

LEICESTERSHIRE ORIENTEERING CLUB

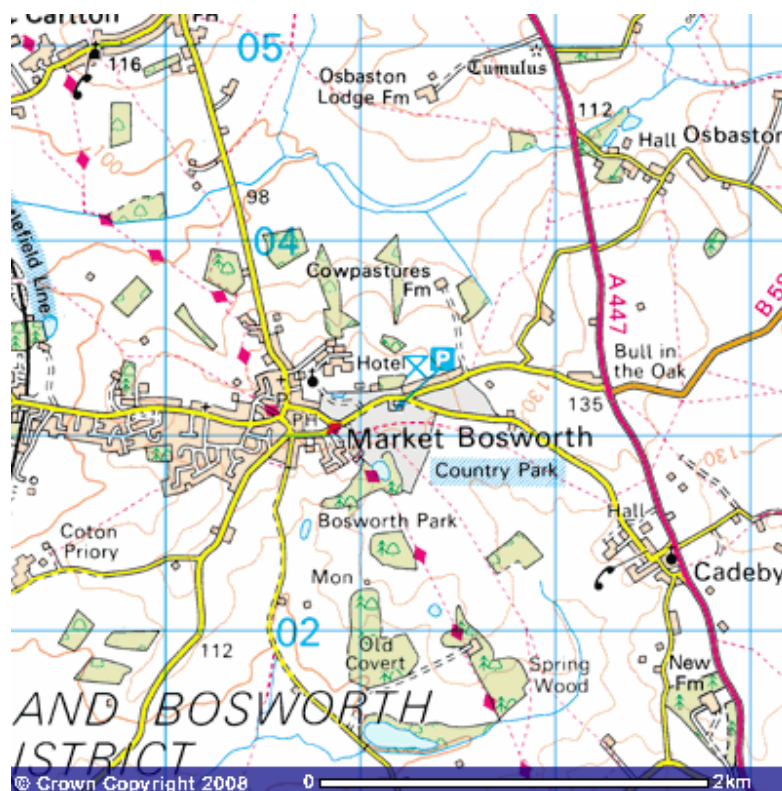
Permanent Orienteering Course

Market Bosworth Country Park, Market Bosworth

Market Bosworth Country Park lies just to the east of the small market town of Market Bosworth and about 1km west of the A447 between Hinckley and Coalville. This 35 Ha park is managed by Leicestershire County Council.

http://www.leics.gov.uk/index/environment/countryside_nature/country_parks/country_parks_market_bosworth_park.htm

The park is near to the Bosworth Battlefield Visitor Centre and Country Park, the Ashby Canal and the Battlefield Line, a preserved steam railway.



Getting there

The permanent orienteering courses start and finish at the car park on the north side of the park at Grid Ref SK411031.

You can use the following links to other maps which allow you to zoom in or out.

Streetmap

<http://www.streetmap.co.uk/newmap.srf?x=441195&y=303130&z=4&sv=441195,303130&st=4&ar=Y&mapp=newmap.srf&searchp=newsearch.srf>

Google Maps (also provides directions and sometimes aerial photographs)

<http://maps.google.co.uk/maps?hl=en&ie=UTF8&ll=52.623464,-1.393569&spn=0.009769,0.021887&t=h&z=16>

WGS84 co-ordinates Lat 52.6240 N, Long -1.3940W

Nearest postcode CV13 0LP

Car Park Pay on entry £1.50 (2008)

The Map

Orienteering maps are drawn to an international standard using specific colours and symbols and unlike most maps, use white to show woods which are easy to run through. Darker shades of green are used to show that a wood is harder to run through. Orienteering maps can be very detailed and are usually drawn to a scale of 1 to 15,000 or 1 to 10,000. The Bosworth map is drawn at a scale of 1 to 5,000 where 1cm on the map represents 50m on the ground.

Control descriptions and courses

27 Control sites have been created within the park using markers on small posts or existing features such as fence posts or gates. Currently there are three courses available to download :-

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|-------------|-------|-------------|------------------------------|
| Orange | 2.1km | 13 controls | Suitable for novice adults |
| Light Green | 2.3km | 12 controls | Slightly harder |
| Green | 3.1km | 18 controls | The hardest course on offer. |

The starting and finishing point is a notice board in the car park. A list of the controls used for each course is printed on the map and you must visit them in the specified order. For each control there is description of the feature where the control is located and a letter or number which should correspond with one you will find at the corresponding control site. When you visit each control site you will also find another letter which is a check letter which you should record on the Control Card in the relevant box.

