

Castle Hill - EMOA League Event & Yvette Baker Trophy/Shield Regional Heat Sunday 26th April 2026



Event Details

(v4 - 03.04.26)

Car Parking

Parking on street at Gorse Hill (South /City Side). Accessed is from either side of the A5630 dual carriageway south of A46 (i.e. Leicester Road and Anstey Lane junction) LE7 7GU.

Park on one side only of this cul-de-sac. There is one turning point at the end of the road near the A46 tunnel. Please follow the directions of the car park marshals.

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Routes to the Event Locations

The car park is 200-600m from Enquiries/Download at the Gynsills Tennis Club, and 400-700m from the Start, which will be taped from the A46 tunnel. The Finish is 140m from Download.

Times

Start times: 10:30 -12:30

Courses close at: 14:00

Competitors should be at the Finish by the course closing time.

Entries and Fees

Entry only via [The Start Kite](#):

Enter before end of **Tuesday 21st April** to guarantee a map.

Senior £10; Non-BOF Members £12; Junior (20 & under),

Full-time students & unwaged £3; Seniors on White to Orange courses £4.

EOD: We accept entries on the day, if there are maps available.

Pairs may run on all courses. If you want to share a timing device (dibber), enter first name as "your name +1". Otherwise make two entries.

Yvette Baker Trophy/Shield Competition

Team Managers should contact the Organiser by **12th April**, if you are entering a team.

Currently (30th March), there is one team in each competition.

Please advise if you are using non-club members in your team, so that we can score them for your club. The courses to be used are Yellow, Orange, Light Green and Green only. Runners from the same club on the same course must be separated by four minutes. Competition Rule L from January 2026 will apply.

No shadowing is allowed for YBT/S junior competitors. Otherwise, anyone wishing to remain competitive must have completed their own course before shadowing a junior competitor.

Competitors on the Yellow and White Courses may study the map before they begin their run.

Non-Members of BOF

If you are not a member of British Orienteering, you are not covered by British Orienteering's public liability insurance. By entering this event, you acknowledge that you are taking part at your own risk. For example, if you were to accidentally injure a member of the public or damage property during the event, you would not be covered.

Enquiries, Toilets and First Aid

Toilets, First Aid, Enquiries & Download are in the Tennis Pavilion which is about 100m beyond the tunnel. **Hire Dibbers** and **information to those new to orienteering** will be available at the Enquiries point. Check with the 'Meet and Greeter' in the Hi Viz for details.

Electronic Punching

All courses will use Sportident. Both SI contactless and contact punching are possible. Hire charge for SI cards: £1 per person, £2 for a SIAC card, with limited availability. Hire dibbers will be allocated via The Start Kite and should be collected prior to going to the Start.

Start, Finish and Download

One Start and one Finish. Please follow the taped route from the A46 tunnel to the Start and from the Finish back to the Tennis Club.

You **must punch** both the Start and Finish.

You **must download before returning to your car** as soon as possible after your run, even if you did not complete the course.

Control descriptions

Loose control descriptions will be available in the Start lanes.

Terrain

A mixture of woodland, paths and open land. Longer courses also cross urban terrain.

Map

Scale: 1:10,000 or 1:7500 **Contours:** 5m

All maps will be printed on waterproof paper with course details and control descriptions on the front of the map. Some features, including temporary shelters, mowed tracks and woodland workings, are subject to change.

A small building symbol is used to denote raised manholes.

Courses

Blue and **Brown** have a double-sided map.

	Controls	Length	Climb	Map Scale
White	10	1.4 km	15 m	1:7,500
Yellow	10	2.3 km	15 m	1:7,500
Orange	9	3.0 km	30 m	1:7,500
Light Green	10	3.7 km	40 m	1:7,500
Very Short Green	9	3.5 km	35 m	1:7,500
Short Green	11	3.7 km	35 m	1:7,500
Green	13	4.5 km	55 m	1:10,000
Blue	13	6.4 km	70 m	1:10,000
Brown	22	9.5 km	80 m	1:10,000

Safety

- **Route to the Start** - this will be signposted and taped from the Tennis Pavilion. Take care in the Tennis club car park.
- **Crossing the A46** – use the bridge in the middle of the area **or** the tunnels at the north and south.

- **Road crossings** - there are several on the longer courses in the urban area.
- **Water features** - there are several ponds and streams in the area. All competitors should take care when near water features.
- **Ground conditions** - given the recent weather conditions, it is likely that there may be standing water in the area and ground conditions could be very wet. So suitable footwear is needed.
- **Whistles** – it is advised that all competitors carry a whistle.
- **Clothing and footwear** – full leg cover is required, and competitors should wear clothing appropriate to the weather conditions on the day. Suitable footwear should be worn. In the event of bad weather, the organiser may require that a waterproof hooded jacket is worn. Please bring one to the event with you.
- **Other users** - please give due consideration to other park users including dog walkers, runners, horses, especially at crossing points and on narrow paths.
- **Medical condition** - if you have any medical concerns that you wish the organiser to be aware of, please leave the details in a sealed envelope with your name on it at download in the Tennis Club House.
- **Dogs** - must be on a lead whilst in the Tennis Club car park. Please clean up after them. They are not allowed in any building.

Hospital and First Aid

The nearest Accident and Emergency Unit is at the Leicester Royal Infirmary, Infirmary Square, Leicester LE1 5WW. A First Aider will be on duty - help can be requested via the Download team.

Personal Data

The personal data you give will be used by the event organiser for the purposes of processing and publishing the event results, for conducting safety checks and to validate BOF insurance cover.

Photography

Photography is permitted, however please be reminded that participants must:

- be respectful of others' privacy when taking photographs,
- not take inappropriate or intrusive photographs,
- bear in mind British Orienteering's guidelines on photography,
- contact the organiser if they have concerns regarding inappropriate or intrusive photography (in terms of the way, by whom, or where photography is being undertaken) and
- Be aware that photographs may be taken at the event, and some may be posted onto public websites. Parents, guardians or carers who have a reason to be sensitive about the children they are responsible for should bear this in mind in their decision to attend the event.

We will be taking some photos of the event for promotional purposes. If you do not wish your photo to be published on the LEI website, please let the organiser know as soon as possible.

Officials.

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