



# Modern Pentathlon Varsity Match 2010

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Dear Modern Pentathlon Varsity Match Supporter,

It's this time of year again! As you may already be aware, the 2010 Modern Pentathlon Varsity Match will be held at Tonbridge School, Kent, on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> March. We do hope that you can join us?

Once again we are delighted to be able to run the competition at Tonbridge School, by kind permission of the Headmaster, Mr. T.H.P Haynes. It will be here that the fencing and swimming phases as well as the exciting all-new 'combined event' will run, all in the brand new Sports Complex. To align with the Olympics, the Running and Shooting events of VM10 will be combined in a new format, designed to test competitor's physical and mental abilities in a new – and spectator friendly – way. The riding phase will return to its 2008 venue of Duckhurst Farm in Staplehurst.

The Old Blues of each club and the other supporters of Modern Pentathlon have always made the Varsity Match a unique and inspiring event. We would be proud to welcome all supporters both to the competition and to the Varsity Match Dinner on Saturday evening.

Please see below for a timetable for the two days, and directions to the competition venues.

If you would like any more information about the competition, please contact either of us on the details given below.

If you intend to attend the dinner, and/or wish for a room to be reserved for you at Tonbridge School, please email Emma.

Best wishes, and really hope to see you there,  
Ben and Emma

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## Timetable

### Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March

- 09.30 Teams arrive at **Tonbridge School Sports Centre**.
- 10.00 Welcome and Introductions, **Sports Centre Classroom**.  
Fencing in **Sports Centre**
- 11.00 Fencing warm up – Ladies (briefing at 11:25)
- 11.30 Fencing –Ladies
- 12.30 Buffet Lunch (until 14.00) available in **Sports Centre**
- 14.00 Fencing warm up – Gentlemen (briefing at 14:25)
- 14.30 Fencing – Gentlemen
- 17.00 Athletes move into **School House** (Please note that Athletes are not to enter School House before this time. After unloading kit, all cars to be left in sports centre car park.)
- 17.30 Dinner (until 18:30) in **School House**
- 18.15 Draw for riding phase & combined event briefing in **School House**
- 19.30 First swimming warm up – Ladies and Reserves
- 19.50 Reserves' swimming (three heats of four)
- 20.10 Ladies' swimming (three heats of four)
- 20.30 Second swimming warm up – Gentlemen
- 20.50 Gentlemen's swimming (three heats of four)
- 21.10 Old Blues Biathlon Challenge – swimming

### Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> March

- 07.00 Breakfast (to 07.30)
- 07.30 Teams depart Tonbridge for Duckhurst Farm Equestrian Centre
- 08.10 Demonstration of horses
- 09.00 Walk riding course
- 09.20 First rider begins warm-up
- 09.40 First competition round commences
- 11.30 Return to Tonbridge School
- 12.30 Varsity Match Guest Lunch in **School House**
- 13:15 *Combined Event Officials' Briefing in Sports Centre Main Hall*
- 13.40 Reserves combined event at **Sports Centre**
- 14.30 Ladies combined event
- 15.10 Old Blues Challenge
- 15.30 Gentlemen's combined event
- 16.45 Tea and presentations in **School House**
- 19.30 Varsity Match Dinner (at the **Orchard Centre**, for 20.00)

### Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March

- 08.00 Breakfast (to 10.00)
- 10.00 Depart Tonbridge

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## Directions and Maps

### Venues

As there is no parking at School House, **car parking for the Varsity Match will be in the sports centre car park.**

### Local Accommodation for Athletes' Friends and Families

There are various hotels close to Tonbridge School which should be able to provide accommodation for Varsity Match competitors' families and supporters.

### Athlete's Accommodation

The teams will be accommodated in School House at Tonbridge School. The fencing, swimming and combined event phases will be held within the School's new sports complex. Riding is at Duckhurst Farm Equestrian Centre, near Staplehurst, which is about 40 minutes drive from Tonbridge.

## School House, Tonbridge School, London Road, Tonbridge, Kent

Postcode: TN10 3AD (Sports Centre/School House)

Tonbridge is located just to the east of the A21 (which is a dual carriageway at this point) a few miles south of the M25 (junction 5).

NB. Please use all instructions in conjunction with a detailed road atlas!

***Approaching from the north*** on the A21, take the B245 to Tonbridge (north), sign posted to Hildenborough. Drive for a few miles into and through Hildenborough village. Approaching Tonbridge, there is a slight dip in the road and a hotel called 'The Langley Hotel' on the left. The road is still the B245 and is now called London Road. Going up the slight hill beyond the Langley Hotel there is an entrance into the school grounds on the right, along a concrete road, which leads to the sports complex, we would politely request that all cars are parked here. Approximately 100 yards beyond this entrance, School House, a large, modern brick building, is on the right, vehicular access to School House is limited to loading and unloading only. A further 100 yards beyond School House, there is another entrance on the right into the main school grounds.

