

<b>Name of assessor(s)</b>	Steve Dorrall – club secretary, H&S Adviser	<b>Group / Establishment:</b>	Burnham on Sea Harriers
<b>Date</b>	15/05/2024		



<b>What is the activity being assessed:</b>	<b>How was the assessment done?</b> e.g. desktop exercise, site visit, in consultation with employees, managers, safety representatives?	<b>Next review date:</b>
Brent Knoll Race – 24 November 2024 Race Licence: 27787 Event entry form: <a href="https://sport80.com">Sport:80   Investing in Sport (sport80.com)</a>	The Brent Knoll race has been run previously over many years, except for 2020 and 2021 when the Coronavirus pandemic forced the cancellation of the event. Runners/race organisers are familiar with the course. Pre-runs are completed before the event to identify hazards as well as Burnham Harriers club runs involving the race director and members who enter or support the event. The club meets regularly to plan	<b>Is the assessment 'generic' or specific to the situation?</b>



Runners

- Runners receive a pre-race brief when on the start line just before the race begins. The brief will highlight known hazards i.e. vehicles, public, course terrain, under foot conditions.
- Runners will run at their own risk – Risks include possible injury through slips and trips, sprains and strains or health issue.
- Please see route map below for details of where marshals are located throughout the race.
- Runners are required to record on the reverse of their race numbers or entry form any medical conditions so marshals/race director/first aiders can identify any possible conditions or issues which may affect their run.
- Race is licensed through Run Britain and is subject to race licence guidelines: [RaceDirectors' Club - runbritain](#)

Medium

Low

Runners are not permitted to wear headphones - bone conductors are permitted.  
 An accredited first aid provider is appointed for the race and will be based at the BASC to respond to incidents.  
 Marshals wear lanyards with emergency contact details and their location along with radios or mobile phones to raise an alarm via the

