

Compass Sport Cup Final

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Orienteering inter club final 2021

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Over view and key information

- What does orienteering involve? – the competition run
- Event set up – different scenarios
- Event officials
- Key data

Orienteering

the competition
run



Formal layout of the Start lanes (maps in the boxes)



Flying into the finish run-in.
Club tents down the side



The run in between cuts across the landscape, with the choice of cross country running or using the footpaths



Map, compass
and a good
sense of
direction...
whilst running
as hard as
possible



Chatsworth 2018 held the Junior Inter Regional Championships

Finish and assembly area near the Golden Gates (north end of Park).
Competition courses across the slopes above the House, past the
ponds and into the private Bunker's Hill Wood via the moors.

Event setup

As we come out of the COVID-19 restrictions and more out door sporting events are permitted, this event may potentially have different setups depending on the law/guidance at the time of the race in autumn 2021:

Scenario 1 – runners can group together at the club tents. Allowed to socialise before and after their run with other friends from around the country. Food and clothing stalls available. Analyse results and cheer on friends when announced on PA system.

Scenario 2 – if the law and guidance ^[1] is still not to meet in large groups and “mingle” before and after running. Straight to Start from carpark; run and finish; back to car, change and go home.

Scenario 3 – some where between the scenarios described above.

1. In addition to the law we will be bound by British Orienteering guidance, which in turn comes from Sport England

Race Preparation

before,
on the day and
afterwards...

Months in advance:

- the Planner and the Controller will need access to all areas permitted, so as to plan and choose the very best control locations.
- Possibly the Mapper will need access to redraw parts of the map.
- the final control locations, routes and the specific access requirements (gates, temporary stiles, routes through fields) are discussed and agreed with the Estates Manager.
- Maps are printed.

Previous day:

The Planner and helper put out most of the controls in the private areas (safe). The Controller will check locations.

Toilets are delivered to site. Organiser on hand to pinpoint the location

Medium sized marque set up.

On the day of the race and afterwards

Race day, early morning (6am onwards):

final controls put out and checked

By 10am all equipment is set up at the Start, Finish and Download.

Catering and equipment stalls set up.

Volunteers briefed if anything changed from the event notes. They all know their roles.

Race time (10:30am to 2:30pm):

Volunteers at key locations manning open gates – keeping the livestock in/out.

Athletes compete and finish by downloading their time.

Late afternoon:

All athletes finished and accounted for by about 2:30pm – 3pm.

Controls are collected in off the Estate area.

Toilets removed

Next day:

Marquee taken down and removed.

Stiles dismantled and removed.

Key officials

- **Organiser:**
 - this person leads the event (before, during and after).
 - They are responsible for working with the Landowner and the event Planner to use the area properly.
 - They write the Risk Assessment (RA) and implement any mitigation required.
 - They organise the volunteer helpers.
- **Planner:**
 - Works with the Landowner and Organiser to plan courses within the permitted areas.
 - Plans the courses at the right technical and physical difficulty.
 - Puts out all the controls in the competition area ready for the race day and removes all equipment afterwards.
- **Controller:**
 - They ensure the courses are to the correct technicality and physical difficulty.
 - Checks the Organiser has all the safety measures in place from the RA.
 - Ensures on the day all parts of the race are ready and correct.
- **Safety Officer:**
 - Puts together an Event Safety Management Plan with the event Organiser
 - coordinates with the Organiser any need to call for emergency services.
- **Volunteer helpers:**
 - An experienced group that set up and run the Start, Finish, Download, enquiries, toilets

Key data and discussion points

- Competitor number: 1100 athletes.
- Aged: 10 to 80 years old
- Experienced orienteers
- First aid – professional company hired

- Parking location
- Finish run-in (club tents, PA, catering)
- One or two catering stalls
- One orienteering equipment stall
- Area access required prior to event for planning.
- Agreement of control locations and routes months in advance before printing maps.
- Access fee (2018 Junior competition £150)

Courses: Starts, finish(s) and routes in between

- The embedded file contains 3 example courses (short, medium and long).
- With suggested control locations and crossing points through walls at gates, stiles and temporary stiles erected for the event.
- They provide an idea of the areas we would like to run in and how we would move between the different parts of the estate.



Chatsworth Preparation.pdf

Further information

British Orienteering has a extensive website where further information may be found:

www.britishorienteering.org.uk

Or local to Derbyshire our club is called

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