



**DEESIDE ORIENTEERING
CLUB**
Summer Evening Event
Eastham Country Park
14th June 2017
Officials' Comments



Organiser's Comments (Sian Calow)

I'm very grateful to all the club members who responded to my request for helpers – it certainly made a difference not having to spend hours on the phone searching for willing volunteers! I decided to run this event with a minimum of helpers which seemed to work well. There were no second shift helpers which made for longer shifts but hopefully all helpers could then concentrate fully on their run. The glorious weather helped and the sheltered Visitor Centre courtyard provided a sociable event centre. I would like to thank Chris Werney, the Eastham ranger for his assistance and for allowing use of the courtyard facilities. Thank you to my team of willing helpers who enabled the event to run smoothly and a special mention must go to Bob Elmes who sacrificed his run to provide SI assistance when a software glitch threatened download.

Planner's Comments (Norman Hall)

I hope everyone enjoyed their runs, Eastham can be tricky at times and can cause a few headaches especially when you think you have it cracked – I am speaking from personal past experience here. An excellent turn out of 112 runners were competently managed by the Deeside helpers, under organiser Sian's capable guidance of course. We also had fine weather as a bonus. My thanks go to Controller Graham Nilsen for keeping me in check during the planning process and liaising with map printer Robin, thereby saving me journeys to Chester. Graham along with Chris Calow, Jean Payne and Ian Bell helped collect controls in at the end of the evening, which meant not too late a finish.

Special thanks must go to the SI team of Barbara and Amy Majumdar who were hit by a big glitch on the SI Timing software which refused to let them download dibbers. Head honcho Bob Elmes gave up his run in order to help out. They came out on top in the end and the results were up later the same evening as usual.

Controller's Comments (Graham Nilsen)

"Didn't they do well?"

Aside from teething problems with the trial SI software, there are no problems to report. Thanks in particular to Norman: I approved the final course files for printing on 28th April, seven weeks before the event – I have controlled major events which have gone much closer to the line than that.

Next DEE event will be the two-part sprint at Crewe on the 29th. Yellow and orange courses will be as normal; the rest of you, please read the details on the club web-site. Should be fun: I'll see you there.