

Final Details as of 14/11/2023

Harlequins Orienteering Club presents a WMOA league event at

### Burlish Top & Rifle Range, Stourport on Severn Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2023

with permission from Wyre Forest District Council

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

#### Venue & Travel

Access to the event will be signed from the A451, mid-way between Kidderminster and Stourport on Severn. Turn west off the A451 into Walter Nash Rd W, then second left into Zortech Avenue.

Nearest postcode is DY11 7DY.

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Grid reference: SO 814736.

#### Parking:

Car parking is a private sports centre car parking with hard standing, although capacity is limited. Later arrivals will need to park on-street approaching the private car park. Please notify the organiser if bringing a minibus or coach. Registration and Assembly are located in the main car park.

Safety note: to reduce the risk of accidents in the car park, competitors must leave and enter the car park via the taped route along the south and west edges of the car park area.

## Start and Finish

The Start is located approximately 750m from Assembly along a flat and easy path; allow 10 minutes walk. The route from Assembly will involve a marshaled crossing across a narrow road with blind corners; comply with the marshal's crossing instructions.

The Finish is close to the car park/Assembly.

#### Terrain:

This is the first time this popular public recreational area has been used for a WML event. The area includes a former golf course in the south; Burlish Top was a WW2 US military training camp and hospital (remains of concrete road and building foundations are still visible), while the Rifle Range in the north was used in WW1. The vegetation is a mix of heath and acid grassland, surrounded by oak and birch scrub, and the terrain mainly gently undulating but with some steeper slopes to the west.

Safety note: there are a number of small holes around the WW2 remains on Burlish Top, which represent a trip hazard to the unwary. Competitors should take particular care in this area.

There are cattle grazing in the southern part of Burlish Meadows. The cattle are docile and used to being around people but give them space, don't jump out at them unexpectedly and if they are near a control walk up to the flag calmly to punch it and move on. Avoid scaring them to save yourself a few seconds as it will impact other runners coming after you if the cows get agitated.

#### Map:

A3 Pre-marked and waterproof. See below for scales.

Courses:	Course	Distance (km)	Climb (m)	Controls	Scale	
	Brown	8.7	210	28	1:7500	
	Blue	6.6	145	19	1:7500	
	Green	4.3	85	15	1:7500	
	Short Green	3.9	70	14	1:7500	
	Light Green	3.6	60	14	1:7500	
	Orange	3.3	50	13	1:7500	
	Yellow	2.5	55	15	1:5000	
	White	1.9	20	13	1:5000	
Entries and fees	fence not at a crossing point risks disqualification.  There is no String course.  Pre-entry is strongly encouraged to guarantee a map. Pre-entry via <a href="www.fabian4.co">www.fabian4.co</a> as below: By 12 November 2023: Seniors £9 (plus £2-00 for non-BOF members) Junio £4-00 (plus £1-00 for non-BOF members) By 16 November 2023: Seniors £11 (plus £2-00 for non-BOF members) Junio £5-00 (plus £1-00 for non-BOF members) Orange, yellow and white courses will be charged at junior rate for all competitors Very limited EOD subject to map availability.  EOD: Seniors £13 (plus £2-00 for non-BOF members) Juniors £6					
Registration:	Enquire at Information Download tent		1030 - 1230	·	111013 50-0	
Punching:	Electronic Punching using SportIdent. Controls will be SIAC-enabled SI-Cards (not SIAC) may be hired for £1.00.  Punching start; turn up and go, but follow instructions from Start officials for next available slot.					
	Dogs permitted, but on the lead in the car park.					
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Officials:	Organiser	Steve Chiverton Tel: 07815 707618 or email: burlish2023@gmail.com		
	Planner	David Aldridge HOC		
	Controller	Adrian Pickles WRE		
Safety:	Competitors take part at their own risk.  Whistles must be carried.  In very inclement weather, competitors may be required to wear/carry water- and wind-proof hooded tops (aka cagoules). If this requirement is imposed, competitors will not be allowed to start unless they comply. Come prepared!  The Health and Safety Risk Assessment will be available to view at the Information /Download tent.			
Website & Cancellation:	For the latest information check: <a href="http://www.harlequins.org.uk">http://www.harlequins.org.uk</a> HOC reserve the right to retain part/all of any pre-entry fees to cover committed costs. Should you have symptoms of any infectious disease, please do not attend the event. HOC will carry the costs associated with the entry and cancellation transactions. In this event you must email the Organiser requesting cancellation of your entry.			