

# **DVO 2019 Championships and Picnic - Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

## **Carsington Pastures – 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Retro Event – Final Details**

In celebration of DVO's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the 2019 Club Championships will be a retro style event of that period. See Andy Hawkin's "Good Old Days" article in the May edition of Newstrack" if you are too young to know, or too old to remember, how orienteering events were run back then.

### **Event Details**

This is a free, closed event only open to current and past members of DVO. Entries are now closed. Control cards and needle punching will be used. So, in ditching the dibber you will need to bring a pen (preferably red) to copy your course, a clear plastic bag to protect your paper map, Transpaseal to protect your control card (or a clear plastic bag or you can use strips of Sellotape), a means of securing your control card (e.g. safety pin to your O suit), together with the usual compass and whistle.

**Courses:** - Long: 5.9km, 180m climb; Medium: 4.7km, 140m; Short: 3.4 km, 105m; Junior: 2.1km, 60m

**Registration** - Blank paper maps will be issued at registration together with envelopes containing your control card & control descriptions. Juniors will be provided with a pre-marked map and Tyvek control cards. Control cards will show your allocated start time. Current holders of the club trophies are to return these to registration. Registration is in the carpark, near the entrance.

**Start** - The start list is available on the club's website, [www.derwentvalleyorienteers.org.uk](http://www.derwentvalleyorienteers.org.uk). There will be a 3 minute callup at the start. The Start is a 3 minute walk from the carpark, along public footpaths, with an un-marshalled road crossing. Please take care as traffic can be fast moving.

**Finish** - The finish is close to the start. Handicaps will target a mass finish around noon. Once across the line, stay in finish order until your control card is collected. Courses close at 1:00pm.

**Location** - Carsington Pastures, near Wirksworth. Nearest postcode DE4 4ES; grid reference SK 251546.

**Parking** - This will be on hardstanding on a private access road to Sibelco works.

**Picnic** – This will be in the area near to the start. Prize giving will be awarded in the picnic area. In the event of inclement weather, the picnic will be held in Brassington Village Hall, Dale End Brassington, DE4 4HA. Parking is available along the road on the opposite side to the Village Hall, or at Wirksworth Dale a short walk away.

**Toilets** – Portaloos will be provided on Sibelco's private road, near the carpark entrance.

**Dogs** - Dogs are not allowed on Carsington Pastures, other than on public footpaths.

### **Terrain/Hazards**

Carsington Pastures is fast open moorland extensively grazed by cattle and sheep. Parts of the Pastures are covered in a technically difficult scattering of pits and mining features. There are a number of wind turbines and an overhead powerline runs through the area. Climbing on these is not permitted. The central fence must be crossed only where indicated. The routes on the map will be marked so competitors have to use these crossing points: anyone not doing so will be disqualified. There is potential for cows to be grazing in the area, and possibly sheep. Most of the pits are former mine workings and are concrete capped. Competitors must not to run through, or jump into, the bottom of pits. Be courteous to others users of this area.

### **Safety**

Competitors must wear full body cover – no shorts or sleeveless vests; short sleeved tops are allowed.

Competitors must carry a whistle. Water is not provided, please bring your own.

Livestock roam the area, so please wash your hands especially before eating. Please be tick aware and remember to check for ticks after racing.

A First Aid kit will be available at the Finish.

Competitors are responsible for their own personal safety and assessing their own abilities to complete the course. However, organisers have made reasonable risk management assessments to mitigate the hazards that a competitor might not reasonably be aware of. This has been done by addressing the hazards identified in the risk assessment, the planning of the courses and the information provided in these details.

**Hospitals:** The nearest A&E departments are at Chesterfield Royal Hospital, Calow, Chesterfield, S44 5BL or Royal Derby Hospital, Derby, DE22 3NE, or Minor Injuries Unit at Whitworth Hospital DE4 2JD.

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