

Wetherby Urban 28 May 2017 - Final Event Details

These details are not now expected to change before the event, but please check before travelling in case something unexpected has happened.

CLARO will host an Urban Orienteering (Level C) Event at Wetherby on Sunday 28th May 2017. This event is part of the UK Urban League and the Yorkshire Urban League.

LOCATION Wetherby Town Centre

POSTCODE LS22 6NL (Crossley St carpark)

LATITUDE/LONGITUDE 53.9301° N, 1.3832° W

OS GRID REFERENCE SE 402 484

ENTRIES: Entry on the day only (EOD).

ASSEMBLY & REGISTRATION: Wherever competitors park in Wetherby (see below for car park details), please converge on Crossley Street Car Park (LS22 6NL). By the entrance to this car park there is a pedestrian crossing. This will be marshalled. Please use the crossing and follow the signed and taped route 7/8 minutes North to Registration. Registration will be indoors and we have the use of two toilets. Both Start and Finish will be within 50 metres of Registration/Download. Registration is in a congested residential area and competitors should not enter the area other than on foot.

The Start and Finish is in a park area which is pleasant for picnics and spectating: a number of courses run in an out of it and adjacent buildings.

ELECTRONIC PUNCHING: SPORTident (SI) electronic punching will be used for all courses. All versions of SI card (dibber) can be used. Controls will NOT be enabled for touch-free punching, but competitors can still manually punch with the newer SIAC cards. Hire dibbers will be available.

FEES:

Senior courses 1 to 6: £7 (full time students £2.50)

Junior courses 7 & 8: £2.50 - Juniors under 16 may only enter courses 7 or 8 and those under 12 only course 8

Maximum family entry charge: £15

SI dibber hire: Senior £1 , Juniors and full time students 50p

INSURANCE: Please note that if you are not a member of an orienteering club affiliated to British Orienteering then you are not covered by our public liability insurance except if you are a newcomer to orienteering, in which case you are covered for three registered orienteering events without joining. Please ask any of our club officials for more information if you would like to join CLARO.

PARKING: Wetherby has a number of free public car parks. Please see this Town Map for their location. The closest car park to Registration is on Crossley Street, which has about 50 spaces, but this car park fills up quite quickly on Sunday mornings and spaces are unlikely after 10.15am. Competitors should use public car parks and not park in the congested residential areas around

Registration to avoid disruption to locals. The easy pedestrian route to Registration (7-8 mins) will be signed from the Crossley Street car park only.

DIRECTIONS :

From A1(M). Use Junction 45. Follow the A168 into Wetherby which lies on the Northern side of the River Wharfe.

From Leeds. Use the A58. At the roundabout with the A168, take the first exit into Wetherby.

From Harrogate. Use the A661 into the centre of Wetherby.

Public Transport - Rail. Wetherby is not directly served by rail.

The nearest railway stations are at Leeds, Harrogate, Knaresborough and York.

Public Transport - Buses: The only bus services available on Sunday are the 770 and 771 which run between Leeds and Harrogate via Wetherby Bus Station in the middle of town. See www.yorkshiretravel.net for timetables and general travel advice.

TERRAIN: Wetherby is a brand new venue for urban orienteering. The senior courses will be in classic urban terrain of streets, passageways, riverside and other paths, parkland, school grounds and paths following old railway lines; there are a number of clearly marked un-crossable crags. Some of the ground can be steep, rough and in places muddy. There will be short off-road climbs or descents on the higher technical difficulty courses. There will also be some features unusual in urban orienteering which will present interesting route-finding challenges.

The Junior courses will be entirely within an area mainly bounded by three former railway lines and crossed by numerous paths.

Course 8 also uses some parkland, but course 7 uses some urban roads with light traffic.

Wetherby is an old market town with a Charter dating back to 1240, Henry III's time. It was a stop on the ancient Great North Road at its crossing of the River Wharfe. The town centre has a network of ginnels and winding, narrow streets. Much of the remainder of the town is a mix of modern housing and light commercial estates with some former railway lines in its central area.

MAP: A new 1:5,000 scale ISSOM map by Allen Banister; the first orienteering map of Wetherby. A3 size digitally printed by BML on waterproof paper. Courses 7 and 8 will also be 1:5,000 scale, but on an A4 version of the map.

COURSES: There will be eight courses, in the normal Urban League classes (including the new 75+ Hypervet classes). All course details are provisional and subject to final controlling:

Course	Class	Details	Climb
1	Mens Open	6.8 km	95m
2	Womens Open Veteran Men (40+)	5.8 km	85m
3	Veteran Women (40+) Supervet Men (55+)	4.9 km	55m

4	Supervet Women (55+) Ultravet Men (65+)	4.2 km	55m
5	Ultravet Women (65+) Hypervet Men (75+)	3.0 km	30m
6	Hypervet Women (75+)	2.5 km	30m
7	Juniors (16-)	3.0 km	55m
8	Young juniors (12-)	2.1 km	20m

You may enter any course of your choice except for those under 16 who may only enter courses 7 or 8 and those under 12 who may only enter course 8 due to the need to avoid road crossings. You should enter the course for your age class to count in the leagues.

START AND FINISH: All courses will start and finish in the park area adjacent to Registration.

TIMINGS:

Registration open: 10:30 am – 12:30 pm

Starts: 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Courses close: 2:30pm

FACILITIES: There will be two toilets available at Registration. Public toilets are also available in The Shambles, Cross Street near The Town Hall (see the Town Map) in the centre of Town. They are open on Sundays from 10.00am. There are plenty of refreshment outlets in the Town Centre.

DOGS: Dogs are permitted on leads in the areas adjacent to registration, but are NOT permitted within the grounds of the Registration area). For safety reasons runners will not be permitted to Start or compete accompanied by dogs.

SAFETY: A comprehensive risk assessment will be carried out by the organiser, but participants take part at their own risk and are responsible for their own safety during the event. This is an Urban event and Courses 1-6 will, in part, be on public highways, some of which can be very busy, particularly in Wetherby Town Centre. Competitors must exercise due care and consideration to all other road users and should comply with the Highway Code when crossing roads, using pedestrian crossings as far as possible.

If travelling alone, please leave your keys at registration. All competitors who start must report to download even if they retire. Please dress appropriately for the time of year and specific weather on the day. In the unlikely event of cancellation, details will be posted on this website – www.claro-orienteering.org.uk. Information can also be obtained by phoning the organiser.

If you have a medical condition that first aiders should know about in an emergency, please contact the organiser with details before the event, or fill in a form at registration. These details will only be used for the purposes of this event and can be collected or will otherwise be deleted/destroyed afterwards.

RESULTS: These will be posted on this website, www.claro-orienteering.org.uk.

PHOTOGRAPHY: In accordance with current British Orienteering O-Safe Safeguarding Policy, participants should be aware that there will be no specific ban on photography (including headcams) at this event. Anyone partaking in photography should be aware of and comply with the current O-Safe policy, which is available [here](#).

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