

CLARO URBAN ORIENTEERING EVENT WETHERBY 27 SEPTEMBER 2026
UK URBAN LEAGUE & YORKSHIRE URBAN LEAGUE
FINAL DETAILS

LOCATION: St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Barleyfields Court, Barleyfields Road, Wetherby

POSTCODE: LS22 6PR **OS GRID REFERENCE:** SE401487 **w3w:** supposing.prepped.terms

ENTRIES whilst maps available: via Racesignup before midnight Thu 24th Sep, then entry on the day only.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT: The Number 7 bus operates hourly between Leeds and Harrogate via Wetherby. The X98/99 also operates hourly between Leeds and Wetherby. Wetherby Bus Station is a 12 minute /1km walk from St Joseph's School: please follow the dashed route on the attached map.

PARKING: Wetherby has a number of public car parks. Please see attached map which shows those recommended (names in purple), free on Sundays. Please approach assembly only on dashed routes shown also in purple. Pedestrian crossing points (pelican/zebra) are also marked. On-street parking to the north: please park on Barleyfield Road or on roads to the east (Coxwold Hill etc): do not park to the west. Find your way to the pedestrian bridge over the cycleway and proceed south along Barleyfield Road to Assembly.

OUT OF BOUNDS: Station Gardens and The Wilderness Car Parks are out of bounds before the competition. Please stick to marked approach routes from car parks and bus station.

MAP: 1:4000. 2017 map updated and extended 2026 by Quentin Harding and Andrew Kelly.

TERRAIN: Wetherby is a small but interesting market town, surrounded by housing development of varied ages and characteristics, providing a good range of route choice decisions. The old railway line network has largely been preserved as joint pedestrian/cycle ways, which, along with the town's surprisingly extensive parkland, both adds to the interest and provides the framework for the junior courses.

START AND FINISH: Main Start, courses 1-7 and 9: 400m from Assembly. Course 8 Start: 200m from Assembly. Finish adjacent to Assembly.

TIMINGS:

Registration open	1000 to 1200
Starts	1030 to 1230
Courses close	1345 (you must have returned and downloaded by this time)

FACILITIES: Assembly, toilets, registration, enquiries and download are all within the school. Chairs and some table space will be provided. Bags may be left here during your run. There is a small kitchenette where hot drinks etc may be prepared. There are also plenty of refreshment outlets in the town for after the race.

Course	League classes	Km (straight)	Km (shortest)	Climb (m)	Controls	Map size
1	MO	6.7	11.3	90	26	RA3 2-sided
2	MV, WO	6.0	10.2	85	24	RA3 2-sided
3	MSV, WV	4.9	8.1	70	23	A3 2-sided
4	MUV, WSV	3.9	6.8	65	21	A3 2-sided
5	MHV, WUV	3.2	5.5	55	20	A3
6	MGV, WHV, WGV	2.5	4.3	40	15	A3
7	MJ, WJ	2.2	4.0	40	12	A3
8	MYJ, WYJ	1.7	2.2	10	12	A3
9	Accessible	2.0	2.6	20	9	A3

O=Open, V=Veteran (age classes 40+), SV=SuperVets (55+), UV=UltraVets (65+), HV=HyperVets (75+), GV=GranderVets (85+), J=Juniors (16 and under), YJ=Younger Juniors (12 and under).

All courses are open to everybody, although under British Orienteering rules Under 16s may only run courses 1-6 if accompanied by an adult (non-comp for League purposes). Entrants will be automatically assigned to the most appropriate league class on the course entered. As neither UK nor Yorkshire League includes GranderVet classes, MGV runners will score points in MHV by adding their results to the end of the MHV list. WGV runners and WHV runners will be included together as one class for league scoring.

Course 9 (Accessible) contains one width restriction of 0.87m on the optimum route choice.

Course 8 is all off-road. Course 7 is primarily off-road but includes some quiet estate roads with pavements. Both courses remain urban in nature.

PLANNER'S NOTES

The busiest roads are emphasised in dark brown. Legs across these have been designed to cross at an angle and/or at points with good visibility and slower speeds. All roads crossed have 30 or 20mph limit. Even so, competitors are advised to take extra care. Adjacent pavements are generally coloured in the same shade of brown as the road.

Overprinted out of bound areas (purple) are mostly points with greatest vehicle traffic, but additional ones include a popular bike park. In all cases, they have been included for your and others' safety, and **MUST** be observed. The edges of one corner of the bike park has been emphasised with thick purple line to underline that the corner must **NOT** be cut, as it is up/down a steep embankment that is regularly (and legitimately) used by young bikers. It is not taped on the ground, as the tape would get broken by said bikers!

The main area of park to the north of the school is reserved for start, finish and warm up. On courses 1-8, it is out of bounds to competitors whilst on their courses, and is marked as such on maps.

Courses 1-4 are double sided. Maps are printed so that courses are continuous, ie not in 2 separate parts: turning over is indicated by the purple line running off the edge of the map (!), although you may be able to do so earlier. Sides are labelled A and B, eg Course 1A-MO and Course 1B-MO, starting with side A. Full descriptions are on both sides; some other peripheral information, including the legend of features that must not be crossed, is only on 1 side. Courses 1 and 2 start on side A, flip to side B, and then finish back on side A. Courses 3 and 4 are simply A then B.

The tops of 2 sets of adjacent 4m+ crags are marked with black-and-yellow tape. In particular, Course 8 passes alongside these immediately after exiting one of their controls; they will also be encountered on a possible route choice for Courses 7 (and others). Obvious, but....do not cross!

RESULTS: We will be providing live results: QR code for access is on your competition map. Final results will also be posted on the CLARO website www.claro-orienteeing.org.uk.

OFFICIALS: Organiser: Richard Kirk (CLARO) (07871-755311); Planner: Andrew Kelly (CLARO); Assistant Planner: Kerensa Welsby (CLARO); Controllor: David Day (CLARO)

FOR ALL ITEMS BELOW, THESE NOTES ARE ADDITIONAL TO OR TO EMPHASISE STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS WHICH ENTRANTS HAVE ACKNOWLEDGED ACCEPTING.

DOGS: Dogs on leads are welcome in the park area adjacent to Assembly (but not within the school grounds) and surrounding streets. No dogs on courses.

SAFETY & INSURANCE: If travelling alone, please leave keys at registration. In the unlikely event of cancellation, details will be posted at www.claro-orienteeing.org.uk. Information can also be obtained by phoning the organiser. Attention is drawn to the extent of insurance cover noted in Ts and Cs.

PHOTOGRAPHY: In accordance with the British Orienteering Child Welfare Policy and Procedures, the organiser of this event requires that any person wishing to engage in any video, zoom or close range photography should register their details with the Organiser before carrying out any such photography. The Organiser reserves the right to decline entry to any person unable to meet or abide by the organiser's conditions.

For map of access from parking and bus station to Assembly, see page 3.

Map showing parking, bus station and access routes to Assembly.

