## HAVERING & SOUTH ESSEX ORIENTEERING CLUB



## EAST ANGLIAN LEAGUE (EAL) & SWELL LEAGUE (2017/2018) round #1 REGIONAL EVENT (level C)

incorporating CHIG & DFOK Club Championships

## WEALD COUNTRY PARK, BRENTWOOD ESSEX SUNDAY 24th SEPTEMBER 2017

**CAR PARK:** 

One mile from M25 J28/A12 junction, at the 'Cricket Field' car park, off Weald Road, opposite the junction with Weald Park Way. Grid Ref. TQ 573940, postcode CM14 5QJ. Essex County Council car parking charges apply (£4 for 3 hours; £5 all day), "pay & display" (no change given, new £1 coins accepted); fees go towards the park facilities.

**DIRECTIONS:** 

Approaching from M25 J28/A12 (Brookstreet Roundabout), take the A1023 towards Brentwood. After half a mile, at the traffic lights, turn left towards Weald Country Park then turn right, immediately after crossing the bridge over the A12, onto Weald Park Way. The entrance to the car park is directly opposite at the next road junction.

TERRAIN:

OCAD map of the former grounds of the Weald estate with recent updates, 1:10,000 scale. Terrain is gently contoured and comprises undulating mature woodland, a deer park, lakes, landscaped open and rough open areas. Special symbols on map: elongated H = seat; black X = hide; green X = hide; black  $X = \text{hid$ 

**COURSES:** 

A range of colour coded courses: White (1.5K/45m), Yellow (2.3K/70m), Orange (2.5K/75m), Light Green (3.8K/80m), Short Green (3.8K/110m), Green (5.1K/140m), Blue (7.2K/170m) and Brown (8.1K/185m). Courses will be suitable for beginners, improvers and experienced orienteers. Help and coaching will be available for beginners/improvers (please ask at Registration). Maps will be overprinted on waterproof paper. Blue and Brown courses will have 2-part maps.

Due to forestry work some paths will be marked with purple crosses ("forbidden route") and some copses with purple OOB. Note rabbits are a problem in the area, keep a look out for rabbit holes. Deer and a small herd of redpoll cattle roam freely, do not approach them and make sure gates are closed.

TIMES: Registration

10:00 am to 12 noon. Starts 10:30 am to 12:30 pm.

Courses close 2.30 pm.

**IMPORTANT:** 

Older type SI control boxes will be used for timing at this event. These boxes DO NOT support newer dibbers (SI cards). ONLY the classic SI-card 5, numbered 1 to 499,999 is definitely supported. SI-card 6, numbered 500,000 to 999,999 should work as well but we have not been able to test them. Therefore, if you do not have an SI card/dibber with a number less than 500,000, you will need to hire one, for free, at the event.

**ENTRY FEES:** 

Seniors £7 (£2 surcharge for non-British Orienteering members.) Juniors £3 Electronic punching will be used at this event – SI-card/'dibber' free hire. Pairs and groups pay one senior fee only but should take only one map.

FACILITIES:

Toilets adjacent to car park. Refurbished Visitor Centre with café 500m.

Start and Finish within 150-250m of the car park.

Other attractions: Lake with wildfowl, a deer enclosure, a picnic area & Stick Man Trail.

OFFICIALS:

Planner: Rachel McTurk (HAVOC)

Organiser: Colin Jackson <u>chairman@orienteering-havoc.co.uk</u> (HAVOC)
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