



**South Yorkshire Orienteers
and the
British Schools Orienteering Association
present the
BRITISH SCHOOLS ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2022
Sunday 20th November,
Graves Park, Sheffield**

Sponsored by



**Training Event
Saturday 19th November,
Canklow Woods, Rotherham**
(detailed in separate PDF)

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Acknowledgements:

Many thanks to Sheffield Council for the use of both the area and pavilion

Many thanks to big bobble hats for sponsoring the event and for supplying prizes for the individual winners of each age class.

Cancellation:

It is very unlikely that we will need to cancel either of these events, but if you are concerned about cancellation, please check the website www.bsoa.org or telephone enquiries on 07941 352053, before 9pm.

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Graves Park Pavilion, Cobnar Road, Norton Lees Sheffield, S8 8QE

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Getting there

Graves Park is well signposted but you must enter the park from the correct side. Please only enter the park from the gate by the Pavilion on Hemsworth Road at S8 8RB, what3words **/// discouraged.union.media** or via the marshalled/signed route from Lees Hall Golf Course

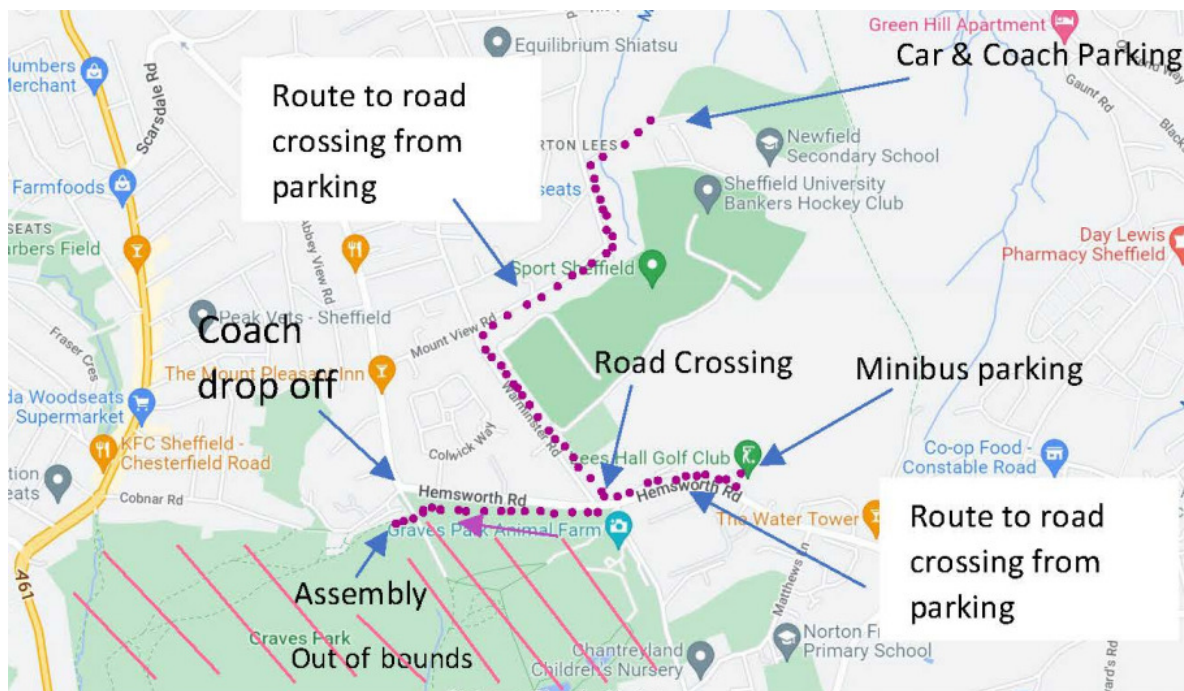
Cars

Cars accompanying minibuses should park at Lees Hall Golf Club, see further information under minibuses.

All other cars should park at Newfield Secondary School, Lees Hall Road, Norton Lees, Sheffield S8 9JP what3words **/// locked.cable.flows**. You should then exit the school entrance and turn left up Lees Hall Road which then becomes Woodland Road. Take the second right into Mount View Road, go to the junction with Warminster Road. Turn left here, then at the junction with Hemsworth Road you will find a marshalled pedestrian road crossing to get from the North side of Hemsworth Road to the South. You then go into the park and keeping the fence on your right-hand side head west to the Pavilion. This is approximately 1.5 miles, allow 30 minutes.

Minibuses

These will be parking at Lees Hall Golf Club, Hemsworth Rd, Norton Lees, Sheffield S8 8LL. There is then a walk back from there initially along Hemsworth Road, crossing Warminster Road to a marshalled pedestrian road crossing to get from the North side of Hemsworth Road to the South side. This is close to the entrance to Graves Park Animal Farm. You then go into the park and keeping the fence on your right-hand side head west to the Pavilion. It is approximately a 700m /10 -15-minute walk. Please do not head south into the park as you will then be in the Out of Bounds (the route is shown with red dots on the map below).



