

Dimlicote POR training Saturday 7th April

Thank you for your entry for the Dimlicote training, please find below some details about how it will run, etc.

We have had a lot of rain over the Easter weekend (though luckily no snow) so I rode the longer route today and, while very muddy, it is passable. I will also offer a shorter route which will be more road based and therefore less slippery, and also easier in terms of orienteering, so you can choose which level of challenge you would like. Both will have an exercise to test and develop your orienteering skills.

I have also set a bearings section which can be done on foot or on horseback and is separate from both routes so is entirely optional. There will again be 2 options, one with more hints and questions to help you know that you are in the right place (I am a great believer in positivity!) and one that is more similar to a competitive bearings section.

These are the 'map room' times for Saturday. Please arrive for this time, but you will copy your route, etc., before you tack up.

11:00	Sally Elliott
11:15	Zoe Parkin
11:15	Alexandra Cole-Broadway
11:30	Mary Morgan
11:45	Heather McLeod
11:45	Lynsey Ellis
12:00	Sarah Wynn
12:15	Claire Shand
13:00	Bev Abbott
13:00	Anna Lea

I will give you a route to copy and once you have done that (no time limit, and if you need any help do please ask) you can tack up and start when you are ready. I will manage you all to keep all rider/ pair starts at least 10 minutes apart. There will not be any set speeds, ride at the pace that feels comfortable (though even the shorter route will take quite a while if you walk all of it!)

In terms of equipment, please ensure your hat conforms to one of the current standards in the **2018** Rulebook, the 4th edition (as that came into force on Sunday). The 4th edition can be found at <https://www.trecgb.com/Rulebook.html> and the hat standards are on page 59. Please bring your map case, compass, roamer if you have one and some map marking pens (orange or pink gel pens are the most popular, if you are new to POR, plus a blue/black biro for 'normal writing'). I advise that you carry the usual equipment required for the POR (listed in the Rulebook), as it makes the training more realistic, but will not penalise you if you don't. Please do bring your mobile phone with you and give your number in before you leave, so that I can contact you if I need to.

My mobile number is 07979 594665, please do contact me if you have any queries.

I look forward to seeing you on Saturday,

Helen

Directions to Dimlicote Farm



Postcode LE16 7FN. The middle of the postcode is marked by the red Google pin.

1. Turn off A6 onto Welham Lane (signed off A6, you will turn left if coming from Leicester/ the north and right if coming from Kettering/ A14/ the south).
2. Turn left at the top of the 'slip road'.
3. The entrance to the yard is the 3rd gateway on the left on the lane itself. It has black gates with 'DIMLICOTE' written in the top of them and a keypad on a post. If I don't see you please toot your horn (gently!) I will come and open the gate with my remote control.

