

# Thames Valley Orienteering Club

## Saturday Series event details



- Venue:** **Kings Wood**  
(near High Wycombe) **Nearest Post Code: HP10 8DR**  
**OS Grid Ref: SP 898 937**
- Date:** **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2019**
- Parking/ directions:** At Tylers Green Middle School, which is at the top of Cock Lane, Tylers Green.  
10 minutes from J4 M40.  
Parking is on hard standing. **£1 parking fee to go to school funds.**
- Registration:** **10:00 to 11:30** Just turn up.
- Starts:** **10:15 to 11:45** Start whenever you want to.  
**Parents – please note there is a road crossing to get to and from the wood.**
- Courses close:** **13:00** Everyone must finish by this time and report back to download.
- Terrain:** Undulating Chiltern mixed woodland with a complex path network.  
All competitors must wear full leg protection (ie no shorts).
- Pre-entries:** We recommend you pre-enter. This reserves you a map, and avoids you having to fill in a paper entry form. Just go to: [tvoc.maptypes.org](http://tvoc.maptypes.org) and fill in your details, then pay when you arrive. Full details on our [website](#). Maps are reserved until 11:15.
- Entry on the day:** **£7 adults/family groups (£5 for TVOC or British Orienteering members); £3 juniors (U21) & students; £2 helpers.** Includes **up to 2 waterproof maps** (further maps £1 each), hire of an electronic timing chip (“Emit”) is included, but bring your own if you have one. Pay by **card** or **cash**.  
**Free second runs** (please return your first map so we can reuse it)  
**Dogs are allowed**, but not in school grounds. Please ask where to park nearby.
- You'll need:** Please bring a **waterproof**, suitable outdoor shoes, and a **compass** is recommended (also for sale)
- Map:** Pre-printed at a scale of 1:5000. 2.5m contours. Pre-marked on waterproof paper

Course	Length	Navigational difficulty (TD): 1 (easy) to 5 (hard)	Ideal for:
<b>White</b>	1.4 km	Easiest and short - all on paths, positioning of orienteering flags (controls) to guide you in right direction.	Under 10s, families.
<b>Yellow</b>	1.9 km	Slightly less easy and a little longer - all controls on or near paths, more distance between controls with some navigational decisions.	Newcomers, families.
<b>Orange</b>	3.0 km	Longer than Yellow, with some route choices. Medium navigational difficulty. Controls near paths or other line features (paths, walls, streams). Basic use of the compass may help.	Adult newcomers, families, confident juniors.
<b>Lt Green</b>	3.1km	Navigation skills needed to find some of the controls, with more route choices too. For those moving up from Orange.	Improving orienteers and upwards
<b>Green</b>	4.5 km	As tough a navigational challenge as the area allows.	Experienced

- Results:** You'll get a print out of your result and split times between each control at the finish, when your electronic timing chip is downloaded. Final results will be on [our website](#) later that day.
- Officials:** **Planner:** Alun Jones **Controller:** Mark Thompson
- More info:** Visit our website at [www.tvoc.org.uk](http://www.tvoc.org.uk).  
Say you're going on the Facebook event page via [www.facebook.com/tvocclub](http://www.facebook.com/tvocclub)  
Or contact the organiser at [alun.orienteeing@gmail.com](mailto:alun.orienteeing@gmail.com)



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### [New to orienteering?](#)

An orienteering race doesn't follow a set route. Instead you have to visit a series of checkpoints (called "controls") and register each one with an electronic timing chip. The controls are marked by flags on the ground and may be along paths, earth banks, streams or anywhere in the woods/parkland. The challenge is to race between each one, choosing your own route between the checkpoints, using a very detailed orienteering map of the woods (which you get to keep too). Most newcomers start with a White, Yellow or Orange course. White is good for those with very young children; Yellow is good for newcomers and families, and Orange is ideal for runners or those looking for more of a navigational challenge. Plenty of help will be available and we can help you choose a course on the day and explain what to do.

**This event is entirely put on by volunteers. Please offer to lend a hand on the day.**