

Habberley Valley WEE 18th January 2018

Men

Position:	Name:	Class:	Club:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	Points won	Finish time	Points Lost	Total points	League points
1	Ifor Powell	M50	BOK	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	240	00:55:43		240	
2	Mike Baggot	M65	HOC	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X		X	X	X		X	X	X	X	190	00:59:47		190	25	
3	Peter Langmaid	M50	HOC	X	X	X		X	X	X	X									X	X	X	X	X	X	X	150	00:56:00		150	23	
4	Ian Hopkins	M50	WRE		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X		X	X						X	X	X	150	00:57:54		150	
5	Barry Houghton	M70	HOC	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X						X		X	X	150	00:58:27		150	21	
6	Andy Hemsted	M65	HOC					X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X		150	00:59:31	0	150	20	
7	Adrian Bailey	M50	HOC	X		X	X		X	X	X	X	X					X	X	X		X	X		X		140	01:00:17	3	137	19	
8	Andrew White	M60	HOC	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X				X			X						X	X	120	00:54:23		120	18	
9	Robert Vickers	M75	HOC		X	X	X	X	X	X	X								X						X	X	X	110	01:00:50	9	101	17

Junior Men

1	Kieran Rose	M12	HOC		X	X		X											X		X	X					60	00:59:12		60	25
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Women

1	Marian White	W55	HOC		X	X	X		X										X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	120	00:56:51		120	25
2	Alison Sloman	W80	HOC	X	X	X	X	X	X		X								X						X		90	00:55:30		90	23
3	Penny Hemsted	W75	HOC		X	X														X				X	X	X	60	00:45:53		60	21
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Organiser	David Williams	M55	HOC																												25
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Make sure you got the next WEE pencilled in your diaries: 1st February at Pitcher Oak Woods

Thank you for coming, though just 13 runners is not as gratifying as the 24 at the Habberley WEE in 2016. I enjoyed putting out the controls in the afternoon sunlight and I am glad someone cleared the lot in under an hour and I was away from the forest at 20:20 - twenty minutes earlier than last time - thanks to my control collecting volunteers.

Ifor's score would have been 230 had I not pointed out that #24 had not been visited - it seems that you CAN dib the finish twice and get only the second visit on your printout. #13 failed to power on - I wonder if this was to do with low temperatures - it worked fine when synced. Andy Hemsted managed to visit a control with code 224, or number 158 is playing up. Very strange.

Number 1 proved to be tricky - Andy H writes "I should know by now that at night it's essential to use paths as much as possible, and find an attack-point as close as possible." - certainly for the first couple of controls while your brain gets into gear and you get an idea of what the off-path terrain is like. There is holly clearance being done by the council - holly is becoming a real problem in the valley. Balancing this the trees around the ruin are now much more penetrable. Alison has handed the map over to me - if you have any observations - email me.

Looking at splits it is clear that some would benefit from thinking more about strategy - not just "what am I going to do" at the start but a strategy that supports making changes to plans as time passes and achieved pace over the ground becomes clear. Finishing 5 minutes early when no control is more than 1000m from the finish ... but I suppose that is easy for me as I know the valley very well. Mike's approach was to do them all in order until 30 minutes is up and then plan an equivalent distance/number back to the finish.

This time I received one positive comment about kite placement (last time it was one good and one negative):

"Thanks first to David for a challenging event with all the controls I visited were well placed - totally invisible until you found the feature then the satisfaction of it coming into view just where you expected."