



SOC November Classic, New Park, Brockenhurst - 6th November 2022

Final Details

Welcome to the November Classic. There is a lot of information in the Final Details and much of it you will be familiar with from other orienteering events. Here is a summary of the key points we'd like you to be aware of:

- The weather forecast is currently for a bright and breezy day with some chance of a shower. Although the competition area is relatively sheltered, if we need to because of extreme weather we will impose the wearing of gaiters. Please bring one with you just in case.
- Please come to the event knowing your Course Number, Class and Start Time.
- There have been a handful of changes to start times so please check your allocated start time shown below. Most changes are by just a few minutes.
- Allow yourself good time to walk up to 10 mins to the Start. If you miss your allocated start time you may have to wait quite a while for a free start slot as some courses are heavily subscribed
- During your run do not enter the out of bounds areas shown on the map
- Take your litter home with you

We hope you have an enjoyable day in the New Forest.

Southampton Orienteering Club

Entries

Entries are now closed. No entry on the day. No course or start time amendments after 30th October. There is a Waiting List on Racesignup in case spaces become available.

Location

New Park, Near Brockenhurst in the New Forest. Postcode SO42 7QH

New Park is on the west side the A337 Lyndhurst to Brockenhurst road about halfway between the two towns. Orienteering signs will augment the existing **New Park** road signs for the entrance to New Park from the A337

Grid ref SU301047

[///relief.innocence.reach](http://relief.innocence.reach)



Competition

This year the November Classic is:

- Hosting the Senior Home International competition
- Part of the UK Orienteering League
- A British Orienteering ranking event
- Hosting the SCOA Championships
- A selection race for England's Junior Interland 2023 team



Courses

November Classic Courses				
Course	Course Classes	Length Km.	Climb m.	No. of Controls
1	Black M21	13.5	100	35
2	Brown M35, M40	11.7	80	29
3	Short Brown M18, M20, M45, M50, W21	9.8	70	27
4	Blue M16, M55, M60, W35, W40	8.5	45	23
5	Short Blue M65, W18, W20, W45, W50	7.2	45	18
6	Green M70, W16, W55, W60	5.1	45	21
7	Short Green M75, M80, W65, W70	4	35	15
8	Very Short Green M85, M90, W75, W80, W85, W90	3.4	35	14
9	Light Green M14, W14	3.7	35	18
10	Orange M12, W12	3.3	35	17
11	Yellow M10, W10	2.5	25	12
12	White	2.2	25	15



SHI Competition Specifics

(For competitors in the Senior Home International Competition only)

	Senior Home Internationals				
Course	Course Class		Length Km.	Climb m.	No. of Controls
100	M21E	Senior Home International	15.7	130	40
1	M20E	Senior Home International	13.5	100	35
2	W21E	Senior Home International	11.7	80	29
4	W20E	Senior Home International	8.5	45	23

- SHI start times 0930-1010[li]
- Start procedure is as per the main event.
- A Punching Start will be used.
- Note that the Map for Course 100 is double sided. All other course information is as per the main event.

A prize giving for the Senior Home International will be held in the assembly area for both days events and we hope to arrange this around 13.00hrs. Barry Elkington (OD) Chair of England Orienteering will be presenting the trophies. **Can teams please ensure trophies are brought to the Event.**

Note that as the course requirements for the SHI are not compatible with those for the SCOA Championships and UKOL, SHI competitors will not qualify in those competitions as they will be running up.



Facilities

The Event Centre is in a separate field within New Park, around 5 to 10 minutes walk from the car park field.

Facilities at the Event Centre include

- Enquiries, Hire card issue, Key drop
- Download
- First Aid
- Traders – Compass Point, Tom's Food Wagon and Podium Catering
- Toilets

A free Maze-O Challenge will be available in the Event Centre field using EMIT touch free timing.

Litter

There will be litter bags at the Event Centre, but we would appreciate it if you could take your own litter home with you.

