

Not an ordinary run!
Newcomers & nonmembers welcome!
(feel free to email
the organiser with
any questions)

#### Harlequins Orienteering Club

Invite you to take part in a

### Night Street League Event

at

#### Redditch

On

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2023



Orienteering in Worcester, Hereford, South Shropshire, Black Country and Birmingham.

# Venue and Parking:

IF TRAVELLING BY CAR, PLEASE TAKE CAREFUL NOTE OF INSTRUCTIONS. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN A 10-MINUTE DETOUR TO TRAVEL 20 YARDS (much like the organiser's typical performance at an orienteering event).

Info for SatNav:

What3Words: ///nails.unwanted.comical Best Postcode: B98 7AR (1 Ipsley Street)

Event Centre is the REDI Centre (<a href="https://www.redicentre.org.uk/">https://www.redicentre.org.uk/</a>) but do not use the building or its address for SatNav navigation.

If arriving by car, the REDI Centre car park is accessed from Ipsley Street (see map on next page). If this car park is full, on-street parking is available in Orchard Street. (Pay close attention to local parking restrictions if attempting to park elsewhere)

For those intending to visit the pub of the night, it may be more convenient to park at Redditch Train Station (charges apply) or Car Park 1 (free if arriving after 6pm), accessed from Redditch Ringway Access 3 or Plymouth Road.

Travel:

Nearest station is Redditch, served by the Cross-City Line. The train station is adjacent to Redditch bus station, which is approx 500m walk from the REDI Centre.

Terrain:

Urban orienteering and map running with options to run along streets, in residential carfree path networks, and through urban parks.

Map:

Two map options (same course on both maps). The competition area contains two sections of Redditch New Town, with their signature complex path networks. Previous competitors have commented that legibility at 1:10,000 can be challenging, whereas others have commented that an A3 map is an unwieldy nuisance. So in an attempt to keep everyone happy, you can choose:

- **Default map** A4 sized 1:10,000 scale map on Open O map.
- Enlarged map (please specify when entering)- A3 sized 1:7,500 scale Open O map

Both options printed on non-waterproof paper so please bring a transparent map bag. Control descriptions in loose format

Course & Scoring:

Using MapRun App which is free to download onto a smartphone or Garmin watch. The course includes sections of Redditch 'old' and 'new' towns, plus the town centre.

60 minute score, with controls taken in any order worth 10 points each. Any time over 60 minutes will be penalised at the rate of 10 points per minute, or part thereof.

PIN number to unlock the course will be provided on the night. Competitors may adjust

scores using HITMO function.

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**Entries:** 

Please notify planner in advance to reserve a map via email at <a href="mailto:newsletter@harlequins.org.uk">newsletter@harlequins.org.uk</a> Entries £5/ adult & £2/junior.

Registration & Start Times:

Choose your own start time between 6.15pm and 7pm. Course closes at 8:15pm. Earlier or later starts can be accommodated on request.

**Facilities:** The venue has toilet and changing facilities.

Pub of the night is The Royal Enfield (Wetherspoons) on Unicorn Hill where food is

served to 11pm.

Officials: Planner & Organiser: Peter Rose, e-mail newsletter@harlequins.org.uk

NSL coordinator: John Leeson, e-mail johnleeson@aol.com tel: 07785 707617

Safety: Competitors take part at their own risk. Hi-vis clothing highly recommended at all times

and headtorches should be used.

All under-16s must be accompanied by a responsible adult at all times.

The majority of roads in the event area are quiet, but runners should take care when

crossing all roads.

The course area has two dual carriageways, which must not be crossed in any circumstances, except by way of the marked underpasses and bridges.

The course area includes some 40mph roads without footpaths. These are marked with the red X 'forbidden route' symbol and must not be used as route choices.

## Website & Cancellation:

For the latest information check NSL pages at: <a href="http://www.harlequins.org.uk">http://www.harlequins.org.uk</a>