Race Director

Race Day

				<p>Race Director if needed.</p> <p>Runner incidents to be reported to UK Athletics:  <a href="#">Online Health and Safety Incident Reporting   UK Athletics</a></p>			
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				<p>The BASC provides shelter and welfare facilities for runners and supporters of the event.</p>			
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Weather	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Weather conditions on the day can be unpredictable i.e. hot/cold/wet.</li> <li>Conditions for the course can be wet, slippery, muddy, or icy.</li> <li>The course contains some steep sections including the ascent to and descent from the Knoll where slips/trips are known to occur.</li> <li>As the race takes place in November, conditions could be subject to cold conditions where runners could be at risk of hypothermia of the effects of the cold.</li> <li>Waterlogging of the course is possible as the course consists of grass tracks (e.g. through the BASC, Crooked Lane and on the Knoll).</li> </ul>	Medium	Medium	<p>Course is under 6-miles and water station is not required. Drinks and refreshments are provided to runners at the race end.</p> <p>First aid support based at Race HQ.</p> <p>Course marshalled – marshals will carry mobile phones or radios to maintain communication with race HQ and Race Director.</p> <p>Race Director reserves the right to postpone event or adjust the course if conditions are too dangerous.</p>	Race Organisers	Race Day	
Course	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Brent Knoll race is a multi-terrain event measuring just under 6-miles in length. Surfaces include road, bridlepath, a grassed field and hard-core trails and will include a significant climb up to the knoll followed by a steep descent to East Brent before returning to the BASC Ground.</li> </ul>	Medium	Medium	<p>Pre-race information highlights course as multi-terrain and runners will be alerted to on uneven surfaces at the pre-race brief.</p>		Race day	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Surfaces are uneven, such as on the BASC sportsground, Brent Broad Rhyne, and Brent Knoll summit loop. Obstacles on the course including street traffic, kerbs and potholes may also present slip/trip hazards. The course will also include running through gates, which should be open and marshalled for the race.</li><li>• The course is signposted and marshalled as shown on the map below.</li><li>• Landowners contacted to ensure gates are open for the race (e.g. on Brent Broad Rhyne), closed and locked immediately after the race.</li><li>• A finish funnel is in place to manage runners as the end of the course.</li></ul>			<p>Course map and race details are also available on the Burnham Harriers website: <a href="#">Brent Knoll Race   Burnham on Sea Harriers (burnham-on-sea-harriers.com)</a></p> <p>Course is marshalled to ensure runners don't become lost and event also has a tail runner to track and support final runners.</p>			
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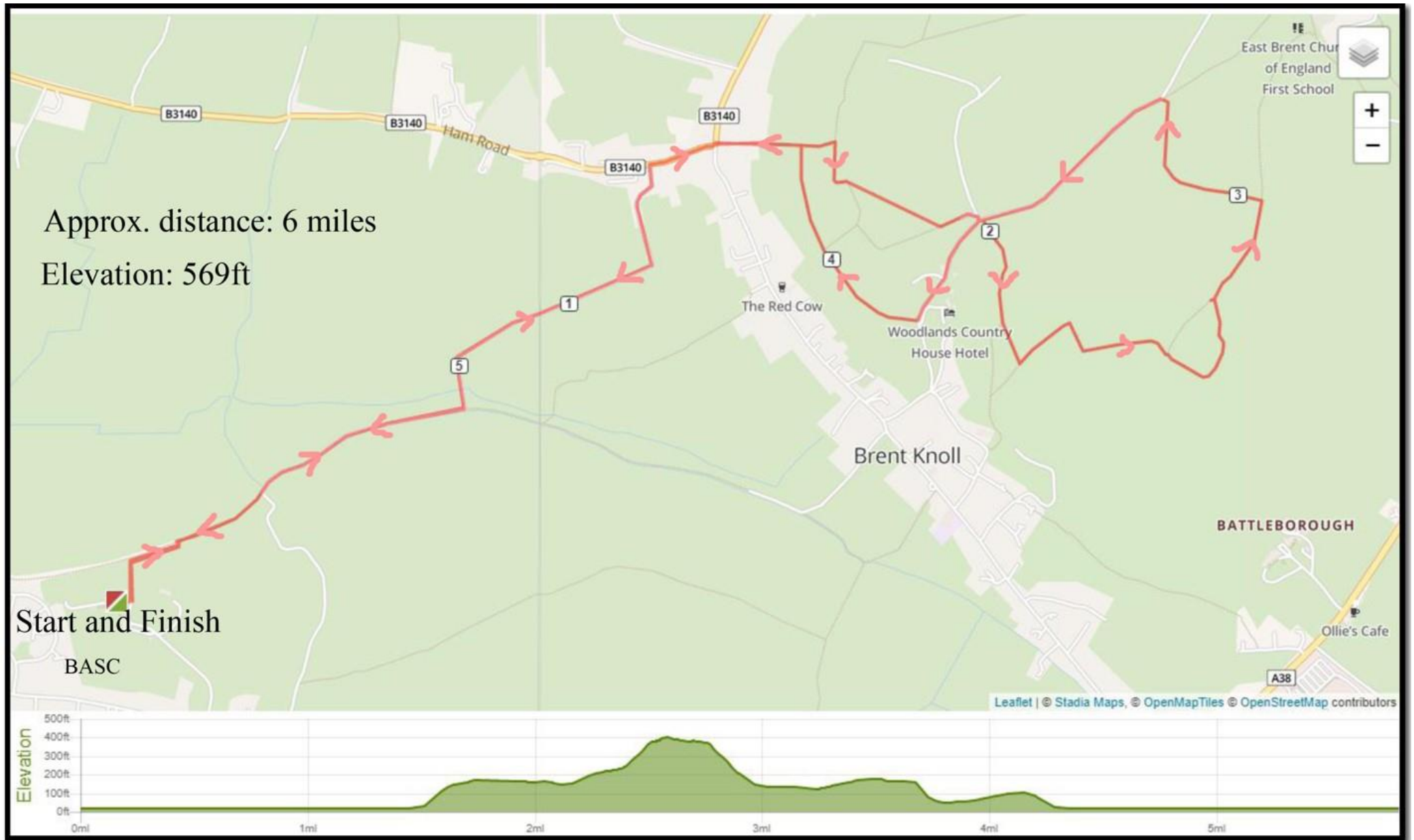
Roads	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The course has one key road section - Brent Street as runners emerge from Brent Road making their way to the Knoll and back.</li> <li>• Vehicles are likely as they drive through the village of Brent Knoll.</li> <li>• Course is fully marshalled to warn runners of any oncoming traffic including the road section – see marshal map below.</li> <li>• ‘Caution runners’ signs are displayed to alert drivers, cyclists, public and horse riders.</li> </ul>	Medium	Medium	<p>Somerset Highways are contacted prior to the race for confirmation that there are no planned works on race day. Further checks can be made here:  <a href="https://one.network/?tm=GB131365913">https://one.network/?tm=GB131365913</a></p> <p>Marshals to be made aware that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• they do not have any lawful powers to flag, slow or stop, or otherwise direct traffic on the highway.</li> </ul>	Marshals		
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Runners will be briefed to proceed with caution whilst traversing the highway and to always remain vigilant regarding both traffic and adverse terrain.</li> </ul>			

