

Stourbridge Night Street Event – 20th January 2011 – Results

A reasonably fine but frosty night found the usual suspects gathered for the Stourbridge event, but fortunately the pavements remained sufficiently ice free to prevent them becoming hazardous. It was a pleasure to welcome two Finnish orienteers (Riina and Sami) from OD to their first Night Street Event: I think they enjoyed their evening once they had tuned in to the simplified map and the notion of looking for lamp post numbers rather than control markers.

I don't know if my fussy warnings about unlit obstructions etc helped to prevent any mishaps, but the evening passed without incident with one exception. Kerstin encountered a young lady in a state of some distress under one of the dark railway bridges, and came to her rescue by walking her home. We were agreed that it would be fair to give a time allowance for this public-spirited act and I have credited 6 minutes. Fortunately, the results are unaffected by this adjustment.

It was good to see Matt Giles making his mark by giving John Embrey some competition on the Long Course, putting him into second place. I'm not sure if there are enough events left this season for Matt to be able to make up for his late start, and get to the top of the league table.

On the Medium Course, Peter Langmaid seems to have shaken off his injury to strengthen his bid for the trophy. Will he be able to maintain his run of 10-point scores?

The Short Course now seems to have an interesting tussle between Jacky Embrey, and Russ Fauset (who is also recovering from injury). It will be interesting to watch this one develop in the remaining rounds.

Thanks to all for coming and contributing to a pleasant evening.

Short Course

1.	Russ Fauset	37.50	10 points
2.	Jacky Embrey	38.31	9 “

Medium Course

1.	Riina Kuuselo (OD)	49.57		
2.	Sami Takaluoma (OD)	52.37		
3.	Peter Langmaid	55.10	10 points	
4.	Adrian Bailey	60.41	9 “	
5.	Barry McGowan	69.21	8 “	
6.	Kerstin Mitchell	72.05	7 “	(6 mins credited)
7.	Colin Spears	80.50	6 “	

Long Course

1.	Matt Giles	57.09	10 points
2.	John Embrey	60.31	9 points

Organiser: Robert Vickers 10 points