

Claro Night Event, Sat Nov 18.

Venue: Valley Gardens, Harrogate HG1 2PW

OS Grid references: Access from Cornwall Road SE296552, Assembly SE295785

What3words: **probe.dips.wins** and **forms.frosted.effort** respectively

Entries: Online entries have now closed. Entries on the evening only: **Seniors:** £11, **Beginners** £5, non-members of British Orienteering £2 extra, **Chip hire** £1; **Juniors/Student:** £5, **chip hire** 50p. **Lost hire chips:** £30.

Directions and car parking: The event is based just to the east (towards town centre) of the Sun Pavilion on the NE side of Valley Gardens. Parking is on Cornwall Road and 'backstreets' to the north. If unfamiliar with Harrogate then approach from the Otley Rd (B6162): coming from the west (Beckwithshaw) turn L onto Harlow Moor Rd at the 2nd set of traffic lights; from the east (town) turn R at the 3rd set of lights after the large Leeds Rd roundabout. Then go c.800m along Harlow Moor Rd (through the woods) before turning R onto Cornwall Road. The event centre is about 800m down Cornwall Road – look for parking on the right side of the road. If you pass the Sun Pavilion without parking, take the sharp L turn onto Clarence Dve (then perhaps another L onto York Rd) where there is more parking. Beware that most parking has a 3-hr waiting limit before 6pm and you need a parking disc showing arrival time.

Assembly: Registration is in the colonnade on the edge of the garden. This is accessed by an almost secret door opposite the entrance to Windsor House, by the Claro feather. **Start and Finish** are within 100m.

Timings:

Registration and enquiries open 1630. Starts 1700-1800. Courses close 1900 (this will be strictly adhered to!).

Courses

Course	Standard	Distance	Climb	Controls
Long	Green	5.4k	80m	30
Medium	Light Green	3.7k	70m	19
Short	Orange	2.6k	50m	16
Beginner	Yellow	1.3k	25m	13

Map: 1:4000, 2.5m, updated in Oct-Nov 2023 by Quentin Harding using ISSprOM 2019-2 (sprint) symbols. Note that in order to fit the map onto an A4 sheet, the magnetic north lines are offset by 10° to the edge of the paper. Special symbol: the fodder rack symbol is used to represent Frisbee Golf posts.

Terrain: A mix of formal gardens in the NE of the area, a former pitch and putt golf course in the middle, now consisting of short grass and scattered trees, and woodland in the SW at the top of the hill rising from the gardens. The woodland includes a wide range of vegetation and a dense network of dog walking tracks, providing varied runnability.

Toilets and Post-race: There are no public toilets. We can use those at Hales Bar but the pub is likely to be busy, so please try to go before you come. The pub is also the perfect venue for post-run refreshment! (No dirty shoes please).

Dogs: Dogs are not permitted on the courses.

Safety: Competitors take part at their own risk and are responsible for their own safety. If travelling alone, please leave keys at registration. All starters must report to download even if retiring. **Whistles, head torches and full leg cover are compulsory and will be checked.** Waterproof jackets may be required in the case of bad weather. In the unlikely event of cancellation, details will be posted at www.claro-orienteeing.org.uk. Information also from the organiser.

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

Results: These will be posted on the club website at www.claro-orienteeing.org.uk.

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