



British Middle Distance Orienteering Championships 2019

Chinley Churn

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The East Midlands Orienteering Association welcomes you to the 2019 British Middles Championships, hosted by Derwent Valley Orienteers

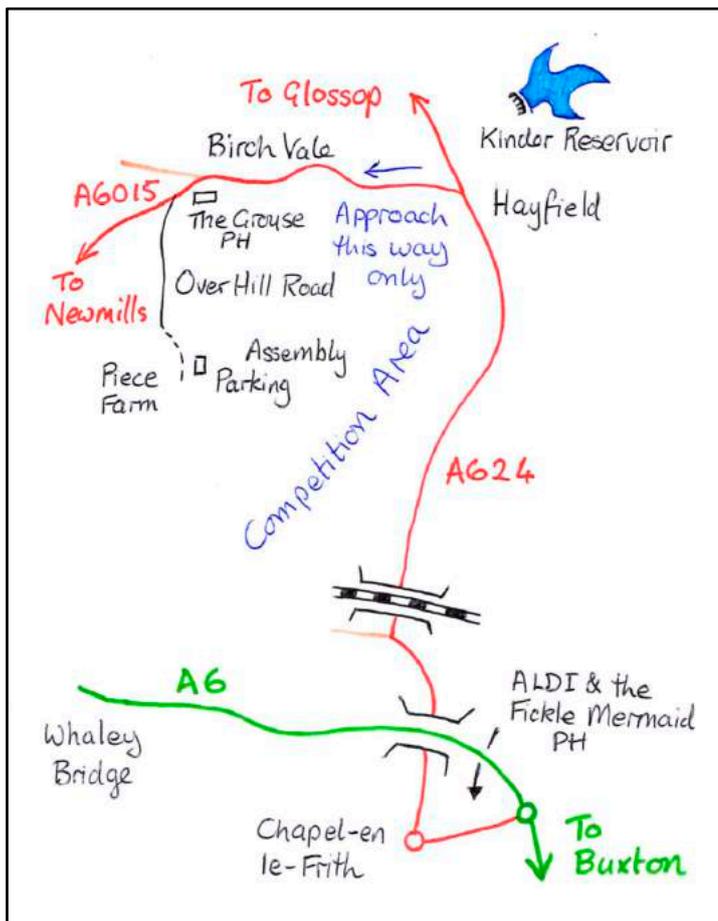


Travel

Chinley Churn is part of the Peak District National Park and is located 12km north of Buxton and 20km SE of Manchester.

Assembly is at Piece Farm SK22 4QL, approached from the A6015 New Mills to Hayfield road. **All traffic must approach from Hayfield, to avoid making a very sharp turn on to the track to the farm.** Follow the tarmac then gravel track south along Over Hill Road for just over 1km, where signs will send you left to Assembly. Please park as directed by marshals. Grid reference of track exit to parking SK022852. what3words ///brew.sweeper.blocks

Due to the single track road to Assembly, **there will be no exit before 13:00.** Please ensure you arrive by 12:30.



By public transport

There are railway stations at New Mills and Chinley, and Hayfield can be reached by bus.

Parking

Parking for cars and camper vans is on a field at Piece Farm. Assembly is in the adjacent field, 500m from the furthest parking.



Assembly

Assembly is in a large field to the west of the competition area, providing excellent views of the spectator controls and Finish. On a clear day, there are views to Manchester, but the altitude is 350m, so do come prepared for autumnal chills! There is plenty of room for club tents to the south of the run-in.

In Assembly you will find:

- Event catering by Podium and O-Nosh
- Traders: CompassPoint and UltraSport
- First aid by Peak Medicare
- Toilets
- Maze orienteering.

There will be a Marquee for:

- Enquiries
- Entry on the day for White, Yellow and Orange courses (until 12:30 or earlier if maps run out).
- Collection of bibs and hired SI cards
- Trophy return
- Download.

Dogs – Dogs are allowed on leads in Assembly, but please pick-up after them.