Coaches

If you are coming by coach then please arrange to be dropped off next to the Park at the Hemsworth Road / Cobnar Road junction before the coach heads to the parking area (See map above). Then please enter the park from the gate by the Pavilion on Hemsworth Road at S8 8RB, what3words **/// discouraged.union.media**.

Details of where the coach then goes to park will be emailed to you directly.

Assembly:

The assembly area is a grassy area in front of Graves Pavilion. The rest of the park beyond 50m of the Pavilion is out of bounds during the competition with the exception of the routes to both starts and the finish and assembly area.

Enquiries, Download, Results will be in or very close to the Pavilion.

Toilets, First Aid & the Finish will be in assembly.

Tents may be put up alongside the run in, but please leave some room in front for spectators.

Spectators are welcome to cheer etc alongside the run in.

Please keep off the football pitches.

There are two starts, one for girls and one for boys. They are in opposite directions so please ensure the children go to the right one.

Toilets:

The toilets will be adjacent to the Pavilion. Two extra toilets for helpers, disabled & very young children can be found inside the Pavilion

Traders:

Big Bobble Hats will be with us selling their hats, check out their website www.bigbobblehats.co.uk

The SYO Junior Squad will be selling homemade cakes to eat

Podium Catering will be providing food and hot drinks.

So please bring money and support them.

Enquiries:

A responsible adult from each school needs to come to Enquiries, which will be at the Pavilion, to collect a school package consisting of numbered bibs, safety pins and participation certificates for each child. (Pairs will have a number and a map each but will be issued with only one dibber.)

These will also be available to be picked up at the training day at Canklow Woods.

There is no entry on the day. However, if illness or injury requires substitution of a runner or runners, please enter the new names on the spare form provided in your school bag and hand it in to Enquiries. This should also include cases where only one of a registered pair now intends to compete.

If there are any mistakes or changes needed to an entrant's class, then this MUST be done before the event by email to bsosecretary@gmail.com .

Those borrowing dibbers will collect them during call up.

Lost dibbers will be charged to the school responsible at £20.

Competitors who declared their own dibber on the entry form should bring it. If you wish to use your own but haven't declared it then you may use it but must let us know before you run.

Race Numbers:

Competitors must wear their numbers on their chest so that the number is clearly visible. For pairs, each runner will have a bib (with the same race number). Pairs will be issued one bib with a black number and one bib with a black number and a red line. Please use only the black numbered bib if one member of a pair drops out. If they are still running as a pair a red line needs to be put on the number without one at Enquiries.

Safety:

Whilst we will do everything we can to make this event as safe as possible, competitors do take part at their own risk.

- **It is your responsibility to ensure that they are properly prepared for the event and clothed in a manner suitable for the conditions on the day.**
- **No shorts. There are some brambles in the woodland so leg protection is essential. Anyone without full leg cover will not be allowed to start.**
- **It is compulsory for whistles to be carried whatever the weather.**
- **In the event of bad weather, waterproof jackets may be compulsory – please come prepared. Notices will be put up at enquiries if they are required.**
- **The park is very popular so there will be members of the public walking around the area.**
- **There will be a number of official event marshals in the woods who will be wearing Hi-Vis bibs. These can be approached at any time if assistance is required by any child.**

It is imperative that all competitors report to both the finish & download whether or not they have completed their course.

We will, of course, be monitoring the time that runners are out their course, but you can help us by letting Enquiries know if you are concerned about one of your team.

Adults & Teachers:

Accompanying Teachers & Adults **MUST NOT** enter the competition area or accompany competitors into the Start area after call-up. If they do so, the competitor will be disqualified.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL ADULTS ACCOMPANYING YOUR TEAM ARE AWARE OF THIS.

Map and Terrain

The Graves Park map has been resurveyed by Ian Cooper (SYO) during 2022 and is drawn at 1:5000 scale. Contours are at 5 metre intervals.

The area includes a valley running broadly east-west. It is a mixture of open parkland (much of the longer grass has recently been cut) and wooded areas, some of which are steep and can be slippery when wet. There are many paved and unpaved footpaths across the area.

An extract of the map can be seen below



- Tarmac paths are shown by the brown path symbol. Other footpaths are shown by black dashed lines.
- Significant/prominent trees are shown on the map but not smaller trees, or young and staked trees.
- There is a stream running down the main valley. The stream is out of bounds for ecological reasons and may only be crossed on the paved footpaths.
- The area has recently been mowed. This has resulted in some paths in the open area being not so obvious. On the whole there are still some traces but **Y5** and **Y6** children should be made aware that these paths are now shown as intermittent. There will be blank maps at the pre-start clearly showing the areas/paths that are affected.

