

Thank you for running at Brentwood South on Wednesday. Apologies for the slight delay in results, but I was trying to get to the bottom of a couple of MapRun oddities. Think we are there now, but if you see anything not quite right in the results then let me know.

We started at the same pub as one of the previous races, and that caused a slight problem in event selection, so I must remember to make sure the event names are clear! A couple of the controls also seemed to ping slightly off their location, not sure what happened there as we did check them all, but I have credited visits.

I thought I would pose a decision whether to try for the close high pointer, but which then left you not very convenient for anything else. Interesting to see it was split whether to go for this or not! Then there was the north west section of the map, which had a few controls, but were fairly low pointers, so probably not worth it unless you were really fast. And then a few hills for the rest of the course. I tried to make it long enough that no-one would be able to clear them all - a couple got close, but I was pleased to see no-one managed it!

Last race the leaderboard was dominated by Long course runners. This week we had a Short course runner winning it all when the uplift was taken into account. Well done Marc. He was the only short course runner in the top 10 though. Looking at Handicap, and Marc takes the win for the second race in a row, followed by three female runners - good to see the handicaps working out there.

You may have noticed last time I did an efficiency table where runners are ranked on points scored per km run (using the MapRun distance travelled). The top efficiency this race was remarkably similar to last time out, which is interesting because this time I chose a different method of allocating control values - spreading the high and low pointers throughout the map, to encourage heading to different areas, as opposed to putting the majority of the high pointers further away. Dale Bennett was the most efficient runner this week, with the race winner only managing 10th on that list, around 3 points per km lower.

Anyway, hope you enjoyed your run, and appreciated the warm weather I laid on! We had some very appreciative comments on the score format as opposed to line, which maybe works better in urban events to avoid the "procession" of runners you can sometimes get.

Details of the scoring can be found at this [link](#).

Details of the all the results in the series can be found on the series [homepage](#).

The next event of the series is likely to be in north Chelmsford. Details are being finalised, and the flyer will be with you soon, as well as the Racesignup page for entries.