

St Catherines Downs Event Report & Results.

The previous events on this new area had been score courses so Brian & myself decided will would try to set colour coded courses for the first time. However this proved to be harder than we first thought. There are very few paths & line features on St Catherines, so planning easy Yellow & Orange courses was problematic. We were able to use the fences as handrails but a degree of navigation was still required. Most of your comments at the finish were positive & the majority said that they enjoyed the challenge. Control 6 on the orange was at the foot of a crag, easily visible from the top, but not so easy to get to. In hindsight it probably was'nt a good idea to place it there, as some refused to risk injury trying to clamber down to it, so I've decided not to penalise anyone for not punching that control. Also apologies for printing a wrong code on the description sheet on the orange course, which also caused some confusion. The Green [with the extension to make it a Blue] course worked well, & those that went right out to the Hoy where tested on their return,[with tired legs & frazzled brains], on the more technical controls at the end of the course.

Thanks to Sue at registration, Glyn for marshalling & Chris & Sally for help collecting in at the end. My ten year old grandson had a great time helping me collect in, especially clambering around the crags, & I found it equally entertaining seeing my daughter have a nervous breakdown watching him do it.

Thankfully we've all survived the event without injury or incident. Here are the results.

Yellow Course

Position	Name[s]	Class	Time
1	Kevin Allen + dog	M60	41.00

Orange Course

1	Vanessa Allen	M60	45.10
2	Ruby, Lola & David Williams	W14 W11 M40	45.35
3	Sue Hunter+ two	Mixed	69.50
4	Steve Rackett	M55	70.45
5	Flux Family	Mixed	72.20

6	Sally Pritchett	W60	76.50
7	Eve Gladdis	W60	77.00
8	Christine & Julia Summerfield	W40 W60	88.00
9	Anne Ralph	W55	99.50
10	Pippa Diarcy & Iris Fay	W70 W80	134.45

11	Leona Ould & Laura Lefley retired missing no 13,14,15	W12 W15	107.00
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12	Sharon & Brian Ould Retired missing no 13,14,15	W45 M80	108.30
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Green Course

1	Mike Taylor	M50	68.00
2	Ian Ralph	M60	77.10
3	Tony Tutton	M65	156.30
4	Nina Williams	W50	157.00

Blue Course

1	Trevor Ould	M55	73.00
2	Crys O'Connell	W45	106.05
3	Alan & Carol Doe	M70 W70	113.15