

*****PRESS RELEASE*****



**Charlotteville Cycling Club,
Churchouse Financial Planning and Cycleworks UK Ltd presents
Guildford Town Centre Races 2009**

It's been running now for twenty five years but earlier in the year it looked as if the Guildford Town Centre Races would not take place. However, with the support of the local business community the event was secured for another year. With the help of the Town Centre Management Group and the Guildford Summer Festival Committee and publicity from both 96.4 The Eagle and Surrey Advertiser the sponsors were found.

The event is promoted by Charlotteville Cycling Club in partnership with co-headline sponsors Churchouse Financial Planning and Cycleworks UK Ltd. Racing takes place on Wednesday 8th July on its traditional course at the centre of Guildford taking in the cobbles of the High Street, the long sweeping descent into North Street and the tight corner up into Market Street. Churchouse Financial Planning are Independent Financial Advisers and Chartered Financial Planners and are a local Guildford High Street based business. Cycleworks are one of the South's leading cycle shops with premises in amongst other places Burpham catering for all your cycling requirements.

Entries for all events are coming in fast with some hard racing expected for what is widely regarded as one of the toughest criterium events in the south. Amongst the top riders entered for the main event of the evening there are several names that will be familiar to regular attendees of the event will recognise. Two time winner Warrick Spence (CycleFit RT) returns to try for his third crown but there will be many other riders out to try and stop him from again winning the event which always seems to play to his racing strengths. Regular entrant Jody Crawforth (Arctic Premier RT) comes to this year's event as the reigning National Cyclo-Cross Champion having taken the title back at the start of the year. Wouter Sybrandy (Sigma Sport/Specialized/Sportful) will be in good form after being outsprinted by just a matter of inches in the final Tour Series national criterium series event at Southend-on-Sea. That particular event was shown on ITV4 last Friday and was part of the same series that saw an event take place in Woking earlier in May. James Stewart (Team Kinesis UK) came third in the Abergavenny Criterium which was a support event to the National Road Race Championships held last weekend in Wales. Finally, James Millard (Madison.co.uk) will once again return to his family home town of Guildford where 'Milly' will want to take the big title at the local race that he attended (and raced in) many times whilst he was growing up.

As usual there will be a full programme of support races where the leading entrants for the 3rd's and Juniors event, which will almost certainly have a full field come race day, include the race winners from the past two years; Sam Sturgeon (Team Terminator) and Paul Hopkins (OffCamber), who return to the event for 2009. The Youths event finishes completes the list of races and will have some of most rewarding and interesting racing from under 16 riders all the way down to the under 10's.

Charlotteville Cycling Club would like to thank all those who have helped in order to gain sponsorship for this event and subsequently ensuring its survival. Ofcourse we would particularly like to thank our headline sponsors Churchouse Financial Planning and Cycleworks UK Ltd as well as Knight Frank and Surrey Advertiser for their continued support.

After the heavy rains that caused the cancellations of the youth event last year organisers are hoping for better luck this year and have arranged for a dry evening!

For entry details please refer to:

- British Cycling website (www.britishcycling.org.uk)
- Charlotteville CC website (www.charlottevillecc.org.uk)

or for further details please contact race organiser Matt Legge (phone: 07900694903 or email: matthew.legge@charlottevillecc.org.uk)