Terrain

Chinley Churn will be new to many orienteers, having been mapped for the first time in 2015. The terrain is very fast and runnable rough grassland with little bracken or heather to impede progress. Areas of old quarries, with many small hills, boulders, crags and depressions provide complex and challenging navigation on steep, sometimes rocky slopes.

The eastern area comprises a terraced scarp slope with quarry workings and other rock features. The north-western area is the more gently inclined dip slope, with depressions and linear marshes. The connecting ridge rises above 400 metres, with views east towards Kinder Scout and west to Manchester.

The whole area is grazed by sheep, with virtually no trees. Typical to the area, there are many dry stone walls, gates and stiles. Some temporary stiles are next to permanent stiles and should be used if members of the public are crossing.

Map

Survey and cartography by Richard Parkin in 2015 and updated in 2019 to ISOM 2017. Classes M/W16–40 will run at 1:10,000, all others at 1:7,500. The 1:10,000 maps will be A4 size, the others A3. All printed on waterproof paper by Hassall and Lucking.

The map as used in 2016 can be viewed at: <http://www.derwentvalleyorienteers.org.uk/results/rg2/#101>

Control descriptions

For Courses 1–13, IOF pictorial descriptions will be printed on the front of the map. For Courses 14, 15 and Colour Coded courses, pictorial and text control descriptions will be printed on the front of the map. Loose descriptions will be available in the start lanes.

Timing

Timing is by SportIdent and contactless punching will be enabled for those with SIACs, but please punch conventionally at the pre-start, Start and Finish.

SIAC hire for the Sprints and Middles Weekend is free for Juniors who do not already own one. If you would like to take advantage of this, please reserve your SIAC when entering.

Courses

Course lengths and climb, subject to final controlling, are as follows:

Course number	Course Length	Climb	No of controls	Technical Difficulty	Map scale	Men	Women
1	5.5km	270m	31	5	1:10000	M21	
2	4.4km	215m	28	5	1:10000		W21
3	5.2km	235m	27	5	1:10000	M35, M40	
4	5.2km	190m	27	5	1:7500	M45, M50	
5	4.6km	160m	25	5	1:10000		W35, W40
6	4.7km	140m	26	5	1:7500	M55, M60	
7	4.0km	135m	22	5	1:7500	M65	W45
8	4.1km	130m	24	5	1:7500	M70	W50
9	3.2km	125m	21	5	1:7500	M75, M80, M85	W55, W60, W65
10	2.3km	55m	15	5	1:7500		W70, W75, W80, W85
11	3.7km	165m	23	5	1:10000	M16, M18, M20	
12	3.3km	105m	22	5	1:10000		W16, W18, W20
13	2.6km	80m	16	4	1:7500	M14	W14
14	1.8km	25m	12	3	1:7500	M12, Orange	W12
15	1.5km	10	9	2	1:7500	M10, Yellow	W10
16	1.3km	15m	10	1	1:7500	White	

Winning time on all senior TD5 courses should be in the range 30–35 minutes, and, for the M/W 16/18/20 classes, in the range 20–25 minutes.

Please note that Course 1 has more than 30 controls. This will affect anyone who still uses a type 5 or type 8 dibber (max 30 splits).

Eligibility for British Championship trophies

To be eligible for a British Championship trophy, an individual competitor will, on the day immediately preceding the day of competition in question, be a member of British Orienteering and either be a British citizen or have been a member of British Orienteering in each of the three membership years preceding the year of the competition. Eligibility will have been declared via the online entry process.

Entries for Championship Courses

Entries are live on via SportIdent <https://www.sientries.co.uk/> There will be a price increase from midnight 27th July and entries will close at midnight 27th August. Any queries regarding your entry should be made to our Entries Administrator Mike Godfree mike.godfree@btinternet.com

On-the-day Registration for Recreational Courses

White, Yellow and Orange colour coded courses will be available for entry on the day at a cost of £12 per map for seniors, and £5 for juniors. Registration for these is in the Marquee and will be open from 10:00, closing at 12:30 (or sooner if maps run out). Starts are available between 11:00 and 13:00, and the distance to the Near Start is 800m with 80m climb.

