

## Scottish Orienteering League Event 2

### Coille Nathais/ Fearnoch, 27<sup>th</sup> February 2022



Loch Eck Orienteers (EckO) are the hosting the second SOL event of 2022 at Coille Nathais/ Fearnoch near Taynuilt. We would like to thank in advance Lorne Nelson Estates and Forestry & Land Scotland (Coilltearachd agus Fearann Alba) for giving us permission to use both areas for the event.

Please do not attend this event if you are currently exhibiting any Covid symptoms. As with our previous events, we respectfully ask you all to observe the current COVID regulations.

Directions	<p><b>From Taynuilt:</b></p> <p>Approximately 2.5km after Taynuilt, turn left off the A85 into Fearnoch using the forestry commission entrance. Follow the signage.</p> <p><b>From Oban:</b></p> <p>Approximately 6km after Connel, turn right off the A85 into Fearnoch using the forestry commission entrance (<b>not</b> Fearnoch village). Follow the signage.</p>
Parking	<p>Car parking will be South of the Event Arena in Fearnoch along the forest roads. Please follow the directions of the car parking volunteers. <b>All cars must</b> be parked by 12:00 and there will be <b>no</b> exit until 12:30. The forestry is charging us for parking cars in the forest so please have <b>£2.00</b> ready to place in the bucket at the gate.</p> <p>All campervans and minibuses will be parked along the forest roads. Large motorhomes will be parked in the main forest car park.</p>
Registration and Start Times	<p>Pre entry only. Entries now closed</p> <p>Start Times are available at <a href="http://www.ecko.org.uk">www.ecko.org.uk</a></p>
Start/ Finish	<p>There is no assembly, though enquiries can be made at the Download tent or from club members. Hired SI cards can be collected at the Download tent.</p> <p><b>There will be two starts – both routes will be clearly marked. Follow the signs and taped routes.</b></p> <p><b>Red/Far away start/finish (white, yellow and orange courses)</b> is a 1.2km walk along forest track and will be in Fearnoch. Young juniors should be accompanied to their start. If you don't need to pick up a hired dibber from the event centre, this start can be accessed from the</p>

	<p>parking area. The finish is close to the start. Retrace your route by following the tapes back to parking and the event centre.</p> <p><b>Blue/Near start (light green to black)</b> is 0.4km walk from the event arena along a rough path into Coille Nathais. The finish is close to the start. Retrace your route by following the tapes back to parking and the event centre.</p> <p>Printed control descriptions will be available at the start. <b>Courses close at 3pm.</b></p> <p>Start procedure is a -4 min call-up. There will be a punching start for <b>all</b> competitors.</p> <p><b>All competitors must punch the Start and Finish</b></p> <p><b>SIAC</b> - Battery test for SIACs will be available at download. Any SIACs with poor battery state can still be used but need to be dipped into the control stations.</p> <p><b>All competitors - remember to download even if you don't finish your course.</b></p>																											
Area and course information	<p><b>Fearnoch</b> - forest roads and trails</p> <p><b>CoilleNathais</b> - mainly birch and oak dominated woodland interspersed with open areas and plenty of marshes.</p> <p>There has been a significant amount of rain over the last few months so the whole area is likely to be very soggy. Please be aware that the burns will also be running fuller than usual and care will be needed when crossing them.</p> <p>Results will be available at <a href="http://www.ecko.org.uk">www.ecko.org.uk</a></p>																											
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Facilities	<p>As there is restricted space at the event centre, there will only be one download tent.</p> <p>There will be three portaloos at the event centre only.</p> <p>A first aid kit and volunteer first aider will be available to provide first aid for minor injuries at the event assembly but for all other injuries please go to Lorn and the Isles District General Hospital PA34 4HH Tel. 01631 567500.</p> <p>Competitors with a medical condition are invited to download a <a href="#">Medical Form</a>, complete it and leave it in a named sealed envelope at Download. Once all competitors are accounted for after the event these will be destroyed.</p> <p>We see the return of the cake stall. SCOTJOS will be running a cake stall to raise funds so please consider supporting them and enjoying a cake or two or three pre and post run. (Remember to bring cash - preferably small change.)</p> <p>Well behaved dogs are allowed in Fearnoch but no dogs in Coille Nathais.</p>
	<p>Planners: Ross Lilley, Dave Bleazard  Controller: Grant Carstairs  Organisers: Jan Kersel, Andrea Lines</p> <p>Contact Event Team: <a href="https://www.ecko.org.uk/contacts">https://www.ecko.org.uk/contacts</a></p>