



# TVOC REGIONAL EVENT & SCOL I

**PENN & COMMON WOOD - SUNDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

## FINAL DETAILS

We are most grateful to the Woodland Trust ([www.woodlandtrust.org.uk](http://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk)) for use of Penn Wood, and Sam Buckles for the car parking.

**COVID-19 REQUIREMENTS:** In order to understand the arrangements for this event **WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND** that you read the latest British Orienteering operational guidance for the resumption of the sport in England, available on the BO website. It explains the Covid-19 rules that you, as a participant, must adhere to, and that TVOC are complying with in order to organise this event safely.

The basic principles for the event are: Arrive close to your allocated start block, ready to run. Observe social-distancing when moving around the car park, queuing for toilets, and at the SIAC Issue/Starts/Finish/Download. In the forest, avoid other participants and members of the public. Leave the event as soon as you can. **DO NOT CONGREGATE IN GROUPS ANYWHERE.**

- PUNCHING:** SportIdent, with SIAC enabled.  
**DO NOT** use the back-up pin punches on the controls. We will deal with any punching problems after the event.
- CAR PARKING:** In Penn Street village, off the A404, north of High Wycombe. You **MUST** approach from the A404. Other local roads are narrow, and pass through the competition area. Postcode - HP7 0PX. GR - SU923956.  
Two separate parking areas within commercial premises. Follow signs and marshal's instructions (see map below). No charge. Toilets in centre of main car park.
- ENQUIRIES:** **There is no Enquiries /Registration/Information point.** Please make yourself familiar with all event arrangements beforehand (see map below).  
**No Key Drop. No course changes. No EOD.**
- SIAC HIRE ISSUE:** 5-10 minutes' walk, marked from car parking, en-route to the Starts. Be aware of traffic where you cross the road (marshalled). Starts are a very short walk further on. Observe social-distancing at all times. Lost hired SIACs will incur a £65 charge. If you are not hiring a SIAC you must go straight to the Start.
- MAP:** 1:10,000/5m. Re-surveyed 2020 by Bob and Patti Beresford.  
Yellow - Blue A4, Penn Wood only. Brown A3, Penn and Common Woods.
- FORESTRY WORK:** The Woodland Trust has recently informed us that forestry work will be taking place during September-October. The exact timing and level of operations are uncertain. We are hoping that there will be minimal disruption to the courses. However, please be aware that there could be some last-minute, un-mapped, changes to the woodlands, mainly thinning. Forestry machinery may be encountered. No work will be taking place on the day of the event. Any important changes will be shown on maps in the start lanes.
- STARTS:** Please be aware that there are **two Starts**, a few minutes' walk beyond the SIAC Hire Issue/Download.  
Start 1 - Yellow, Blue, Brown.  
Start 2 - Orange, Light Green, Short Green, Green.  
Starts will be organised so as to maintain social-distancing, as defined by the BO guidelines. Respect these arrangements, and any instructions you may receive from the Start officials.  
Late starters at the discretion of the Start officials.  
No loose Control Descriptions at the Starts. They are available to download from the TVOC website.
- COURSE DETAILS:** Yellow - 2.4km, 30m, 10 controls  
Orange - 3.2km, 30m, 8 controls  
Light Green - 3.8km, 30m, 12 controls  
Short Green - 3.6km, 30m, 13 controls  
Green - 4.6km, 50m, 18 controls  
Blue - 6.1km, 50m, 27 controls  
Brown - 8.0km, 110m, 30 controls. Includes two 2 minute timed-out road crossings. Not marshalled; take care.

**Do not climb any fences.** The courses have been planned so that the optimal route is via gates. One five bar gate in the central part of Penn, on Orange, Light Green Blue and Brown will be unlocked on the day. You **MUST** close this gate (indicated in the control descriptions) in order to keep the cattle in their enclosure. Failure to do so may jeopardize future use of the area.

Brown only: there's a field at the bottom of the hill in Common Wood that also has cows in. Please ensure you close gates behind you.

Course closing time is 14.30. Controls will be collected from this time.

**FINISH:** Fly-by Finish. Proceed **IMMEDIATELY** the short distance to Download. **DO NOT** stand around discussing routes etc.

**DOWNLOAD:** Same place as SIAC Hire Issue. Please note that it is **SELF-SERVICE**. Return hired SIACs in the box provided. As soon as you have downloaded, **IMMEDIATELY RETURN** to the car parking. **DO NOT** stand around the area discussing routes/times etc.

**RESULTS:** No results display at the event. We will endeavour to live-stream if there is sufficient phone reception.

**REFRESHMENTS:** None supplied. Bring your own.

**FIRST AID:** Professional First Aid, in main car park.

**SAFETY:** Please use the hand-sanitisers that are placed at strategic points.  
We recommend carrying a whistle. An emergency phone number is printed on the map. There are several ponds in the area. Courses are designed to avoid these. Cattle may be grazing in some areas. Although generally docile, you should keep a sensible distance away. The Brown Course has two 2 minute timed-out road crossings. Traffic here is very fast. Take your time!

If you have any medical issues we should be aware of, please e-mail details to the Organiser.

**CANCELLATIONS:** **If you, or anyone you live with, develop any COVID-19 ISSUES up to the day of the event, you must withdraw.** We will give a full refund.

If the event is cancelled we will endeavour to refund entry fees allowing for certain fixed costs.

**DOGS:** Under control in car park only. TVOC policy is no dogs on courses.

**OFFICIALS:** Organisers - Neville Baker and Marie-Anne Fischer - 07562992292 or 07762937895  
Planner - Mark Thompson      Controller - Peter Riches.

**GIN DISTILLERY:** Griffiths Brothers Gin Distillery is located in the main car park. They may open especially for us to sample and buy their excellent products.

**LOCAL PUBS:** There are two adjacent pubs (see map below), The Squirrel, and The Hit & Miss.  
If you use either of these please **REMOVE YOUR VEHICLE** from the event car park first. This will free up space, and avoid you getting locked in!