Maze

A free Maze with SI punching will be available in Assembly between 11:00 and 14:00. Adults are also welcome to try the Maze!

Shadowing

Please note that competitors on Championship courses may only shadow others **after their own competitive run**. Anyone who needs shadowing on a course may only enter the White, Yellow or Orange courses and not a Championship course.

Clothing

Shorts are **not permitted** at this event. If the weather is bad, hooded waterproof jackets may be made compulsory. If this is the case, hat and gloves are recommended, given the elevation.

Starts

For the **Near Start** (used by M/W 10/12 competitors, as well as White, Yellow & Orange entry-on-the-day courses), start times are between 1100 and 1300. The Near Start is 800m from Assembly, with 80 metres climb.

The **Far Start** (used by everyone else) is 1.2km from Assembly, with 80 metres climb.

Warm-up Area

There is a warm-up area very close to the Far Start where there are some practice controls. Maps are available at 1:7,500 and 1:10,000, in a box near the warm-up start.

Start Procedure

Championship courses will have a timed start, so competitors must arrive in time for their allocated slot. Colour-coded competitors have a punching start with open times. Call-up for both is at –5 minutes.

Anyone arriving late for their start should report to the Late Start Official and you will be allowed to start as promptly as empty slots will allow. You may have to go through the same 5 boxes and will be timed as if you had started at your allocated Start time. Neither Start nor Download officials are authorised to change Start times. If you feel that it is the fault of the event that you are late, please lodge a written request at Enquiries.

As far as possible there will be no instructions from officials in the Start lanes, and all are asked to keep quiet so that competitors can concentrate.

Finish

There is a single Finish, in Assembly. Even if you are using a SIAC dibber, please dib the finish control conventionally. The run-in is taped, and there is plenty of room for Club tents.

Results

Results will be posted regularly on display boards in Assembly. Live results should be available at www.live-o.org. Final results will be uploaded to www.cix.co.uk/~neper/bmdc19.

Commentary

Commentary will be given by Chris Poole and Andy Monro, supported by radio controls provided by Ian Marsden.

Prize-giving

The prize-giving ceremony will start as soon after 14:30 as possible. Trophies will be presented to the winners of the M/W 21 and 18 classes and the top three finishers in all classes will receive medals.

Safety

1. The terrain on all courses rises above 400 metres and can be exposed to the elements. Please dress appropriately.
2. Competitors must take great care on the rocky terrain and be aware that there are dangerous crags.
3. In the event of bad weather, hooded waterproof jackets may be made compulsory. Look for notices at the entrance to the car park. Hat and gloves may also be recommended.
4. Whistles are compulsory and will be checked.
5. Any competitor with a known medical condition that could be a risk to their safety should write these details on the reverse of their Race Number. If you wish, you may also leave medical information at Registration.
6. Competitors are required to give help to an injured competitor even if this means giving up their own race (Rule 9.10).
7. British Orienteering's Rule 7.1 states that "Competitors are responsible for their own personal safety and for assessing their own abilities to complete the course. However, Organisers must have made reasonable risk management arrangements to mitigate the hazards that a competitor might reasonably not be aware of." This we have done by addressing the hazards identified in the Risk Assessment, the planning of the courses and the information provided in these Final Details.
8. **Courses close at 15:00.** Competitors must report to Download by this time even if this means not completing your course.

Officials

Planner: Ranald Macdonald

Assistant planner: Dave Chaffey

Safety officer: Stuart Swalwell

Controller: Chris Burden (AIRE)

Assistant controller: Paul Addison

Entry enquiries/changes: Mike Godfree mike.godfree@btinternet.com

Organiser: Sal Chaffey sal.chaffey@gmail.com 07740 181590

Assistant Organiser: Viv Macdonald

Photography

Official photographers Steve Rush (BOK) and Peter Cull (MDOC) will be taking photos at the event. Please let the Organiser know if you do not wish to appear in the online albums produced.

You are welcome to take photographs or record video, but please respect people's privacy and avoid photography close to first-aid and toilet facilities, or in areas where runners are changing. Photographs may be posted on the internet. Please report any concerns about inappropriate photography to the Organiser.

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