

Eurocity Weekend 15th-16th July: Final Details

Claro are delighted to welcome you all to a great weekend of urban racing in the heart of North Yorkshire. We are especially excited to welcome our visitors from around the world - Norway, Poland, Belgium, Spain, Germany, Ireland and Australia!

Please read these in conjunction with the details for each individual day - the aim is to avoid duplication!

Enquiries

The Enquiries point will be in the Event Centre on both days. This will provide for:

- Race number collection
- Entry on the day for Long, Medium, Short and Accessible courses
- Car key deposit
- SI-card hire
- General enquiries
- First Aid kit
- Space for changing and bags

Race numbers

Numbers will be used for all classes. You must wear your individual number to identify you as an orienteer when in private grounds. You will not be allowed to start without it. Numbers will be allocated in surname order, and published on Racesignup on 13 July after entries close. They can be collected from enquiries where they will be hung on a wire in alphabetical order. It will be a help yourself system, so please check you take the correct number. Safety pins will be provided. Please retain the same number for both days.

Race details common to both days:

Punching: SportIdent punching. SIAC touch free punching will be enabled for controls (make sure you punch the Check box before starting!), but standard punching only for Start and Finish.

Control descriptions: on the map and available loose in start lanes. On Sunday, Short and M/WYJ have both written and pictorial descriptions on their map, with pictorials available loose.

Safety: Both days are being held in busy, popular tourist destinations. Please be extremely courteous when passing members of the public. Great care should be taken and corners should be negotiated wide and slow. A comprehensive risk assessment has been carried out by each organiser, but competitors take part at their own risk and are responsible for their own safety. First aid kit is available at Enquiries. The nearest Accident and Emergency Department is at Harrogate District Hospital, Lancaster Park Road, HG2 7SX.

All competitors must report to download even if they do not complete the course.

Please see individual events for information specific to each.

Prizes and mementos

Prize-giving for both days will be held as close to 1430 as we can after the Sunday race. Prizes will be awarded as follows:

Knaresborough: prizes and certificates for the first three in each junior class, and the winner in each senior class plus Long, Medium and Short.

Harrogate: prizes and certificates to the first three in each class including Long, Medium, Short and Accessible, plus prizes for the Maze.

Please stay to support our prize-winners. We have a fun maze and catering provided by the school to keep you entertained while you wait.

We are very grateful for donations from HMCA (Hospital & Medical Care Association) Knaresborough for the Saturday prizes; Altra Running, North Yorkshire County Council, Taylors of Harrogate, Slingsby, Artizan, Harrogate Chocolate Company, Love Brownies, Roosters and Cold Bath Brewery for Sunday prizes.

Momentos: all competitors running in the EuroCity race at Harrogate will receive a delightful fridge magnet as a reminder of the event. We hope you enjoy!

Social Programme and Extras

Guided Walking Tour of Harrogate: you are invited to join the locally-famous Harry for a free, orienteers-only guided tour of Harrogate centre. Harry is both knowledgeable and entertaining! And yes, he has been given full permission to take you wherever he likes, so maybe you will go places you'll revisit on your course. Meet at the Cenotaph at 5pm prompt. Harry will end his tour at The Old Bell (see below) in time for drinks before dinner.

Saturday Evening Meal: we have exclusive use of The Old Bell upstairs room for dinner at 1830. The Old Bell is a town-centre, traditional Yorkshire pub serving good food and excellent ales. Sign up on RaceSignUp. £21 set meal (The Old Bell Special Vegetable Pie, Chips and Seasonal Veg, Fruit Crumble with Ice Cream, Tea and Coffee). Harry will end his tour at The Old Bell for those dining or just fancying a drink there. When entries close you will still be able to turn up on the night and order from the normal menu if spaces are available.

RHS Harlow Carr Gardens: the RHS gardens at Harlow Carr are stunning and set just on the western edge of Harrogate. They are offering 30% discount to all orienteers. If you wish to visit before the races, tell the ticket office you are participating in the EuroCity Orienteering Event. After the race (up until Sunday 30th July) please present your race number or map.

MapRun Pack: if you have ordered a MapRun pack they will be available to collect from Saturday at Enquiries where some spare copies will be available to buy. If you would like to collect it earlier please email eurocity@claro-orienteering.org.uk

Late Addition!: we are delighted that competitors on Saturday can claim a 10% discount at Kelebeans coffee truck based at Henshaw's Arts Centre on Bond End in Knaresborough. Just quote the reference Eurocity.

Other details and info:

M/W 18/20s at Harrogate: please inform the entries secretary if you wish to be included in the M/W Open League results rather than the M/W 18/20 results.

Photography: we are delighted to be joined by two photographers this weekend - Wendy Carlyle and John Allen. If you do not wish your photograph to be taken please email the enquiries team.

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Contact

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