



Mole Valley Orienteering Club

(affiliated to British Orienteering)

invites you to the
Southern Championships
UKOL and Interland competition
Sunday 8th February 2015

In the picturesque and intricate Surrey Hills

Final details

Entries

Please note that entries via Fabian4 will close on 6 February and there will be no entry on the day.

Terrain

Surrey Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Mixed plantation working forest, intricate path and ride network and some open and semi-open areas. The map includes the scarp slope of the North Downs and there is some complex contour detail.

Map

Revised and redrawn for the event.

Travel

Parking will be at The University of Surrey in Guildford. From all directions follow the A3 through Guildford and take the exit for the University and Cathedral. At the roundabout East of the main road take the exit for the University passing the large stag statue on your right (the University is on Stag Hill). Follow the campus road for 500m to the Main Car Park on the left. GR SU 985585. The postcode for the University is GU2 7XH. Guildford Station is about 1km from the University and there is an Arriva Bus scheduled service to the University.

Please park free anywhere in the Main Car Park avoiding restricted areas including the Pay and Display Area (unless you wish to pay!). Use marked bays. There will be no car park marshals.

Those using public transport also have the option of a train to West Horsley station which is about 2.5 km from Assembly, or the scheduled bus service along the A246 which passes within 500m of Assembly. Then join the walking route from the bus drop off or the alternative route past St Mary's Church (see below).

Facilities at Surrey University

Toilets (Austin Pearce Building (AP)). Shop (basic, probably no fresh food) in

Learning and Leisure Centre (LLC). See campus maps in area. Bus pick up at service bus turning circle (marshalled).

First bus at 8.00 am (Interland Competitors only) then at 8.30 and every 20 mins or so from 9.00. 20 minute transfer to drop off point at Cranmore School West Horsley (marshaled).

Assembly area

From the bus drop off walk 1km to Assembly first along public road then, after marshalled road crossing, through Grove Fruit Farm. This is PRIVATE LAND, please keep to track and don't walk on lawns or flower beds.

It will be possible to drop off club tents near Assembly – but no waiting and no parking. Use small lay by at St Mary's Church at TQ 088527. Respect Church service 9.00 to 10.30. Drivers must then proceed to Surrey University.

In the Assembly field will be toilets, traders, caterers, ample space for club tents, large tent for clothing (bring own bag), Red Cross ambulance, Interland mini-arena, Download, Enquiries and rented SI card issue.

A free string course will be adjacent.

Start

The start is around 2km and 95m climb from the south west corner of the assembly area. You should allow a minimum of 35 minutes. It is along good but sometimes muddy tracks and involves a road crossing. This will NOT be marshalled so please be aware of not only traffic but also fast moving, silent and frequent cyclists. You cross at your own risk. Please do not stray from the marked route to the start as all the surrounding forest is out of bounds.

The start will be timed with a punching start only for helpers having open start times. Late comers will be accommodated at the next free starting slot. Junior maps will be issued before start lanes.

Please note that there will be NO clothing dump at or transfer from the Start.

Control descriptions will be available in the start boxes and will be printed on the front of the maps. Courses 17,18 and 19 have written and pictorial descriptions.

Courses

Age Class Courses per separate list. Entries close 6 February. No entry on the day. For colour coded courses, enter appropriate course number as shown on the list. All courses involve crossing at least one road. You may cross this at right angles anywhere along its length but it is forbidden to run along the road where marked on your map. Please take particular care of frequent, fast moving and silent cyclists who use this road. There will be a marshalled crossing point on junior courses. There are other roads marked as forbidden routes which may not be run along. Some fields are also shown as Out of Bounds.

Recent winds have resulted in some trees obstructing and even blocking

tracks throughout the area. Competitors on Course 19 will need to negotiate a fallen tree blocking the track between their 3rd and 4th control.

Both a tunnel and a bridge have been used as control sites. The control is located on the lower path for the tunnel and above the path for the bridge.

There are a number of Bridleways Open to All Traffic (BOATs) in the area. These will need to be crossed and may be run along, but please be aware that there may be four wheel drive vehicles or motor bicycles using these tracks.

Safety bearing

If all else fails head North and keep within the forest. This should bring you eventually to the Assembly area

Finish

All courses finish in full view in the Assembly area. Please ensure you download and return hired SI cards immediately after finishing.

Water will not be supplied at the Finish – please bring your own.

Courses close at 3.00 pm – you must be back at the Finish and downloaded by this time, and controls may be progressively collected from before this time.

Return

The bus pick up, will be the same as the drop off at Cranmore School – retrace your steps via Grove Fruit Farm, which is still PRIVATE LAND so please keep to the track and don't walk on lawns or flower beds. Buses will return every 20 minutes – last one approx. 15.30. Please note that one bus at approximately 13:30 will be reserved for Interland Competitors returning to their own car park.

Prizegiving and Results

Interland competition prizegiving at 13:00 in their mini arena. Southern Championships prizegiving as soon as possible after 14:00 at same location. Full results and splits on MVOG.org