



GRAVEL GROWL

@ CURRY'S POST



INTRODUCTION

Burg Wheelers Cycling Club is proud to present the inaugural COMPENDIUM GRAVEL GROWL on Sunday 10th September from the Curry's Post Primary School. Curry's Post is an untapped cycling gem in the KZN Midlands, nestled between the popular Karkloof Valley and Nottingham Road and offers some of the best cycling terrain in the KZN Midlands.

Burg Wheelers Cycling Club is one of KZN's biggest cycling clubs and is based in Pietermaritzburg. With a growing interest in off-road cycling, commonly known as 'gravel grinding' the club decided to organise a gravel event to expose this relatively new discipline to more riders and share some of the beautiful 'country roads' the KZN Midlands has to offer. The routes have been carefully selected by experienced gravel riders who understand what makes for an enjoyable and memorable ride !

The Curry's Post community have backed the event 100% and are pulling out all the stops to welcome us to their area and showcase the many attractions they have to offer. Proceeds from the event will go towards supporting the Curry's Post Primary School and the Curry's Post Conservancy.

The event offers affordable entry fees, carefully planned routes, well stocked water tables, some great prizes and lucky draws and an overall value-for-money package. And hopefully a perfect Spring day for riding. We look forward to welcoming you to CURRY'S POST on Sunday 10th September !

"It's gravel, with a bit of growl !"

FAST FACTS

DATE: Sunday 10th September 2023

PROGRAM OF EVENTS:

Saturday 9th September

15h00 – 17h00 Registration @ Fable
Beer & Pizza @ Fable

Sunday 10th September

5h30 – 7h45 Registration

7h00 Start 85km

7h30 Start 45km

8h00 Start 28km

Prize-Givings

10h30 – 28km & 45km

13h00 – 85km

ENTRIES:

On ROAG www.roag.org

Pre-entries close on Wednesday 6th September

Entry fees:

85km – R350

45km – R250

28km – R150

Late entries will be taken at registration (at an additional R50/entry)

THE ROUTES

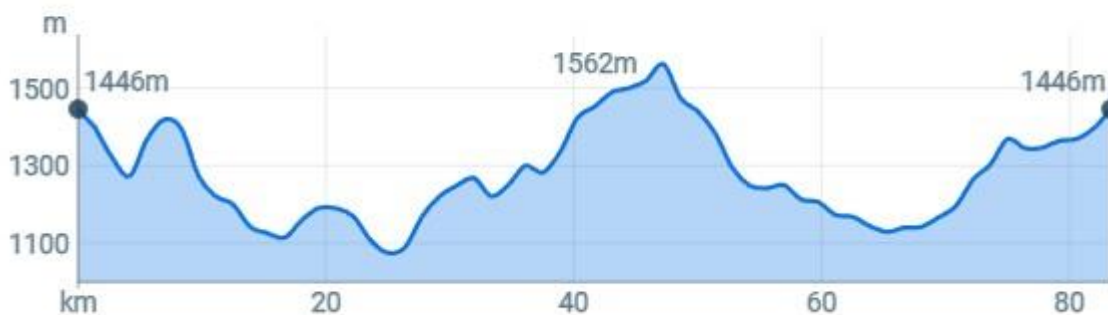
With three distances on offer there is a route option to suit all abilities. All routes start and finish at the Curry's Post Primary School.



Route Description: 85km

The 85km comprises two different loops to create a figure eight effect. The first 43km loop comprises the 'western front' and takes riders on a testing route with over one thousand meters of ascent over district, forestry and farm roads before returning to the Curry's Post School. There will be one refreshment table at around the 20km point and a second one back at the school. The second loop, namely the 'eastern front' incorporates more of the Karkloof valley side and doubles as the 45km race.

