



## WESSEX ORIENTEERING CLUB

**Dorset Delight, Level C**  
**Sunday 30th September - Agglestone, Studland**

### **Final Details (Version 1)**

#### **Event Officials**

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#### **Location**

The event takes place on Agglestone Heath to the west of Studland.

The event is based at the National Trust Car Park, Knoll Beach, Ferry Rd, Studland, Dorset. Grid reference SZ031834, postcode BH19 3AH. The entrance to the car park will be signed from the main road running north south through Studland. There are several car parks in the area so make sure you go to the right one.

Visitors arriving from the east may wish to use the chain ferry to avoid driving around the harbour. Details and tolls can be found here: <http://www.sandbanksferry.co.uk>. Please note: the chain ferry has recently had some temporary shutdowns due to maintenance. It is currently back in service but please check at the time of the event.

#### **Parking and Assembly**

Parking is free for National Trust members. You will need to scan your membership card at one of the ticket machines to get a parking ticket to display on your vehicle. Only one membership per vehicle is required. For non-members, the summer season fee is £6 for all day.

Registration, download and enquiries are based at the Discovery Centre which is the building in the first area on your left as you enter the car park. Please do not wear metal studs inside this building and remove muddy shoes before entering after your run.

#### **Facilities**

Knoll beach has a toilet block and a café serving hot drinks and light meals. Please change any muddy shoes or clothing before using the café. Further details available here:

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/studland-bay/>

#### **Dogs**

Dogs are not permitted on the courses. Dogs must be kept on a lead in car park and on the beach. Dogs (except guide dogs) are not permitted in the discovery centre or café.

#### **Terrain**

The area is open heathland with scattered patches of gorse and extensive seasonal and permanent marshes. The marshes marked uncrossable are deep and should be avoided. There are several valleys running south to north that provide some steep, complex contours. A lot of time has been spent mapping the vegetation to ensure it is up to date and accurate on the course routes.

Please wear full leg cover and gaiters are strongly recommended.

### **Out of Bounds Areas**

You will notice on the map that many of the linear marsh areas and streams caused by water runoff in the areas are marked as out of bounds. This is at the request of the National Trust in order to restrict the footfall on the marshy areas for environmental reasons.

We have agreed a few areas of marsh that can be used as crossing points to make the longer courses possible. These crossing points are marked on the map to give a guide to where crossing is permitted, but they are not marked on the ground. There are enough mapped features near the crossing points that locating them should not be a problem.

Courses have been planned as much as possible to place the crossings on the direct route between controls and legs on the map have been bent around OOB areas and to crossing points where necessary. Please keep to these restrictions to ensure we continue to have access to this area for future events.

### **Maps and Courses**

All courses use a 1:10,000 scale map printed on waterproof paper. White to Orange will be printed on A4. Light Green to Brown will be printed on A3.

Please note that the size of the control circles on the white course has been reduced to aid clarity where different sections of the course pass near each other.

Control descriptions are printed on the front of the map and loose control descriptions will be available in the start lanes. White and Yellow courses have text descriptions, all other courses have IOF symbolic descriptions.

Competitors on the White and Yellow Courses may view their map before entering the start lanes.

Course details, subject to final controlling:

<b>Course</b>	<b>Distance (km)</b>	<b>Climb (m)</b>	<b>Controls</b>
Brown	9.8	200	23
Blue	6.1	120	16
Green	4.6	80	12
Short Green	3.5	70	11
Light Green	3.5	60	11
Orange	2.9	60	11
Yellow	2.1	20	9
White	1.4	10	12

Any competitor shadowing another runner must complete their own course first if they wish to be classed as competitive.

A free string course will be available behind the discovery centre.

### **Entries**

Pre-entry preferred by Fabian4.

BOF Seniors           £12.00

Non BOF Seniors     £14.00

Juniors                £5.00

Senior novices       £6.00 (White, Yellow or Orange)

Dibber hire                    £1.00 (free for juniors, £30 charge if lost)  
+£2.00 surcharge for adult Entry on the Day

### **Electronic Punching**

SI will be used for this event. SI hire is available at registration. If you have pre-entered, please check you are using the SI number you entered with. If you need to change the number, please inform SI registration before your run to keep download operating smoothly.

### **Registration / Entry on the Day**

Pre-entered runners with their own dibber may go straight to the start.

Pre-entered runners who have hired a dibber should collect it from the EOD desk.

EOD is available while maps last from 10:00-12:00. We have tried to cater for the expected number of runners on each course but sometimes one course is more popular than expected.

If you have pre-entered but wish to change your course, please visit enquires *before* you run to check we have the maps available and to correct the numbers.

If entering on the day:

1. Collect and fill in an entry form with your details and the course you wish to run. Your form will be given a sticker to show a map for that course is available.
2. Take your form to the payment table who will check you have been allocated a map and mark the entry as paid.
3. Take your completed form to SI registration after which you may proceed to the start. If your form is missing a course sticker or is not marked as paid it will not be accepted by registration.

To comply with our insurance, all non-members of British Orienteering are required to provide details of their name and home address at registration.

### **Start and Finish**

The Start and Finish are located close to each other 600m from the assembly area. The route is via a path across private land owned by the Knoll House Hotel who have kindly granted us access. Please stick to the taped route.

There is a main road crossing on the route at the entrance to the car park which will be marshalled.

There is a punching start with no allocated start times. The start is open from 10:30-12:30. Please bear in mind that courses close at 14:30.

There will be a clothing dump near the start and finish.

### **Download**

**All Competitors must report to download even if they do not finish.** Please report to download immediately after your run. If you do not report to download, we may send out a search party for you. Courses close at 14:30.

### **Results**

Results will be displayed at the assembly area during the event and on the WSX website within 24 hours of the event finishing. Routegadget will be available for uploading your routes after the event.

### **Safety**

If lost, competitors should head South-East which will take them to a large track or road signposted to Studland. Additionally, the large Agglestone Rock is visible from most of the map. Following the path North-East from the rock will take you back to the finish. An emergency contact number is on the map.

Whistles are compulsory for all competitors.

In the event of severe weather, the carrying of waterproof cagoules may be compulsory. If the organiser decides to enforce this, a notice will be placed in the assembly area.

If you are concerned about the length of time a competitor has been out, even if courses have not yet closed, please inform a member of the organising team at assembly. If you have notified us of a concern, please ensure we are notified if the competitor then returns and ensure they download as soon as possible.

Competitors with pre-existing medical conditions may wish to leave details of their medical condition including any medication they are taking and emergency contact details with registration in a sealed envelope. This will only be opened in case of emergency and will be destroyed after the event if not collected by the competitor. The form can be downloaded [here](#).

First Aid will be available in the assembly area provided by members of the club.

There is a minor injuries unit located at Swanage Community Hospital, Queens Road, Swanage, Dorset, BH19 2ES.

The nearest A&E department is Poole Hospital, Longfleet Rd, Poole BH15 2JB

Any major incidents must be reported to the organiser.

### **Disclaimer**

Orienteering is an adventure sport and competitors take part at their own risk. Please note that personal injury through the normal course of orienteering is not covered by British Orienteering's public liability insurance.

If you have competed in three or more events registered with British Orienteering and are not a member of a registered club, you are not covered by British Orienteering's public liability insurance.

### **Cancellation**

In the event of cancellation due to extreme weather or other circumstances a notice will be posted on the club website <http://www.wessex-oc.org/>

Wessex Orienteering Club reserves the right to retain part of the entry fee to cover costs already incurred. Details of how to obtain a refund in the event of cancellation will be posted on the website and sent the email used to enter.