Thank you all for coming along to run in Laindon tonight. I hope you enjoyed your run. There were a few more off road sections than normal for the winter series - a result of the courses originally being planned for the summer series! There were a few slippery sections, so hopefully you managed to keep your footing, and found your way round. Thank you to Colin for planning the courses, and for managing the event on the night. The error on the naming of the Short map was entirely down to me, not Colin!

We thought it safest to put the start/finish on the other side of the road to avoid people getting held up if there was any traffic. This did entail a walk to the start, but hopefully you all found the start kite relatively easily.

As usual there were a few technical difficulties - I think I have sorted most of them out, but we still have a few runners to upload their results, so I can't see them currently. As you know, I like to get the results out on the same night, so I will update for the additional runners when we get their results into MapRun.

As it stands at the moment, Marc Owen was fastest round the short. Dale Bennett came second, and I have credited his time round the course, although he ran it in reverse order! Don't think there was an advantage to that, except that he would have seen everyone on the course! Marc holds onto the win after handicaps are applied so gets the 100 points this week. Veronica Machin moves slightly closer to Christopher Childs at the top of the leaderboard.

Chris Prince was fastest round the Long course, a couple of minutes ahead of Kevin Gard. But once handicaps are applied, Kevin jumps into the lead, ahead of Keith Bennett, and Paul Beckett. Kevin holds the early lead in the overall table, ahead of Dean Pepper and Keith Bennett.

Full details of the scoring can be found here.

The next race in the series will be the Tiptree event from SOS, on the 25th November.

Details of the all the results and future fixtures in the series can be found on the series homepage.

If you missed the event tonight, but want to run it on Anytime catchup, details are on the series webpage, including maps and instructions. You will still score points for the league (if you run in the next 2 weeks), subject to an Anytime penalty of 6 mins (long) or 4 mins (short).

Ahead of the next race in the series, HAVOC have a forest event in Bedford's Park on the 22nd November. This one is in the daylight! A full orienteering map, and SI controls, with a full range of course lengths and difficulties available.