

Report for Schools league Event 4 Talkin Tarn

Please could schools confirm ASAP whether or not they will be coming to the Presentation event on Weds June 8th. Start time 1530 hrs.at Talkin Tarn. Either an email or a text (07879 436153)

I need to start this report with a word of apology to all who took part. The printer failed to work for the second time this year. We have replaced a number of parts and upgraded the software in the download station but still the printer refuses to work!! It must be very disappointing not to have a printout immediately your run is over. I will endeavour to get to the bottom of the problem. It seems to be pointing to the printer itself as the download station works when connected to my laptop at home.

Thanks to William Howard and Trinity Schools for providing the young leaders to help us run this event. We are so dependent on their help to ensure each event runs smoothly. Thanks to the legions of Adults (Mums, Dads, Grandparents and Teachers) who bring the children to each event and who shadow the youngest Orienteers.

I was anxiously looking up at the skies from the start of this event (BBC weather forecast for Brampton was for rain from this time). Fortunately it stayed dry for the duration of the event and we had almost perfect conditions for this event. The area was very runnable and the sheep moved into areas where it was free of Orienteers!

The Primary courses produced the smallest number of mispunches of the series so far. Well done to all of our Primary Orienteers. You have made a lot of progress this year. There were some very fast times posted for this event. Course A was won by James Bell (Hayton) in 9:55, Course B by James Clark (Stanwix) 14:40 and Course C by Jack Cowton (Houghton) 9:59. What was particularly pleasing was that this was the first win of the series for these 3 boys (all of whom have had one second place this year)

I am not sure what went wrong in the Secondary courses as there were considerably more mispunches than in the Primary courses. Well done to course winners Ellie Chappell (QEGS) 11:30 and Archie Morley (Trinity) 10:43 both first time winners this year. Archie's time was the fastest of the day per kilometre run!

Event 5 Presentation Event Information

- No travel information is necessary as the venue for this event is Talkin Tarn. We are using a different area of the Tarn
- Please note that the presentation event is after school. Starts from 3.30 with the presentation as soon as the last runner is back home. I will contact the shop to ask them to be ready to receive lots of requests (note the shop closes at 1630 hrs) for ice creams after you have had your runs so please bring sufficient money.
- There will be 6 courses next week; Boys Years 1-4, Girls Years 1-4, Boys Years 5/6, Girls Years 5/6, Boys Years 7-9, Girls Years 7-9. So you will be running against people of your age in each class.

Helpful hints for next week

- Don't forget Folding and thumbing of your maps and setting the map in the direction of each control.
- Memorise control codes and control descriptions at the start of each leg
- Plan your route from control to control 'ticking off' features as you go. For example there may be a path junction on this leg, run to it and as you approach the control slow down and take care not to over run.