



HERTFORDSHIRE ORIENTEERING CLUB

The ACE OF HERTS event at Northaw Great Wood



Sunday 22nd January 2011

A Ranking Event (Level C) & SE League Event

FINAL DETAILS

Parking at Tolmer's Wood Scout Camp, Cuffley, signed off B156. [TL 299 037](tel:01923299037). Postcode [EN6 4JS](http://www.postcodes.co.uk/EN64JS).

Car Park £1.

SI punching.

Start and Finish 1.5 km from car park and 300m apart. Juniors under 12 should be accompanied.

Clothing dump at Finish (just off route to start).

Beware competitors when driving into Scout Camp.

Enquiries, Entries & Toilets at Car Park (Tolmer's Wood Scout Camp).

Control Description available in Start Lanes.

Ultrasport attending

Directions: From M25, Junction 25 is easiest, take A10 north and pick up signs to Cuffley (Left) at 1st roundabout. From North Junction 3 of A1(M) then take the A1001/A1000, and then the B157 to Cuffley. The event is at the end of Tolmers Road, signed off the B156, Station Road (Tolmer's Lane is adjacent to West Side of Railway). Car Parking £1

Map: 1:10,000. 5m contours.

Terrain: Runnable deciduous woodland on a north facing slope, incised by three valleys. There are some areas of bracken, but the area is mapped for a winter event and only the few extensive areas of brambles are marked as undergrowth. Rootstocks are not mapped.

Control Descriptions: Loose Description sheets will be available in Start Lanes.

Safety:

- Carrying a whistle is advised.
- If lost, following a safety bearing of south will bring you onto the public road forming the southern boundary of the mapped area. Then go east to a road junction to find the Start, Finish and the route back to the car park, which are all off the road at the eastern edge of the map.
- For competitors travelling on their own, car keys can be left at Download (in Car Park).
- This is a public area. Take care when near walkers, cyclists and horse riders.
- Green, Blue, Short Brown and Brown, see planner's note on single strand wire fence.

Late Entry: Late entry available until the 7pm of the Friday before the event (20th January), subject to map stocks. Preferably enter on line at www.Fabian4.co.uk. If necessary, contact S. Marsden, 24 Glen Way, Watford, Herts, WD17 3JL. Email: entries-22-01-12@happyherts.org.uk Telephone: 01923 225197. Start times available via the HH website - www.happyherts.org.uk and from www.Fabian4.co.uk. Fees: Seniors: National BO & SEOA Local BO members £8 (£10 for others) Juniors & Students: £4

Entry on the Day: EOD will be available at the Car Park, subject to map stocks (a healthy number of spares have been printed). Fees: Seniors: National BO & SEOA Local BO members £9 (£10 for others) Juniors & Students: £5

Enquiries, Entry and Download: All located in the classroom on the south eastern edge of car park at Tolmer's Wood Scout Camp.

Toilets: At Tolmer's Wood Scout Camp, just off the entrance road at the south of the car park.

SI Punching: Collect pre-booked SI cards from Enquiries / Entries in Car Park. Lost cards £28. If an SI unit fails to flash and beep, please punch your map using the pin punch on the stake.

Times: Start times from 10.30 to 12.30. Courses close at 14.30. You must report to Download even if you retire.

Start: The route to the Start (about 1.5 km - allow 20 minutes) is shown by red and white tape from the entrance to the car park. The route goes along paths through Home Wood and then along the side of Carbone Hill. The latter is a fairly busy road so keep to the grass verge and only cross at the marshalled road crossing. Juniors under 12 should not take the route unaccompanied. The route then goes through an alley between houses to enter the wood; please treat local residents with respect. Clothing may be left at your own risk by the finish, just off the route from the start and 300m from start. Go straight to the start unless you need to enter or collect an SI card. Clear station at the Start. A punching start will operate. Competitors will be allocated a start time, priority will be given to people at their allocated start time but late (or early) competitors may start when there is a gap and at the discretion of the start officials.

Finish: Punch at the Finish. Follow tapes back to car park. Don't forget to Download.

Courses: The courses available are summarised in the following table.

Course	Class for SE Long Distance Championships & SE League	Length (km)	Climb (m)	Maps
White	-	1.8	25	1:10k, A4
Yellow	M10, W10	2.5	45	1:10k, A4
Orange	M12, W12	2.8	70	1:10k, A4
Light Green	M14, W14	3.6	80	1:10k, A4
Short Green	M75, M80, W65, W70, W75, W80	3.9	100	1:10k, A4
Green	M70, W16, W55, W60	4.7	120	1:10k, A4
Short Blue	M65, W45, W50	5.4	125	1:10k, A4
Blue	M16, M55, M60, W18, W20, W35, W40	6.6	165	1:10k, A4
Short Brown	M18, M20, M45, M50, W21	8.4	210	1:10k, A4, Double sided
Brown	M35, M40, M21	9.9	240	1:10k, A4, Double sided

Planner's Notes:

Forestry work is taking place in part of the area. This is mostly clearance of rhododendrons and thinning of trees, particularly adjacent to tracks and paths. There may be new vehicle tracks and some changes to the mapped vegetation.

Light Green and longer courses only

There is an outdoor pursuits centre in the north east of the area. Some courses pass near to an area of outdoor equipment. This area is marked out of bounds on the map but is not taped or fenced on the ground. Do not pass through it. There are instances of structures and ropes elsewhere in the camp area, most of which are fairly visible. Take care.

For simplicity, notice boards, seats, tables and other small structures in this area are not marked on the map.

Green and longer courses only

There is a single strand wire fence running north-south in the west of the area. This is marked on the map and is tagged at intervals with red & white and yellow tape. Take great care because the wire can be at neck height.

Maps and Control Descriptions

Short Brown and Brown courses are shown by 2 separate overprints, printed back-to-back. Simply turn over your map when you reach the 'changeover control' (which appears on both sides). Control descriptions are also split between the 2 sides of the map.

All other courses have a single overprint with pictorial control descriptions printed on the front of the map. These obscure some of the Legend on all courses except White, Yellow and Orange. There are no special symbols used on the map.

Loose control descriptions (textual for White and Yellow) are available at the Start.

Facilities: Toilets, Ultrasport, Squash

First Aid: A club member qualified in first aid will be present at the Finish. There will also be a first aid kit and very probably a qualified club member at Entries / Download. Nearest A&E unit is at The QE2, Welwyn Garden City, AL7 4HQ, 01707 328101. Map available at Enquiries & Download.

Dogs: Permitted in the car park (on a lead) and on the route to start and finish. Not on courses as they cross the land of multiple owners not all with permission for dogs.

Officials: Organiser: Jacob Sharpe, Tel: 01223 426599, Email: northaw-22-01-12@happyherts.org.uk
Planner: Hedley Calderbank
Controller: Graham Louth (WAOC)

Late Changes or Cancellation: Please check www.happyherts.org.uk for any late changes or cancellation which will be updated by 4 pm on Saturday 21st January in the event of cancellation. Serious changes or notice of cancellation will also be sent to all e-mail addresses of entrants registered with Fabian4.

Conditions: Competitor details will be stored electronically. Submission of an entry form will confirm your agreement that the organising club may store this information in a database. In the event of cancellation, all or part of the entry fee may be retained to cover costs already incurred.

Competitors take part at their own risk