

HOC Night Street League on 7th November 2013 at Walmley Village

Results & Comments

Short Course 4 km

Position	Name	Club	Class	Time Taken
1	Steph Howarth	OD	W21	49 mins
2	Kerstin Mitchell	HOC	W45	52 mins
3	Colin Spears	HOC	M75	54 mins
4	Jackie Embrey	HOC	W55	55 mins
5	Steve Nightingale	HOC	M65	55.30 mins
6	Russ Fauset	HOC	M65	57 mins
7	Robert Vickers	HOC	M70	58 mins
8	Lin Page	OD	W55	61 mins
9	Marian White	HOC	W50	66 mins
10	Richard Beamish	COBOC	M60	68 mins
11	Jenny Hunter	COBOC	W55	retired

Medium Course 6 km

Position	Name	Club	Class	Time Taken
1	Andy Hemsted	HOC	M60	55 mins
2	Mike Baggott	HOC	M60	62 mins
3	Ian Gamlen	COBOC	M45	64 mins
4	Adrian Bailey	HOC	M45	71 mins
5	Brian Laycock	HOC	M65	75 mins
6	Barry McGowan	HOC	M65	76 mins
7	Mike Abbott	HOC	M55	89 mins

Long Course 7.8 km

Position	Name	Club	Class	Time Taken
1	Ian Embrey	OD	M21	58 mins
2	John Embrey	HOC	M55	65 mins
3	John Leeson	HOC	M55	77 mins
4	Peter Langmaid	HOC	M45	79 mins
5	Allan McKinley	HOC	M35	88 mins

Comments.

How lucky were we? Wednesday and Friday were awful – nonstop rain.

I spoke to virtually everyone after their run and certainly there were differences in route choice and in success in executing the chosen route. The most testing was the crossing of the Golf Course (some people didn't even know they'd been on a Golf Course), where you had to find two narrow entry and exit paths and in between cross 100m of fairway. One person in particular now knows the golf course very well. I was a bit concerned as to whether or not people would enjoy an event that was something of a hybrid between an NSL and a WEE, but in general the unlit grass/path "off road" sections were very well received.

The area around the Hotel, also gave problems. Partly this was my fault in that I hadn't specified that the Hotel driveway was not "out of bounds", added to which the lamppost in the grounds was not lit. Congratulations to Adrian who was the only one to notice that the number 8 on that post, was upside down (it didn't have a number so I put my own on). Some people also thought that the gate at the top of the hotel car park looked, at a distance, as if it was locked, but in fact when you got up close enough you could see that it was in fact open.

Special mentions should go to John Embrey who ran without his glasses – and still beat my time on a mountain bike; Ian Embrey who didn't take a pen – and was able to recite all 16 control codes in the correct order when he finished; and Brian Laycock who had to quickly explain precisely what Orienteering is, when having gone down a private driveway instead of the adjacent footpath, was confronted by a woman as she emerged from her garage.