

The 'Chiltern Classics' Reliability Rides 2014.

Six great events with a different circuit each week different hills - different scenery.

**All Reliability Rides have time bands to suit your pace
Certificates awarded to riders completing within their selected time band.**

The following information is currently available but please contact the individual organisers if you require further details :-

Harp RC – Sunday 19th January

This first reliability trial of the series is the well-known Harp Hilly Hundred starting and finishing at the Hemel Hempstead CC Club House, for location map go to www.hemelcycling.org.uk. This starts off following a similar route as the Hemel event through to Bovingdon then it takes on its own character taking on the hilly bits of the northern Chilterns through Berkhamsted, Whipsnade (the infamous Bison Hill) then onto Aston Hill near Halton and tracking back through Tring, Ivinghoe Beacon, Ley Hill to the Hemel clubroom for a well earned rest.

Team Quest – Sunday 26th January

The start and finish is from the Ickenham Guide Hut in Community Close in Ickenham however check with the organiser this year as there may be a change of venue. The route travels out towards High Wycombe; Paul Doel at The Bike Shop, North Harrow can explain further details.

Hemel Hempstead CC – Sunday 2nd February

This third reliability trial of the series starts and finishes at the Hemel Hempstead CC Club House in Nash Mills recreation centre, near Kings Langley, Hemel Hempstead, for location map see www.hemelcycling.org.uk. This is a very attractive but testing route through the Chilterns which travels out through Chesham, Wendover and Chinnor returning through Speen, Gt. Missenden, Chesham, Kings Langley and back to the club house with refreshments. It is a hilly circuit climbing some of the well-known Chiltern Hills of Chinnor and the notorious 1 in 4, Small Dean Lane, a killer but mercifully short, also Frith Hill is included in the route. The 50 km route option turns short of Wendover returning through Chesham

Edgware RC – Sunday 9th February

This is a great Reliability Ride through the Chilterns starting at the Hemel Hempstead CC Club House at Nash Mills Recreation Centre, near Kings Langley, for location map go to www.hemelcycling.org.uk. The route travels through Piccotts End, Gadesdon Row, Stanbridge, Great Brickhill. Crossing the Grand Union canal to Soulbury onto Wingrave. Pass Mentmore going under the infamous Train Robbers Bridge to Slapton, Cublington, Wingrave, Ivanhoe Aston up Beacon Hill onto Northchurch, Ashley Green, Bovingdon and back to the Club House. A great 100 KM route for the Chiltern Classics. The 45 km route option goes to Dagnal then diverts to Ringshall then finishing on the same route as the 100 km.

Willesden CC – Sunday 16th February

The fifth event starts at the Ickenham Guide Hut and travels out to Bledlow Ridge & Cryers Hill. Contact Willesden CC for further details.

CC Luton – Sunday 23rd February

This is the sixth and last event of the Chiltern Classics Reliability Rides for 2014. The route commences from the village hall in Edlesborough and travels through Slapton before turning south back through Ivinghoe to climb Ivinghoe Beacon. From Ringshall, the route continues through Little Gaddesden and Nettleden to Potten End where it makes it's way onto the A4251 south of Berkhamsted before heading out through Bovingdon and Chesham. Passing briefly through Chesham town centre, the route heads towards Great Missenden on the B485 before taking to the lanes again through The Lee, St Leonards & Cholesbury before dropping down Hastoe Hill into Tring. From there, the route picks up the B489 through Marsworth before heading back through Aldbury so as not to miss out the delights of Tom's Hill. Finally, once more over the Beacon from the easier side before dropping back down to the HQ for a well earned cuppa. 61 miles in all and about 1,000m of climbing. Signing on commences from 8.30 am.