



## Mole Valley Orienteering Club

(affiliated to British Orienteering)

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### HOLMBUSH ESTATE Kent Night Cup round 18

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2018

**Mole Valley Orienteering Club invites you to our annual “Kent” Night Cup round – an opportunity to revisit JK Day 3 territory in the dark, *plus* full access to the Paintball site.**

**Event centre:** Ultimate Events Activity Centre car park at TQ233337, lat/long 51.0896,-0.2397. Access is via the Holmbush Farm site. Heading westwards on the A264 Crawley-Horsham road take the second entrance on the left after the Kilnwood Vale roundabout at TQ227344, lat/long 51.0959, -0.2483, nearest postcode RH12 4SE. **Look for the big ‘PAINTBALL’ sign on this entrance.** Alternatively follow the brown signs for Holmbush Farm and join the main N-S access road via the farmyard. **Signal your intention to turn off early – this is a *very* fast road.** Follow “Paintball” signs until the “Ultimate Events” signs diverge, then follow “Ultimate Events”. For those who have been to Holmbush before, this is the usual entrance, but a different car park, right in the middle of the forest. Nearest railway station Faygate 2km.

**Entry:** On the night only in the car park 19:00-19:15, but please try to email the organiser at [ditchi56-bof@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ditchi56-bof@yahoo.co.uk) at least 24 hours in advance to reserve a map. We will print some spares, but cannot absolutely guarantee to have enough. Bring SI dibber to registration if you have one. Order pub food if you want any. Also if you have not been to a Kent Night Cup in the past couple of years, please fill in a KNC Registration Card (emergency contact details etc). Seniors £5, juniors/students £1 (apologies to KNC regulars for the high price). SI dibber hire (if required) £1.

**Facilities:** Toilets in the car park.

**Mass start at 19:30.** SI electronic punching (contactless **NOT** enabled).

**Course:** 1 hour score event. The map will have 20 controls with no set route between them; you visit as many, or few, as you like within the time limit. You score 1 point per control, and if you are late back you lose 1 point for every minute or part minute over the hour. You may visit controls in any order, but to keep the faster runners fully occupied, there is a bonus of 1 point if consecutive controls on your course end with the same digit.

**Scoring Examples:** start-90-102-91-100-101-finish would score 5 points (5 controls visited). start-90-100-102-101-91-finish would score 7 points (5 controls + bonus points for 90-100 & 101-91 being consecutive).

**This is a night event, torch essential.**

**Map:** Part of the area used for JK Day 3 2017, updated October 2017 by Mike Elliot. 1:10000 scale, overprinted and waterproof. Control descriptions on the map only. The largest paintball buildings are shown, but otherwise paintball paraphernalia is unmapped.

Black cross : Chilean army helicopter (not airworthy).

Green cross : large rootstock. Rootstocks 3m or less high are unmapped.

**Terrain:** Mixed woodland, partly used for paintball, axe throwing, etc. Many tracks and paths. Ground cover in paintball “war zones” largely removed, making for fast running. Elsewhere bracken has died down but can still be a nuisance. Rhododendron has invaded some areas, but is accurately mapped, so it should be possible to navigate through.

**Courtesy to others:** The lakes may be used by anglers. Please be considerate if you meet them, and avoid the edges of the lakes.

**ApresO & prizegiving:** The Holmbush Inn, Faygate Lane, Faygate, RH12 4QN. TQ217343, lat/long 51.0957,-0.2621. Back to the main road, turn left (not that you have any choice), and then right at the next roundabout. Pub on left immediately before Faygate station. Food served until 9:30pm, pre-ordering at registration recommended.

**Safety:** A full risk assessment has been carried out for this event. You are advised to carry backup torch and whistle. Cagoules may be compulsory if the weather is cold and wet. The nearest hospitals for A&E are Princess Royal Hospital, Haywards Heath or East Surrey Hospital, Redhill. If extreme bad weather forces cancellation, we will try to get a notice onto [www.mvoc.org](http://www.mvoc.org).

**Insurance:** Please note that if you have competed in three orienteering events registered with British Orienteering and not joined an orienteering club which is a member of British Orienteering then you are not covered by our public liability insurance.

**Acknowledgments:** Our thanks go to the Holmbush Estate & Holmbush Paintball.

**Organiser/planner:** Ian Ditchfield (MV)

**\* You are responsible for your own safety and take part in this event at your own risk\***