

## **MDOC NSL Event 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

**Venue:** The Kenilworth, Cheadle Road, Cheadle Hulme, Stockport, SK8 5DX.

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Parking in the immediate vicinity of the pub is going to be difficult, and it is likely that most of you will have a 200m walk. It is worth planning beforehand. The pub has small car park, but this is likely to be full. Except **North Downs Road**, the narrow streets on the west side of Cheadle Road will either have parking restrictions or be occupied by residents' vehicles. The best options for parking are **Victoria Avenue**, where restrictions end after 16:00 hrs, **Grange Avenue** and **the Downs**. Further afield there should be plenty of space on **Queens Road**.

We have been allocated the function room which lies towards the rear of the pub on the left-hand side of the bar. There is ample room here for bag-drops, changing and Registration.

### **The Event**

The event uses both traditional pen/paper and MapRun phone app methods to record the controls visited. For information on using the MapRun app on your phone or watch please refer to the MDOC website. Instructions for finding the event on your device are given separately below.

### **Start and Finish**

The Safety Check / Pre-start is inside the pub, close to the entrance.

**You MUST visit the pre-start first to clear/check your dibber and to record your name with the official.**

The start is located in the fenced area adjacent to the car park at the front of the pub. It is recommended that you don't press "go to start" until you reach this point.

Once you have a signal the starter will give you your map and ask you to dib the start box.

There are 70 control locations numbered 15 through to 84. Points awarded for a control will be the first digit multiplied by 10.

The finish is at the rear of an alcove on the left side of the pub entrance. Make sure you punch the SI box as well getting a beep on your phone. To avoid triggering the finish prematurely don't enter the pub car park again until the end of your run.

Penalties for lateness will be 1 point for every 2 seconds (30 points per minute).

### **The Area**

The area extends westwards from Cheadle Hulme railway station as far as the A34 dual carriageway. Most of the development west of the Kenilworth pub is post-war. The more modern Bradford Hall and Eden Park estates in the south-west, with their irregular arrangement of winding cul-de-sacs and pedestrian walkways, provide interesting navigation

The whole area is crossed by two busy road systems: Ladybridge Road/Turves Road running roughly east-west and Cheadle Road/Hulme Hall Road running roughly north-south. Traffic is most intense at the junction north of the railway station.

Crossing points - either light-controlled pedestrian crossings or simple traffic islands - are marked on the map at it is recommended you use these.

***There is a light-operated pedestrian crossing immediately outside the pub. This must be used if crossing Cheadle Road at this point. Please take account of this when finishing the course.***

**It should be assumed that footpaths are unlit unless otherwise stated.**

Green boxes abound here and there are 30 in the control list. If you are using pen & paper, you will normally be asked to enter the last two digits of an 8-digit code found at either end of the box. Some numbers may have faded so it's worth checking both sides.

Following the conversion from copper to fibre telecom lines, a new type of box is appearing in our streets, sometimes next to the old type. These are generally taller, painted in a brighter green and have a different coding system. Please ignore these.

The map includes Bruntwood Park, a public area of grassland meadows and wooded copses. Except for Bruntwood Lane, which extends north-south through the park, and the vicinity of the Hall itself (which is now a hotel) the area is largely **unlit**. All controls within the park, bar one, are close to these illuminated areas. The one exception lies on a remote rural pathway on the eastern fringe of the park.

## **The Kenilworth**

Although parking is restricted, the Kenilworth is a roomy Green King establishment serving real ales and a range of keg lagers. We have been allocated the function room towards the rear of the pub. The proprietors have been very obliging and prepared a special menu for orienteers:

Beef Burger and chips	£8.25
Fish, chips and mushy peas	£8.75
Chicken Tikka Masala with rice, poppadoms and chutney	£8.55
Asparagus, broad bean, roasted garlic risotto	£8.55
Steak pudding, chips, mushy peas and gravy	£8.55
Chilli con carne with rice and garlic bread	£8.95

Please give them your custom. Place your order at the bar **before you run** giving an indication of when you want to eat.