



Balcombe Riverside (Level C)



Sunday 24 March 2019

Venue :	Balcombe Riverside is part of the Balcombe Estate and comprises a mixture of blocks of deciduous and coniferous woodland and surrounding open pasture with extensive path network and contour detail. It is a private estate and DFOK is grateful for permission to hold this event from the Estate owner and also from Mole Valley Orienteering Club for the loan of the area. Dogs are permitted around the event centre on a lead please. Sorry but dogs are not allowed on the event courses.																								
Car Parking and Event Centre :	At Bowders Farm, Haywards Heath Road, Balcombe, West Sussex (Approx 200m south of RH17 6NJ). Bowders Farm is a working farm with associated buildings and machinery. Please do not enter any buildings, or climb on any machinery. Please make sure any children, or young people, with you are especially aware of this. Parking is likely to be tight and so please share transport where possible. Please advise the Organiser if you are planning to bring a minibus or similar large vehicle.																								
Public Transport :	The Event Centre is 2.0km from Balcombe Station. There is an hourly service on the London Victoria / Brighton line. Please check rail websites for any planned engineering work.																								
Registration :	At Event Centre between 09:30hrs and 11:30hrs.																								
Map :	1:10,000 scale with 5m contours. Map fully updated by Roger Maher in 2017, with minor updates spring 2019.																								
Courses :	A range of colour coded courses: <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 15%;">Brown</td> <td style="width: 15%;">8.4m</td> <td style="width: 15%;">220m climb</td> <td style="width: 55%;">Difficult (experienced orienteers)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Blue</td> <td>5.6km</td> <td>190m climb</td> <td>Difficult (experienced orienteers)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Green</td> <td>3.9km</td> <td>120m climb</td> <td>Difficult (experienced orienteers)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Light Green</td> <td>3.4km</td> <td>90m climb</td> <td>Moderate (some orienteering experience)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Orange</td> <td>2.2km</td> <td>90m climb</td> <td>Easy (limited orienteering experience)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Yellow</td> <td>1.7km</td> <td>55m climb</td> <td>Easy (no orienteering experience)</td> </tr> </table>	Brown	8.4m	220m climb	Difficult (experienced orienteers)	Blue	5.6km	190m climb	Difficult (experienced orienteers)	Green	3.9km	120m climb	Difficult (experienced orienteers)	Light Green	3.4km	90m climb	Moderate (some orienteering experience)	Orange	2.2km	90m climb	Easy (limited orienteering experience)	Yellow	1.7km	55m climb	Easy (no orienteering experience)
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Equipment :	SPORTIDENT timing (dibber) will be used. SIAC will not be enabled. Hired dibbers will be available for collection from the Event Centre.																								
Fees :	Entries before midnight on Sunday 17 March: BOF Seniors £8, Non BOF Seniors £10 (including dibber hire) and Juniors £5. Groups on a single entry appropriate senior rate + £1 per extra person. Entries online between Monday 18 and Thursday 21 March, or entry on the day: BOF Seniors £10, Non BOF Seniors £12 (including dibber hire) and Juniors £5. Groups on a single entry appropriate senior rate + £1 per extra person. Dibber hire is £1. Lost hired dibbers will be charged at a cost of £30.																								
Entries :	Pre-entries preferred via www.fabian4.co.uk until midnight on Thursday 21 March. See fees above. Entry on the day available from the Event Centre between 09:30hrs and 11:30hrs, subject to map availability.																								
Start :	There will be a 0.75km walk to the start (no clothing dump). Starts 10:30hrs to 12:30hrs. No pre-allocated start times, just arrive at the start between the times above. Loose control descriptions will be available in the start lanes in addition to those on the maps.																								
Course Notes:	It is recommended that competitors attending the event alone leave their car keys at the Event Centre so it is clear if they are still out on the course. If the weather is expected to be bad, it may be compulsory for competitors to carry a cagoule, or waterproof jacket. Signs will be displayed at the Event Centre if this is necessary.																								

	<p>The Blue and Brown courses include a timed out crossing of Haywards Heath Road. This is indicated on the control descriptions. The time excluded for this will be up to 2 minutes.</p> <p>The competition maps include an emergency telephone number.</p> <p>The course safety bearing for the Yellow, Orange, Light Green and Green courses is west to Haywards Heath Road. Then follow this back to the Event Centre. Face oncoming traffic and use the verges where possible. For the Blue and Brown courses, these use both sides of Haywards Heath Road. For the first half of the course the safety bearing is west to the road and for the second half of the course east to the road.</p> <p>First aid cover and a first aid box are available at the Event Centre. Should greater medical assistance be required then details of the nearest Accident and Emergency Hospitals will be available from the Event Centre.</p> <p>Courses close at 14:30hrs. From this time controls will start to be collected in.</p>
Finish :	<p>There will be two separate finishes. One for courses Yellow, Orange, Light Green and Green, with the second for Blue and Brown. There is a 600m / 400m walk back from the finishes to the Event Centre.</p> <p>Please note that the route back from the finishes to the Event Centre passes through Balcombe Saw Mill. <i>This is a working saw mill (although not on the day of the event) with associated buildings, machinery and wood piles. Please do not enter any buildings, or climb on any machinery or wood piles. Please make sure any children, or young people, with you are especially aware of this.</i></p> <p>Please remember to download at the Event Centre before leaving the event.</p>
Results :	<p>Live results will be available at the Event Centre.</p> <p>Full results will be available on the DFOK website from Sunday evening.</p>
Officials :	<p>Organiser – Neil Speers (DFOK); Email: neil.speers@blueyonder.co.uk</p> <p>Planner – David Dawson (DFOK)</p> <p>Controller – Les Hooper (SO)</p>

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