

Organisers Comments

What awful weather! I must have got the day wrong when I booked the sunshine.

However, everyone seemed to enjoy the event despite the persistent rain and bone-numbing cold - undoubtedly due to the wonderful team of smiling helpers. We had 79 runners with a significant number of first-timers (17 INDs) and one or two new members to boot (at least one actually handed over the HOC membership fee!).

For the second time running at Sandwell, we were very fortunate to be given access to an indoor space so we could at least keep the registration and download teams dry. Whats more the very obliging park staff also loaned us tables and an extension lead to reach a remote power socket. Unfortunately one of the park staff took the keys to the newly refurbished toilets home with him and so we had to make do with a single disabled unit accessible only with a radar key which had to be 'passed down the line' of those waiting - sorry about that.

Andy White

Controller's Comments:

Congratulations to Adrian on courses which made the best use of the more interesting woods to the north of the carpark, and to Andy W on his smooth organisation. Thanks to the Harlequins and others who helped in rather unpleasant conditions.

I apologise to those on the Blue and Brown courses who had problems with the fences to the west of the motorway: I should have checked potential routes more carefully.

Andy Hemsted