

## Black Park Country Park Permanent Orienteering Course

### Control Description

- 1 Track (not on Junction)
- 2 East Track Crossing
- 3 North East path Junction
- 4 Path Junction
- 5 Significant Tree
- 6 Track Crossing
- 7 Track Crossing
- 8 Depression (South part)
- 9 Knoll
- 10 West Track / Path Junction
- 11 Vegetation Boundary
- 12 East Knoll
- 13 Depression
- 14 Pond (South side)
- 15 Knoll
- 16 Depression
- 17 Path Junction
- 18 Knoll
- 19 Vegetation Boundary (South side)
- 20 Middle Path Junction

### A charge is made which includes the following:

1. Plastic see through file
2. Map
3. Instruction Leaflet

This money goes directly into the upkeep of Bucks Country Parks.

Packs can be collected from The Countryside Centre; or can be ordered by telephone or by email, when you will be advised of the total cost including postage.

### Contact Details:

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Slough  
SL3 6DS

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### Disclaimer:

This course has been planned by Berkshire Orienteers in accordance with normal orienteering practice. However as it is not possible for the planner to keep a constant eye on the area, users must accept that neither the Planner or Buckinghamshire County Council can be held responsible for any accidents or injuries, losses or damage which may occur.

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## What is Orienteering?

Orienteering is competitive navigation on foot. With the aid of a map and compass competitors find their own way as accurately as they can between given check points (known as controls) using their own skill to choose the best route.

An orienteering course varies in length from under 2km with 6 to 10 controls for beginners to over 15km for elite adult orienteers. At most events there is a choice of 6 or more courses to cater for both beginners (both young and old) and the experienced orienteer.

Events are held in woods and forest and in heath and moorland: these areas with their many paths, streams, hills and valleys, provide the best navigation problems.

## The Map

The map has been specially produced for orienteering and the notation used to represent features and vegetation may be unfamiliar to you.

**Black** generally represents man-made features such as roads, paths and buildings.

**Brown** represents the landform features such as earth walls, depressions and embankments; contours which indicate the shape of the land are also shown in brown.

**Blue** represents water features such as lakes, streams and ditches.

**White, green and yellow** represent the vegetation; white and green

indicates woodland or varying run-ability and yellow indicates open land. It is worthwhile spending a few minutes studying the legend before starting.

Note the scale of the map is 1:10,000, this means that 1cm on the map represents 100m on the ground, try to relate the distance shown on the map to the actual distance you plan to cover.

## The Course

The map has been overprinted with the course in pink; the triangle represents the start which is at the top end of the car park beside the dog-free picnic area. The areas of pink hatching indicate "out of bounds" please respect these areas and do not enter them.

Each of the controls has a post placed at their respective place within the park, with the control symbol (a square split diagonally in red and white at the top). The control symbol contains a number and a letter, the number represents the control number and corresponds to the number on the map and the letter represents the control code which should be copied into the appropriate box at the bottom of the map.

## Did you Know?

Langley Country Park also has an Orienteering Course. Maps are available for a small charge from the Countryside Centre in Black Park Country Park (details overleaf).

## Which Course?

Any combination of controls is possible, but the following courses are suggested for your first attempt in the stated order:

**Short** - Approx 1.5km (Easy)  
2, 3, 10, 8, 12

**Medium** - Approx 2.2km (Moderate)  
7, 13, 4, 11, 10, 9, 20, 12

**Long** - Approx 4.5km (Moderate/Hard)  
7, 6, 5, 16, 19, 18, 17, 15, 14, 4, 10, 9, 8, 12

All courses start at the top end of the car park beside the dog-free picnic area and finish near to the play area by the café, alongside the lake.

## Do I need a Compass?














No, Black Park has an extensive track/path network and you should be able to use the path network for navigation. Though if you have a compass it will aid you in orientating the map.
































In the case of **emergency** contact:  
Black Park Countryside Centre on:  
**01753 511060**  
Or contact the Duty Ranger on:  
**07734 734337**

