



**Walton Chasers
Orienteering Club**

Regional Event, West Midlands League Event and AMS Championships FINAL DETAILS (version 2)

- Venue:** Beaudesert Outdoor Centre, Cannock Chase
- Date:** Sunday 6th February 2022
- Feb. 3rd update** *The Finish is not far from the Start and extra clothing could be left there whilst running. However, this will not be managed.*
- Directions:** Signed from the junction of Chestall Road (WS15 4RB) & Holly Hill Road at Cannock Wood Junction is at GR: SK 050125. [GoogleMaps link](#)
- Parking:** The Outdoor Centre entrance is down a long drive and parking will be within the grounds of the Centre. Area as used for JK 2018.
- Registration and entry:** Pre-entry through Fabian 4 website for longer and WM league courses: <https://www.fabian4.co.uk/default.aspx>. Closing date midnight Wednesday 2nd February 2022. Entry on the day from 10.00 to 11.00 am only for non-league courses - White, Yellow, Orange & Light Green.
- Start Times:** 10.30 to 12.30
- Start and Finish:** White & yellow courses have a separate start and finish, about 200 metres from the main parking, and will be completely within the Centre grounds. The start for the longer, senior courses is approximately one km from the parking. The entrances and exits from the Centre grounds into the forest have been restricted since the last time we were there and there is only one route in and out for the forest. The main start is outside of the Centre grounds on a forest track. **The route to the start goes through a small public car park and although car movements will be slow, please take care.** If young children are doing any of the longer courses it is suggested that they are accompanied to the start. The finish is close to the start. There are activity areas near the car park and on the route to the start which are all out of bounds, so please no climbing on any apparatus.
- Course closing time:** Sunset is still early at this time of year and club members will need to collect in controls so courses will close at 2.15 pm. Please return to download if still out on the course at this time. Please remember to download after your run, or a search will take place for you. Download is on site in/near car park and competitors must download before going back to their cars.
- Entry Fees:** Pre-entry for the longer and WM league courses: Seniors £10, Juniors £3. Entry on the day for beginners: White, Yellow Orange and Light Green: £3 Seniors, £1 Juniors.
- Punching:** SportIdent with mixed electronic punching, i.e. SIAC enabled or traditional dibbing depending on the dibber you use.

- Competition:** West Midlands League Event, competition courses listed below.
Beginners are welcome.
- Courses:** Colour Coded, White, Yellow, Orange, Light Green, Short Green, Green, Blue, and Brown. Distances and climb subject to final controlling:
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| White - | 1.4 km - 75m |
| Yellow - | 2.1 km - 80m |
| Orange - | 2.9 km - 105m |
| Light Green - | 3.1 km - 100m |
| Short Green - | 3.5 km - 120m |
| Green - | 4.4 km - 150m |
| Blue - | 6.1 km - 200m |
| Brown - | 8.0 km - 215m |
- Map:** Map as used for JK2018, survey by Dave Peel with recent updates.
Scale 1:10,000, 5m contours. Pre-marked maps on waterproof paper.
- Terrain:** Mainly runnable wood, but with undergrowth, brambles and brashings in some parts. Some blocks have been felled in the last 2-3 years. The area has scattered bell pits and depressions left over from old mining activity. The courses have been designed to avoid any large marshes. The marshes can be very wet and some are marked out of bounds for environmental reasons. Red-looking mud near small streams can be trickier than it appears. There are many tractor tracks that are not mapped.
- Facilities:** Toilet block, first aid, Podium Catering.
- Dogs:** Dogs are allowed in the Outdoor Centre. They should be on a lead and must leave no trace of their presence.
- Safety:** The area has had mining operations some time ago. The area can be subject to subsidence.
Whistles must be carried. Full leg cover is needed. Other members of the public, walkers, horse riders and cyclists will be present so please be courteous and give way, if necessary, as much for safety as for politeness. This is the highest point on the Chase and if the weather is adverse then waterproof hooded jackets may be made compulsory and checked, a sign will be displayed at registration if necessary.
- White & Yellow Courses:** See start and finish information as well. The White and Yellow courses will be using a 1:5000 map, with the control circle set at 10mm, which is 50m on the ground. Most entrants on these courses will be on-the-day and will be starting between 10.30 and 11.30.
The Yellow course will have a section that is taped at intervals but not continuous.
- Safety and Risk:** A risk assessment will have been carried out by the organiser, but participants take part at their own risk and are responsible for their own safety during the event.
- Privacy:** When entering our events your name may appear in the results section of this website.

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Covid 19 advice The event is being planned in line with July 21st 2021 BOF guidelines relating to Covid19. Before attending this event, orienteers should self-assess for symptoms of COVID-19 as advised on national websites.
 If you, or anyone you live with, have any symptoms you should not attend the event, even if your symptoms are mild. You should follow NHS guidance on testing and self-isolation. If you have been informed that you need to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace (or are required to self-isolate in relation to travel), you must do so. You should not leave your isolation location to participate in sport and physical activity. You can find more information in the NHS guidance on how to self-isolate.

Which Course should I run for the West Midlands League?

Competitors may score when running above class, but not below

2012 TABLE				
BOF Age Classes	Men		Women	
M/W	A/Long	B/Short	A/Long	B/Short
10	YELLOW	White	YELLOW	White
12	ORANGE	Yellow	ORANGE	Yellow
14	LIGHT GREEN	Orange	LIGHT GREEN	Orange
16	GREEN	Light Green	GREEN	Light Green
18	BLUE	Green	BLUE	Green
20	BROWN	Blue	BLUE	Green
21	BROWN	Blue	BLUE	Green
35	BROWN	Blue	BLUE	Green
40	BROWN	Blue	GREEN	Short Green
45	BLUE	Green	GREEN	Short Green
50	BLUE	Green	GREEN	Short Green
55	BLUE	Green	GREEN	Short Green
60	GREEN	Short Green	SHORT GREEN	Orange
65	GREEN	Short Green	SHORT GREEN	Orange
70	SHORT GREEN	Orange	SHORT GREEN	Orange
75	SHORT GREEN	Orange	SHORT GREEN	Orange
80 & 85	SHORT GREEN	Orange	SHORT GREEN	Orange