Control Descriptions:

Written control descriptions for the championships will be printed on the front of the map.

Loose written control descriptions will **not** be available to avoid unnecessary litter.

Punching:

Electronic SI control boxes will be mounted on a stake, along with an orienteering kite and the control code. **SIAC contactless punching will not be enabled.**

IT IS THE COMPETITOR'S RESPONSIBILITY TO REGISTER ACCURATELY AND COMPLETELY AT ALL CONTROLS.

Rulings on mis-punching, etc., possibly due to "dibbing" too quickly, have been strictly applied at a number of high-profile events and these Championships are no different.

There are many controls in the area, and runners can expect to see some that are not on their course. Please make sure control codes are checked carefully. If, however, a competitor does mistakenly "dib" a control that is not theirs this will not matter as long as they also "dib" at all the right controls, in the right order.

Start:

There are two starts, one for Girls and one for Boys, these are approximately 300m from assembly. Please ensure the children go to the correct start.

There will be taped routes to the starts.

PLEASE ALLOW ENOUGH TIME TO GET TO ASSEMBLY AND THE STARTS.

START TIMES CANNOT BE ADJUSTED FOR LATE ARRIVAL. YOU HAVE BEEN WARNED!!

Competitors will be called up four minutes before their start times – i.e. you need to be at call up 4 minutes early.

No spectators/teachers/parents are allowed beyond the call up.

Start times are from 11.00 am to 13.00 pm.

Start procedure for both starts:

-4	Call up & Dibber Collection
-3	Clear Box
-2	Whistle check Check box Blank maps
-1	Start Line

Course details:

Class	Technical standard	Length, Km	Climb, m	Controls	IMPORTANT EXTRA INFO
G5	White	1.6	70	16	
G6	White	1.8	70	19	
G7	Yellow	2.0	80	12	
G8	Yellow	2.2	80	13	
G9	Orange	2.4	95	14	
G10	Orange	2.6	125	15	
G11	Light Green	2.9	160	17	
G12	Light Green	3.5	185	19	Double Sided Map
G13	Green	4.1	180	19	Double Sided Map
B5	White	1.8	55	16	
B6	White	1.9	65	18	
B7	Yellow	2.2	55	13	
B8	Yellow	2.4	60	14	
B9	Orange	2.6	80	13	
B10	Orange	2.8	110	13	
B11	Light Green	3.4	125	16	
B12	Light Green	4.3	145	20	Double Sided Map
B13	Green	5.1	155	26	Double Sided Map

Finish:

There is one "final" control, then a taped run in. Runners must then dib at one of the SI boxes at the finish banner, at which point the race is over. After which maps must be placed in a labeled school bag which can be retrieved from there after the last start.

Next, they should follow the taped route to download in the Pavilion, get their print-out of all their split times & sort out any problems.

Competitors competing in pairs must stay together and both be at finish when dibbing. If one of a pair arrives at the finish on his/her own, he/she will be asked to remain there until their partner arrives.

No water will be provided at the finish, so please bring enough in your own containers.

Courses close at 2.30pm

Please ensure everyone is back by 2.30pm and has reported to download to hand in their dibber whether they have completed their course or not.

Results:

Results will be on display by download & updated regularly during the race, and then available via the British Schools Orienteering Association website at www.bsoa.org.

Prize Giving:

This will take place as soon as is possible. Winners of the individual classes attending prizegiving will be given a bobble hat. Extra medals for non-counters in winning teams will be available from a BSOA representative at £1.50 each once the prize giving has finished.

Jury

Ray Barnes, Brenda Morgan, Henry Morgan

Please note all complaints must be submitted within half an hour of the end of prize giving otherwise they will not be considered.

First Aid + Local A & E Hospital:

First Aid will be in the assembly area.

Nearest NHS Walk-in Centre can be found at Broad Lane, Sheffield S1 3PB

Photographs:

As usual, Ray Barnes will be taking photographs in several places at BSOC so that they can be placed on the BSOA web site. Jim Clarke will be taking photos at the finish. The photos will be published without names or ages attached. If you wish to use any of the photos then please email bsoasecretary@gmail.com to ask for permission. If you include the photo's number we will email you a higher resolution photo and ask that Ray Barnes/Jim Clarke be credited.

Dogs:

Dogs are allowed but must be kept on a lead.

Trophies:

If your school has any of the trophies from last year, please return them to Enquiries on Sunday.



British Schools Orienteering Association

The BSOA exists to provide a link between schools and mainstream Orienteering. It is affiliated to British Orienteering and has 300 schools as members. At present membership of BSOA is free.

For further details visit: www.bsoa.org