Preview: Cyclocross at Callendar Park

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The 2014 Ridley Scottish Cyclocross Series kicks off in style in Falkirk, with the backdrop of the 14th century mansion at its centre, Callendar House.

Success from the 2013 series is expected to carry on with over 350 riders already pre-entered for the inaugural event with even more expected to enter on the line.

The Callendar Park event, now in its third year, has in the past attracted riders such as Grant Ferguson, Commonwealth Games athlete and all round British mountain bike legend, and with the tradition of such company the start list this year is of equal calibre.

Race organiser David Lines told The Edinburgh Reporter that the course will be suited to those riders not only adept at off-roading, but also those who have major success in road racing. He said:

"The course is really dry, fast and flowing with a few technical and off camber sections to test people out."

"On this type of course I expect the likes of Rab Wardell (Orange Monkey Pro Team) (photographed on the right above) and James McCallum (NFTO Pro Cycling, ex-British Criterium Champion) to be the men to watch."

Head along to Callendar Park where there promises to be exciting racing all throughout the day, beginning with the under-8's at 9.50am all the way to the main event of the senior males at 2.00pm.