

SCHOOL ORIENTEERING NEWS

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Orienteering News for Schools and Youth Groups in Coventry, Warwickshire, Solihull, Daventry and Banbury

EXPERIENCE THE ACTIVE OUTDOOR NAVIGATION SPORT OF ORIENTEERING

With Octavian Droobers Orienteering Club

OCTAVIAN DROOBERS SCHOOL ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS

*For Coventry, Warwickshire, Solihull and Daventry
Schools**

**Saturday 14 March
Ryton Pools Country Park
10.30am until 12noon**

All pupils are welcome from Year 5 up to Year 13. These championships are aimed at introducing children to this adventure sport and for our junior club members. Beginners are especially welcome as help is available to all participants.

Come along with your classmates and families; fill in the entry form**, with name, school year and school name. There will be school team, individual boys and girls prizes and certificates to credit success.

Three categories:

Primary - Years 5 and 6

(pupils can run in pairs, NB junior club members in Years 4 and under can compete in this category)

Lower Secondary – Years 7, 8 & 9

Upper Secondary - Years 10, 11, 12 & 13

There will be 3 courses from approximately 1km to 3km: a very easy White, easy Yellow and a medium Orange.

Entry is £1 plus £1 for hire of electronic timer.

Full details on Octavian Droobers Orienteering Club website www.octavian-droobers.org

* includes schools outside this area where pupils are OD members and also includes pre registered youth groups ie scouts

** see website for entry form or contact inforschools@octavian-droobers.org

Date for your diary

West Midlands Schools Orienteering Championships

**Saturday 16 May
Hill Top, West Bromwich.
Organisers : COBOC
www.coboc.org.uk**

To prepare pupils to compete in school competitions we have a series of events where we welcome beginners to learn more about the sport. These are organised by Octavian Droobers around Warwickshire and the Midlands and are suitable for juniors, parents and teachers of all ages. No need to pre book, just turn up. If more than 6 please advise so we can offer the best support. Help is always available for beginners and specific training too, see website for details.

Next Events

Sunday 2 February, Hartshill Hayes C.Park, Nuneaton 10-12
Saturday 15 February, Everdon Stubbs Woods, nr Daventry,10-12
Saturday 22 February, Training*, Rough Close Scout Camp, Berkswell
Sunday 8 March, Junior competition, YBT Trophy**, near Bedford
Saturday 14 March, Ryton Pools C. Park,,inc Schools Champs 10-12.
Saturday 18 April, Brueton Park, Solihull, 10 - 12

Check website for final details re dates and venues, or contact 01926 632189. *Training activity at Rough Close Scout Camp 10.30 – 12noon for juniors and adult beginners needs to be pre-booked contact

coaching@octavian-droobers.org

** Contact Junior Co-ordinator kimberleylunn@yahoo.co.uk

Permanent Orienteering Courses

These are ideal for beginners to try out the sport of orienteering, maps, for easy, medium or long courses, can be downloaded for free from OD and British Orienteering website or purchased from visitor centres at:



Hartshill Hayes, Nuneaton
Ryton Pools Country Park, Bubbenhall
Kingsbury Water Park
Compton Verney, Warwickshire
Coombe Country Park
Pooley Fields Country Park
Jubilee Wood, Warwick
Draycote Water, near Dunchurch
Daventry Country Park (New)
St Nicholas' Park Warwick
Memorial Park, Coventry (New)



The British Schools Orienteering Association is a valuable resource for schools. The website gives much information about how to introduce the sport, useful teaching programmes, how to map your school, kit to purchase, upcoming championships, etc. Membership is FREE. www.bsoa.org

**National Schools Orienteering Championships
Diary Dates**

**Saturday 10 October British Schools Score Championships,
Shipley C.Pk, Heanor, Derbyshire**

**Sat14/Sun 15 November British Schools Orienteering
Championships and selection races for World Schools Event
Wormley Woods, Hertfordshire.**

Other useful contacts: inforschools@octavian-droobers.org
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