



Mole Valley Orienteering Club
(Affiliated to British Orienteering)

Reigate Urban **Sunday 27th August 2023**

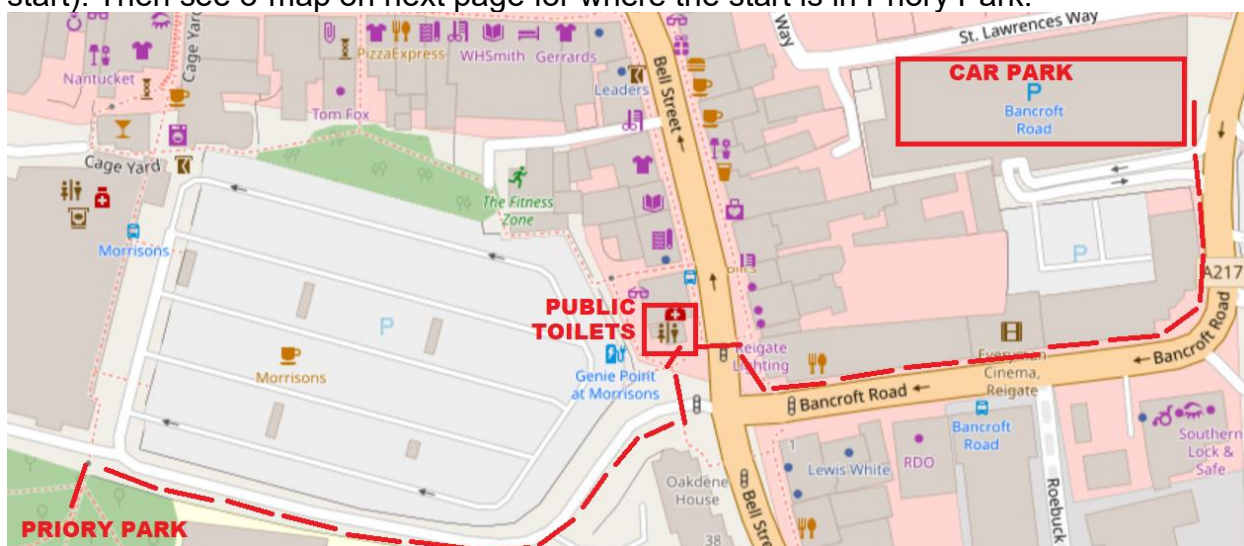
The UK Urban League (UKUL) and Southern England Orienteering Urban League (SEOUL) come to historic and medieval market town of Reigate. Sitting below the North Downs escarpment, courses will visit Reigate Priory and Castle.

FINAL DETAILS

Entry: [Racesignup.co.uk](https://racesignup.co.uk). Seniors £10, Juniors (u21) / students £4 by 20 August. Seniors £12, Juniors £6 by 25 August and entry on day (subject to map availability, payment by card only). £2 surcharge for non-BOF Seniors. SI-Card hire £1 (lost units £30) or contactless SIAC hire £2.50 (lost units £65).

Directions (all): The start and finish are in Reigate Priory Park. Please proceed directly to the start if you are pre-entered, via the recommended routes shown below for either coming by public transport or by driving. There will be a bag/key drop at the start, which we will transfer to download after the start closes. If you need to enter on the day or collect a hired dibber, please proceed to enquiries/download according to the mapped route.

Directions by car: Please use the **Bancroft Road multi-storey car park** (post code RH2 0AN or what3words [///cubes.clever.forgot](https://www.what3words.com/cubes.clever.forgot) or [google maps](https://www.google.com/maps)). The car park has a height restriction at its entrance from the A217 of 2.0m.¹ The pay and display charges for the car park are £1 for up to 2 hours or £2 up to 4 hours. Please follow the below walking route (~700m, approx. 7mins) to Priory Park, which goes via the public toilets (no toilets at the start). Then see o-map on next page for where the start is in Priory Park.



For the use of customers of Morristons, there are toilets in Morristons. Its car park (free for customers) has an enforced (£penalty) maximum stay of 2 hours – see notices.

¹ Bell Street car park is not recommended because: the route to the start from there goes through the competition area; it does not have enough spaces to accommodate all competitors; and it is prioritised for helpers. However, should you prefer to use this car park e.g. due to vehicles above 2.0m height, please walk north from the car park along the A217 (Bell Street) to join the marked pedestrian route above.

