

OCTAVIAN DROOBERS

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Local event: Borough Hill, Daventry

Wednesday, 23 June 2021, starts 18:00-19:15

COVID safety:

This event is being run using the British Orienteering Covid-Secure Guidelines. You must not attend if:

- You are unwell with a cough, fever, or other Covid-19 symptoms
- You have been in close contact with a suspected or confirmed case of Covid-19 during the prescribed quarantine period, even if they are completely symptom free
- You have returned from any overseas country and consequently are in a self-quarantine period even if you are completely Covid symptom free
- You are undergoing Covid testing for suspected Coronavirus
- You have been advised by a health professional not to

If you cannot attend for any of the above reasons, you will be given a full refund of your entry fee. Please contact the organiser.

Of course, if you have symptoms that would be consistent with a Covid 19 infection, **you must not attend**.

Try to stay at least 2m away from other competitors and members of the public. Avoiding potential exposure to COVID is more important than saving a few seconds. This includes in the car park, at the start, whilst on the course, at the finish and at download.

- Be courteous to members of the public as you run around the area
- If you can avoid touching the SI boxes when punching, then please do so.
- Move away from controls after punching, and away from the finish area after punching the finish.

Location:

Borough Hill, Daventry, NN11 4NB.

Grid reference of the entrance to the car park: SP 585621

What3Words: ///workshop.probing.windpipe

<https://www.streetmap.co.uk/map?x=458540&y=262100&z=0&sv=SP585621&st=5&mapp=map&searchp=ids>

Car parking:

Parking is free (36 spaces available). If the car park is full, please park carefully on the road.

Entries:

This is a pre-entry event only and the entries are now closed. No entries on the day.

Facilities:

There will be no enquiries tent. If you have a query, please ask at the start.

There are no toilets.

Start times:

Start blocks are as chosen by the competitors and are published on Fabian4. Please try to keep to your chosen start block but early or late starts should not be a problem. If the start appears to be busy, please come back in a few minutes!

Courses:

Short: 2.2km, 30m climb, 8 controls. SI / SIAC punching.

Medium: 4.2km, 75m climb, 16 controls SI / SIAC punching.

Any controls not shared with the Short course will have no banners so although technically TD4 much of this course will offer a similar technical challenge to the Technical courses.

The Technical course is actually 2 separate courses printed back-to-back on an A4 map.

Tech1: 2.7km, 55m climb, 14 controls MapRun / GPS punching

Tech2: 3.9km, 60m climb, 17 controls MapRun / GPS punching

You can run either Tech course - designed to be a Short or Medium course - or both if you want a Long course (6.6km, 115m, 31 controls) with the start for the second course near to the finish of the first (whichever order you choose to run the courses).

For MapRun on a phone it is recommended to use MapRun6 although the older MapRunF will still work. If you don't want to run with a phone and you have a Garmin Smartwatch you can use MapRunG. Any other GPS enabled watch should be able to record a GPX track which can be uploaded afterwards, to get a valid result. The long course has a double-sided map.

Start, finish and download:

The Short / Medium Start and MapRun map issue is at the S end of the carpark. The finishes for all the courses are close to the carpark. Download for the SI courses will be in the carpark.

Map:

1:7500, 5m contour interval, A4.

Updated October 2020 by Bruce Bryant.

The map has many special symbols to represent the bases of the old radio station masts that covered much of the hill top. <https://www.od.routegadget.co.uk/rq2/#75> is the map as used last Autumn and has a full legend that you can study.

Terrain:

Mainly rough open hill top. As it is mid-summer the grass is long in places and there are some nettles and thistles. The worst areas have been avoided but leg covering should be considered essential. No shorts!

There are no cattle on the hill at the moment.

Control descriptions:

Will be printed on the map. There will be no loose control descriptions at the start, but they can be downloaded from the OD website and printed in advance.

Note that on the control descriptions the small flat concrete bases are described as "Boulder, Low". Raised anchor points are described as "Boulders".

SI Timing:

SI electronic punching system will be used for the Short and Medium courses. Contactless punching will be enabled, but the start and the finish must be punched. Splits will be provided at download. Results will be uploaded to the OD website after the event.

MapRun / GPS Punching:

The **Tech** courses are being run with MapRun / GPS punching. MapRunF is supported but ideally you should use MapRun6. The courses are to be found on MapRun under:

UK, then **Coventry and Warwickshire** and then **Summer Series 2021**.

- **SS21 23 06 21 BoroughHill Tech1**
- **SS21 23 06 21 BoroughHill Tech2**

If you are using MapRun6 you can use the *MapRunLinks* below to directly download & open the correct course ready for "Go to Start". The PIN will still need to be entered to display the course when ready to start.

Tech1 <https://p.fne.com.au/openevent/?id=15806&auth=947281>

Tech2 <https://p.fne.com.au/openevent/?id=15807&auth=578713>

You can also choose to run without carrying your smartphone:

- If you have a supported Garmin smartwatch you can use MapRunG – download the event in the normal way on your phone (or use the *MapRunLink* above) and instead of "Go to Start", tap "Send Event to my Garmin Watch". Then start the MapRunG App on the watch which should automatically fetch the event selected on your phone. You should confirm that the event is the correct one. A PIN should not be needed for this if you have MapRun6 and you should be able to do this at home. With MapRunF you'll need a PIN which you will need to get from the map issued at the start.
- You can use any GPS enabled watch to time yourself around the course and then with the GPX track from your watch upload a result to MapRun when you get home. https://console.maprun.net/#/gps_track_upload_url If you have problems, please email your GPX track to Bruce Bryant who can upload it for you!
- You can just run and time yourself but you won't get an official result.

With either of the last 2 options you will have no indication - at the time - that you have been at the correct control site.

Tech courses: Start Procedure:

On arrival at the Start, tell us you are here so that we can cross you off our list and know that you will be starting. Please let the start official know if you are intending to run without using MapRun. You will be issued with a double-sided map with both courses. Printed clearly on each map is the course PIN that you will need to enter into MapRun

- If using the MapRun app, when you are ready to start, you should click 'Go to Start' on the app and enter the PIN from the map. Once you have confirmed that you have a good GPS signal you can then proceed to the relevant start triangle and go once it registers the start.
- If using MapRunG, with the first course loaded, start the timing and go via the start triangle which should register a "punch". Note that if doing both courses, after completing the first course you will need to return to your phone, get a result for that course and then download the second course and send it to your watch.
- If using a GPS watch just take the map, start the timing and go via the start triangle. If you run more than one course, remember to stop the timing between the courses so that they record as separate GPS tracks for later upload to MapRun!

Safety:

You must report to the SI download even if you retire.

If doing the Tech courses, after you have finished running you must report back so that we can check you off the start list.

Competitors run at their own risk and are responsible for their own safety.

If you have a medical condition that you think the organisers should be aware of, you can leave a note with the organisers that will be destroyed after the event.

Please be careful when in vicinity of other users and show consideration of them - for your own and their safety and out of courtesy.

First Aid:

There will be a First Aid Kit at download.

The Nearest A&E is at Northampton General Hospital NHS Trust, Cliftonville, Northampton, NN1 5BD

A printed map will be available.

Organiser / Planner:

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