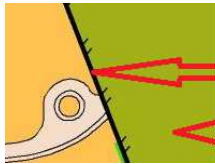


**Macclesfield Urban Event – Part of the UK Urban Orienteering League
Sunday March 25th 2018 - Final Details**

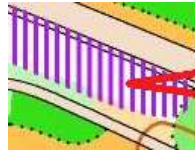
The Important Stuff - If you don't read anything else, read this!

Do NOT cross the boundaries or enter or attempt to cross terrain areas shown below



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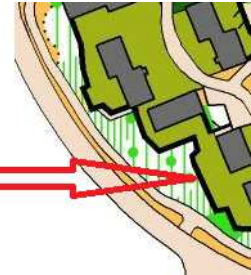


Terrain mapped like this

Construction sites like this



Boundaries mapped like this



Race Location

Tytherington School, Manchester Road, Macclesfield, Cheshire, SK10 2EE

Travel

<https://www.google.co.uk/maps/place/53.269,-2.1288,16z>

The parking and assembly/registration will be at The Tytherington School on Manchester Road. You can access this from the A523 ring road at the Tesco roundabout (junction with the B5470 Whaley Bridge and A537 Chester & M6) by heading west up the steep hill and then turn right at the first traffic lights part way up the hill. The school is about half a mile from the lights on the right. If travelling by rail, the nearest station is Macclesfield.

Parking will be on hard standing in the schools grounds. Follow the directions of the marshals who will greet you at the school gate. Take extreme care driving within the school grounds as you will be sharing the space with pedestrians.

Assembly will be in the school canteen and access will be via a gate/door in the south side of the main building which you will pass on your way to the parking. The following facilities will be available

- Enquiries
- Entry on the Day
- Results display
- Download
- First Aid
- Bag storage (Please note bags are left at your own risk)
- Toilets

Dogs

Dogs are not allowed in the School grounds or buildings. Whilst dogs are allowed on the streets we discourage taking them on a course.

Timing system

The event will use the SportIdent timing system. All SI cards can be used at this event and all the SI control units except for the Start and the Finish, will be enabled for contactless use. Standard SI cards (but not SIAC - Active Cards for contactless punching) will be available for hire at registration.

For each control unit the flag, control number, SI unit and backup pin-punch will be secured to an immovable object. If the SI unit at a control does not appear to be working, use the backup pin-punch attached to it to punch your map as proof that you have found it. If a control appears to be missing due to vandalism, you should make very sure you are in the right place and then continue with your race. Please let us know at the finish or download if you believe a control is missing.

Start Times and Entries

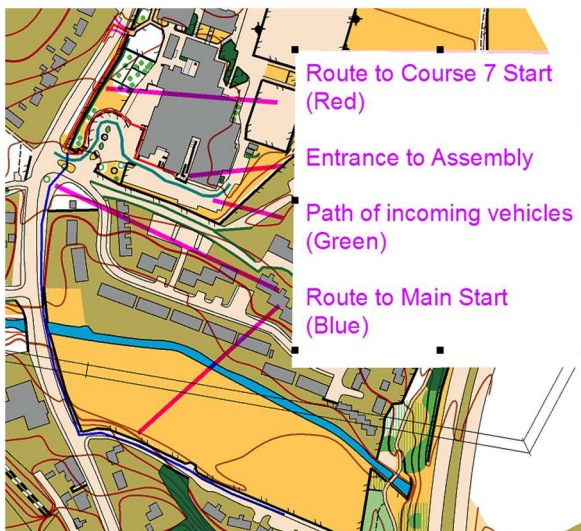
Start times will not be allocated. We will operate a queueing system at the start. Start times for courses 1 to 5 are from 10:30 to 12:30. At the close of pre-entries, there were only three entries for course 6 and none for course 7. Both these courses require manned road crossings, so to minimise the manpower requirement, start times for courses 6 and 7 will only be available from 12:00 to 12:30.

For those collecting hired SI cards which you requested with your pre-entry, please pick them up from Enquiries.

Entries will be taken on the day for all courses. Registration opens at 10:00. We expect to have a good stock of maps. Entry fees are £8 for seniors and £3 for juniors and students.