***Approaching from the south*** on the A21, turn towards Tonbridge and drive through Tonbridge town centre. The main buildings of Tonbridge School are just beyond the main part of the High Street. Go past the school and take the first turning, which slips off to the left and is called London Road and is signposted as the B245 towards Hildenborough. After approximately 100 yards there is an entrance on the left into the main school grounds which you should drive past. Approximately 100 yards beyond this entrance, School House, a large, modern brick building, is on the left. A further 100 yards beyond School House, there is another entrance on the left, along a concrete road into the school sports centre.

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### Duckhurst Farm Equestrian Centre, Clapper Lane, near Staplehurst, Kent

Postcode: TN12 0JW

*Approaching from the north*, take the A229 south through Maidstone from the M20 (J6) or M2 (J3). Approximately a couple of miles north of Staplehurst, take a turning on the right called Clapper Lane. Duckhurst Farm is 0.8 mile along Clapper Lane on the right.

*Approaching from the south*, take the A229 to Staplehurst. Approximately a couple of miles north of Staplehurst, take a turning on the left called Clapper Lane. Duckhurst Farm 0.8 mile along Clapper Lane on the right.

*From Tonbridge*, the quickest route to Duckhurst Farm is probably to head south on the A21 and then to take the A262 east to meet the A229 a few miles south of Staplehurst (then following the “approach from the south” directions above). It is important when leaving Tonbridge to turn left at the end of the High Street, after passing Tonbridge Station, into Pembury Road (A26) and NOT to follow straight on into Quarry Hill Road (also A26), as access onto the A21 is restricted in the desired direction at this junction.

Alternatively, it is possible to take the A26 north from Tonbridge towards Maidstone and to take the B2163 to cut across to the A229 a few miles north of Staplehurst.

Travelling back from Duckhurst Farm to Tonbridge will take a little longer than travelling to Duckhurst Farm because there will be a lot of traffic in and around Tonbridge on Saturday lunchtime.