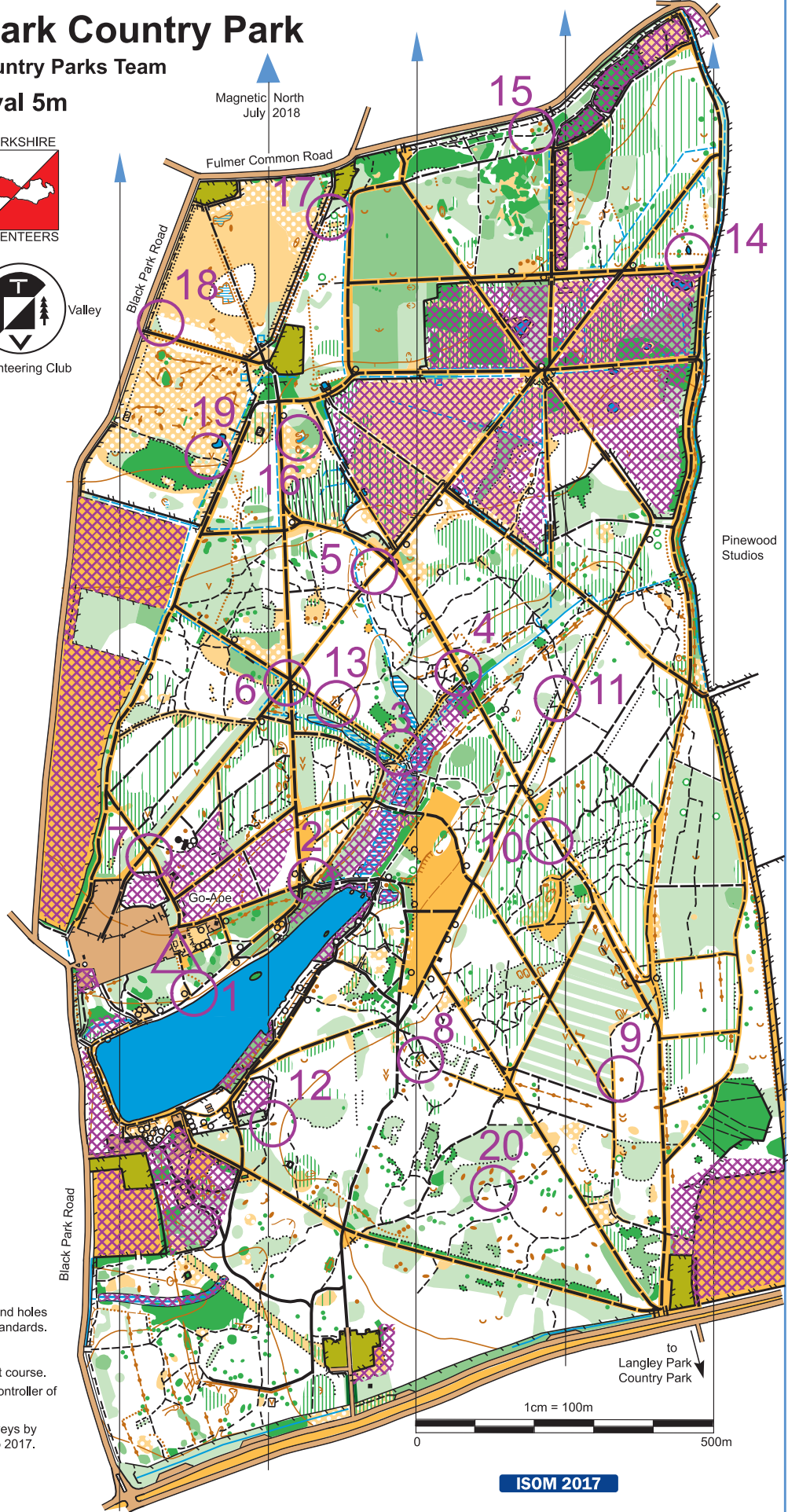
# An orienteering map of Black Park Country Park

Buckinghamshire County Council, Country Parks Team

Scale 1:10,000, contour interval 5m

-  Open land
-  Open land with scattered trees
-  Rough open
-  Rough open with scattered trees
-  Forest: runnable
-  Forest: slow run
-  Forest: walk
-  Forest: impenetrable
-  Undergrowth: slow run/walk
-  Undergrowth: impenetrable
-  Vegetation boundary: distinct/indistinct
-  Residential, (out of bounds)
-  Out of bounds, (including all SSSI)

-  Evergreen thicket
-  Distinctive tree, evergreen bush
-  Lake, pond: do not cross
-  Seasonal marsh. Deep marsh - do not cross
-  Water channel: seasonal, deep
-  Water tank
-  Contours: (tags downhill)
-  Form line
-  Steep slope
-  Earth wall: high, low
-  Dry ditch: deep, shallow
-  Pit
-  Depression: large, medium, small
-  Knoll: large, small
-  Elongated knoll (mix of earth and log pile)
-  Metalled road: major, minor
-  Forest road (tarmac)
-  Forest track (gravel/dirt)
-  Footpath
-  Small path
-  Indistinct path
-  Line of thinning
-  High fence (incl Wattle fence)
-  Fence
-  Broken fence
-  Gate: vehicle, stile/small gate
-  Bridge: wide, narrow
-  Building, Old building base
-  Parking area
-  Sculpture (usually also seat)
-  Seat / table



Bracken, power lines and small root stocks & their associated knolls and holes are not shown. Mapped earth features may be shallower than IOF standards. Please respect all out of bounds & residential areas. Representation of a track or path does not indicate a right of way. Permission to use this map for orienteering is limited to the permanent course. Based on the Ordnance Survey mapping with the permission of the Controller of HMSO. © Crown Copyright. O.S Licence No. 100015287.

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