



FINAL DETAILS: CHINLEY CHURN

Level B British Orienteering Ranking Event

25th September 2016

A selection race for veterans for the English Interland team

Location: Chinley Churn, the moor above Chinley, bounded by Chinley, Hayfield and New Mills, Derbyshire. Grid Ref SK035836.

Directions: Assembly field and carpark at Piece Farm - postcode SK22 4QL. The approach lanes are narrow and a one-way traffic system will operate for the event.

The event will be signed from the A6015 between New Mills and Hayfield at Birch Vale on Hayfield Road (SK021866). At the T junction with Over Hill Road (road name sign not visible), turn up Over Hill Road and continue up the lane until the tarmac peters out, continue on the gravel track to the entrance to Piece Farm on the left.

Please do not let your satnav take you on a route to the event other than as above, as you may arrive at the event from the opposite direction along a rough track to be used by competitors for the route to Start and return from Finish.

Nearest Post Code:

SK22 4QL. This will take you a point on Over Hill Road a few hundred metres short of Piece Farm. Continue on until you arrive at the farm entrance.

Car parking:

On arrival, follow signs and directions from marshals. Due to the single track road leading to the event, cars will probably not be able to leave the car park field before 12 noon, at the discretion of the car parking team. Car parking charge £2 per car.

Assembly: In the field next to the car parking field.

Dogs: No Dogs - the carpark and assembly are on a working sheep farm.

Public Transport: New Mills & Chinley have railway stations, and can also be reached by bus.

Terrain: This area will be new to many orienteers, as this will be the second event held here. See Routegadget at :-<http://www.derwentvalleyorienteers.org.uk/results/rg2/#88>

The terrain is predominately very fast and runnable rough grassland with very 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. Typical to the area, there are many dry stone walls and gates around the course. The land is owned by local livestock farmers. Please respect the countryside.

Safety:

Most of the land lies above 1000 feet and is very exposed to wind and rain. Weather conditions may require the carrying of waterproof jackets. There are many stone walls which must not be crossed. Uncrossable walls will be marked with a solid purple line. Crossing points will be clearly marked and must be used. **There are several areas of steep and loose crags; the larger crags will have black and yellow tape across the tops; they must not be crossed. Smaller crags will not be taped and competitors must take care. There is also a significant amount of rock and loose scree on steep slopes, so please be careful.** Shorts will be permitted if the weather is suitable. There are sheep in many of the surrounding fields. Competitors are kindly asked to

exercise common sense around them. The courses may cross areas to which the general public have access, including mountain bikers and horse riders. Please run considerably.

Whistles are compulsory. A reminder will be given at registration and a check carried out at the start.

Competitors are requested to bring their own drinks, water will not be provided.

Courses: White, Yellow, Orange, Long Orange, Light Green, Very Short Green, Short Green, Green, Short Blue, Blue, Short Brown, Brown, Black

A string course will be available in the Start / Finish area.

Course details:-

Colour	Technical difficulty	Actual length	Actual climb	Controls
Black	5	9.0	485	30
Brown	5	8.0	415	29
Short Brown	5	6.8	325	27
Blue	5	5.7	255	20
Short Blue	5	4.4	165	20
Green	5	4.2	150	16
Short Green	5	3.4	135	15
Very Short Green	5	2.9	105	15
Light Green	4	3.1	120	15
Long Orange	3	4.4	150	16
Orange	3	2.9	80	10
Yellow	2	2.2	45	11
White	1	1.9	45	11

Control Description: White, Yellow, Orange and Long Orange Courses will have written descriptions. All other courses will have pictorial descriptions.

Control Descriptions will be on the front of the map with loose copies available in the start lanes.

Entries and fees: Pre enter via www.fabian4.co.uk

Adults £12 (members of British Orienteering); £14 (non-members) on Light Green and above, £5 on White to Long Orange.

Juniors and Students: £5 on all courses.

Family £29 (members of British Orienteering); £33 (non-members).

Closing date for entries is 18/9/16. Late entries may be accepted via Fabian subject to map/start time availability at a £1 surcharge.

Registration / Entry on the day only: 10.00 am until 12.00 noon, limited to White, Yellow, Orange, Long Orange and Light Green courses only. £5 both adults and juniors.

Timing: : This event will feature contactless punching for SIAC cards, though other SI cards will work as normal. SIAC cards will be available to hire at the event on a first come first served basis for a fee of £2 from download.

If you do not have a Sport ident card (SI card), you can hire one at Registration. Hire fee of £1. Pre-entered competitors can collect their allocated hire cards from registration.

Users of SIAC cards should note that you punch conventionally in the clear, check and start boxes, then contactlessly in all the other boxes including the finish. The check box activates the card and the finish box turns if off so it is important you go to the finish for the sake of its battery.

Start Times: From 10.30 am to 12:30 pm.

Times will not be allocated. Start when you wish. Please leave an appropriate gap from any rival on your course.

The start is approx. 1.6 km from Assembly & approx 130m of climb. Allow 25 - 30 minutes. Follow the sign from the Assembly field south along track then up the bridleway onto the moor. The Finish is passed on the way to the Start.

Return from the Finish by the same route. Please take care on the track between the assembly field and the course. Traffic is normally light but the track is the access road to nearby farms and you may encounter tractors and other large farm machinery.

Clothing exchange: The route to the Start passes the Finish about 500m before the start. An area will be set aside for clothes to be left to be picked up when you finish. Please bring your own plastic bag.

Courses close at 15:00. You must report to download even if you retire.

Toilets: In the Assembly field.

Map: Courses will be pre-marked on waterproof paper. Scale 1:7500, 5m contour interval. Mapped by Richard Parkin, DVO, in 2015.

Crossing Points: There are numerous drystone walls and fences throughout the area. Those marked with a purple overprint must not be crossed other than at marked crossing points. Where there is only one crossing point available, the line between controls will be bent through the mandatory crossing point. If there are two or more viable crossing points the line between controls will be broken at the uncrossable boundary.

Please close all gates behind you.

Please report any damage to walls/fences at download.

First Aid will be provided for the event by Peak Medicare.

Photography: A photographer will be present at the event and a link to the online album will be published on the Results page. Competitors will not be identified by name and we will endeavour not to photograph Juniors.

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