**Controller's Comments**

I hope you enjoyed your evening outing to Linmere, which is probably the only area of Delamere that is still capable of being used for a SEE event. This event was originally planned for 2020, but had been twice postponed due to Covid restrictions. In the last few days the vegetation has started to shoot up, which increased the physical nature of the courses, but at least most areas were still passable with a judicious choice of route.

Jon planned some challenging but fair courses that tested your navigation in some areas of the forest that have been rarely visited in previous SEEs. The first controls were set in a delightful small area of runnable forest – I hope you didn't think it was all going to be like that ☹? From comments I received after people finished, competitors seemed very pleased with the courses – a good reflection of Jon's hard work.

I am sorry that some people had strange split times when they downloaded. This was a glitch with the way the electronic timing system was set up and it has now been corrected in the final results (thanks to Eddie for explaining the issue! ☺ ).

Can I remind people to check the time that courses close and ask them to retire if they would be late completing their course. Late finishers cause both concern and a delay to control collectors who have to race against the darkness to bring in all the controls.

My thanks go to both Jon (Planner) and John (Organiser) for the very efficient manner in which they carried out their tasks and all the hard work they have put into the event over the past 2.5 years – it is good to see it all come to fruition at last. Also thanks to Mike Smithard for undertaking the essential updating of the Linmere map to represent all the substantial changes that have occurred during the past 2 years.

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