

# Chillington Hall 5<sup>th</sup> March 2017 - Final Details

Please read in conjunction with the event flyer [here](#)

Welcome to a relatively new orienteering area. This is only the second event held here and we hope you have a good day in what should be fast and enjoyable terrain. Since the last event the map has recently been updated.

## Directions

There are "brown" signs to Chillington Hall on the A5 just west of the Gailey roundabout at the junction of the A449 and A5. The event will be signed from Tinkers Lane at Grid Ref SJ894090. Chillington Hall is at GR SJ861069, postcode WV81RE.

## Car Parking

Cars will be parked alongside the drive into the Hall grounds. Most of this will be on grass and please park as directed by the marshals. There is a £2 fee for car parking (*this is an increase from the original flyer - due to heavy rain we have had to hire matting to protect the grass and allow you to park more safely*).

## Area

The event takes place in the extensive landscaped parkland and associated woodland of Chillington Hall between Stafford and Wolverhampton. The mixed woodland has a good path network and detailed vegetation changes including some forest blocks with some challenging undergrowth and point features. The forest is separated from the parkland by a large lake. The courses have been planned in line with a full length long distance event with long legs and lots of route choice to avoid dense undergrowth and make use of the beautiful lake and parkland.

**Please note:** The estate is privately owned and we gratefully acknowledge the support of the owners and staff of the estate in supporting this event. To safeguard our future use of the area, please note the following:

- Being private land there is **no access** to the site before the event.
- Many of the courses access the parkland which has a number of fences. **These fences should not be crossed other than at gateways.** Anyone seen crossing fences will be disqualified.
- **Biosecurity.** Please ensure that you arrive and leave with clean footwear. You will be required to dip your feet in disinfectant before running.
- **Dogs** are not allowed at the event as the estate has a large sheep flock and lambing may have started.

## Planners Comments

The courses have been planned to avoid the brambles you may have encountered on your last visit to Chillington. They have also been planned to take advantage of the beautiful parkland, including the follies and views across the lakes.

A Score course will be available - aimed at adults new to the sport.

White and Yellow courses - the majority of line features on these courses are fences.

Not all pheasant pens and feeders are marked.

Some knolls are covered in brambles and can be difficult to spot.

## Registration

This will be in Grade 2 listed farm buildings at the rear of the Hall. The route to registration will be signed from the car park. All competitors must complete the usual registration form. Punching starts will be used with no pre-selected time slots. Registration is from 10.00-12.00.

## Start and Finish

There will be one start a short walk from registration. Allow 2 mins. The route to the start will be signed. Starts are from 10.30-12.30. The finish will also be within the farm buildings. Placing the start and finish close together close to registration and in an atmospheric closed courtyard we hope to create a good spectator experience which we hope you will enjoy.

**Don't forget:** Whistles **must** be carried

Competitors **must** wear clothing that fully covers their torso and legs

## Courses

A full range of colour coded courses is provided plus a score event. A string course will be available.

### Course details are:

Brown	9.6km and 29 controls
Blue	6.5km and 22 controls
Green	4.7km and 22 controls
Short Green	3.8km and 20 controls
Light Green	3.7km and 16 controls
Orange	3.0km and 12 controls
Yellow	2.4km and 12 controls
White	1.9km and 15 controls

The area is relatively flat with a negligible amount of climb on all courses.

## Refreshments / Toilets

Tea, coffee and light refreshments will be provided by Estate staff near registration/download/finish.

Toilets are close to the finish.

## First Aid

First aiders will be present in the car park field. The nearest hospitals are:

A&E - Stafford Hospital. Tel: 01785 257731 Postcode: ST16 3SA.

A&E – New Cross Wolverhampton. Tel: 01902 307999 Postcode: WV10 0QP

Minor Injuries Unit - Cannock Chase Hospital. Tel: 01543 572757. Postcode:WS11 5XY

## Child Safety

We take safeguarding very seriously. If you want to take photos, please avoid taking pictures of children unless you have parental permission. The event organisers reserve the right to ask people to refrain from taking photographs. If anybody has concerns regarding the misuse of camera equipment they should report it to an event volunteer.

## Organiser

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