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| **OCTAVIAN DROOBERS** www.Octavian-Droobers.orgThe Orienteering Club forWarwickshire and Coventry Affiliated to British Orienteering |  |
| OD Club Championships,West Midlands League& Colour Coded EventatBrandon Wood, CoventryonSunday 27th October 2019***Final Details*****Don’t forget: Clocks go back 1 hour!!** | Clubmark_logo_2clr_S web |

**Travel:** Travelling East on the A45 (or south on the A46) do not drive through the new underpass as this links the A45 to the A46. Go around the Tollbar End roundabout onto the A45 East and after approximately 100m turn LEFT into Brandon Lane. After one mile turn right into a factory entrance road and access to Brandon Marsh Nature Centre.

**Car Park:** Map Ref SP386762 on sheet 140. Postcode CV3 3GW.

Mostly hard standing parking.

Charge £1 per vehicle to go to the Friends of Brandon Wood

**Times:** Registration from 10.00 to 12.00.

Start times from 10.30 to 12.30.

**Entries:** On the day only: Seniors £8.00 Juniors £3.00

**Electronic punching:** The EMIT electronic punching system will be used. EMIT cards will be available for hire on the day (all competitors - £1.00) if you don't have your own.

**Safety:** The car park is on the road to a quarry where there is some quarry equipment. Please keep away from this and make sure children do not play on this equipment.There are deep ponds in the area (avoid these!). There is a lot of bramble growth in some areas with some areas of bracken. Full leg protection is compulsory. Gaiters or bramble bashers are recommended. Please note that nobody will be allowed to start without full leg cover. Please be aware of other users of the area - walkers, dog walkers and mountain bikers (please show courtesy). The recent heavy rain has meant that at present the stream between Piles Coppice and Brandon Wood is difficult to cross and competitors should cross it where there is obvious path.

**Course Details (**Subject to final controlling)

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| White  | 1.3 km  | 10 controls |
| Yellow  | 2.2 km  |  9 controls |
| Orange  | 3.1 km  | 10 controls  |
| Light Green  | 3.0 km  | 12 controls |
| Short Green  | 3.1km  | 14 controls |
| Green  | 4.2 km  | 17 controls |
| Blue  | 6.3km  | 22 controls |
| Brown  | 7.9km  | 26 controls |

Blue and Brown have back to back maps If competing in the West Midlands league chose the course appropriate to your class. White, Yellow, and Orange visit Brandon Wood only, Light Green, Short Green, Green and Blue visit Brandon Wood and Piles Coppice. The Brown course visits all of the areas

**Start:** The start for all courses is about 200 m over the railway bridge from assembly.

**Finishes:** There are two finishes, one to the east for White, Yellow, Orange and Blue and one to the west for the Light Green, Short Green, Green and Brown. Both are close to the access point to the railway bridge.

**More info:** The area is popular with walkers, dog walkers and mountain bikers please show courtesy. Note that Warwickshire Wildlife Trust having taken over Piles Coppice. This will be the first time they have permitted any orienteering on any of their 60 sites so please respect the area.

Brandon Wood is managed by the Friends of Brandon Wood who kindly allow us access to the area, bad behavior observed by these Friends may cost us the use of this area.

**WMOA League Age Classes:**

A/L(Long) course maximum score is 100 pts. B/S (Short) course maximum score is 80 pts

Competitors may score when running above class, but not below

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|  | **BOF Age Classes** | **Men** | **Women** |
|  | **M/W** | **A/L** | **B/S** | **A/L** | **B/S** |
|  | 10 | YELLOW | White | YELLOW | White |
|  | 12 | ORANGE | Yellow | ORANGE | Yellow |
|  | 14 | LIGHT GREEN | Orange | LIGHT GREEN | Orange |
|  | 16 | GREEN | Light Green | GREEN | Light Green |
|  | 18 | BLUE | Green | BLUE | Green |
|  | 20 | BROWN | Blue | BLUE | Green |
|  | 21 | BROWN | Blue | BLUE | Green |
|  | 35 | BROWN | Blue | BLUE | Green |
|  | 40 | BROWN | Blue | GREEN | Short Green |
|  | 45 | BLUE | Green | GREEN | Short Green |
|  | 50 | BLUE | Green | GREEN | Short Green |
|  | 55 | BLUE | Green | GREEN | Short Green |
|  | 60 | GREEN | Short Green | SHORT GREEN | Orange |
|  | 65 | GREEN | Short Green | SHORT GREEN | Orange |
|  | 70 | SHORT GREEN | Orange | SHORT GREEN | Orange |
|  | 75 | SHORT GREEN | Orange | SHORT GREEN | Orange |
|  | 80 & 85 | SHORT GREEN | Orange | SHORT GREEN | Orange |

**Map:** Map revised by Bruce Bryant Sept/Oct 2019 Map scale 1:10000 contour interval 5 m.

**Planners Notes**

Brandon is divided into two main areas. Brandon Wood, the main area, is an area of largely flat managed woodland, a mixture of coniferous and deciduous woodland containing many paths and tracks. Detail is provided by ditches, vegetation changes and rootstocks. Unfortunately, there is a lot of bramble growth in some areas with some areas of bracken. Full leg protection is compulsory. Gaiters or bramble bashers are recommended. Please note that nobody will be allowed to start without full leg cover. Piles Coppice, to the west, is an area of lovely natural deciduous woodland with a gentle slope providing contour detail, and holly bushes providing some complex orienteering. To the east there is a small area of woodland (Brandon Little Wood) and also a small area of old complex quarry workings. There are deep ponds in the area (avoid these!). The recent heavy rain has meant that at present the stream between Piles Coppice and Brandon Wood is difficult to cross and competitors should cross it where there is obvious path.

**Facilities:** WMJS will be having a cake stall for your delectation.

CompassPoint will be attending for all your equipment needs.

**Organiser:** Sue Bicknell and Thelma Spalton (OD) e-mail suebicknell@talktalk.net or thelma.spalton@btinternet.com

**Planner:** Richard Gardner (OD)

**Controller:** Andy Yeates (Walton Chasers).

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Occasionally circumstances may force a late change of venue or car park. Please check on the club website [www.Octavian-Droobers.org](http://www.Octavian-Droobers.org) a few days before the event.