Parking

The entry to the car park will be on the right after you have turned off the main road, just beyond the cattle grid on the tarmac driveway. Please follow signs to the parking field where marshals will direct you.

Parking (from 08.00)

Please do not arrive at the New Park entrance before 08.00.

Please follow the directions of the car park marshals. The parking field will have a one-way system with separate entrance and exit gates. Depending on the weather conditions and requirements from New Park we will use one of the following two plans.

DRY PLAN

Parking will be in rows on a grass field. You will generally be parked facing the exit direction with a driveway leading to the exit in the middle of the rows. When walking to the Start/Assembly area please use the aisles in front of the cars to keep away from incoming traffic.

WET PLAN

Please drive on the hard tracks and park as directed by the marshals. Take care as there will be a large number of competitors walking to and from the Event Centre.

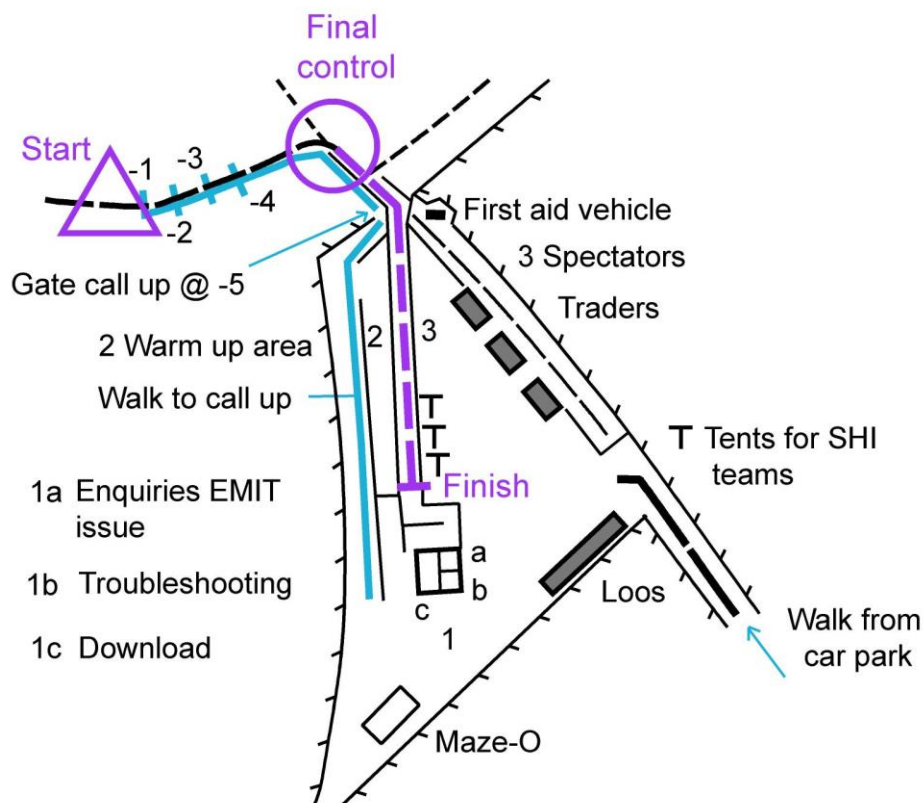
In either case, the route to the Start/ Assembly field will be at the end of the field, furthest from the vehicle entrance.



Start and Finish Location

The Start call-up will be by the gate at the Northern end of the event centre field on the far side of the run-in. Please warm up within the area marked out in the event centre field before reporting to the call-up.

Assembly area



The run-in and Finish are within the event centre field,

There will be no toilets at the Start, so please make use of those at the Event Centre

First Aid

The First Aid response vehicle will be located on the track next to the Event Centre field,

The nearest hospitals are

- Lymington Hospital, Wellworthy Rd, Lymington SO41 8QD – minor injuries unit (6 Miles)
- Southampton General, SO16 6YD (12 miles)



Timings

Enquiries: 0830 - 1430

Hired EMIT card collection: 0830 - 1300

November Classic start times: 1015 - 1300

Courses close: 1430

All competitors to be clear of New Park by 1600.

