

# SYO Hugset Wood Middle Race and 2011 YHOA Superleague Round 3 March 20<sup>th</sup> 2011

## Final Details Version 2 (Change to 3<sup>rd</sup> Section - Pre-entry start times now allocated)

**Travel:** If coming from North, South, or East go to M1 Junction 37 and take the exit signed 'Manchester A628'. If you have an old OS map, note that Dodworth is by-passed now. Follow 'Manchester A628' through 2 small roundabouts, and at the 3<sup>rd</sup>, turn right, signed 'Higham/Barugh Green' (if coming from the West on the A628, turn left here).

This minor road crosses the M1, and 600m on, at a right hand bend, turn left at a bus stop just before 'The Engineer's Arms'. Following o-signs, turn immediate left again into Pog Well Lane and follow this for 500m, passing under the M1. Please park as directed in a flat field on the RHS, opposite Oak Cottage at SE 308069. £1 per vehicle.

**Facilities:** Enquiries/Sl hire/EOD/Download will all be in a marquee in the yard of Oak Cottage opposite the entrance to the parking field. Toilets will be on a verge of the track between Oak Cottage and the parking field. The owner has kindly given us permission to use the yard – please only use it to access the SYO marquee.

**Pre-entries/Start times:** Pre-entry start times have now been allocated and are shown on the Hugset Event page on the SYO website. There will be a punching start. Loose control descriptions are available in the start lanes. Descriptions are also on the front of the map. If you have hired an SI card, collect it from the marquee. Start between 10:30 and 12:30. Courses close at 14:30. Car keys can be left at Enquiries.

### Courses and EOD:

| Course      | Distance | Climb | Controls | Split course | Descriptions | BOF Age Class guideline   |
|-------------|----------|-------|----------|--------------|--------------|---------------------------|
| White       | 1.7km    | 40m   | 9        | No           | Text         |                           |
| Yellow      | 2.0km    | 35m   | 9        | No           | Text         | M10 W10                   |
| Orange      | 2.1km    | 40m   | 10       | No           | IOF          | M12 W12                   |
| Light Green | 2.9km    | 55m   | 14       | No           | IOF          | M14 W14                   |
| Green       | 3.4km    | 70m   | 13       | Yes          | IOF          | M65+ W55+                 |
| Blue        | 4.8km    | 95m   | 18       | Yes          | IOF          | M55/60 W16/45/50          |
| Brown       | 5.3km    | 115m  | 20       | Yes          | IOF          | M16/45/50 W18/20/21/35/40 |
| Black       | 6.0km    | 125m  | 22       | Yes          | IOF          | M18/20/21/35/40           |

Entry is available on the day from 10:00 to 12:00 subject to map availability. Please fill in a form available at Enquiries or the car park entrance.

EOD Fees: Seniors £11 (£9 BO members), Juniors /Students £4.

Family, 2 seniors and up to 4 children £24 (£20 BO members).

SI cards will be used and available for hire at £1 - lost cards will be charged at £30.

**White and Yellow course maps:** These will be available for collection by pre-entrants and EODs in the marquee. Note that due to a fallen tree at a major path junction, the White course has a 35m taped route along a new minor path (which in snow is not visible) joining the 2 major paths.

**SI e-cards:** If pre-entrants or EODs have a Series 8 or 9 e-card, this will not be compatible with the SI controls being used. Please come to Enquiries and temporarily exchange it for a Series 5 e-card at no charge.

**String Course:** Apologies, but the terrain within easy reach from the car-park is not suitable for a String course, but we would suggest that because of the reduced time taken by split start parents at this Middle event, parents should accompany children round the White course. Extra White (and Yellow) maps have been printed for this.

**Start:** The single Start is 100m west of the car park entrance. Follow tapes along the track between the car park and Oak Cottage. There is a punching start for all competitors. Blank maps will be on display.

**Map:** The map is 1:5000 A4 with 5m contours. All courses have descriptions printed on the front of the map, and split courses have Part 2 (with Part 2 descriptions) printed on the back of Part 1. The maps are on non-waterproof paper and in a plastic bag. The area is sometimes used by Mountain Bikers but due to the intermittent appearance and disappearance of new paths and ramps, no MTBO paths or ramps are shown on the map. There is one exception however:

A single large significant MTBO wooden platform (4m x 1m x 1.5m) not yet in use, is shown by a black X special symbol.

There are no boulders on the map, but for historical interest, the small dot boulder symbol is used to show 2 engraved 19<sup>th</sup> century boundary stones .5m high.

All fields surrounding the area are out of bounds.

**Terrain:** New o- area Hugset Wood offers a fast and challenging race on old mining terrain in mainly gently-sloping runnable mature woodland. It contains over 80 bell pits, some of whose spoil mounds are over 25m in diameter. There are also over 200 other pits and depressions as well as many other brown features in an area less than 1sq km. The pits vary in size with the largest 5 being up to 15m diameter and 5m deep (although no controls will be in these) and there's only one path passing through the largest section of bell pits although it does have 2 vegetation boundaries!

**Safety:** Hugset Wood is open to the public and there are no open shafts in the area but 3 rocky pits are shown on the map but are not used for controls. There are 2 ponds adjacent to eastern edges of the area and no lines between controls cross them, but please avoid these potentially hazardous features as well as any other deep pits on the map.

Take care when going into any pit or depression to punch controls.

The area is used by dog-walkers, horse-riders, mountain bikers, and unfortunately occasionally mini-motorbikers, although on most occasions when the woods were being surveyed, the mapper would see no-one. In recent weeks, event officials out at Hugset have given flyers to horse-riders asking them diplomatically to not use the area between 10:30 and 13:30 on Sunday. Some local stables now have these pinned up. In addition there are currently notices up at the 2 main entrances to the wood asking the same of mountain bikers and motorbikers. In the unlikely event that there are riders of any type approaching you on a path during the event, please give them a wide berth.

**Finish:** The single Finish is on the same track used to reach the Start from the car park but 300m beyond it.

**Results:** Will be at [www.southyorkshireorienteers.org.uk](http://www.southyorkshireorienteers.org.uk) as soon as possible after the event.

**First Aid:** Available at the SYO marquee. Details and directions to the nearest A&E hospital in Barnsley will also be available there.

**Dogs:** Dogs on lead are welcome in the car park or on the track to the Start and Finish.

**Officials:**

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