Order of Events

19:00 - The Charlotteville Criterium (3/Jun) 20mins plus 10 laps

19:30 The Youth Criterium (Juv/U16/U14/U12) 15mins plus 5 laps

20:00 - The Guildford Criterium (E/1/2) 50mins plus 10 laps

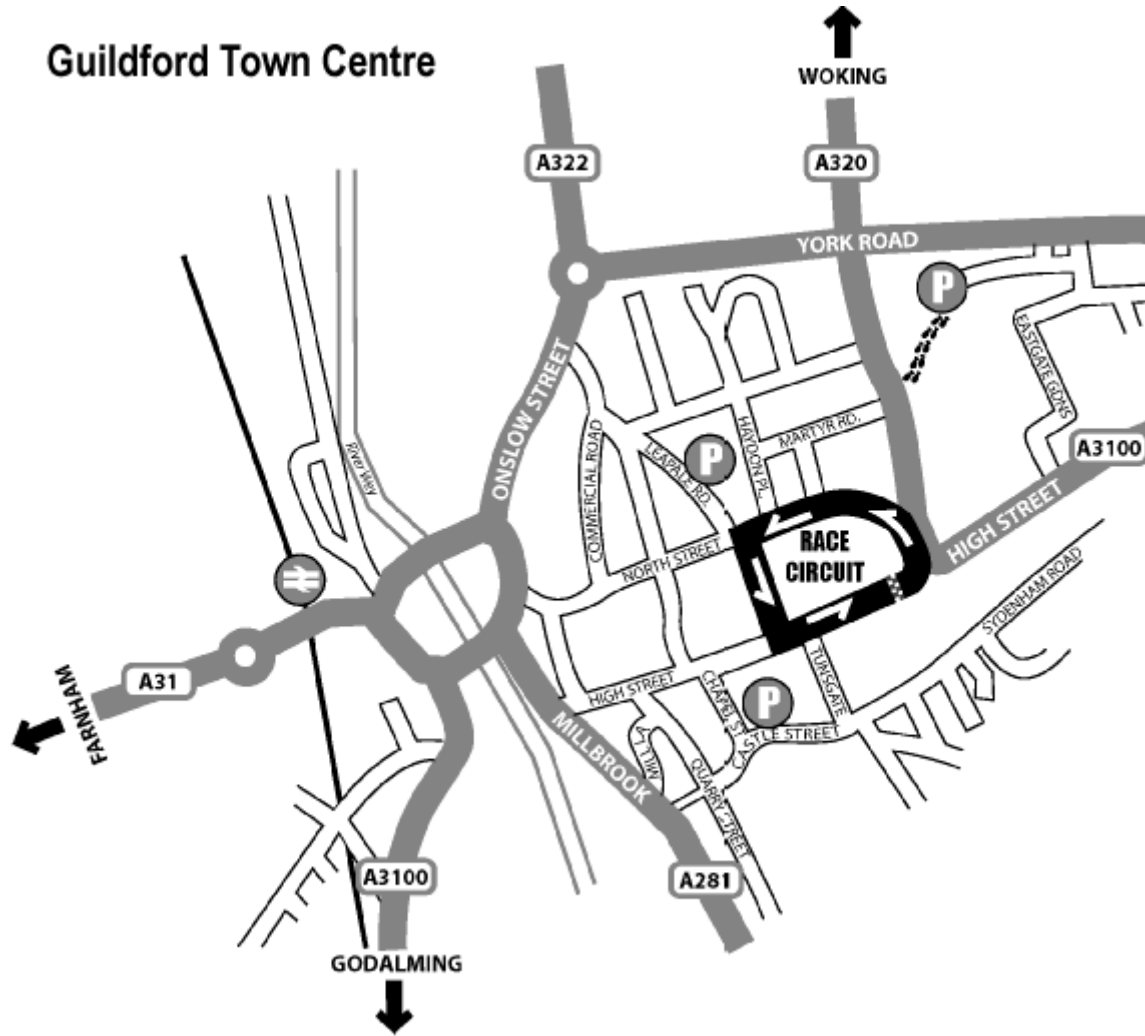


Riders at the start of the Elite Criterium at last years event

Traffic diversions

Please note that the race circuit will be closed to all traffic during and prior to the event. As per last year a temporary one-way system will be implemented in the vicinity in order to better manage the traffic flow during the event.

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Charlottesville Cycling Club was founded in March 1903, in the Charlottesville area of *Guildford*. The Club has been involved in all aspects of cycling through the years, both locally and nationally. For further details please see the clubs website at www.charlottesvillecc.org.uk or contact General Secretary and Event Organiser Matthew Legge (email: matthew.legge@charlottesvillecc.org.uk or phone: 07900694903).



Churchouse Financial Planning

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Cycleworks UK Ltd

Established 17 years ago, Cycleworks has become one of the south's leading bicycle shops with premises in Guildford, Leatherhead, Haslemere and Petersfield. Their staff are all keen and experienced cyclists, from former International road racers to Jump/Downhill professionals. They have someone in each of their shops to cater for any discipline, be it Road, MTB, Downhill, TT, Jump or Touring. They offer a wide range of hand picked bike brands, accessories and spare parts for repairs. www.cycleworks.co.uk



Guildford Summer Festival

This event is part of the Guildford Summer Festival, supported by Guildford Borough Council, with over 100 events for all ages and interests. The festival runs from 19 June to 1 August 2009. To celebrate your summer with style, pick up a brochure from the Tourist Information Centre in Tunsgate or visit www.guildfordsummerfestival.co.uk for full details of events and how to book.