Event Information
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Harlequins Orienteering Club

Invite you to a local Night score event

A round of the Western Night League

WYCHE RIDGE SOUTH

(Malvern Hills)

On

Saturday 10th FEBRUARY 2018

Welcome This night event is being held as part of the Western Night League (WNL) Series. We are grateful to the Malvern Hills Conservators, who own and care for the Hills and surrounding Commons for permission to use this area for orienteering.

Venue & Travel The event uses the Malvern Hills ridge between the Wyche Cutting and British Camp. The car park is on the western side of the ridge at SO 766 421 (Landranger map 150) off the B4232.

Parking: Parking is in the Malvern Hills Conservators Pay and Display car park £4.00 (Except for holders of Residents Parking Permits etc). There is a Pay-and-Display machine at the entrance to the Car Park.

Terrain: The terrain comprises of open hillside, much of it steep and slippery, with scattered trees on higher parts, deciduous woodland mainly on the eastern side of the ridge and a wealth of good footpaths. There is a temporary enclosure surrounded by an electric fence containing grazing sheep and cattle as part of the Malvern Hills Conservators land management. There are controls within this livestock area, but there are many gates. The enclosure, which is on the north eastern side of the area, will be overprinted on the map.

Map: 1:7500, 5m contours on waterproof paper, drawn by Brian Hughes 2007. Minor updates to 2011. There has been some thinning and clearing of vegetation so the vegetation screens on the map are not 100% reliable.

Courses: One hour score with a maximum score of 600 points. There will be a penalty of 1 point/6 seconds or part of for lateness, and the same bonus for collecting all controls in less than an hour. A number of controls will provide yellow/orange courses for novices.

Entries: On the day only

Registration: **1730 – 1830** **Starts: 1800 – 1845** **(or when dark enough)**

Punching: SportIdent Electronic punching. **Please bring your SI-Card to registration.** SI-Cards for hire for £1.00

Fees: Seniors £5.00 Juniors and Students £3.00

Dogs: Dogs must be on lead at all times. See note above about grazing animals.

Facilities: Pub of the Night: The Chase Inn at Upper Colwall (Tel: 01684 540276). Exit car park, cross B4232 and bear right along minor road. After 800m there is a small car park on the right, and the Chase Inn is a few metres further down on the left (SO 766430). Last orders for food taken at 21:00.

Officials: Organiser & Planners Mike & Carol Farrington: 07837 949 880
Email mike@farrington.me.uk:

Safety: Competitors take part at their own risk.

- ALL COMPETITORS MUST REPORT TO THE FINISH EVEN IF THEY RETIRE.
- Whistles, backup lighting and mobile phones must be carried.
- Competitors may be required to wear (carry) water- and wind-proof tops (aka cagoules); the top of the Wyche Ridge is exposed hill country.
- The hills are used by mountain bikers at night too – beware, that oncoming head torch maybe a biker travelling at speed!
- COURSES CLOSE AT 20:00.

Website & Cancellation: For the latest information check: http://www.westernnightleague.org.uk or http://www.harlequins.org.uk