

Wrekin Orienteers
local orienteering event at
Lizard Hill on 21st February 2016.

Final Details

Directions: Event Grid Reference SJ 782095. Post code TF11 8QE. The event will be signposted from the A5, approximately 0.5k west of the junction of the A41 and the A5; and 1km east of the junction of the A5 and B4379.

Competitors are asked to approach from the A5 (as above). The lane leading to assembly is single track and we need orienteering traffic to be 'one way'. When leaving the event we ask that you continue in the same direction, i.e. South - follow Lizard Lane, when you reach a T-junction turn left onto the main road, this will lead to the A41 at Tong and close to the M54.

Car Parking: Please share transport if you possibly can to relieve the pressures on parking. At present, following the recent wet weather, the original car parking field is not available to us. A final decision will be made by the farmer the day before the event. Consequently we are expecting to use linear parking on wide verges along Lizard Lane. Please proceed cautiously down Lizard Lane towards the event and the marshalls will direct parking. They will also need to manage non-orienteering traffic. Drivers are asked to drive very slowly through the area of linear parking and be alert to pedestrians.

Facilities: Ultrasport

Space mobile toilets will be available in the assembly area.

Registration: All registration is on the day and registration will be open from 10:00 to 12:00 hours. Seniors £7 (includes £2 BOF discount), Juniors £3.

Punching: SI punching will be used. 'Dibbers' can be hired for £1. If you need to hire a dibber please do this before registering for your course. Lost dibbers will be charged at £40.

Courses:

Course	Length km	Climb m
White	1.4 km	25 m
Yellow	2.3 km	30 m
Orange	2.8 km	70 m
Light green	3.2 km	90 m
Short Green	3.5 km	55 m
Green	4.1 km	105 m
Blue	6.7 km	115 m
Brown	8.2 km	130 m

There will not be a string course

Starts: From 10:30 to 12:30

Courses Close at 14:30. Controls on early parts of courses may be collected before this time.

Terrain: Lizard Hill is relatively flat, with slopes on the Southern side. Typical of the West Midlands, some areas are more runnable than others. Parts of the area may be used by dog walkers, please respect their right to be there.

Whistles: It is compulsory to carry a whistle at all West Midlands events.

Clothing: The woods are fairly sheltered, however if the weather is poor the organiser may declare that cagoules must be carried. If so, a notice will be put up at the point where runners leave the assembly field.

Dogs: Sorry, but no dogs are allowed in the parking field, or competition area.

Start: The start is ten minutes from the assembly field, and is a gentle up hill walk. A punching start will be used. Whilst the route to the wood is suitable for 'off road' buggies; the entrance to the wood and the tracks within the wood are very muddy. The start and finish are just inside the wood, please warm-up on the track prior to entering the wood.

Clothing Dump: Clothing may be left at the Finish, which is close to the Start. No protection from the weather will be provided, this will not be supervised and any clothing is left at the owner's risk. Wrekin Orienteers will not accept any responsibility for loss or damage.

Maps: A4 size, scale 1:10,000, overprinted courses on weatherproof paper. They will not be bagged. If you feel that you need a bag please bring one with you. Cultivated areas around the woods and road sides (blue and brown courses) are out of bounds.

Download: All competitors **MUST** report to download even if they retire. Because of the change in availability of the field we had hoped to use, some competitors will reach their cars before they reach download – do remember to download, before you drive home.

Safety: All competitors take part at their own risk, and your attention is specifically drawn to the following points:

1) As we are using road side car parking, please take extra care as you make your way to and from the assembly field and the wood. Be alert for traffic coming from both directions.

2) Blue and brown courses involve short runs along the road that joins the two wooded areas. Please be alert for traffic and take care.

3) The pheasant season has just finished. Some birds are likely to be flushed out as you cross the terrain.

Results: Will be posted to our website www.wrekinorienteers.co.uk as soon as practicable after the event – hopefully on the evening of 21st February.

Cancellation in case of severe weather: Check at www.wrekinorienteers.co.uk

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