



Orienteering on Cannock Chase

Oldacre Valley West Midlands League & Level C Event Sunday 6th October 2019 Final Details

Event/ Access:- The event centre will be in Brocton in a farmers field off Sawpit Lane about ½ km northeast of its junction with the A34. The post code for the field is ST17 0TE. The only signage will be from this road junction at grid ref SJ961190. As the field is next to the entrance to Brocton Golf Club you could use their post code ST17 0TH.

Parking:- . Parking is about 400 metres from the above-mentioned road crossing. If approaching from the east (i.e. not the road junction) please take care turning right across oncoming traffic into the event field as the turning is on a sharp bend. Please follow marshal's directions to avoid confusion with people turning into Brocton Golf Course which is immediately adjacent to the event field.
£1 for car parking.
Event enquiries, toilets, registration and download will all be in the car park field.

Registration:- 10.00 to 12.00. **All competitors please bring your SI card to registration (if you have one)** to speed up the registration process

Start:- 10.30 to 12.30

Entry Fees:- Entry on the day only.
Seniors £10 (less £2 for BOF members)
Juniors £2

Type of punching: Sport Ident (SI) electronic. SIAC cards can be used but will not be available for hire. **If using a SIAC you must punch the finish control.** This is a safety check.

Terrain:- Oldacre valley has a mix of terrain with an area of open heathland, some mature woodland and some scrub woodland. There are some steep slopes towards the north of the area and brambles occur sporadically over some of the area. The planner has endeavoured to avoid the worst of the brambles. Additional leg protection might be an advantage.
There is a good path network over the site and the area is popular with the public.

Maps:- 1:10,000 printed on water proof paper. Control descriptions will be printed on the map and loose descriptions will be available.

Toilets:- Will be available in the car park.

Traders :- Podium catering and CompassPoint will be in the car park

Dogs:- Dogs are allowed but they must be on a lead at all times and please clear up any mess.

Courses:- there will be a full range of colour coded courses:

White	1.5km	20m climb	12 controls
Yellow	2.1km	30m climb	10 controls
Orange	2.6km	45m climb	9 controls
Red	4.2km	55m climb	11 controls
Light Green	3.7km	65m climb	15 controls
Short Green	3.1km	50m climb	11 controls
Green	4.8km	75m climb	14 controls
Blue	6.4km	130m climb	17 controls
Brown	7.7km	150m climb	24 controls

Start and Finish:- The walk to the start leaves directly from the car park and is about 1km. This involves a marshalled road crossing from the car park, a short section of pavement and then a taped footpath to Oldacre Lane. On reaching Oldacre Lane turn right and follow tapes to the start.

Please take care leaving the field to the start as this is the same entrance used by cars entering the field.

The finish is very close to the start (about 200 metres away).

The route from the finish is the reverse of the route to the start.

Please ensure you download before exiting the assembly field.

Competitor Safety; Cannock Chase is undermined by old coal workings and is liable to subsidence. Care must be taken as new fissures can appear suddenly

There are two deep brick lined pits which are shown as pits on the map. These are not being used as controls sites and will be taped with yellow and black tape. Courses have been planned to avoid these pits.

The northern part of Oldacre Valley is very wet and marked as out of bounds. Do not attempt to cross this apart from marked footpaths

The area is very popular with dog walkers and horse riders, so please treat these other users with respect and care.

WHISTLE and FULL LEG COVER are essential to participate in this event. Both will be checked at the start. Leg protection will be useful.

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Controller: Ian Hopkins (HOC)

Safety: This area is undermined and liable to subsidence. Areas marked out of bounds must be strictly avoided. Care must be taken as new fissures could suddenly occur away from these areas

Competitors take part at their own risk Whistles must be carried.

For details of the club, events and results: www.walton-chasers.co.uk