahead. Using the Team Info you are advised to start planning your route and discussing tactics.

Registration includes:

- Collecting Team Information Packs: Including the vital pieces of information; Route Book and Map of the Area with marked checkpoints.
- Completing a Mountain Bike and Kit Check before dropping off any kit at Transition Areas or into Transition Boxes.
- Completing a Medical Form (for each team member).

All team members must attend registration together and you must have your bikes and kit with you to complete registration. Please note we do not need to see your transition box contents - only your bike, safety related kit and first aid kit.

Team Information Pack includes the following items:

- Four electronic checkpoint dibbers (SI-Cards) and wrist bands.
- Medical Form to be completed by each team member.
- Any updates on the event information.
- Your participant ID card.
- Team Number.
- Your team Route Book and Map – one per team.

After collecting the above information you will then have to complete the Medical Form and hand it in at Registration Zone 1, before moving to Zone 2 to complete the Kit Check and lastly move on to Zone 3 for the Bike Check. Once this is completed you can take all your kit and transition boxes to the transition area. You can see the reasons for early arrival giving you a good prepared start to the day!

Event Welcome and Team Briefing 9.00am

This welcome will begin at 9.00 a.m. in the Blue Experiences conference centre. BlueSky Experiences will formally open the event when James England and Stuart Johnston - the Event Directors and Planners, will provide you with some great inspiration and some brief but important safety information.

All team members must be present for the official opening and Team Briefing.

Event Mass Start 10.30 a.m.

The main event will start as a Mass Start at 10.30 a.m. and this start might be distant from the main venue – yes we could blindfold you and transport you to a distant start location! – Therefore you should arrive at the briefing ready and packed – you will not have time to get back to the transition area to fiddle with kit prior to the start... so be ready and get excited!

Food and Hydration during the Challenge

All teams are responsible for bringing sufficient food and fluids for the duration of the challenge. This is largely down to personal preference although we would recommend you include high-energy foods, light snacks (that can be eaten on the go) and plenty of water and energy drinks to keep the hydration levels up and keep you going.

Supporters and Spectators

Maps will be provided at Registration showing key points to watch the participants as they complete the course and some of the special activities. We can also advise you of local attractions for you to visit and fill your day while your teams cover the course.

Changing and Toilet Facilities

- Participants should arrive ready for the event.
- There are changing facilities at the venue.
- There are toilets and showers near the venue. We will advise on further amenities that are available on route, in final event details, pre-event

Prize Giving, BBQ, Bar and Party 6.00pm onwards

With food served from 6.00 p.m. and the Prize Giving at 6.30 p.m. this will give you plenty of time to get scrubbed up and changed (if you wish!). We are sure that you'll have a healthy appetite for some food and drink. You'll have got to know a few others during the day and there will have been some friendly rivalry, some learning and some great team accomplishments. Round it all off at the Prize Giving and give yourselves and others a big pat on the back. It's a pay bar by the way, and if you wish to camp over at the BlueSky HQ field then that's no problem.