

Event Information V3.1 as of 14th November 2022

Harlequins Orienteering Club

Invite you to a West Midlands League event

WYCHE RIDGE (Malvern Hills)

On

Sunday 20th November 2022



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

Venue & **Travel**

Malvern Hills between the Worcester and Herefordshire Beacons. The event will be signposted from the B4232 Jubilee Drive between the Wyche Cutting and the Herefordshire Beacon (British Camp) Grid reference SO765420 Landranger 150 Post code WR13 6DN

Parking:

Main Car Park will be Gardiners Quarry Car Park costs £4.80 per day. Card payment only. Limited parking so please share transport where possible. Please also consider meeting friends at other Malvern Hills Car Parks nearby, such as Earnslaw Quarry WR14 4EQ or the Plateau Carpark at the start of Jubilee Drive WR13 6PL, British Camp Car Park WR13 6DW or Black Hill Car Park WR13 6DW and travelling in 1 car to the Gardiners Quarry Car Park. Malvern Hills car parking tickets are transferable so you can purchase your car parking ticket at any of the suggested other car parks to avoid queuing for the car parking ticket machine at Gardiners Quarry. No coaches.

Terrain:

Open hill tops with grass or wooded slopes, some steep, with rock features. There are some dangerous cliffs and quarries in the competition area. Do not cross any fences into areas marked out of bounds.

Map:

Pre-marked, A4, Scale 1:7.5k, updated 2022 by Brian Hughes (HOC).

Courses:

Course	Length (km)	Climb ((m)
White	1.4	20	
Yellow	2.1	80	
Orange	2.1	110	
Long Ora	nge 4.1	180 - e	ntry on the day only
Light Gre	en 2.8	175	
Short Gre	en 2.8	160	
Green	3.0	240	
Blue	4.4	310	
Brown	6.9	440	
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String course is also available - entry on the day only

Entries:

Pre-entry via Fabian4 preferred https://www.fabian4.co.uk/default.aspx?EventID=3255 Before 17 November 2022: Seniors £10 (plus £2.00 for non-BOF members) Juniors £4 Long Orange, orange, yellow and white courses will be charged at junior rate for all competitors Limited entry on the day subject to map availability and £2 surcharge for seniors.

and Enquiries

Registration 1000 - 1200hrs Main Car Park

Start and **Finishes**

10:30-12:30hrs Choose your own start time. There is one start for all courses (except string course) approximately 200m 40m climb from the main car park. Starts are at 1 minute intervals. Competitors in the same club running the same course should start at least 2 minutes apart.

There are 2 finishes, one 100m to the north, the other 200m to the south of the main car park. Courses close at 14:30 hrs.

Punching:

Electronic Punching using SportIdent. SIAC enabled but all competitors must dib the start and finish boxes. Non SIAC Cards may be hired for £1.00

Dogs:

Dogs permitted but note that cattle or sheep will be grazing on the hills, within the competition area. Dogs MUST be kept on a lead within, and close to, the grazing area.

Access:

Cattle and sheep will be within a grazing compartment encompassing part of the competition area. The grazing compartment will be defined by an UNCROSSABLE electric fence. These are NOT marked on the map. Access to the compartment is generally available where paths cross

the electric fence and gates are provided. ALL COMPETITORS PLEASE ENSURE GATES ARE

SECURELY CLOSED after use.

Facilities: Portaloos in main car park. Public toilets are also available on the B4218 at Upper Wyche or

near British Camp Car Park. First Aid provided by HOC club first aiders.

The Kettle Sings Tea Room and Café H20 are nearby. Open 10am -4pm. Need to pre-book.

Officials: Organiser Ian Gamlen 07941730771 email ian.gamlen@gmail.com

Planner Rob & Kath Atkins Controller Clive Richardson (WRE)

Safety: Competitors take part at their own risk. Whistles must be carried. In case of bad weather

competitors may be required to wear(carry) water and wind-proof tops (aka cagoules)

Website & For the latest information check: http://www.harlequins.org.uk

Cancellation: HOC reserve the right to retain part/all of any pre-entry fees to cover committed cost