







LEISURE ORIENTEERING AT RISING SUN COUNTRY PARK

A permanent orienteering course organised by Newcastle and Tyneside Orienteers and supported by North Tyneside Council.

ABOUT ORIENTEERING

This Permanent Orienteering Course has been developed to give you a chance to try a non-competitive or leisure form of the sport of orienteering, using your map reading skills to navigate round a course of markers or controls.

Your challenge is to visit the markers ('controls') of your chosen course in the correct order, noting the code letters in the squares of your control card in the order of visiting each marker. The aim is to choose and follow the best route out of those that are possible.

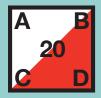
THE MAP

Study the map carefully to find out the meaning of the symbols. **Yellow** shows open ground. **White** indicates passable plantation, **Green** shows thick planting. Main tracks and paths are shown. **Brown** shows hard stand. **Black dots** show boulders. **Brown contour lines** show land shapes. **Red hatching** indicates that all fields are out of bounds, except the field edge north of #22.

Note the buildings and parking area. These are big features and will help you 'orientate' the map (hold it so it matches the lie of the land).

The large arrow marks the direction of Magnetic North on the map.

Red Circles with an accompanying number are marked on the map. These circles represent the permanent marker 'control' and the number is shown on each control. Each control has its own description. Controls look like this:



The **Red Triangle / Double Circle** on the map marks the start and finish for all the courses. It is recommended that you start and finish beside the gate to the Visitor Centre compound.

CONTROL DESCRIPTIONS

20 Old Post, West side	30 Path Junction
21 Fence Post Top	31 Fence Junction
22 Stile, North Side	32 Track, Foot of incline
23 E. Post,Pond,South Side	33 Trail Post
24 Hedge End	34 Post, Path Junction
25 Fence Junction	35 Thicket, N.W. Side
26 Track Junction	36 Gatepost
27 Path Junction	37 Seat
28 Pond, South Side	38 Clearing
29 Seat	39 Thicket, West Side

Short Course: 2.3 km. Easy

Start/Finish: Visitor Centre Gate then 20, 28, 27, 37, 36, 24, 23

Long Course: 3.4 km. Easy

Start/Finish: Visitor Centre Gate then 23, 24, 25, 36, 35, 34, 33, 31, 30, 29, 28

Third Course:

Start/Finish at the Visitor Centre Gate then all controls in any order.

We hope you enjoy your taste of orienteering. Its great attraction is that it can be as leisurely or as strenuous as you like.

Your local club, Newcastle & Tyneside Orienteers (NATO), organise events to suit all ages and levels of ability. All are welcome to come along and take part. Members of the club range from children aged 3 up to adults aged over 80, so whether young or old, orienteering is a great way to see the countryside, improve your fitness and make new friends.

Details of other permanent courses, as well as orienteering events and club membership, can be found at **www.newcastleorienteering.org.uk**Many permanent courses have downloadable maps from **www.britishorienteering.org.uk/pocs** (filter 'North East' and scroll through the list)

Remember the Country Code

Please observe the OUT OF BOUNDS areas

Take your map home and do not litter the countryside

This course has been planned by Newcastle and Tyneside Orienteers in accordance with normal orienteering practice. However, it is not possible for the planner or the site managers to keep a constant eye on the area. Users must, therefore, accept that neither the planner nor the site managers can be held responsible for any accidents, injuries, losses or damage which may occur whilst orienteering.



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Navigating from
Tyne Banks to Tweed