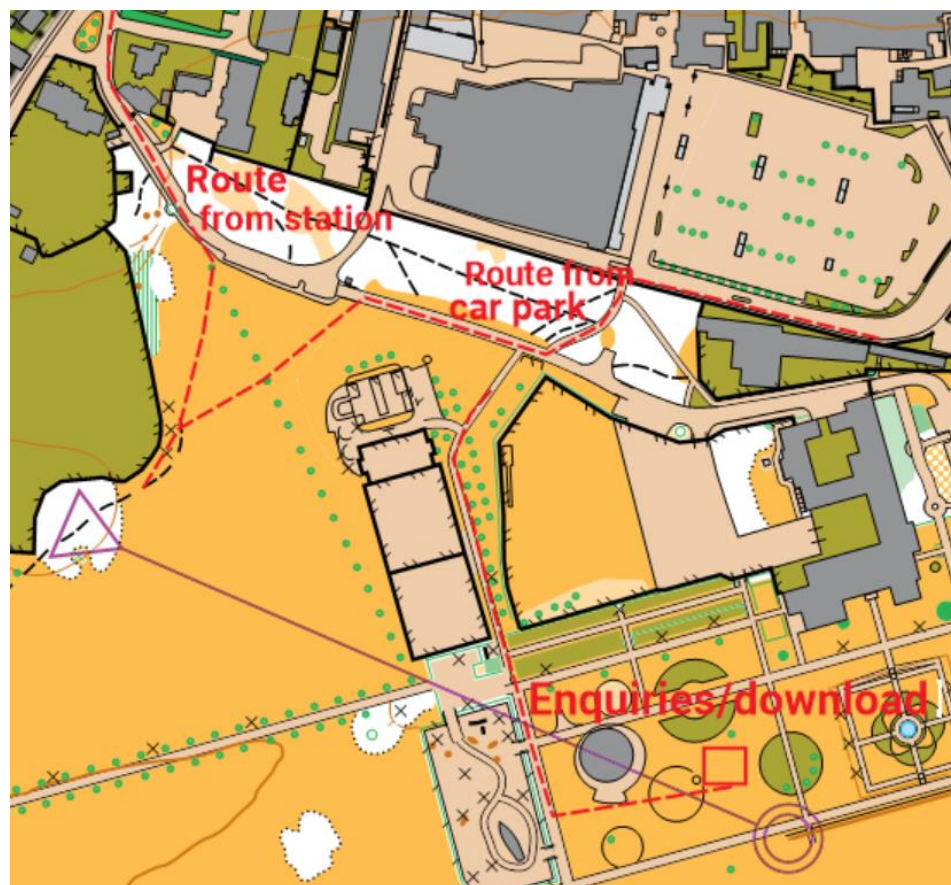
Directions via public transport: The nearest railway station is Reigate station (1km), direct services from London Victoria, Guildford, Reading, Gatwick. There are currently no strikes planned for the date of the event. The 1km walk to the start is approximately 10-15 minutes (see route shown on map to the right): turn left out of the station heading south on London Road (A217), use the crossing to continue southwest along London Road (A25) against the flow of one-way traffic, cross straight over at the junction with the High Street on to Park Lane, bearing left after 50m to take the road into Priory Park. Then follow o-map below.

Competitors arriving by rail may wish to make use of the station toilets as there aren't other toilets en route.



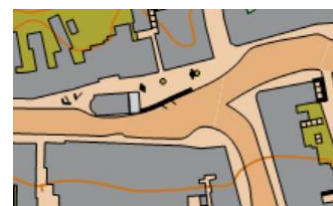
How to get to the start and enquiries/download within Reigate Priory Park

Please follow the routes shown on the map below to get to the start. We expect this to be a taped route.



Map and terrain: New map by Mike Elliot (MV) surveyed 2023, overprinted with the courses and printed on waterproof paper. Drawn with OCAD2020 to ISSprOM2019-2. Scale 1:4,000 with 5 metre contours, 150 metres between magnetic north lines.

Pavement edges are only shown for major streets and significant paved areas, where they serve a navigational purpose - for clarity the small pavements on most roads are not shown. Busier major roads (e.g. centre of Reigate) have been mapped using a darker shade of brown than other streets to aid your decisions of route choices. See example on the right showing the high street in this darker shade. There are some stretches of busier roads that do not have pavements on **both** sides; it is not advised that you run on the road but cross on to the pavement side.



