

CLARO Regional Orienteering Event.

Sunday 6th February 2026.

Venue: Brimham Rocks
Assembly: Adjacent to National Trust car park
Postcode: HG3 4DW **What3Words:** handbags.hockey.showcases **Grid ref:** SE209644
Times: 1000-1200 registration opens 1030-1230: starts
1345: courses close (you must have returned and downloaded by this time).
Entries: Available through Racesignup in the New Year.
Facilities: Public toilets, outdoor cafe (both 350m easy walk from assembly)

Courses - provisional distances

	Kms	Climb	Controls	Standard
Black	4.7		38*	Full technical and physical challenge. Gaffled.
Blue	3.5		28	Full technical and physical challenge
Green	2.9		26	Full technical challenge. Slightly easier physically.
Short Green	2.3		23	As Green, reduced climb, avoiding steep exposed locations
Very Short Green	1.7		17	As Short Green, further consideration to those needing a physically less challenging course
Red	4.9		20	Intermediate technically, ideally suited to those wanting a fair distance without full on technical challenge
Orange	2.9		17	As red technically - ideal for adult beginners and more experienced children
Yellow	1.8		12	Ideal for beginners and younger children

*Please make sure your SI-card can cope - older ones (eg red!) cannot.

Gaffled means that 'butterfly loops' will be used to split the field up more: everybody does the same orienteering, but some of the legs in a different order!

Distances are measured 'straight line' between controls. Add c 25% for expected running distance.

Map: 1:4000 surveyed and drawn by Quentin Hardin, updated autumn 2025.

Terrain: Brimham is one of the most technically challenging areas in the north of England, dominated by a multiplicity of gritstone rock formations, almost unique as an orienteering area in the UK, made even more interesting in recent years by woodland growth. To the east, is open moorland with patches of complex contour detail and less rock, although enough to keep life interesting! A well-developed path network provides the framework for easier courses, but still well in amongst this fascinating landscape.

Start: 450m easy walk

Finish: adjacent to assembly

Transport: Nearest bus is route 24 Harrogate-Sumnerbridge-Pateley Bridge. Limited Sunday service.

Parking: National Trust car park. Fee payable for non-members.

Main officials Organiser: June Graham and Katie Gray Planner: Vicky Bailey Controller: Ruth Ker
For entries queries, contact the Entries Secretary, Linda Kelly, at entries@claro-orienteering.org.uk

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