

Planner / Organiser Comments

Almond Park Event – Saturday 16 May 2015

The Almond Park event was held to launch the second of our new permanent orienteering courses (the first was held at Eliburn Park). I am also updating the permanent course maps of Dechmont Law and Polkemmet and expect them to be ready in a few weeks. These four maps will (very soon) be available from the Ranger Centres (Almondell, Polkemmet and Beecraigs) plus the Deans and Inveralmond Community High Schools. Please make use of these maps for a walk, run, or to develop your map reading and orienteering skills. Practice makes perfect and it's fun!

I hope you found the Almond Park event fun, and thank you all for coming. I also hope you enjoyed the orienteering maze (re-planned by Paul and set up with the help of Rob's magic string – thanks guys).

This week we used SI electronic timing for all of the courses, as this is more representative of the sport we enjoy each week. If you enjoyed your experience and want to know more, please contact the Interløpers secretary (see web site).

Some people appeared to have problems using the SI timer swipe cards. As this was an introductory event, and I don't know why the cards caused problems, I have reinstated everyone's times.

Finally, I would like to say a big thank you to everyone who volunteered to help. You will have noticed that I was overwhelmed with helpers, which I did not expect. With about a week to go I had 9 definite, 2 for part of the day and 1 maybe to help. However, in the last week more came forward and even more turned up on the day. So, I am extremely grateful, but also apologize if you did not have enough to do.

Ken.