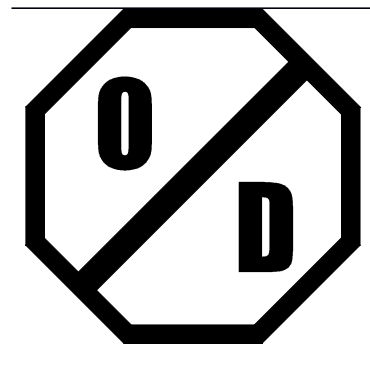


FINAL DETAILS

Regional Event

Bentley Wood, Warwickshire

Sunday 22nd April 2012



Planner: Janet Richardson. **Controller:** Andy Yeates (WCH).
Organiser: Sue Hallett. s.hallett@coventry.ac.uk 01926 334982.

Venue: Bentley Wood. 3 miles south west of Atherstone, 12 miles north of Coventry. Map reference SP 291966 on sheet 140.

We are grateful to The Merevale Estate for allowing us access to this idyll of Warwickshire.

Travel Directions: Please approach from B4116 to avoid the one way system in Atherstone and a right turn into Merevale Estate. The event will be signed from the A5 at the roundabout at the western end of the Atherstone bypass. Take the B4116 heading south, signposted towards Baxterley and Coleshill. After two miles turn left, left, and left again towards Atherstone. The entrance to Merevale Estate is then 400 yards on the left.

Parking: Please follow signage and instruction by marshals.
There will be a £1 parking charge.

Dogs: Dogs allowed in the car park only, but must be kept on a lead at all times.

Electronic Punching System: The EMIT system will be in use.

Entries on the Day:

All courses available until the overprinted maps run out.

Cost : National British Orienteering Members, and Local West Midlands Members £8.00;
Local Members of other Regions and all non-BOF members £10.00; All Juniors £4.00.
EMIT card hire: £1.00.

Hired EMIT Cards

Please collect hired EMIT cards from tent – they will be held under the first name/contact name on entry form.

Start Blocks

We are allocating start times, but are using start blocks.

If you have pre-entered you will be given a time that is the start of one of the following blocks: please try to arrive at the Start for the allocated block. The start blocks are:-

10:30 to 10:45
10:45 to 11:15
11:15 to 11:45
11:45 to 12:15
12:15 to 12:30

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

Terrain

Bentley is a privately owned wood on the Merevale Estate with a mixture of broad-leaved woodland and coniferous plantation. There is steep sided valley that includes an SSSI which is out of bounds (marked on map and taped on the ground). The whole area is extremely runnable with little underfoot to impede progress; the muntjac have done a good job in munching much of the bramble.

Courses Details

Course	Length	Climb	Controls
Black	11.7 Km	370m	28 Controls
Brown	9.8 Km	325m	22 Controls
Blue	6.9 Km	220m	18 Controls
Short Blue	5.4 Km	165m	16 Controls
Green	4.3 Km	130m	11 Controls
Short Green	3.7 Km	135m	14 Controls
Light Green	3.6 Km	130m	12 Controls
Orange	3.1 Km	105m	12 Controls
Yellow	2.6 Km	85m	10 Controls
White	1.5 Km	65m	11 Controls

Mandatory Road Crossing:

Courses Short Blue, Blue, Brown and Black have a mandatory road crossing point. This will be manned. You will have a 3 minute time allowance for the road crossing after punching the control at the gate leading onto the road. After crossing the road there is a 160m stretch along the pavement on the north side of the road before punching the control leading back into the forest.

Other than the route of the road crossing, all roads are Out of Bounds.

Start:

All courses use the same Start which is approximately 450 metres from Assembly. The route follows the access road which will be in use by competitors arriving/departing the event. Take care. It also crosses the B4116 via a manned crossing point. Follow the marshal's instructions. Once you have crossed the road please follow the tapes round the edge of the field and on to the forest road.

Finish:

The Finish for Courses White to Green inclusive is approximately 650 metres from Assembly, on the same side of the road as the Start. Follow the taped route through the woods back to the manned road crossing and follow the marshal's instructions to cross the road and return to Assembly. Do not attempt to walk along the road, or re-enter Assembly other than by the access road.

Courses Short Blue to Black finish north of the road approximately 300 metres from Assembly.

Fence Crossing

Black, Brown and Blue courses cross a wire fence with barbed wire top in Merevale Park. Use the marked crossing points.

Taped Route:

There is a taped route on the White course. Please would those responsible for juniors on the White course make sure that they are aware of this.

Stream Crossing:

The Orange course crosses a stream via a marked crossing point. This is a railway sleeper bridge and may be slippery. Take care on the bridge.

Control descriptions:

Control descriptions are on the map and available loose in the start lane.

Download: Please remember to go to download which will be located on way back to parking after crossing back over the road.

Other Facilities:

Radio-O

There is a Radio-O event happening at the same time as the main event. They will be starting and finishing in the same location as the main event. You may stumble across one of their controls in the woods but you should not be confused as they are using SI rather than Emit.

There will be a registration tent in the assembly area if you fancy a go. They are running two events and suggest that the shorter, afternoon event, would be a good introduction especially for those exhausted by their earlier efforts.

UltraSport will be in attendance to cater or your orienteering equipment needs.

Podium Catering will be in attendance to satisfy your hunger.

Toilets provided by Space Mobiles. www.spacemobiles.co.uk

First Aid kits will be at Enquiries, Start and Download.

Accident and Emergency Departments (maps at enquiries)

East	George Eliot Hospital, College Street, NUNEATON . CV10 7DJ.	024 7635 1351	5.8 miles
West	Hope Hospital, Rectory Road, SUTTON COLDFIELD . B75 7RR.	0121 378 2211	10.2 miles
South	University Hospital, Clifford Bridge Road, COVENTRY . CV2 2DX.	024 7660 2020	11.7 miles

Other points to note:

- The bluebells are out – admire them but do not forget they can be very slippery.
- All roads are out of bounds except at mandatory road crossings.
- Full leg cover and whistles required as designated by BO and WMOA

- **There is an Open Garden event at Merevale Hall in a few weeks time.**

Date is Sunday 6th May 2012 from 2pm to 6pm.

Entrance to park is on the A5 at Merevale Lane between 2 single storey gatehouses. Garden 1 mile up the drive.

Home made teas available!

Entrance for Charity - £5.

Garden description: Good mixture of formal and wilderness over 29 acres, including a parterre by Nesfield, stumpery, bog garden and walled garden. In May it is a riot of bluebells, azaleas and rhododendrons.

A chance to see some of the bits that are out of bounds on the O map.