

Leicestershire Orienteering Club

Sunday 19th October 2025

**BURBAGE COMMON EAST MIDLANDS
ORIENTEERING LEAGUE EVENT**



FINAL DETAILS

Location

Burbage Common is reached via the layby off the B4668, Leicester Road, between Earl Shilton and Hinckley. The nearest postcode for SatNav is LE10 3DD.

Car Parking

The main car park is free but THERE WILL BE LIMITED CAR PARKING, please car share as much as possible. The car park will be marshalled. Please follow the car park marshalls' instructions. Note that there is a height barrier on the car parks of 2.1m.

Overflow parking will be roadside parking on Barwell Lane / Harwood Drive, Hinckley LE10 1TT. PLEASE PARK CONSIDERATELY AND AVOID BLOCKING DRIVEWAYS. There is approximately a 1.5km walk from here to the Start and Download. The route WILL NOT be taped or manned, but the car park marshals will give you directions once the main car park is full. There will be a clothing dump at Download.

West Midlands Junior Squad

The West Midlands Junior Squad will be running a training session alongside this event. Please be aware that there will be training kites in the competition area, but that these will not interfere with our event. A training kite will be set up the Pre-Start so competitors can familiarise themselves with them.

Toilets

Portaloos will be located to the east of Acorn's coffee shop on Burbage Common Road. Please DO NOT USE the visitor centre toilets.

After your run please visit the Acorns coffee shop situated within the visitors centre, which is open 7 days a week from 9:30am to 4pm.

Times

Assembly 10:00 – 12:00

Start times 10:30 – 12:30

Courses close at 14:00

Entries and fees

Pre entry only via the StartKite: Senior £8.00 (non BOF member £10, juniors, full time students and unwaged £3). Enter before 13th October to guarantee a map. Late entries will be accepted until 11am on Sunday 19th October 2025 via the StartKite only and subject to map availability. No cash entry on the day.

Electronic Punching

All courses will use SPORTident. Both SI contactless and contact punching is possible. Hire charge for SI cards £1 per person.

Map

1:7,500 with 5m contours. All maps will be printed on waterproof paper with course details and control description on the front of the map.

Courses*

<i>Course</i>	<i>Length**</i>	<i>Climb</i>	<i>Controls</i>
White	1.6km	5m	11
Yellow	2.2km	10m	13
Orange	2.8km	15m	10
Light Green	3.1km	20m	12
Very Short Green	3.0km	20m	13
Short Green	3.4km	25m	13
Green	4.5km	25m	17
Blue	5.4km	30m	20
Brown	7.5km	55m	26

*Courses subject to final controlling

**These are straight line distances, actual distances run could be significantly more than the course lengths

Blue and Brown courses have double sided maps.

Terrain

Burbage Common is an 80 hectare country park with a visitor centre and a network of well-marked paths. It has extensive nature woodland, unimproved grassland and a number of other features such as ponds and streams.

Start

The start is adjacent to the car park. There is one start for all courses.

Control descriptions and Controls

Loose control descriptions will be available at the Start. This is an SI and SI air electronic punching event. If using SI air the Start and Finish controls must be punched.

Shadowing of junior competitors

Anyone wishing to remain competitive must have completed their own course before shadowing a junior competitor. Competitors on White and Yellow courses may study your map before you begin your course. Maps must not be shown to any competitor still to run their course.

Finish

The finish is approximately 100m from the car park and will not be manned as Download will be close to the Finish.

Download

Download will be situated in a tent between the Start and the Finish.

ALL competitors must download after their run even if they do not complete the course.

Safety

This area is parkland which is open to the public. There are a number of small seasonal paths / tracks that are not mapped. There are also a number of unmapped benches and they move around without notice.

Railway line – is marked as Out of Bounds and must be crossed using either of the compulsory crossing points underneath the railway line marked on the map.

Golf course – longer courses will take competitors close to the Golf Course. Please take care not to stray onto the Golf Course.

Ponds and streams – there are several ponds and streams in the area. All competitors should take great care when near any water feature and at no point attempt to enter or cross any of the ponds.

Recent coppicing and clearing has not been fully captured on the map. Only large (>1.5m) holly bushes are mapped, there are many smaller ones. There are recent hides/shelters which may not be marked on the map. There are small seasonal tracks which are not mapped.

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.

Bad weather – in the event of bad weather the organiser may insist that waterproof hooded jackets are worn. Please bring one to the event with you.

Cyclists, walkers, horses – please give them due consideration, especially at crossing points and on narrow paths.

Dogs – must be on a lead whilst in the car park.

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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