Starts

Note that a SIAC battery test will be available at registration only. There will be no battery test at the starts.



Courses 1 to 6

The start for courses 1 to 6 is on Summerlea Close, 600m from the assembly. The route will exit the school grounds through the main gate. Take great care here since you will cross the path of incoming vehicles. Follow the taped route. A Clear control unit will be available at the pre-start. Call up will be at -4 where an official will check your SI card. There will also be a SIAC active check control. Loose description sheets will be at -3 and blank maps at -2. All competitors, including those with SIAC cards, **MUST** punch the start unit.

Course 7

With no pre-entries on course 7 and some difficulties within the school's grounds with overrunning building work, we have planned a new course for MYJ and WYJ using mostly controls shared by other courses. This course is harder than usual and is not completely traffic-free, so entrants **MUST** be shadowed by an adult.

All competitors on course 7 **MUST** visit registration before going to the start. At registration they will pick up their map, clear and check their SI cards and if appropriate will perform a SIAC test. The start for course 7 will be on the west side of Manchester road, immediately outside the school grounds (see the map section). You must cross Manchester Road at the

manned crossing point (Pelican Crossing). The pre-start will be on the far side of the manned road crossing where the official will hold a Start unit. You will NOT be able to Clear or Check at the start. Control descriptions will be on the map. At the start signal all competitors including those with SIAC cards **MUST** punch the Start unit.

Safety

It is your responsibility to take care on all roads.

The adult courses cross main roads (but not dual carriageways). The courses have been planned to avoid the need for flow-disruptive timed-out crossings by ensuring that all legs that cross these roads have a section along the pavement to allow you the time to find the safest point. Please be sensible when making this choice.

The junior courses take place in residential areas with light traffic. Where the junior courses cross distributor roads with slightly more traffic, there will be a marshal. Junior courses will cross Manchester Road at a timed out manned crossing. The time they take to cross here (up to 2 minutes) will be deducted from their total time. Course 6 will use this crossing twice and Course 7 will use it once. Adult courses crossing Manchester Road, will not be required to use this timed out crossing.

There are some blind bends in the narrow alleyways. It is likely that competitors and, more importantly, the general members of the public could also be in these locations. Therefore take care, go wide and adjust your speed as you go around corners to avoid accidents occurring.

Under 16s: It is a requirement of British Orienteering's Insurance Policy that anyone under the age of 16 on the day of the competition may only compete in areas with limited and/or speed limited traffic. With this in mind it is important to note that anyone under the age of 16 may only take part on courses 1 to 5 if they are accompanied or shadowed by an adult.

The Treacle Market



The adult courses will visit the town centre which will also be hosting the monthly Treacle Market on the day of the race. The streets used by the Treacle Market will be very busy and although it is very likely that your progress will be impeded, these streets will not be out of bounds. The streets concerned will be marked with a green screen on the map (see alongside) and you will need to decide yourselves if you will be better taking a route which avoids them.

First Aid

A dedicated first aid person will be available at the assembly. The nearest A&E Department is Macclesfield District General Hospital, Victoria Road, Macclesfield, SK10 3BL. A map will be available at Enquiries.

Finish

There is one finish situated in the school grounds and is less than 100m from assembly. All competitors including those using SIAC contactless cards, **MUST** punch the Finish unit. After finishing, go to assembly where you can download the data from your SI card.

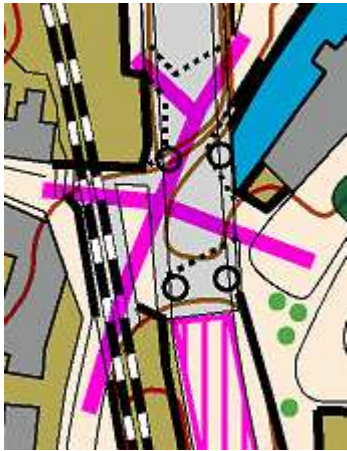

If you have hired an SI card, please return it at download. There will be a charge of £40 if you lose a hired SI card.

YOU MUST DOWNLOAD BACK AT THE ASSEMBLY, EVEN IF YOU ABANDON YOUR RACE. This is a safety check to ensure that all competitors are back.

