



Event Information
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revised)

Harlequins Orienteering Club
Invite you to a Summer Series event
At
Saltwells Nature Reserve



Orienteering in
Worcester, Hereford,
South Shropshire,
Black Country and
Birmingham.

On
Thursday 04 Jul 2019

**Venue &
Travel**

Saltwells Nature Reserve, Saltwells Lane, Dudley. GR S0934869, use postcode DY5 1AX in your satnav. Saltwells Lane is off Saltwells Road which runs between the A459 and A4036.

Cradley Heath railway station on the Birmingham-Kidderminster line is approx 1.5km away. Merry Hill bus station with lots of services is 1km away.

Parking:

Nature reserve car park - no charge. Don't park in the Saltwells Inn car park unless you're intending to have a drink and/or meal afterwards. Assembly/start/finish in or very near to car park.

Terrain:

Partly-forested former mining area. The southern part is the most mature and contains large numbers of pits and depressions as well as a huge former clay pit. Netherton Hill to the north is more open with blocks of gorse and beyond is an area of more recent woodland planting.

Map:

1:7500 by Alison Sloman updated 2019. A4 size, pre-printed but not waterproof. Clear bags or pockets will be available.

Courses:

Basically, one course, approx 6km with 26 controls. There is a variation for unaccompanied juniors under 16 which avoids the need to cross a road which bisects the area. Linear score format; 1 hour time limit, 10 points per control visited, 1 point penalty for every 6 seconds over the time limit - controls must be visited in order, but you can leave some out - e.g. 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 26 within the hour scores 80.

Entries:

On the day.

Registration:

17:00 - 18:45

Starts:

17:15 - 19:00

Punching:

Electronic punching using SportIdent. SI-Cards may be hired for £1.00

Fees:

Seniors £5, Juniors £2 (per map)

Dogs:

Well-behaved dogs welcome

Facilities:

None. Merry Hill Shopping Centre is not far if you feel the need or have time to kill beforehand.

Officials:

Organiser/Planner Peter Langmaid. tel/text 07905 031479, email plhoc@tiscali.co.uk

Safety:

Competitors take part at their own risk. Whistles must be carried. In case of bad weather competitors may be required to wear (carry) water- and wind-proof tops

**Website &
Cancellation:**

For the latest information check <http://www.harlequins.org.uk>

Notes & EVO

Beginners and novices welcome - this is an informal event.

A local guide group is also holding an event in the Reserve on the same evening so there may be congestion in the car park - be patient - some double parking may be required.

Post-run rehydration available at the Saltwells Inn. Food orders taken up to around 8:45pm.