



Orienteering on Cannock Chase

West Midlands League Event 5 Sunday 3rd March 2019 Badgerslade, Cannock Chase

Directions to event: Competition area is located on the West side of Cannock Chase.
Parking at Bednall Head Farm, nearest post code ST17 0SG. Accessed from the A34 approximately mid-way between Stafford and Cannock.

Parking: Flat, grassy field with good access.

Courses:

Course	Distance	Climb	Controls
White	1.4km	30m	11
Yellow	2.3km	70m	12
Orange	2.8km	75m	11
Light Green	3.6km	100m	11
Short Green	3.4km	90m	14
Green	4.5km	100m	12
Blue	6.7km	180m	18
Brown	8.2km	190m	19

Above details subject to final controlling.

Assembly: Assembly area is in the same field as the parking.

Registration: 10:00 to 12:00

Start: Approx. 100m from the assembly area
Starts available from 10:30 to 12:30

Finish: Approx. 400m from the assembly area.
Please note that the route from the finish uses a footpath by the A34. This is a busy road and competitors are reminded to take care. Also, please be aware of cars exiting the parking field as you return.

Courses close at 14:30.

Entry Fees: Seniors: £10 (less £2 for current BOF members)
Juniors: £3
SI Hire: Free

Type of punching: Sport-Ident (SI) Electronic
SIAC Enabled

Map: 1 : 10,000
5m contours

Dogs: Any dogs to be strictly on a lead at **all times** please. We are using a farmer's field for parking / assembly, so please clean up after your dog. Thank you.



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Safety:

- WHISTLES ARE COMPULSORY. No whistle, no go.
- Basic first aid will be available at assembly.
- There are roads around the perimeter of the area. No courses will cross any roads, and roads are to be considered out of bounds during the event.
- In the event of inclement weather, the organiser may require a cagoule to be carried.
- There is a large crag in the area which will be taped along the top. There is also a potential subsidence hole which will be taped off. Both are relevant to the longer courses.
- Please be considerate to members of the public in the area, including walkers, cyclists, and horse riders. We all have a right to be there!
- Competitors take part at their own risk.

Terrain and Planner's comments:

A very varied area, from fast path running, to good forest and low visibility / slow run but not huge amounts of climb.

For those who ran here two years ago, there have been some changes.

Special symbols x = rootstock
 x = tripod/hide
 ...= broken ground (usually burrows so care needed)

Courses have been planned to give options for avoiding the majority of the bramble but substantial lower leg cover is recommended for the longer courses. There are many unmapped extraction lanes/ rides of various ages. Most are quite brambly. Only significant knolls have been mapped.

On green course and above there are some areas of low visibility / slow run which present a different challenge to the rest of the area.

For a look at the last event and courses, look at Walton Chasers routegadget (Badgerslade Feb 5th 2017)

<https://www.walton.routegadget.co.uk/rg2/#72>

Facilities

'Portaloo' type toilets will be in the assembly area.
Podium Catering and Ultra Sport will be at the event, in the assembly area.

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