

CONTROL DESCRIPTIONS

1 Path junction	12 Depression west side
2 Knoll west side	13 Fence
3 Path	14 Fence
4 Path junction	15 Rootstock
5 Path	16 Ditch
6 Stream south west side	17 Thicket south east side
7 Pit	18 Fence
8 Path bend south west side	19 Path
9 Stream south west side	20 Thicket south side
10 Path	21 Bank top
11 Path	22 Path

SUGGESTED COURSES

Starting from the car park off Harwood Road, (B 2195) Horsham.

Short (1.5km) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21

Long (3.5km) All controls 1 - 22

You can design your own course around these controls and take them in any order.

Neither Mole Valley Orienteering Club nor Horsham District Council can be held responsible for any accidents or injuries, losses or damage, which may occur as a result of using the course.

Leechpool and Owlbeech Woods

Travel Directions: Leechpool and Owlbeech Woods is located on the east side of Horsham. It is approximately 1.5km from Horsham station and there is a car park off the B2195 (Harwood Road).

Using the Woods: Within Leechpool and Owlbeech Woods you will find many places to enjoy. There are ancient woods, open heath, conifer plantations, streams and a well-established system of surfaced and grassy footpaths. We remind everyone taking part that they should not spoil other people's enjoyment of the woods and to respect the 'out-of-bounds' areas.

Covering 43 hectares of beautiful ancient woodland Leechpool and Owlbeech Woods provides an important green lung for Horsham that is rich in wildlife and well suited to open air recreation. Leechpool is ancient woodland covering 21 hectares and includes oak, ash, hazel, hawthorn, holly, blackthorn, sweet chestnut and Scots Pine. Owl Beech consists of 22 hectares of Scots Pine plantation and heathland regeneration, which supports a rare selection of flora and fauna.

Further information on the Woods is available from Horsham District Council on 01403 731218 / 256890 or leisure@horsham.gov.uk

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Welcome to Leechpool and Owlbeech Woods

PERMANENT ORIENTEERING COURSE

Orienteering is a run or walk with a difference. Instead of following a marked route, you use a map to find your own way to various checkpoints or “control sites” which are described over the page. Their position is indicated on the map by the centre of each red circle. On the ground there are wooden posts, with red and white markings, bearing the corresponding number and a letter unique to each site.

The map has been specially prepared by Mole Valley Orienteering Club, and details useful for navigation are represented clearly. The colours and symbols used are unique to orienteering and are explained in the key. The scale is 1:7,500, which means that 1cm on the map is equivalent to 75 metres on the ground.

At each control, check that it is the one you are seeking by looking for the number on the post. Then write down the unique letter to record that you have found it.