COURSES CLOSE AT 15:45. If you have not finished by 15:45, return to the Assembly and download.

Maps will not be collected – **IN THE SPIRIT OF FAIR COMPETITION PLEASE DO NOT SHOW YOUR MAP TO COMPETITORS THAT HAVE YET TO RUN.**

Map and Courses

Map	Courses 1 to 7 - 1:5,000. Size A3. Drawn to ISSOM 2007 (the International Sprint Map standard). Printed on waterproof paper. Map bags will not be used. A legend will be on the map and loose copies will be available from enquiries.
Contour Interval	2.5m
Out of Bounds (Standard Rules)	No wall, gate, fence or vegetation mapped as impassable may be crossed. Also, areas mapped by a green/yellow (olive green) “settlement” colour are not to be entered. Such areas might be flower beds, private gardens or private paths. (see Appendix below)
Map Comments	<p>Pavement edges are shown where present. Despite the organisers’ best efforts, works and other unannounced activities can block routes that appear passable on the map. If this happens, complete the course to your best efforts and report the problem at download.</p> <div data-bbox="395 913 743 1361" style="display: inline-block; vertical-align: top;">  </div> <p>On the east side of the town centre there is a pedestrian underpass under both railway and The Silk Road (A523) dual carriageway. This is shown in this map extract. The purple lines are all viable competitor routes.</p> <p>There are several electricity substations on the map. Where they are accessible on all sides, they are mapped with the crossable fence symbol (they are too small to be readable if the uncrossable fence symbol is used)  infilled with olive out-of-bounds as in this example. Where they are surrounded by other properties, they are mapped using uncrossable fence or wall symbols as appropriate.</p>
Control Descriptions	Printed on the map for all courses. Course 7 (Children 12-) will have English descriptions. All other courses will have IOF description only. Loose control description sheets printed on waterproof paper will be available in the Start lanes for courses 1 to 6. There will be no loose control descriptions for course 7.
Terrain	Hard Surface and gravel 95%, Grass and woodland 5%
Body Cover & Footwear	Full body cover is not required, shorts may be worn. Studded shoes are inappropriate for this race – wear trainers or similar, ideally with some grip.

Courses (Provisional. Subject to final controlling)

Please note your course number to ensure that you pick up the correct map on starting. Due to the complex nature of the competition area, the actual running distance will be significantly greater on all courses, in some cases being over 50% longer than the straight line distance.

Course	Class	Age Classes	Length (km)	Climb (m)	No of Controls	Map Scale	Map Size
1	Men's Open	M18 M20 M21 M35	9.1	185	30	1:5000	A3 Double Sided
2	Women's Open Veteran Men 40+	W18 W20 W21 W35 M40 M45 M50	7.8	140	30	1:5000	A3 Double Sided
3	Veteran Women 40+ Supervet Men 55+	W40 W45 W50 M55 M60	5.9	100	26	1:5000	A3 Double Sided
4	Supervet Women 55+ Ultravet Men 65+	W55 W60 M65 M70	4.1	75	22	1:5000	A3
5	Ultravet Women 65+ Hypervet Men 75+ Hypervet Women 75+	W65 W70 M75+ W75+	3.6	60	17	1:5000	A3
6	Junior Men 16- Junior Women 16-	M14 M16 W14 W16	4.0	72	24	1:5000	A3
7	Young Junior Men 12- Young Junior Women 12-	M10 M12 W10 W12	2.6	50	15	1:5000	A3

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We hope you have an enjoyable race.













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APPENDIX: URBAN MAPS

GENERAL NOTES FOR THOSE NEW TO THIS TYPE OF RACE

The map is drawn to ISSOM 2007, the International Sprint Map standard, and it uses some symbols with which “forest orienteers” may be unfamiliar. It is of great importance that all competitors are aware of these, especially those which denote “passability”. The most important map symbols used are shown below:

Symbol	Meaning
	Passable fence
	Impassable fence
	Passable wall
	Impassable wall
	Building – not to be entered
	Canopy – may be passed under
	Steps of a stairway
	Underpass or tunnel
	Forbidden access (as for “forest maps”)
	Large tree
	Small tree
	Monument or statue