<p>Animals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fields on the Knoll are known to have cows/sheep and its possible that runners may encounter livestock on the course.</li> <li>• Landowners contacted prior to the event, where required and marshals on the course can alert runners if there is likely contact between runners and animals/livestock.</li> <li>• Dog walkers may be present along the course – marshals to alert dog walkers to the presence of approaching runners (Dogs are not allowed on the BASC Grounds).</li> <li>• However, runners are briefed to respect other users as they will not have priority over other users.</li> </ul>	<p>Medium</p>	<p>Low</p>		<p>Marshals</p>		
<p>Headquarters</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Headquarters is at the BASC sportsground, Stoddens Road, Burnham on Sea.</li> <li>• Race Director will be based at the BASC ground throughout the event.</li> <li>• Food/Water provisions are available on site, both in the BASC ground for supporters. Runners are provided with refreshments upon completion of the race.</li> </ul>	<p>Low</p>	<p>Low</p>	<p>Car parking is available on the BASC Ground and is marshalled to manage vehicle movements and limit contact with pedestrians. Speeds limits are in place on the grounds too.</p>			




**Risk assessment sign-off**

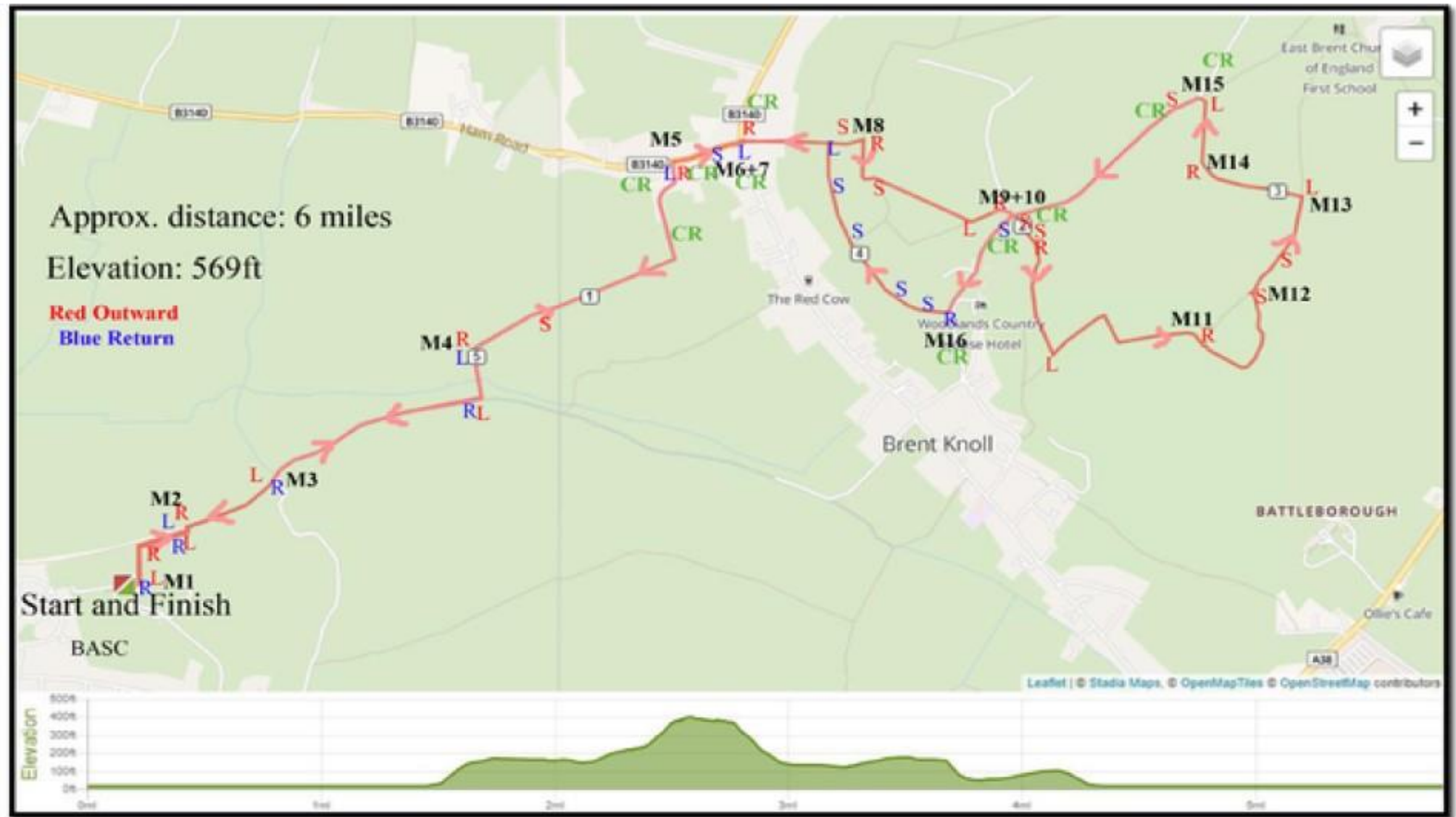
<b>Name of assessor</b>	<b>Steve Dorrall</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>14 August 2023</b>	<b>Race Director:</b>	
<b>Signature:</b>	S Dorrall - Burnham Harriers Secretary/ H&S Adviser				



Brent Knoll Race Route



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