

### **Organiser's Comments**

Organising this event was relatively straight forward as the Forestry Commission Visitor Centre has toilets and refreshments. The only real problem we encountered was the number of car parking spaces that they were prepared to let us have (approx. 50). We did manage to arrange "overspill" parking some 600m down the road. In the event this was not necessary but we would like to thank the owners of Alton Nursery, for agreeing to us using their customer car park.

Thank you to all those who came along to enjoy the courses provided by Mike Dugmore and Kerstin Mitchell, and controlled by Brian Hughes. The day proved perfect for running – dry but not too warm.

Thanks also due to the trusty teams of Harlequin volunteers who provided the manpower (and womanpower!) to ensure things ran smoothly.

Found Property – khaki "Airwalk" baseball cap left at registration - please email the organiser at [judithevans55@btinternet.com](mailto:judithevans55@btinternet.com) to arrange return.

Judith Evans

### **Planners Comments.**

Well it's too late now. Water under the bridge. Those of you that did not turn up on Saturday missed out on probably the best technical orienteering event that will be held in the West Midlands this season.

The forest was lovely , and once away out into the forest the brambles were not bad for the time of the year. The day was fine and mild , an ideal day for orienteering. A pity the turn out was disappointing.

For those who did compete, thank you for coming. It was pleasing to hear your positive comments on the courses; courses designed by my assistant Planner Kerstin Mitchell and honed by myself , and very ably controlled by Brian Hughes. I thank them both for their efforts and look forward to working with them both on future events.

Mike Dugmore.

### **Controller's Comments.**

It was good working with Mike and Kerstin and very encouraging to hear many favourable comments on their courses at the Finish. Mike is a very experienced Planner and Controller and I picked up many good tips from him, and hopefully passed on a few to Kertsin who was planning only her second event. Preparations were perhaps over the top for what ended up as a 4 course local event, a controller having been appointed when it was hoped to run a full colour coded event. Consequently, the turn out was disappointing.

Brian Hughes