

## Compass Sport Cup Southern Heat

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2014

### FINAL DETAILS



**Southampton Orienteering Club** looks forward to welcoming you to the New Forest. We hope you enjoy the event.

The event centre is at:

Ashurst Campsite  
Lyndhurst Road  
Ashurst  
Hampshire SO40 7AR                      Grid reference: SU 332098

There is plenty of parking but we do have to ask for £1.00 per vehicle for the Forestry Commission.

The start and finish are both close to the event centre.

Tom and Julie Wilkinson will be bringing their burger van.

We have special permission from the Forestry Commission for club tents – so please bring them and put them up in the designated area. There will be adjacent parking for cars carrying club tents – just ask when you arrive.

Start times are from 10.30 to 12.30. Your club captain will let you know your start time and course number. Call up at -3 minutes. Please be on time – if you are late you could have a long wait as we have to ensure the proper interval between starters from the same club. If you run the wrong course you will be disqualified so it is vital you pick up the right map.

Hired Emit cards can be collected from Registration. Lost cards cost £45.00 to replace.

If you are not familiar with Emit please follow this link:

<http://www.emit-uk.com/content/2012/12/21/how-use-emit>

This is primarily a club competition which is pre-entered through your club. The competition doesn't include younger children, so we have laid on two wayfarer courses for them. These are broadly equivalent to White and Yellow. There is also a Short Green course. These three courses can only be entered on the day. Registration will be open from 10.00 to 12.00, entry fee £10.00 for adults and £5.00 for children. Adults also pay a hire charge of £1.50 for an Emit card (timing device) unless they have their own.

Well behaved dogs on leads are welcome in the car park and assembly area. Please don't take them out on the courses.

### **Planner's and mapping notes**

#### **Terrain**

The event area has a wide variety of typical New Forest terrain ranging from fast running open areas through semi-open areas with scattered trees to established mature mixed woodland.

Current weather conditions have left standing water in many areas and some dry features have now become wet.

The Brown and Blue designated courses cross a river which runs East – West across the area which is liable to flood. Crossing points will be indicated on all maps.

#### **Road Crossings and Out of Bounds**

All courses will cross a lightly used private road twice. There are no designated crossing points so please take care when crossing.

The Brown and Blue designated courses border a large out of bounds area which is marked on all maps. On the ground the area is bounded by red and white poles and notices. Disqualification will be enforced if these instructions are not followed.

#### **River/Stream Crossings**

Crossing points will be marked on the maps and are advisory. Should the weather cause crossing the river/streams to become difficult the crossing points will be made mandatory. A sign will be displayed at the start if this is the case. Disqualification will be enforced if these instructions are not followed.

The Brown course will pass twice through a controlled crossing point regardless of conditions. This must be punched on both the outward and return legs. Failure to punch could lead to disqualification.

#### **CSC Courses**

There will be streamers hanging in the wood close to the start and finish, these can be ignored as they will have no relevance to your course.

Control Descriptions will be printed on the map and a loose copy will be available at the start.

#### **Wayfarers 1 and 2**

These courses are similar to the colours white and yellow. The courses will also be supported with 'smiley' and 'sad' face signs along indistinct paths through woods. Additionally streamer routes will be used through areas without paths.

#### **Mapping**

Typical of the New Forest.

There are very many fallen trees and root stocks across the area. These have not been mapped.

Only distinct knolls, of varying sizes, are mapped.

Distinct trees have only been mapped in open areas where they are a very obvious aid to navigation. They are depicted by a green circle symbol.  
 Small, distinct bushes have been mapped using the green dot symbol.  
 There are many hides. These are mapped using the black X symbol.

Map scale 1:10,000 for all courses.

### Compass Sport Cup Course Details

CS Class	Compass Sport Course	Length	Climb	Controls	Map Box
1	Brown	10.8	100	23	Brown
2	Short Brown	8.0	75	21	Short Brown
3	Blue Women	6.8	55	17	Blue Women
4	Blue Men	7.2	60	18	Blue Men
5	Green Women	4.9	35	13	Green Women
6	Green Men	5.0	40	14	Green Men
7	Veterans Short Green	4.0	35	10	Short Green
8A	Junior Men (Green)	5.0	40	14	Green Men
8B	Junior Women (Short Green)	4.0	35	10	Short Green
9A	Orange Men	2.5	20	7	Orange
9B	Orange Women	2.5	20	7	Orange

### WARNINGS

- The forest is very wet – take care.
- This increases the risk of exposure – parents please ensure children are adequately dressed.
- Don't approach or feed the ponies – one end bites and the other kicks!
- Cattle have been seen on part of the course. Please try to avoid running too close to them.
- Full leg covering is required (and will be enforced).
- Whistles are recommended.
- Waterproofs may be required if it is both cold and wet. Please come prepared.
- There are ticks in the New Forest. Full arm and leg covering will help avoid them.
- Don't touch suspicious objects – the area was once used for military training.
- A section of the map is Out of Bounds. This area is marked on the ground with red and white posts and you must keep out of it.
- You take part in this event at your own risk.

**Thank you for entering - enjoy your run.**