

The Black Bull 15s

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2025 Black Bull 15k | 15mile Trail Running Route on Strava

TR turn right RHF right hand of fork SA straight ahead X cross L left TL turn left LHF left hand fork

FP footpath BW bridleway DH downhill UH uphill NCN National Cycle Network

LHFE Left hand field edge (opposite is RHFE.) CC Centenary Circle

Start: Route starts on the pavement, Rainsford Road by the entry gate to Admirals Park **DH** on shared path. (Reverse of Parkrun route)



- 0.7 SA at X onto Writtle Route Cycle Way (tarmac). 1km X bridge (Saffron Trail)
- 1.2 TL onto BW \rightarrow 1.3: SA bridge and \rightarrow 1.4: bend SA onto grass BW to Lawford Lane
- 2.2 Join tarmac road (30mph). **SA** then RH bend. Then **TL** onto St Johns Green
- 2.5 SA at X roads. Use traffic island to reach Lodge Road
- 2.9 **TL** onto Paradise Rd. At the end, through tunnel under the A414
- 3.7 RHF onto FP and into woods. CC. (Wooden bridges may be slippery!)
- 4.3 **SA** on **FP** (passing Go-Ape. Go into car-park if you need to use the parks toilets on way out or back)
- 4.8 TR at woods X paths \rightarrow 4.85 RHF \rightarrow 4.9 RHF (ignore woodland arrow trail arrows) Stay on FP
- <u>5.2</u> **SA** passing Mascals buildings $\rightarrow 5.4$ **TR** onto Margaretting Road (caution, no pavement!)
- 5.55 **TL** onto Nathan Lane and head **UH** \rightarrow 6.5 Water station, continue **SA UH**
- 7.16 **TL** onto **FP** into woods

MILE (LONG COURSE)

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7.21 SA on FP through middle of field

7.62 Route split at **BW** sign. 15k (short course) **TL** (skip to → 16.2) Long **TR**. Head towards farm buildings

- 8k Pass farm building, then **TL** onto **BW** (concrete/gravel track)
- 8.3 **RHF** to stay on concrete track, then head **DH** on it
- 9.4 **SA** on concrete track.
- 9.69 TR onto Ivy Barn Lane (caution 60mph limit)
- 10.21 TR onto BW into woods
- 10.54 TR onto BW before road then LHFE.
- 10.83 TR to X Ingatestone Road. SA through middle of field
- 11.09 Enter woods and TR onto BW
- 11.51 **TL** onto BW (Maple Tree Lane.) Stay on dirt road until....
- 12.5 TL onto Mill Green Road (tarmac...60mph.) Then TL onto BW St Peters Way into woods
- 13.4 **SA** through field (retracing steps....)
- 13.57 TR on BW...RHFE \rightarrow 13.9 TL into woods on BW \rightarrow 14.15 TL onto Ivy Barn Lane
- 14.8 **LHF** onto **BW** (gravel road the gravel road)
- 15km RHF behind gated house into woodland trail. UH on FP. Muddy trail
- 16.1 Exit woods. LHFE



- 16.33 SA on trail (radio masts will be on your R.) \rightarrow 16.43 TR onto DH FP
- 16.64 SA into woods on FP. Caution of slippery wooden bridges. Stay SA until
- 17.1 Water Station. TR onto Nathan Ln (retrace route)
- 18k TR on Margaretting Road → 18.3 TL at Maskels onto FP
- 18.67 **TR** at **X** to stay on **FP** retracing steps)
- 19.77 Exit woods and TL onto shared FP/cycle path/CC Back under A414 to Paradise Road
- 20.6 **TR** onto Lodge Road
- 20.95 **X** road to St Johns Green but this time $SA \rightarrow 21.1 SA FP$ between houses $\rightarrow 21.6 SA$ Writtle Airfield
- 22.1 **TR** onto Fox Burrows Lane/**NCN** towards Chelmsford
- <u>22.6</u> **LHF** onto single track **FP**. Exit left by bridge \rightarrow <u>22.8</u> **TR** onto Saffron Trail (retrace route)
- 23.3 **SA** through Admirals Park (Death Valley in Parkrun!)
- 23.8 **UH** on shared path to gate. Cross at traffic lights then **TL** to Black Bull to finish in beer garden! *Land Shark Running Strava segment! [...see 16.2]



