

# South Yorkshire Orienteers

invite you to a level C orienteering event at

## Tankersley

on Sunday Nov 2nd

### **Assembly and Parking.**

Hesley Wood Activity Centre , White Lane , Chapeltown, Sheffield S35 2YH

<https://www.google.com/maps/@53.467255,-1.452813,15z?hl=en-US>

If coming from the M1, take junction 35 off the M1, follow the signs off the roundabout for Chapeltown A629 (Towler Hill leading to Cowley Lane). Enter Chapeltown, and at the next roundabout turn right onto the A6135 toward Tankersley (Station Road leading to White Lane). After 1000 yds, as you go up the hill, by a speed limit sign turn RIGHT into Hesley Wood Activity Centre (signposted at entrance).

O-signed from the centre of Chapeltown only.

Car parking is free and 20 - 250m from Assembly

### **Terrain**

Hesley and Tankersley Woods have a rich industrial heritage and once contained factories and railways during the war when it was heavily bombed. They now contains a wealth of detail with many bell pits, bomb craters and myriad of paths created by local people spread across mixed vegetation comprising natural oak woodland with bluebells through reclaimed spoil heaps with maturing shrubs and young trees.

The area has been worked for coal and iron, which has left complex slopes covered by the scars of hand-hewn "bell-pits" and other earth-works from the 19th century and before. These days the area is used by dog-walkers, cyclists and trail-bikers, leaving a large number of paths. In the most active biking areas the path network is very complex. The mapping of these paths is good, but small new paths can be created quickly.

There are brambles in parts of the area, but most are at ankle height and are pretty runnable so there is no bramble screen. However full leg cover is essential.

Paths will not be obvious because of the autumnal leaf fall.

All courses finish in Hesley Woods where there are open areas and some buildings.

### **Map**

1:7500 2013 Millstone Maps with minor updates in 2014

Special symbol, black circle O for brick lined pit.

### **Start and Finish**

There are two Starts

The Near Start for White, Yellow, Orange and Very Short Green is within Hesley Wood Activity Centre. 100m from Registration and 400m from the car park. Please approach the Start from Registration area and not directly from the car park as you will be entering the competition area if you do so.

The Far Start for Long Orange, Light Green, Short Green, Green, Short Blue, Blue, Short Brown and Brown is 1.5k from Assembly along pavements.

Finish is within the Activity Centre, close to Assembly.

### Entry

There will be entry on the day but entries via Fabian 4 preferred in order to print correct number of maps. Pre-entries close on October 26<sup>th</sup>.

### Pre-entry Fees

£9 Seniors    £7 Senior British Orienteering member    £3 Juniors  
Family rate (Two adults and children)    £21 or £17 for British Orienteering family

**Entry on the day** will have a supplement of £1 per adult

£10 Seniors    £8 Senior British Orienteering member    £3 Juniors  
Family rate (Two adults and children)    £23 or £19 for British Orienteering family

### Registration on the day

From 10am to 12 noon

### Courses

Colour coded White to Brown

The event is part of the YHOA Super League. Entrants who wish their run to count in this league need to run the appropriate course.

Course	Colour	Men Long	Men Short	Women Long	Women Short	Junior Men	Junior Women
1/2	Brown	M21L/35L**					
3	Short Brown	M45L	M21S	W21L		M20-	
4	Blue	M55L	M35S	W35L		M16-	
5	Short Blue		M45S	W45L	W21S		W20-
6	Green	M65L*	M55S	W55L	W35S	M20-S	W16-
7	Short Green	M75	M65S	W65L	W45S		W20-S
8	Very Short Green			W75	W55S, W65S		
9	Light Green					M14-	W14-
10	Long Orange						
11	Orange					M12-	W12-
12	Yellow					M10-	W10-
13	White						

Colour	Distance (kilometres)	Climb in metres	Number of controls
Brown **	8.3k	235	30
Short Brown	7.2k	175	26
Blue	6.6 k	190	26
Short Blue	5.7k	165	26
Green *	4.9k	165	21
Short Green	3.8k	85	17
Very Short Green	2.6k	85	11
Light Green	3.7	125	17

Long Orange	5.8k	150	21
Orange	2.6k	40	14
Yellow	2.2k	25	14
White	1.4k	30	12

\*\* There is no Black course so any M21L who wishes to count in the Super League will need to run Brown

\*Any M65L who wishes to run Short Blue (the BOF recommended colour for M65-69) will still count for the Super League, their points being based on their minutes per kilometre (adjusted for height gain).

Courses starting from the Far Start will have two timed out road crossings.

We hope to have a Naughty Numbers maze set up for all to try.

### **Health**

If you have a pre-existing medical condition that may cause you a problem in the competition please let the Registration team know.

### **Safety**

#### **In Tankersley Woods.**

The Far Start for Long Orange, Light Green, Short Green, Green, Short Blue, Blue, Short Brown and Brown is 1.5k from Assembly in Tankersley Woods. The route to the Far Start is along pavements.

Take care crossing roads on the route to the Start and accompany young children

There are two road crossings on the longer courses. These will be timed out. The first crosses a minor road and will not be marshalled. You will have 45 seconds to cross safely.

The second crosses a busy road and will be marshalled. You will have 1 minute 30 seconds to cross safely.

There are several almost dry ponds (don't try and run across them!)

Tankersley Wood is a popular place for dog walkers and others. Be aware that there is litter around

A model airplane club has a landing strip at the far west end of the map. This is OOB and marked as OOB on the map.

Special symbol, black circle O for brick lined pit. One of these is very deep and will be marked by hazard tape.

There are some wooded enclosures which are surrounded by fences with barbed wire on the top. Please do not climb over these.

There is a closed foot bridge which may be encountered on some route choices. This is marked OOB but difficult to see on map. It can, however, be bypassed without much difficulty.

## **In Hesley Wood**

Courses (apart from White, Yellow and Orange) will have a mandatory crossing point at an uncrossable fence. This will have a control on it.

White, Yellow, Orange and Very Short Green stay entirely within Hesley Wood.

Most young children will be going to the Near Start in Hesley Wood, the route to which crosses no roads, except the access road within the Centre.

Courses will cross the access road which we hope to marshall at two crossing points along this access road but children should be made aware that there may be slow moving traffic on this access road.

Also the Yellow and Orange courses go close to an unfenced pond and also goes close to the M1, which is of course fenced off!

There are sections of taped route on White, Yellow and Orange courses.

## **All courses. Both Woods**

Courses close at 14.30. You **MUST** report to download even if you do not finish your course

First aid will be provided at Registration by SYO members.

The nearest hospital is the Northern General a few miles away. Post code S5 7AU. Turn left outside the Activity Centre and keep on the same road towards the centre of Sheffield.