



# **SOUTH EAST SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIPS 2021 CHATHAM HISTORIC DOCKYARD SATURDAY 4 DECEMBER 2021**

## **LOCATION**

**The Historic Dockyard,  
Chatham**

## **WEEKEND**

**Make a weekend of exciting orienteering in two contrasting areas. A new area on Saturday, the amazing Chatham Historic Dockyard, will offer highly technical sprint orienteering in an atmospheric setting amongst the many marine exhibits including ships, a submarine, a railway and much more. On Sunday CHIG are hosting a South East League event at Epping North, one of the finest areas for orienteering in East Anglia.**

## **DIRECTIONS AND PARKING**

Parking is at Historic Chatham Dockyard, Main Gate Road, Chatham, ME4 4TY.

Follow the brown 'anchor' signs from Junctions 1, 3 and 4 of the M2 and Junction 6 of the M20.

The Dockyards are within walking distance (20-30 minutes) from Chatham railway station, served by high-speed trains from London.

TQ 759694; ME4 4TZ; GPS 51.396941 , 0.52832996; w3w formed.occurs.duke

**We are using the under cover parking area to the right hand side of Main Gate Road so please do not park in any other area.**

## **MAP**

Brand new map in a location never before used for orienteering.

1:4,000/3,000 scale with 2.5m contours drawn to ISSOM 2017 standard.

## **TERRAIN**

Come and experience running and navigating at pace around dry-docks, slipways, ships and the surrounding buildings on the site of the former Royal Naval dockyard in Chatham.

Runnable urban areas, including covered split-level slipways with patches of parkland offering unique navigational challenges.

## **COURSES**

Four courses on offer over two rounds as per the agreed format for the South East Orienteering Association (SEOA) Sprints Championships. This is a two round event with the results of the two rounds being combined to determine the overall winners. Non-SEOA members are also welcome to enter but will be ineligible for medals.

1: M14-16, M18-40, M45-55

2: W14-16, W18-40, W45-55

3: M60-65, M70+, W60-65, W70+

4: M10-12, W10-12

There will be minimal overlap of courses between the first and second round. Estimated winning times 12 – 15 minutes.

## **ENTRIES**

Entries via [www.racesignup.co.uk](http://www.racesignup.co.uk). Entries in advance. No entry on the day. Entries will close at midnight on Thursday, 2 December. There is a guarantee of a map for the course you would like to run if you enter by midnight on Sunday, 28 November. After this date, entry limits will be imposed on each course based on the number of maps available.

## **ENTRY FEES**

Seniors £8, Juniors £4; Juniors can be shadowed. Add £2 for Seniors and £1 for Juniors who are not members of British Orienteering.

## **ENQUIRIES**

Open from 10:00

## **ELECTRONIC PUNCHING**

Sportident (SI) electronic punching will be used for all courses. Contactless punching (SIAC) will be enabled. SI cards will be available for hire at £1 and SIACs at £2.

## **START AND FINISH**

Start and finish for each round will be within 100m of the car park.

Start times for the first round are 10:30 to 11:30. First round courses close 12:15.

Start times for the second round are 13:00 to 14:00. Second round courses close 14:45.

The above second round timings are approximate. In practice we will look to start the second round as soon as the results from the first round have been processed and the Start order determined for the second round. Prize giving will take place as soon as the results have been determined.

It is a Punching Start and a Punching Finish. After finishing, please proceed directly to Download. Hired SI and SIAC dibbers should then be deposited in a pink container nearby. Start and Finish for heats and finals are within a short distance from Enquires and the Parking area.

In the second round competitors start in reverse order of their position in the first race i.e. the fastest start last. Competitors who were disqualified or did not finish the first round start first in the second round. Round 2 is not a chasing start – all competitors start at minute intervals. Requests for an early start in round 2 – eg to allow both parents to run – will be considered however adjustments to the second round starting time are only to start that runner earlier, rather than later, than their official start time.

**FACILITIES    Toilets are available close to the Parking area.**

A range of food and drink outlets are available at the Chatham Maritime shopping centre a short walk north of the Historic Dockyard.

First Aid primarily on a d-i-y basis with a first aid kit available. A sports first aid trained club member will be available to assist as necessary. Ask at Enquiries.

Please bring your own water.

**SAFETY**

Maps are overprinted with the Organiser's telephone number

Orienteering is an adventure sport and you take part at your own risk and are responsible for your own safety during the event.

**The event will be run in accordance with the latest British Orienteering guidelines for the resumption of orienteering in a COVID-secure manner. Refer to the final details for further information.**

**EVENT**

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