Reigate has a pedestrian **tunnel** by the castle. This map snippet shows a north-south tunnel with 2 entrances (the black triangles) plus the east-west path over the top with 4 small towers and a set of uncrossable walls. Most courses visit this site, some even have a control nearby.



The map, as printed, does not have a full legend with only **impassable/out-of-bounds** features listed (per snippet). A full ISSprOM 2019-2 legend is at maprunner.co.uk/map-symbols/.

Crossing impassable / out-of-bounds results in disqualification. Incursion on private land (olive green) can lead to complaints to you/us, so please avoid. You must not cross such

	Uncrossable vegetation
	Uncrossable vegetation, hedge
	Bridge or tunnel entrance
	Area passable at two levels (but upper level is not to be entered)
	Area that shall not be entered
	Building (not to be entered)
	Out-of-bounds area
	Crossing point (optional)
	Temporary construction site(Out of Bounds)
	Fence, not to be crossed
	Wall, not to be crossed

features even if this appears to be physically possible. **Our sport's reputation and future use of the area depends on your respect for the rules, your conduct, and your courtesy to others.**

A 2022 map of just Reigate Priory Park is at <https://www.mvoc.routegadget.co.uk/rg2/#81>. Courses will be on grass/tracks in Priory Park as well as paths. The majority of the rest of the courses are on hard standing of tarmac road and pavements. Courses 6 and 7 use traffic free areas within Priory Park (see safety notes below). Please avoid crossing temporary sports pitches that are in active use in Priory Park (mapped). Two overprinted out of bounds areas within Priory Park are small temporary funfairs in the park.

Course details:

Course	Classes	Distance straight	Distance optimum	Climb	No. of controls.	Map size
1	Men Open (MO)	8.5km	~11.4km	100m	28	A3 double sided
2	Men Vet 40+ (MV) Women Open (WO)	7.3km	~10.0km	100m	28	A3 double sided
3	Men SuperVet 55+ (MSV) Women Vet 40+ (WV)	6.2km	~8.4km	80m	25	A3 single sided
4	Men UltraVet 65+ (MUV) Women SuperVet 55+ (WSV)	4.6km	~6.2km	90m	26	A3 single sided
5	Men HyperVet 75+ (MHV) Women UltraVet 65+ (WUV) Women HyperVet 75+ (WHV)	3.6km	~4.7km	45m	21	A3 single sided
6	Men/Women Junior 16- (MJ or WJ)	2.9km	~3.0km	25m	13	A4 single sided
7	Men/Women YoungJunior 12- (MYJ or WYJ)	2.0km	~2.1km	15m	12	A4 single sided

Double-sided maps show the changeover control on both sides (i.e. not an entire leg). Competitors under 16 are not allowed to compete on courses 1 to 5 unless accompanied by an adult. Adults who are shadowing: to remain competitive complete your own run first.

Safety briefing:

- Competitors are reminded that they take part at their own risk and are responsible at all times for their own safety.
- All runners will encounter **uneven surfaces** – please take care.
- The competition takes place in a public urban area with numerous **road crossings** and in busy areas with members of the public. Please take care when running and look out for moving traffic, bicycles, members of the public. Pedestrian crossings in busy areas are marked as optional crossing points. Brightly coloured clothing is recommended to mitigate the risk of collisions. Please take particular care running around unsighted corners and along narrow paths.
- Particularly within Priory Park, you may encounter **dogs** being walked.
- Within Priory Park there is a **lake (deep water)**. Courses 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 and 7 (i.e. including the junior courses) go near/alongside this lake on paths. Parents, please remind your children to take particular care here.
- Please avoid running through the **skate park** in Priory Park.
- Particularly for junior competitors, there is as ever the risk of **stranger danger**. Please remind your juniors to exercise vigilance. There are no sad/smiley faces on course 7.
- Weather-related risks: running surfaces may be **slippery** in case of rain; there is a risk of **dehydration**- please hydrate before and after your run. We will not provide water unless it is forecast to be very hot (these details will be updated in this case).
- Courses 1 and 2 **cross the railway**. The map does **not** overprint optional crossing points. The level crossing, when closed, can be avoided using an adjacent footbridge.
- **You must download**, even if you abandon your race.
- Please make us aware at the enquiries tent of existing relevant medical conditions and unexpected reactions/allergies that we should be aware of before running.
- **Safety bearing** back to Priory Park varies depending on where you are in the course.
- There is a specific **risk of litter, potential for broken glass and used needles** as advised by the school granted land access permission. This is relevant for courses 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. Whilst we will be doing a specific check for this on the morning of the event, please remain vigilant for this risk.
- There will be a **First Aid kit at Enquiries/Download**. This will operate on a “self-help” basis, although there will be a club First-Aider available.
- The nearest A&E hospital is East Surrey Hospital, Canada Avenue, Redhill, RH1 5RH (~10 minute drive, 2.5 miles)
- Covid: Please follow the British Orienteering Participant Code of Conduct.
- Courses close at 14:30

