

WOC 2024 TEST RACES

29 - 30 June

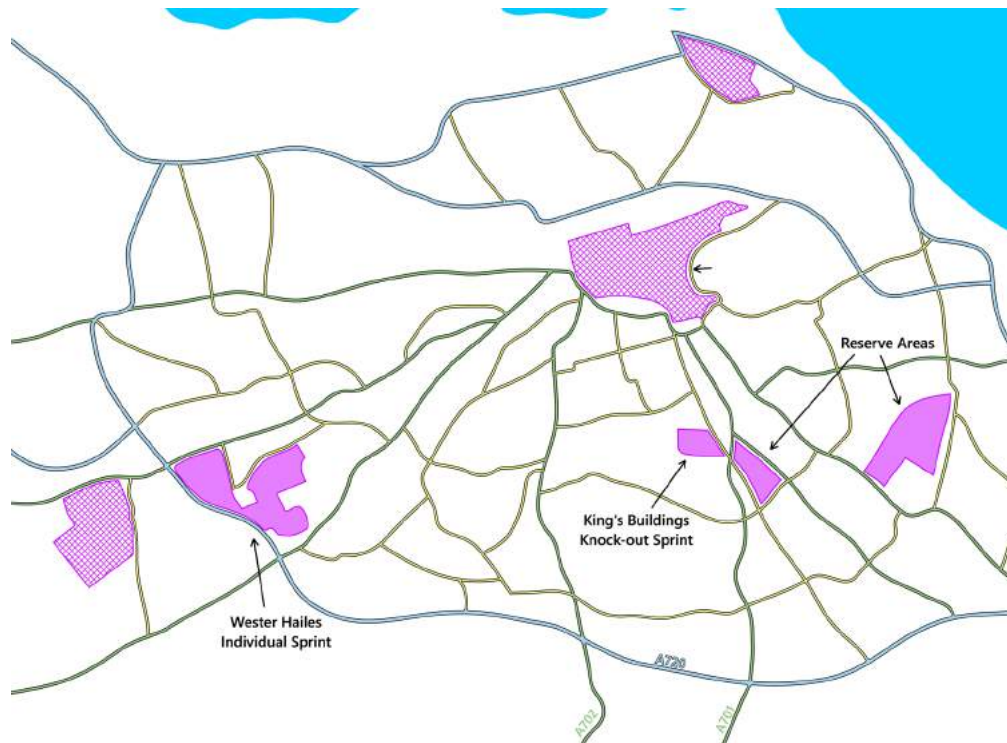
Bulletin 1



WELCOME

In preparation for WOC 2024, Edinburgh University Orienteering Club – on behalf of the WOC organising team – invite all national teams to a weekend of Test Races. The competition formats include a Sprint and a Knock-Out Sprint.

The races are suitable to be used as selection races by national federations. These test races will be held in Edinburgh.



GENERAL INFORMATION

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

An SI training event will be held on Friday (28th) evening at Poltonhall. Additional training maps are available for purchase from the WOC website.

EMBARGOED AREAS

Competition areas are contained by pre-existing [WOC embargoes](#) (Wester Hailes and Kings Buildings). In order to mitigate against potential problems, additional (reserve) areas for these races have been placed under embargo. These areas can be viewed [here](#).

QUARANTINE

All competitors and coaches should observe quarantine before their race on both days. All quarantines shall be inside.

ENTRIES

Entries are to be done by national teams. All national federations have been sent an online form to complete. If you have not received this, please contact wocoffice@woc2024.org. Entry to each race costs £25. Details on how to pay can be found on the online form. Entries close 10pm (BST) on the 22nd June.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Additional information will be published in Bulletin 2 approximately one week before the test races.

ORGANISING TEAM

Joe Hudd (EUOC), Joe Sunley (EUOC), Fiona Eades (EUOC)
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INDIVIDUAL SPRINT - 29 JUNE

COMPETITION TYPE

Individual Sprint, no qualification

COMPETITION VENUE

Wester-Hailes

COURSE LENGTHS

12 – 15 min winning time, set by Frank Townley (EUOC)

TERRAIN DESCRIPTION

A residential area in the south-west of Edinburgh. It was largely developed in the early 1970s, which is reflected in the dominant housing styles, mainly purpose-built flats and towerblocks. Extensive redevelopment in more recent years has involved the replacement of high-rise flats with newer low-rise housing. Westside Plaza is the main social and shopping hub of the area; it includes a cinema and is served by buses and trains from the centre of Edinburgh. The Edinburgh and Glasgow Union Canal runs through the area.

MAP

1:4000, contour interval 2.5m, ISSprOM2019-2, Drawn in 2023 by Dave Peel. Updates 2024 by Alasdair Pedley and Joe Sunley. No old maps are available.

START TIMES

10am to 2pm

KNOCK-OUT SPRINT - 30 JUNE

COMPETITION TYPE

Knock-Out Sprint, no qualification. If competitor numbers are large, additional qualification rounds (format TBC) may be organised.

COMPETITION VENUE

Edinburgh Universities' Kings Buildings

COURSE LENGTHS

Three rounds of 8 min winning time, set by Graham Ackland (INT)

TERRAIN DESCRIPTION

A university campus – named after King George V - located in the south of Edinburgh. It contains a large number of buildings belonging to the College of Science and Engineering. Many small areas of parkland terrain and carparks are situated between these buildings. Roads and Buildings in the campus are named after famous scientists associated with Edinburgh, including Thomas Bayes and Alexander Graham Bell.

MAP

1:4000, contour interval 2.5m, ISSprOM2019-2, Drawn in 2023 by Graham Gristwood. Updates 2024 by Alasdair Pedley and Joe Hudd. An old map is available to view [here](#).

START TIMES

9am to 2:30pm, prizegiving 3pm.