OCTAVIAN DROOBERS

The Orienteering Club for Warwickshire, Coventry & Solihull



Celebrating 50 years 1965-2015

Level B Event Bentley Wood, Atherstone, Warwickshire Sunday 22 March 2015

Travel: Bentley Wood is situated 3 miles south west of Atherstone, 12 miles north of Coventry. The easiest approach to the area is via the A5. From the roundabout at the western end of the A5 Atherstone bypass take the B4116 Merevale Lane heading south west, signposted towards Baxterley and Coleshill. Turn left at the T junction and left again after 200 metres onto the road named Twenty One Oaks. At the T junction turns left onto Coleshill Road. The entrance to the event car park and assembly is on the left after 500 metres. The nearest postcode is CV9 2HG, Grid ref SP291966.

There will be no signage to the event. Look out for the OD feather at the entrance to assembly.

The start will be 800 metres (10 minute walk) from the assembly area across a busy road which will be marshalled. Please take care crossing and follow the marshal's instructions. The finish for courses white to green will be 500m from assembly and the finish for courses short blue to black will be 100 metres from assembly.

There may be a late change to the parking/assembly location depending on weather conditions. This will involve a walk of 1.5km to the start and finish. Please see final details.

Entries: On line entry via <u>www.fabian4.co.uk</u>. The closing date is 15 March 2015. There will be limited entry on the day from 10am, subject to map availability.

Cost: Seniors £8 (Orange to Black course) Senior entries on White and Yellow £3 Juniors and full time students on all courses £3

Terrain: An undulating area of woodland consisting of coniferous plantations and areas of fine mature deciduous trees. The area is generally runnable. This is your last chance to orienteer on this delightful area before the Midlands Championships in March 2017.

Emit Punching: We will be using the Emit system. Emit card hire £1 via Fabian4. Hired Emits to be collected from enquiries before going to the start. Back up cards are recommended and are available at enquiries. Competitors with their own Emit cards who have pre-entered may go directly to the start.

Start times: Starts will be from 10.30am until 12.30pm. Courses close at 2.30pm. Start times will be allocated in 30 minute blocks after entries close on 15 March and will be published on the Fabian4 and OD website <u>www.octavian-droobers.org</u>.

Download: Will be in the assembly area. Please report to download even if you do not complete the course.

String Course: A free string course will be situated close to the assembly area.

Courses: White and Yellow course maps will be available to competitors at the start in advance (if required). Courses Short Blue to Black will have a 2 minute timed out road crossing which will be marshalled. Please follow the marshall's instructions. Courses available -

| Course | Distance (km) | Climb(m) | Controls |
|-------------|---------------|----------|----------|
| Black | 11.5 | 420 | 28 |
| Brown | 9.8 | 375 | 24 |
| Short Brown | 8.2 | 270 | 18 |
| Blue | 6.8 | 175 | 15 |
| Short Blue | 5.8 | 150 | 13 |
| Green | 4.5 | 160 | 13 |
| Short Green | 4.1 | 120 | 11 |
| Light Green | 3.6 | 115 | 12 |
| Orange | 2.9 | 90 | 11 |
| Yellow | 2.6 | 75 | 11 |
| White | 1.6 | 60 | 12 |

Control Descriptions: Will be printed on the map, loose descriptions on waterproof paper will be available in the start lanes. White and Yellow courses will have text descriptions; all other courses will use IOF symbols.

Map: By Bruce Bryant at a scale of 1:10,000 with 5 metres contours for all courses.

Results: Will be displayed near the download tent and on <u>www.octavian-droobers.org</u> after the event.

First Aid: Will be available at assembly. The nearest A & E Hospital is George Eliott Hospital, Nuneaton, CV10 7DJ, tel: 02476 351351 and is 8 miles from the event.

Safety: Competitors take part at their own risk and are responsible for their own safety. **Competitors are advised that whistles are compulsory and will be checked on the way to the start**. (Emergency signal is 6 short blasts). Full body cover is recommended. The wearing of waterproof jackets may be advised on the day depending upon weather conditions. THE SAFETY BEARING IS NW which will take you to the Coleshill Road or the estate road.

Traders: We are pleased that Ultra Sport and Podium Catering will be at the event.

Toilets: In assembly area.

Dogs: Are welcome but must be kept on a lead at all times.

Acknowledgements: We are grateful to Rod Duggleby and Celia Jones from the Merevale Estate for their assistance in staging this event.

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We hope you enjoy your run!