

Canterbury Championships Middle

Date: Saturday 9th March 2024

Map: Craigmore

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Directions/Parking: Use your favourite route finder to navigate to Craigmore Hill Road, which is off Craigmore Valley Road. Follow signs on Craigmore Hill Road to the parking (if there is no sign go straight ahead).

There are many pheasants on Craigmore Hill Road. **Travel VERY SLOWLY up the road to avoid the pheasants** – they like to run in front of cars. Our continued access to the farm for orienteering relies on everyone treating the property with respect and this includes driving slowly and carefully at all times. Please leave all gates as you find them.

Location GPS co-ordinates:

Junction of Craigmore Valley Road and Craigmore Hill Road: -44.433226, 171.016251

Event centre: -44.433311, 170.989382

Schedule

9:30 am: Event centre opens

10:30 am: First start

12:30 pm: Last start

2:30 pm: Course closure

Map details:

Map size A4. Contour interval 5m. Scale 1:7, 500.

Remapped January-February 2024 by Carsten Joergensen

Event centre details:

Parking: Up to 500m from event centre along farm road.

Toilets: Portaloos

Start: Adjacent to the event centre.

Description: There are two finish points which are both some distance from the event centre.

It is not permitted to go to either finish before completing your course.

All areas beyond the event centre are out of bounds until after you have completed your course. Warm up is allowed along the road into the event centre.

Please bring your own water.

Terrain description: Farmland with large rock formations and sink holes. Variable runnability, some long grass, matagouri and thistles. There are three distinct areas, Moa valley (O Wahi Moa), sink hole plateaus and a scrubby slope. On the slope, particularly, many of the cliffs and rock pillars are overgrown with vegetation which can make the rock hard to see. Individual trees (usually cabbage trees) are marked on the map in areas where there are not many trees or other vegetation. Where there are many trees or bush, the scattered tree symbol or various shades of green have been used. Individual cabbage trees

have not been shown on the map in these areas. The vegetation has been generalised and should not be relied on for navigation. On the slope there are many old farm and sheep tracks which tend to come and go. The most distinct tracks have been mapped, while the less distinct track have not been included on the map.

Hazards/forbidden areas: Usual farm hazards including uneven and rutted ground, stock and possible electric fences.

Clothing: There are some areas of quite dense thistles which may motivate you to choose full leg cover.

Course/class information:

Course	Classes	Winning time (mins)	Length (km)	Climb (m)	Controls	Scale
1	M21E, M20E	35-40	6.1	215	23	1:7,500
2	M40A W21E, W20E	35-40	5.1	165	19	1:7,500
3	M18A, M50A W21A, W40A RecRM	35-40	4.6	185	16	1:7,500
4	M16A, M60A W16A, W18A, W50A	35-40	3.2	130	13	1:7,500
5	M70A, W60A, W70A	30-35	2.6	105	9	1:7,500
6	M14A W14A RecO	30-35	2.9	125	10	1:7,500
7	M12 W12 RecY	25-30	1.9	50	7	1:7,500
8	M10 W10 RecW	25-30	2.2	70	11	1:7,500

We suspect the courses will be a bit long for true middle distance courses, but for the shorter courses there weren't many options to provide an interesting course that was any shorter. And for the longer courses we thought you would appreciate visiting the varied interesting areas of the map!