Elevation



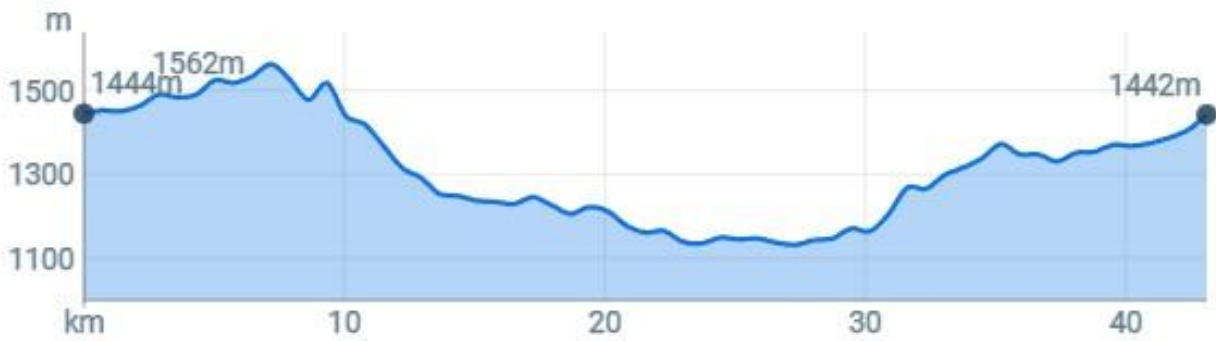
Route Profile: 85km

Route Description: 45km

The 45km route (and second half of the 85km race) heads out from the Curry's Post School over a gentle incline, followed by a long descent and some lovely rolling terrain on forestry roads before facing a gradual ascent back to the finish. The total climbing is about 850m and there will be one water table at approximately 20km (or 60km for the 85km).

The 45km event is the official E-bike race, with prizes for the top three men and women kindly sponsored by Hattons Cycles.

Elevation



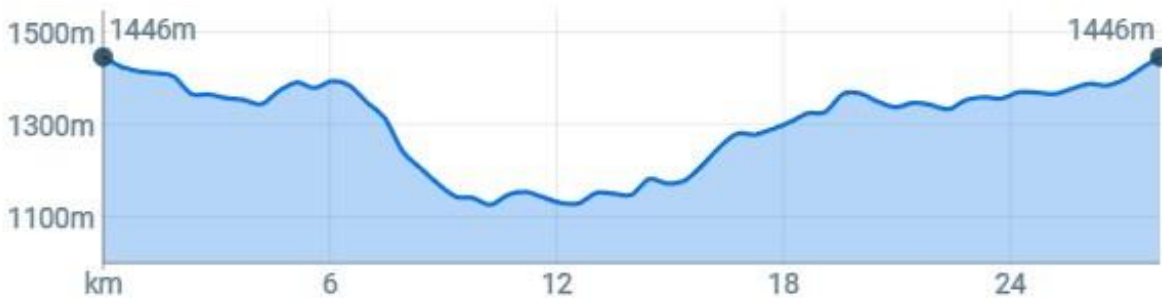
Route

Profile: 45km

Route Description: 28km

The 28km route is a shortened version of the 'eastern loop' and follows a rolling descent for the first 12km before climbing out the valley all the way back to the finish.

Elevation



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FACILITIES

The start / finish and registration will all take place at the Curry's Post Primary School. The following facilities will be available at the venue:

- Parking
- Medical
- Food *
- Coffee *
- Toilets

* All pre-entries will receive a R20 voucher at registration, redeemable at any food / coffee vendor at the venue.

TIMING

The races will be timed by Finish Time. Riders will receive a bike board at registration with a timing filament attached. Please do not tamper with the bike board. You will be required to return the bike board at the finish before receiving your finish drink.

PRIZE CATEGORIES

The below categories are for prize purposes only – it does not limit riders taking part in a distance outside of the age-group categories below, except for Juniors, U17 and U15 who are limited to these distances per CSA regulations.

85km (Top 3 in each category):

Men: Elite (20-29)
Vet 30-39, Vet 40-49, Vet 50-59
Women: Elite (20-29)
Vet 30-39, Vet 40-49.

45km (Top 3 in each category):

Men - U17, Junior, Vet 60+
Women - U17, Junior, Vet 50+
Hattons Cycles E-Bike Dash:
Open Men
Open Women

28km (First only):

1st Men
1st Women
1st U15 Boys
1st U15 Girls

PLUS FANTASTIC LUCKY DRAWS !



ACCOMMODATION

For those travelling from further afield – Curry's Post offers some wonderful accommodation options to suit all pockets. Make a weekend of it and come and stay in the Midlands. See attached separate info doc with accommodation options.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

There will be a Family Fun Day & Market taking place at Succulent Gems (400m from the start / finish venue at Curry's Post School) on Saturday & Sunday between 9h00 – 15h00.

See attached document for other places to visit and things to see.

We look forward to seeing you at the Compendium Gravel Growl !