



Regional (Level C) Orienteering Event

25th October 2020

Grangewood
3 km NW of Netherseal



An event in the 2020 East Midlands League

Final Details, Version 2

Please note that clocks go back by one hour on Saturday 24th October

Grangewood (privately owned) and Topwood (Woodland Trust) lie within the bounds of the new National Forest. Courses White to Green are planned in Grangewood itself which is an area of complex rides and paths with planting giving many vegetation boundaries. This area is used for event horse riding and has many horse jumps on the wide grassy rides. These are denoted by an x on the map. The Blue and Brown courses also visit the northern section of the map, where route choice is more important.

Car parking and Assembly

Parking is along the side of a forest track, and you will be asked to turn first, so that you park facing the exit. There is the option to pay the £2 fee through Fabian, but if you missed this, an honesty bucket will be at Enquiries.

The Enquiries and Download tent is on a wide ride to the north of the large, flat grassy field which contains a significant scientific feature – The Mease and Sence Noon Column – <http://www.ashbylife.co.uk/local-walks/mease-and-sence-noon-column.html>. Enquiries and Download is 100–400 metres from parking, depending whereabouts on the track you are parked. Parking is limited, please contact the Organiser if you are bringing a camper van.

There are many ways of approaching Grangewood which is on the minor road from Overseal to Coton-in-the-Elms – from Lullington, Linton, Netherseal, Avresford, Rosliston or Overseal.

Nearest Post Code: DE12 8BG – This is Grangewood Farm Livery – approx. 600m east of the car park entrance

Lat: (WGS84) 52.728055

Long: (WGS84) -1.60855

Grid Reference: SK265145

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Entries and fees

Entry is through Fabian4 only. **There will be NO entry on the day.** Only current members of British Orienteering may enter, and you will be asked to give your membership number on Fabian.

Early-bird (before midnight on Sunday 11th October): Adults £8, juniors and students £4, families £20

Standard (12–21st October): Adults £9, juniors and students £4, families £22

Please note that the £2 parking fee is also payable on Fabian and we will ask for your vehicle registration.

Timing

The event will use Sportident electronic punching. Contactless (SIAC punching) is enabled. If you do not have a Sportident card, you can request one through Fabian. Hire fee of 50p. SIAC cards available to hire for £1.

Starts

Starts are between 10.30 and 12:30am. The Near Start is 150m from the parking field, the Far Start 700m. The Finish is 300m from parking. **So that we do not have a lot of people congregating at either of the Starts, please do not go to your Start too far in advance of your start time. Please also keep a safe distance from others.**

Please use the hand sanitiser provided, before dibber clear and entry into the Start box.

Courses close at **14:30**. Please report to Download even if you retire.

Toilets: at the far end of the parking track.

Course lengths

White 2.0 km, 20m Note that **White and Yellow course maps** will be available in the Start box at the Near Start.

Yellow 2.1 km, 30m

Orange 3.0 km, 35m

Light Green 3.2 km, 30m

Short Green, 3.6 km, 35m

Green, 4.3 km, 40m – Far Start

Blue, 6.1 km, 55m – Far Start

Brown, 8.1 km, 65m – Far Start

Finish

There is a common Finish, located 200 metres from Download/Enquiries and Assembly.

Map

Drawn 2016 by Richard Parkin with updates in August 2020 by Richard Parkin. Courses White to Green will use 1:7500 scale; Blue and Brown 1:10000. Special symbols: **x** horse jump, **o** seat

Since previous events available on RouteGadget, the map has been updated to ISOM 2017. The main change is that narrow grassy rides now use symbol 508 Narrow ride or linear trace, denoting a narrow ride that does not have a distinct runnable path along it. Symbol 508 is a thin dashed line, with white or yellow background to denote runnability. Power lines are not mapped. This is a working forest, so some minor extraction lanes may have appeared since the final version of map.

Dogs

The area is used extensively by dog walkers and horse riders. Dogs are allowed in Assembly on leads, and owners should be considerate of participants and any poo removed. Dogs are **not** allowed on courses.

Safety

Competitors and helpers should be aware of the following potential hazards:

- There are some log stacks in various place in the forest. Please do not go near them as they may slip
- The area is extensively used by dog walkers who often do not have their dogs on leads
- There is a deep fishing pond close to the end of the Brown, Green and Short Green courses.
- The area is used by horse riders, and we expect them to be present during the event. Please take care not to surprise horses, and be courteous if you do so.
- **White and Yellow Courses** There are places where less experienced competitors may become confused by the number of tracks. To mitigate any problems caused 'frowny faces' will be placed on tracks that are not the planned route choice. An example of these 'faces' will be displayed in assembly.

Clothing, whistles and cagoules

Competitors must wear clothing fully covering torso and legs. Shorts are not permitted. It is advised to carry a whistle. In the event of bad weather, it will be compulsory to wear a waterproof hooded jacket, and notices will be displayed at the entrance to the parking to this effect.

Courses close at **14:30** after which controls will be collected. You must still report to download even if you miss the cut-off time, to avoid a search being instigated.

Covid safety

1. Do not take part if you or any member of your household have had recent Covid-19 symptoms, or if you have been in recent contact with a known positive case.
2. Please take care to stay distanced from other participants, helpers and members of the public.
3. Please do not congregate in groups larger than 6.
4. Hand sanitiser will be provided outside the toilets, at both Starts and before Download. It **MUST** be used before Starting, and before Downloading.
5. Please avoid touching SI boxes when you dib. Those with SIAC dibbers, please use them contactlessly.

We are not operating track and trace as this is an outdoor event with distancing and other protective measures, as per British Orienteering Guidelines. **However, if you do develop Covid symptoms or receive a positive test result during the fortnight after the event, please contact the Organiser on 07740 181590.** Appropriate measures will be decided and acted upon by the Organiser and the DVO Safety Officer.

A risk assessment has been carried out by the Organiser and all reasonable care has been taken by the Organiser and Planner to ensure the safety and well being of competitors. However, participants take part at their own risk and are responsible for their own safety during the event.

Photography

You are welcome to take photographs or record video at this event, 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. If there are particular reasons why an individual should not be photographed, please discuss the issue with the organiser in advance of the event. Report any concerns about inappropriate photography to the event organiser.

Acknowledgement

Thank you to Jane Kirkland of Grangewood Farm Livery for allowing us to hold the event on her land.

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