

Wither Hills MTB Park

This track was developed in conjunction with Marlborough MTB Club. Mark Smith the Wither Hills Farm manager whose leased land it is on also generously supports the use and upgrade of the area.

Also there is the circuit track which starts off undulating then gets into the grunt work climbing up (low gears) with a few switch backs leading to the flatter ridge sections prior to the downhill parts. The downhill part of the circular track gives several options for descending, (On the down sections don't get your ambitions and capabilities mixed up because it will hurt) dropping back to the Gate past the ponds (the lift over).

From the upper ridge you have a pure DH track. It has one good big jump and several smaller ones. It also is getting rutted and during the wet, bogs in places. (Again there are parts of this that are very unforgiving don't get your ambitions and capabilities mixed up because it will hurt).

Overall it is a very easily accessible track that is close to town. It is not often crowded. It caters for all levels on the lower tracks but you need moderate MTB fitness to get to the top. The area has a Junior Track with flat and hill areas with small jumps.

One of the nicest easy parts of the ride is the track that begins at the Wither Hills Walkway car park and goes along the base of the hill and through the trees, it is able to be ridden by all levels of MTB and gives you a nice warm up to the main track. The Rifle Range track is great for beginners: fast, flat and flowing, this is supreme sinuous singletrack.

The area is being extended and maintained frequently by the Marlborough MTB club and the Marlborough District Council, so should only get bigger and better.