



**DEESIDE ORIENTEERING
CLUB**
Summer Evening Event
Delamere East
07th May 2008
Officials' Comments



Organiser's Comments (Andy Payne)

I hope you all enjoyed the event and were not inconvenienced too much by the close proximity of the film crew. Unfortunately, I didn't know there was a problem until the day before when I checked with Forest Enterprise about locking the area after the event. At the time it didn't seem to affect the event apart from changing our access to the exit route as I was told filming was likely to finish by 5pm. On the afternoon of the event I found that the film company's vehicles were sitting right on top of our finish and later that they were filming near one of the control sites until at least 7pm (control 172 which affected the light green, green and blue courses). This control was removed from the courses and Steve Ingleby, the controller, and Jean Payne quickly amended the overprinted maps. So, I'm sorry that none of you will achieve fame by appearing in the background of a horror film as a strangely dressed runner flitting through the forest!

My thanks to the competitors who gave up their maps when we just ran out of yellow and orange courses – replacement maps will be posted to you. It's very difficult to estimate how many competitors we will have on these courses – I knew that a group of Beavers (of the scouting variety) were coming but didn't know how many schools would come. As a note for the future, it would be very helpful if school teachers could ring the Organiser a week before to let them know they are bringing a group so that we can ensure there are sufficient maps for the group.

Also many thanks to the willing band of helpers from Deeside OC who just get on with their jobs and make sure everything runs smoothly while I'm running round trying to deal with the unexpected.

Planner's Comments (Jean Payne)

I hope you enjoyed the courses and found them a suitable challenge. With the last minute changes, the light green, green and blue courses were shorter than intended. This is a good time of year to orienteer in Delamere forest as the bracken and brambles are not a serious problem.

My thanks to Steve Ingleby, the controller, for his patience and helpful advice.