



OCTAVIAN DROOBERS

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The Orienteering Club for
Warwickshire and Coventry

Affiliated to British Orienteering

West Midlands League Event & WM Champs Bentley Woods South Sunday 2nd April 2023

Travel: Accessed from the A5 /B4116 roundabout at the end of the Atherstone Bypass. Travel SW on the B4116, turning left and then after 200m on to Twenty-One Oaks. At the next T junction turn left again and then after 500m turn into the estate road and follow the marshal's instructions to the parking. Take care at the entrance as competitors will be crossing the road here. **Please do not approach from the NE through Atherstone.**

**Car Park:
(entrance)** Nearest postcode CV92HF. OS Map reference SP 290966
What3words: /// autumn.chained.udder
Streetmap: <http://www.streetmap.co.uk/map?x=429098&y=296637>

Parking: Please park as directed. Travel at low speed on the estate roads Unfortunately, there is no suitable parking for camper vans.

Pre-Entry: Pre-entry via Fabian4 until midnight on Sunday 26th March.
Seniors £10 (non-BOF Seniors £12), Juniors (including full-time students) £2, SI card hire (Non SIAC) £1
These Fabian4 pre-entries will be used to set the number of maps to send for printing on Monday 27th March.

A limited number of maps will be available for Late pre-entry until Friday 31st March. Late entry fees: Seniors £11 (non-BOF Seniors £13), Juniors (including full-time students) £3, SI card hire (Non SIAC) £1

To be eligible for the West Midlands Championships please enter the correct course: <https://wmoa.org.uk/wp/wm-championships-rules/>

SI (SIAC enabled) punching will be used. SIAC users will still need to punch the start and finish.

SI (non-SIAC) cards will be available for hire if you don't have your own for £1. If you lose a hired SI-card there will be a charge of up to £52 for a lost card.

Entry on the day: **EOD fees:** Seniors £12 (non-BOF Seniors £14), Juniors (including full-time students) £4, SI card hire (Non SIAC) £1

EOD registration 10:00 to 11:30 by cash or card.

White and Yellow courses will be available for EOD. **Limited EOD for other courses will be subject to availability of spare maps.** If you haven't pre-entered for one of the WML / Championship courses you might be lucky but do not expect to get an EOD run!

Start: Start times from 10.30 to 12.30.

The route to the Start is approx. 700m / 20m climb, allow 15 mins walk. The route to the start exits via the vehicle entrance, take care and cross the road on the marshal's instructions. This road has some fast-moving traffic. Back from the finish is 400m by the same route. You can leave clothing at the finish which is close to the route to the start. Once again, take care returning from the finish and obey the marshal's instructions crossing the road.

Start times or start blocks are not being used - start as you wish - forming a queue if your course is busy. Choose an early start if you think you may be a long time.

Courses close 14:30.

Pre-start at -4, control descriptions at -3, blank maps at -2. Punching start and finish.

White and yellow maps will be available before the pre-start at the start

Courses:

Course	Distance	Climb	Controls	Descriptions
1 Brown	10.0km	250m	26c	Pictorial (Double-sided map)
2 Blue	7.4km	140m	21c	Pictorial (Double-sided map)
3 Green	5.0km	125m	17c	Pictorial
4 Short Green	3.3km	85m	13c	Pictorial
5 Light Green	3.7km	160m	14c	Pictorial
6 Orange	3.2km	105m	10c	Pictorial & Text
7 Yellow	2.4km	70m	12c	Text
8 White	1.7km	40m	10c	Text

Loose control descriptions will be available in the start lanes. To reduce litter, they will not be available for White or Yellow courses but are available [here](#) if anyone wants them.

Terrain:

Mature deciduous and coniferous woodland with good contour detail. Most of the map is very runnable but, in a few areas, there are brambles so additional leg protection is advised. Some steep-sided valleys are slippery - especially when wet - please take care. There are unmapped remains of a couple of old pheasant pens. The remains of the fences pose a trip hazard. There is an Out of Bounds SSSI in the steep-sided valley in the middle of the area - it is marked with the usual OOB purple cross-hatch - please keep out of this area.

Map:

Scale: 1:10000 with 5m contours. ISOM 2017-2 map by Bruce Bryant with LiDAR-based significant revisions in 2023. SRA4 size printed on waterproof paper by Hassall and Lucking. The map only has a minimal legend but full legends will be available at enquiries and will also be displayed at the start. The previous 2019 map can be viewed on OD Routegadget [here](#).

- Download:** Is at assembly. **You must download even if you have not completed your course.**
- Results:** Live results on the day [here](#) on the OD website results page
- Toilets:** Portaloos will be provided for your use at assembly. Please do not endanger future use of the area by “going” anywhere else.
- Shop:** Compasspoint will be present, please shop with them...
- Cakes:** West Midlands Junior Squad is fund raising with a cake stall, definitely buy some of their excellent produce.
- Dogs:** This a shooting estate, dogs are NOT allowed in the competition area but are allowed in the assembly area on leads. Please clear up after them.
- Prize Giving:** There will be a brief prize giving of Junior WM trophies as soon as possible after the relevant competitors have finished. Seniors just reflect on your success!
- Bad Weather:** In the event of possible cancellation due to bad weather please check on the OD website.
- Waterproof tops:** Whilst it is unlikely that competitors will be required to wear a cagoule or similar waterproof top, please make sure you bring one with you to the event, just in case.
- Medical conditions:** If you have a high risk medical condition you want the organisers to be aware of please download and complete [this form](#) and place it in a sealed envelope with your name on it. This can be left at registration. Envelopes will only be opened if required for a medical emergency. Unopened envelopes should be collected after the event. Any unclaimed envelopes will be destroyed after the event.
- Photography:** British Orienteering has an agreed national guidance policy on the taking of photographs at events. If you are unsure about agreed acceptable practise, please speak to the event organiser.
- Safety:** A risk assessment has been carried out and will available at assembly. Participants take part at their own risk and are responsible for their own safety during the event. Emergency number on the day is 07834 548035 and is also printed on the maps. **Full leg cover is compulsory.** **Whistles must be carried and will be checked.** Cagoules may be required in case of severe bad weather First aid and details of the nearest A&E hospital will be available in the assembly area. There are two bridleways and one public path crossing the area. Please show respect to the public and take care around horses and dog walkers. Note this is a private woodland and you are only permitted to be in the area for this event. This is OD’s best area - with sympathetic landowners - we do not want to lose the area through misuse. No access at any other time.
- COVID:** Do not come if you have any symptoms of COVID or suspect you may have it

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Controller: Richard Lewis (WRE)

Cancellation: Octavian Droobers reserve the right to retain part or all of pre-entry fees to cover costs.

Your Data: Octavian Droobers will only use the data supplied to Fabian4 and entered on the Entry on the Day form to process your entry, results and to trace missing runners or hired SI cards. You agree that we may publish your Personal Information as part of the results of the Event and may pass such information to the governing body or any affiliated organisation for the purpose of insurance or for publishing results either for the event alone or combined with or compared to other events. Results may include (but not be limited to) name, any club affiliation, race times and age group.