A full risk assessment has been prepared and will be available upon request at Download/Enquiries. British Orienteering 3rd Party insurance does not cover any non-member of a British Orienteering affiliated orienteering club at this event if that person has taken part in three or more British Orienteering registered events.

Timing and control punching: SportIdent (SI) Punching will be used throughout with SIAC enabled for all the controls in the “terrain”. The start and finish controls WILL NOT be SIAC enabled and all competitors will need to “dib” at both the start and finish. Most controls will be attached to “street furniture” of some sort; others including the finish will be on standard aluminium stakes. Should a control fail then use the attached pin punch on the map and explain at Download. If a SIAC “dibber” battery fails then “dib” at all controls.

Starts: One start for all courses. Start times have been selected by competitors, and are from 10.30 to 12.30. It is a punching start. If you are late for your selected start, you will be allowed to start when there is a free start time for your course.

Start procedure:

- Before call-up: SIAC Battery test unit and clear stations. Course 7 maps will be available to course 7 competitors
- Call up -4 minutes (1st box): Check Station. SIAC users are reminded that the Check Station enables the contactless operation of their dibbers.
- -3 minutes (2nd box): Control descriptions and SIAC “working test” box. If your SIAC does not work on this box then go back (quickly!) to clear, check and test again.
- -2 minutes (3rd box): Blank maps, appropriate for each course/paper size as listed under course details.
- The start line is at the front of the 4th and final box (-1 minute). All competitors need to “dib” at the Start control and then collect the map from under the course box.

Finish: Punching finish. The finish is 30 metres from Download/Enquiries. Please make your way to Download as soon as you have finished and do not go home unless you have downloaded, even if you had to retire from the course. If you are involved in any incidents involving damage, injury or a dispute with a member of the public, please let us know when you report to download. Courses close 14.30, after which controls will be collected.

Clothing: Shorts and running vests are permitted - dress appropriately for the weather conditions on the day. Conventional road-running footwear is recommended; studs are inappropriate. All runners are advised to wear a bright coloured top for safety.

Results: Provisional results at sportident.co.uk/results/MV/2023/20230827ReigateUrban/ live during the event; this link will also be on your splits printout via a QR code. Final results will be published asap after the event at www.mvoc.org

Any **last minute changes** will be circulated to competitors by email via racesignup.

Refreshments: Next to the Finish and by the (temporarily closed) Priory Park café is expected to be a mobile pop-up café (food, drinks, card payment possible) together with portaloos. There are several options for refreshments in Reigate. No water will be provided at the finish.

Event officials: Planner Peter Martin MV (and latterly Mike Elliot MV), Organiser Tim Scarbrough MV (chair@mvoc.org) and assisted by Bill Alexander MV (bursar@mvoc.org), Controller Helen Marsden HH, Mapper Mike Elliot MV mapping@mvoc.org

Acknowledgements: Reigate & Banstead Borough Council and Reigate St Mary's school for land access/ control siting.

Complaints and protests: If you have a complaint about your course, or any other aspect of the event, please come and discuss it initially with the event officials (Organiser and/or Planner) at download/enquiries. We will involve the Controller if necessary if the issue is related to the fairness of the course. We will endeavour to resolve all issues on the day. Courses in urban areas have in the past been subject to vandalism / removal of controls and we ask you to be alert to this possibility. A jury will be assembled for this level B event. If you are a controller qualified to at least level B please make yourself known to the organiser.

Have a great day. Go safely, and enjoy your run.