

FINAL DETAILS

What is a 'Score' competition?

This is a competition where participants score points by visiting as many controls as possible in any order within a pre-specified time limit. Points are deducted if the time limit is exceeded. For this event there will be 28 controls in the area. Controls 131 to 138 form a loop equivalent to a White course on the British Orienteering Colour Coded system but it is not compulsory for any pupil to visit these controls in that order. The remaining controls will give a mixture of yellow, orange, light green and green standard control sites.

Time limit

The time limit will be **45 minutes for all pupils**. Competitors do not have to stay out for the whole of this time.

Scoring System

Pupils score 10 points for each control correctly punched; 5 points will be deducted for every minute or part of a minute late. In the event of a tie on points the shortest time will decide the result.

Photographs

BSOA appointed photographer Ray Barnes will be in attendance and his photos will be on the BSOA website after the event. These photos will be taken in compliance with British Orienteering O safe Guidelines . If you want to use any of his photos in any publicity after the event then please ask permission by emailing bsoasecretary@gmail.com .

Entry

There is no entry on the day. If you have any changes then please leave them until the day of the competition, they will be dealt with by the Enquiries team.

Adults & Teachers

Accompanying Teachers & Adults **MUST NOT** enter the competition area, or accompany competitors into the Start area. If they do then their team will be disqualified.

EVENT DETAILS

Getting there

Moors Valley Country Park, Horton Road, Ashley Heath, near Ringwood, Dorset, BH24 2ET. From the roundabout of the A31 with the A338 Bournemouth Spur Road take the northern exit onto the minor road to Three Legged Cross (Horton Road) and after about 2km turn right into Moors Valley Country Park and follow signs to parking

Parking

There is ample hard standing parking for cars, minibuses and coaches. Please let us know your means of transport on the entry form, especially if you are travelling by coach or minibus. Parking charges must be paid on all vehicles (coaches can be paid in advance through Moors Valley)

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| Cars (over 4 hours) | £8.50 |
| Minibuses (all day) | £13.50 |
| Coach (all day) | £52.00 |

Please display your car park pass and follow the car park marshal's instructions.

Enquiries, SI download and First Aid – Are all in the Rangers Den behind the Visitor Centre which is close to the car park. Toilets are beside the Rangers Den.

Please send a designated adult to collect your schools envelope which will contain your pupil's competitor number (please bring your own pins), participation certificates and a school entry form for any changes you may have. All changes will be done with reference to the competitor number.

If pairs are competing then there will be two identical numbers for that pair, one for each child. They must stay together and cross the finishing line at the same time.

Control Descriptions

Control descriptions are on the front of the map and in words

Tents

No tents

Start

Please ensure all competitors have a whistle. **NO WHISTLE NO GO**

The start will be clearly signposted from the Car Park and is approximately 15 minutes easy walk from enquiries and the car park. Competitors will be called up 5 minutes before their start time. SI Cards will be issued here. Competitors will be given their maps 1 minute before they start.

Start Times

Start times are from 11.00am. until 1.00pm.

Finish

The finish is close to the Visitor Centre and the car parks. There will be no squash/water at the finish - please ensure that the children bring their own drinks.

Download

This will be in the Rangers Den behind the Visitor Centre (beside the toilets)

Results

These will be displayed next to download

Toilets

These are beside the Rangers Den

Cafe & Shop

There is a cafe in the Visitor Centre. They sell reasonably priced food and drinks and would welcome your custom. Please support them. They will be open all day. There may also be two outdoor kiosks open depending on how busy the park is.

There is also a small shop in the Visitor Centre

Map

The map is A3 size and will be printed on waterproof paper. The map scale is 1:10,000 and has been updated for 2018. Map symbols are the new ISOM 2017 symbols and you are recommended to look at <https://www.maprunner.co.uk/map-symbols/> but make sure you look at the Normal ISOM 2017 and not Schools or Sprint symbols which are different. Copies of old maps of Moors Valley can be found on the Wimborne Orienteers website on 'results' drop down and then 'route gadget'. All main roads are out of bounds and marked so on the map

There will be experienced orienteers out in the area- some on bikes, some on foot. All marshals will be wearing yellow high-viz bibs so that they are easily identifiable. Please ensure that all competitors are aware of the marshals. They are NOT there to help you navigate – they will only point you in the direction of Assembly.

Equipment Required

Orienteering kit, or a T-shirt/long sleeved shirt, tracksuit bottoms and trainers (or shoes with a good grip). Any competitor without full leg cover will not be permitted to start.

Watch- so that a competitor is aware how long they have been out for.

A compass is desirable.

Whistles will be compulsory – **NO WHISTLE - NO GO**. Competitors will be checked at the start. Please ensure they understand how they should be used.

Punching

SI Cards will be handed to those competitors who require one in the pre-start area. If these are

lost there will be a £40 replacement charge to the school concerned.
Demonstration controls will be at the Enquiries.

SAFETY

Please ensure everyone is aware of the following:-

- **No whistle NO GO**
- **No full leg cover NO GO**
- Should conditions dictate cagoules will be compulsory and this will be indicated as you enter the Car Park
- Marshalls will be patrolling the area on both foot and bike wearing fluorescent jackets. They are experienced orienteers.
- First Aid will be available at Enquiries/Assembly
- Nearest hospital is Bournemouth Hospital, Castle Lane East, Bournemouth BH7 7DW - details and maps at Enquiries
- Main roads marked on the map are out of bounds
- Ticks are present in the area so pupils should check that they have not got a tick attached.

Prizegiving

This will take place at 2.00 pm or soon as is reasonably possible by the Rangers Den. Please note spare medals will be available at a cost of £1.50 each for any non- scorers who are part of a winning team at the **end** of the prize giving.

The prizes will be presented by Gillian Cross, a member of Wimborne Orienteers and other representatives. Gillian Cross has written over sixty books for children. She is best known for her **Demon Headmaster** books, which were the basis of a very successful BBC television series. Her books have been translated into many languages and won prestigious prizes, including the Carnegie Medal for the best children's book of the year (for **Wolf**), the Smarties Prize and the Whitbread Children's Novel Award (for **The Great Elephant Chase**) and several prizes, including the Little Rebels Award, for **After Tomorrow**, her story about refugees. She has also written much-praised retellings of **The Iliad** and **The Odyssey** and visited countries all over the world to speak about her work. Gillian will be available in the Stables Block to sign books for any who wish to bring copies with them.

Individual Medals

Medals will be given to the first three pupils (or pairs) in each age class. Years 5 to 9 will compete in separate year classes. Years 10 & 11 will be combined into one age class as will Years 12 & 13. Competitors in Years 5 to 8 may run in pairs.

Team Awards

BSSC is primarily aimed at school team competition. Medals (to each score counter), certificates and a box of chocolates will be awarded to the top three teams in each category.

Primary Boys (Years 5 & 6) Best 4 scores to count

Primary Girls (Years 5 & 6) Best 4 scores to count

Middle / Prep Boys (Years 5 - 8) Best 4 scores to count from at least 2 years

Middle / Prep Girls (Years 5 - 8) Best 4 scores to count from at least 2 years

Lower Secondary Boys (Y7 - 9) Best 6 scores to count from at least 2 years

Lower Secondary Girls (Y7 - 9) Best 6 scores to count from at least 2 years

Upper Secondary Boys (Y10 - 13) Best 6 scores to count

Upper Secondary Girls (Y10 - 13) Best 6 scores to count

In the event of a tie on points the shortest total time of the scorers will count.