The Event Centre is between 5 and 10 minutes walk from the parking area.

Map

All maps are 1:10000 A3, waterproof paper, showing map legend and control descriptions.

Course 100 for SHI M21E has a double-sided map. All other courses are single-sided.

Loose control descriptions will be available in the start lanes.

Map surveyed by Peel Land Surveys 2022. Map printing by BML.

Terrain

We are very fortunate to be using a completely new area for orienteering in the New Forest and have the facilities of the New Park New Forest Showground.

The surrounding woodland is subject to many environmental constraints and working closely with Forestry England we have achieved consent through Natural England for its use, including a part of the area which is a nature reserve.

The terrain is predominantly flat with areas of marsh and numerous ditches. Only major ditches are mapped. To the west there are areas of conifer plantation that can be rough underfoot. There are numerous areas of open very runnable forest typical of the New Forest. There are a plethora of Rootstocks and Hides in the area, these have not been mapped. Bracken and undergrowth has died back in recent weeks improving runnability.



Planners Notes

The area is used by the general public for leisure, dog walking and cycling, please be aware and courteous to other forest users. All courses either cross or follow cycle routes, take care as cyclists may be travelling at speed.

All courses have a Taped route from the last control into the Finish in the Assembly area.

Hazards

Courses 11, Yellow and 12, White follow a Forest road used as a Cycle Track. Take care and run on the left side of the track.

There is a deep water course which flows through the Eastern side of the map. There are only 3 marked crossing points over this water course. **Do not cross the water course anywhere other than over the marked crossing points.** This area is a nature reserve. Please respect these instructions as it could impact on the use of the area in future.

Road Crossings

Courses 100, 1, 2 and 3 all cross a minor road at least twice. There is **no Time-Out** for road crossings. The road has good visibility. Be aware of both cars and cyclists. Please do not run along the roads but cross as efficiently as possible.

Out of Bounds Areas

All courses follow a track through an OOB area near the beginning of the courses. Please stay on the path through the OOB area.

Courses, 100, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 all have a corridor route through an area of OOB to get to the Western side of the map and again on the way back. Please stay on the Track through the OOB section. The Track is also a Cycle Route, take care and be courteous to other track users.

Clothing and equipment

Full leg cover and footwear suitable for the terrain must be worn. Trail shoes or sturdy walking boots are recommended. Whistles must be carried. Whistles will be available at eTag Issue along with a charity box for The Army Benevolent Fund. Suggested donation £1.

The area is mostly sheltered, and it is unlikely that competitors will be required to wear a cagoule or similar waterproof top, however these would certainly be recommended in the case of extreme weather conditions on the day. Please make sure you have a waterproof top with you just in case.

Timing System

EMIT eCard (Brikke) The charge for a lost hire card is £50.

Backup cards will be available from the Ecard issue point.



The Start Procedure

Start Call-up will be 5 minutes before your start time

You should make your way towards the start call-up at the North end of the assembly field via the signed route around the far edge of the field in good time for your call-up.

All competitors will have a punching start. Start times are allocated and you should make all efforts to be on time. If you don't you may have a long wait for a start slot on your course.

As you enter the start area your card will be read by an official with a hand-held reader and you will be asked to punch an "Activate control" to register that you are about to start. Please make sure your card punch registered. If not, please seek help from a start official.

Competitors on courses 11 and 12 (Yellow and White) courses should make themselves known to the start official at -4mins so they can be given their map.

Loose, waterproof control descriptions will be available at -3. A blank map will be available at -2. As you leave the start you must punch one of the START controls. Proceed to the labelled map boxes to pick up your map. Make sure you pick up the correct map for your course number.

On the Course

Give way at controls, be patient.