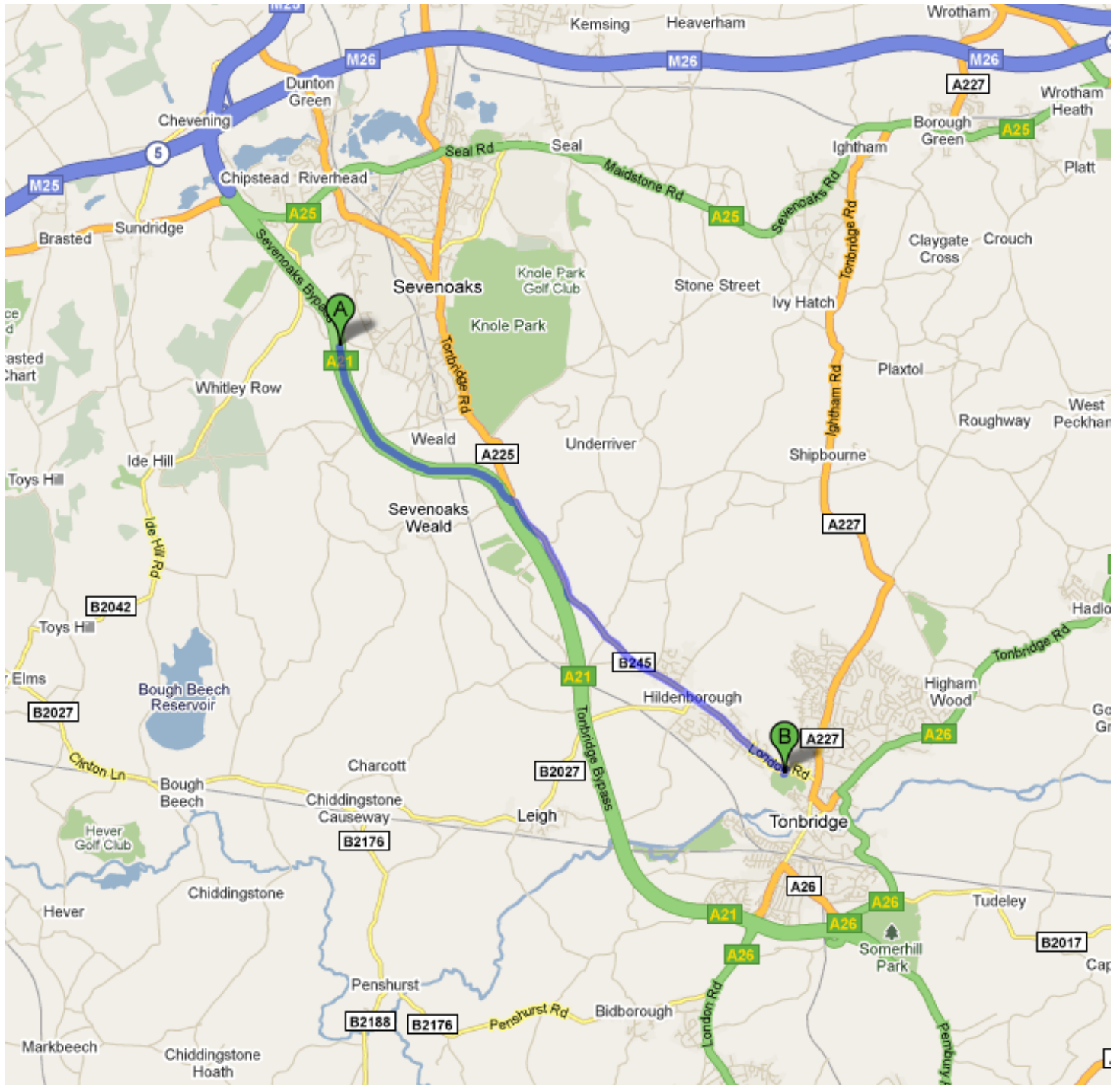




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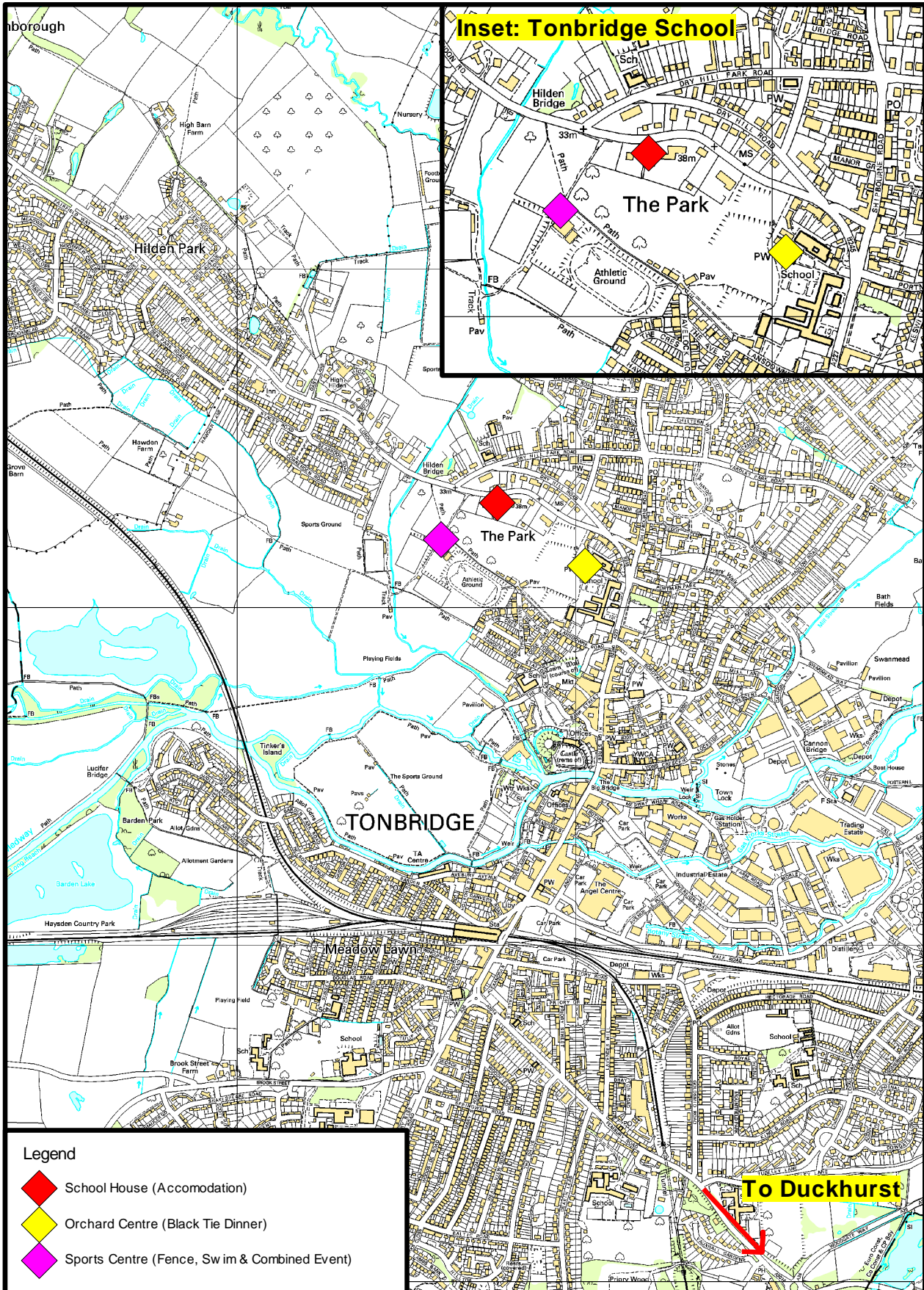
### *Approach to Tonbridge School from the North*



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### Tonbridge School and immediate surroundings



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