Bear in mind that permanent posts can suffer from deterioration and / or vandalism so some posts may be missing. In addition, some of the posts might be obscured by long grass or undergrowth during the summer period.

You will probably be able to complete all of the courses without the need for a compass providing you follow the map carefully. Orienteers are taught to hold the map so that it is horizontal and rotate the map so that the arrows on the magnetic north lines on the map always point north. This means that when you are going south the top of the map (north end) will be closest to your body. This ensures that features on the ground are in the same relative position as features on the map.

Safety

All courses start near a car park – watch out for vehicles. A full risk assessment should be carried out having regard to the abilities of the people undertaking the courses and the need for appropriate supervision. The Club cannot accept responsibility for any accident, loss or damage incurred by any person undertaking these courses.

Further information

The Leicestershire Orienteering club (LEIOC) website www.leioc.org.uk has details of forthcoming events and information to assist newcomers to the sport. We organise more than 40 events per year and these are generally open to non-members. Information on Orienteering in general can also be found on the British Orienteering website www.britishorienteering.org.uk

Feedback

We would welcome any feedback on the courses or on this information particularly if you find posts vandalised or missing. There is a feedback form on the website.

Bosworth Country Park Control Descriptions

Orange 2.1km

1. T Thicket, Southeast side
2. S Northwest tree
3. 21 Fenced enclosure, Inside east side
4. P North fence, East corner
5. O Northeast Fence corner
6. L Bridge, North end
7. H Thicket, South side
8. G Fence end
9. 12 Path junction
10. 20 Gate
11. 24 Gate
12. 23 Gate
13. A Earth wall, East end

Light Green 2.3km

1. T Thicket, Southeast side
2. 21 Fenced enclosure, Inside east side
3. Q Building, North corner
4. O Northeast Fence corner
5. H Thicket, South side
6. 12 Path junction
7. 14 Gate post, no gate
8. 22 Sign, East of Sculpture
9. 16 Gate
10. 27 Southwest Fence corner
11. 23 Gate
12. A Earth wall, East end

Green 3.1km

1. T Thicket, Southeast side
2. P North fence, East corner
3. O Northeast Fence corner
4. H Thicket, South side
5. Q Building, North corner
6. 15 Ditch corner
7. F Prominent Tree
8. G Fence end
9. 12 Path junction
10. 14 Gate post, no gate
11. 22 Sign, East of Sculpture
12. 24 Gate
13. C Fence corner
14. 17 Southeast Fence corner
15. 18 Stile, map shows gate
16. 27 Southwest Fence corner
17. 23 Gate
18. A Earth wall, East end

Check letters for courses

Orange C,B,H,T,V,S,L,Q,S,T,H,X,D
Light Green C,H,E,V,L,S,A,L,Y,V,X,D
Green C,P,V,L,E,M,J,Q,S,A,L,H,M,R,T,V,X,D

All Controls (not all are used)

| Code | Check letter | Description |
|------|--------------|------------------------------------|
| A | D | Earth wall, East end |
| C | M | Fence corner |
| F | J | Prominent Tree |
| G | Q | Fence end |
| H | L | Thicket, South side |
| I | P | Stream, South side |
| L | S | Bridge, North end |
| O | V | Northeast Fence corner |
| P | T | North fence, East corner |
| Q | E | Building, North corner |
| R | I | North Hedge, South end |
| S | B | Northwest tree |
| T | C | Thicket, Southeast side |
| 12 | S | Path junction |
| 14 | A | Gate post, no gate |
| 15 | M | Ditch corner |
| 16 | Y | Gate |
| 17 | R | Southeast Fence corner |
| 18 | T | Stile, map shows gate |
| 19 | G | Ditch end (gate) |
| 20 | T | Gate |
| 21 | H | Fenced enclosure, Inside east side |
| 22 | L | Sign, E of Sculpture |
| 23 | X | Gate |
| 24 | H | Gate |
| 27 | V | Southwest Fence corner |
| 28 | J | Bridge |