Safety Bearing

- From the Eastern side of the area, head South East until you come to the open fields of the showground and then head towards the Finish in the assembly field.
- From the Western side of the area, Follow the long straight gravel road which heads East from the middle of the car park on the minor road until you cross the middle of the large rough open area and cross a stream after the track turns left, then head SE until you come to the open fields of the showground and then head towards the Finish in the assembly field.
- Competitors who become injured in the Western section and do not feel able to make it back to the assembly area should head to one of the car parks on the minor road and ask a member of the public to phone the emergency number on the map to request assistance.

Download

Download is at the end of the finish funnel. If you have a concern about your result, please raise it immediately with the download team. Please return hired cards to the download team after you have downloaded.

If you retire from the event you **MUST** report to Download so that we know you are back safely.

Results

Results will not be displayed at the Event Centre. Live results will be posted online at <https://race-results.info>



Prize Giving

A prize giving for the SCOA Championships will be held at a future SCOA event.

The Environment

Please come to the event with clean and dry shoes and clothing. After your run please follow the guidance that helps us protect our precious environment: Check - Clean - Dry.

Please read and follow The New Forest Code- see <https://www.forestryengland.uk/new-forest-code>
Smoking is not allowed in the Event Centre, on the walk to and from the start or in the competition area.

Hazards

Please be aware of the risk of ticks and Lymes disease. The area is frequented by ponies, deer and livestock and the usual precautions to avoid infection apply. Please avoid disturbing or frightening the livestock as best you can. Be aware of the risk of kicks and bites. The area is popular with cyclists, walkers, dog walkers and horse riders so please be respectful of the general public and their animals.

Please do not pick up litter or unidentified objects in the competition area.

Risk

Orienteering is a physically challenging sport. Competitors take part at their own risk and are responsible for their own safety.

Medical Conditions

If you have a high-risk medical condition you want the organisers to be aware of please download and complete this form

https://www.britishorienteering.org.uk/images/uploaded/downloads/officials_handbook_safety_fir_staid_medical_form_280514.doc and place it in a sealed envelope with your name on it. This can be left at registration. Envelopes will only be opened if required for a medical emergency. Unopened envelopes should be collected after the event. Any unclaimed envelopes will be destroyed after the event.

COVID-19

Before attending any sporting activity you should self-assess for symptoms of COVID-19. You should follow NHS guidance on testing and self-isolation.

Hand sanitisers will be provided at the toilets and enquiries.

Should you need to withdraw from the event for any reason related to COVID-19 please contact the event organiser.



Photography and Safeguarding

Photography is not allowed in the toilets or any "changing area" including the car park. Any concerns with photography or the behaviour of anyone toward any child or young adult must be reported to the event organiser or other official. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility, play your part, report any concerns and follow good practice.

(For details see British Orienteering O-Safe Policy)

Dogs

Dogs are allowed in the event centre. Dogs must be kept under control at all times. Dogs are not allowed on the courses.

Event Officials

Planner: Kevin Bracher SOC

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Organiser: Colin Hicks SOC ([mailto:colin.soc.hicks@googlemail.com?subject=November Classic Enquiry](mailto:colin.soc.hicks@googlemail.com?subject=November%20Classic%20Enquiry))

Personal Information

The personal data you provide will be used by the event organisers and their agents only for the purpose of processing and publishing entries and results and as required by our insurers to validate our cover.

Refunds

Refunds will only be made in exceptional circumstances and at the discretion of the organiser. Please contact the organiser if you have or need to withdraw from the event and would like to request a refund. A full refund will be made if you are unable to attend due to Coronavirus illness or the need to quarantine or self-isolate.

Cancellation or Postponement

If the event is cancelled SOC reserve the right to retain part or all of the entry fee to cover committed costs. If the event is postponed your entry will be transferred to the rearranged event. For a limited period, you will be allowed to withdraw your entry from the rearranged event and receive a partial refund of your entry fee.

This event takes place with the kind permission of Forestry England

