

Himley Park SEE 21 May 2015

Posn	Name	Club	Class	Recorded Time	Adjusted Time	
					for 5 (+19L)	
	Short					
1=	Sebastian Mitchell	HOC	M12	57:39		
1=	Arthur Mitchell	HOC	M10	57:39		
	Medium					
1	Adrian Bailey	HOC	M45	41:40	29:24	
2	Alex Mitchell	HOC	M14	40:03	31:13	
3	Russ Fauset	HOC	M65	43:32	33:21	
4	Kerstin Mitchell	HOC	W45	41:05	34:08	
5	Andy White	HOC	M55	42:44	34:49	
6	Nigel Cousins	HOC	M60	48:23	35:55	
7	Barry Houghton	HOC	M65	45:11	36:37	
8	Barry McGowan	HOC	M65	45:20	38:04	
9	Robert Vickers	HOC	M65	45:05	38:24	
10	Alison Sloman	HOC	W75	56:54	48:16	
11	Jenny Uff	HOC	W65	85:48	65:45	
12	Cameron Richards	HOC	M16	82:46	69:59	
13	John Nicklin	HOC	M50	84:30	71:20	
	Long					
1	Adrian Pickles	WRE	M55	50:35	35:51	
2	Steve Parker	WRE	M45	57:55	41:55	
3	Peter Langmaid	HOC	M45	65:09	43:02	
4	Mike Baggott	HOC	M60	67:29	44:50	
	Duncan Birtwistle	WRE	M21	39:34	28:49	m10,13
	Andy Johnson	HOC	M50	78:00	50:27	retd, m20-23

Thank you all for coming and making it worthwhile. I'd struggled to get all the controls out in time for a variety of reasons so I'm sorry that registration opened a little late but starts weren't delayed too long.

I have to apologise for the incorrect marking on the map for 106, #19 on the Long. Whilst the original location was clear when checking the area four weeks before, it was unusable on the day and I had to re-site it at the last minute and make hand corrections to each map. Unfortunately in the rush, I placed the flag on an unmapped feature some distance away which I discovered when control collecting the following day. I will be contacting the mapper to get this part of the map

updated for the future as I feel it is a little unclear here now. Consequently I have excluded legs 19 and 20 from the adjusted times on the Long although it does not affect positions.

On the very first two controls I put out on the day (my first experience of full SI AND gripping) in the wooded area, I omitted to also attach the flags to the gripped unit even though I had them with me. I realised my mistake by the third and intended to correct this on my second loop round the area in the open but my first loop had taken me so long I simply ran out of time. 102 (#5 on both courses) was sited in the correct place alongside the tape but because of no suitable high branch was gripped low down and has been deemed to be unfair as it was not easily visible. I have therefore also excluded leg 5 & 6 times on both courses from the final results. I hate to rob Alex of his recorded time win but Adrian lost even more time than he did on this leg. The other one, 121 (#20 on the long) was gripped at shoulder height, easily visible and did not cause any problems looking at the splits. In any case it has already been excluded as part of the correction for 19 even though everybody found it quickly.

The Finish unit failed for the first finisher, Andy White, although it had worked on my test dib when I put it out and I have deducted 30 seconds whilst I replaced it, but it does not affect positions.

The two young Mitchells attempted to do their own version of a short course using the Medium map plus a diversion of their own and I have to congratulate them on finding 120, number 3 on both courses, as even some of the older, experienced orienteers had trouble with this one.

Duncan was a very, very late starter, but even with his speed he could not afford to waste any time at all on any control if he was to get back in time. So I thank him for coming, but feel it is only fair to disqualify him for failing to find two controls quickly.

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