

BEECRAIGS NORTH NIGHT EVENT 18/02/2026 FINAL DETAILS v2

Directions/Car Parking: Car parking is at the Beecraigs Country Park **Visitor Centre Car Park** EH49-6PL (same entrance as caravan site). [Beecraigs Country Park - Google Maps](#) [what3words /// The simplest way to talk about location](#) (surely.plums.moved)

Beecraigs is approximately 2 miles south (but significantly uphill of) of Linlithgow Train station which makes for a challenging 25 minute cycle. Car sharing is likely to be available through the FVO whatsapp community.

Registration and Start: Registration (collection of hired dibbers, enquiries, car key drop, clear and check etc) will be at the front of the visitor centre 6pm-6.20pm. **Mandatory race briefing and roll call will take place at 6.20pm** followed by a 500m walk/jog south to the start where maps will be handed out for a mass start at 6.30pm.

Competitors not wishing to take part in the mass start can do a punching start shortly after.

Finish: Adjacent to Visitor Centre, download will be in the car park. All competitors must report to download even if they do not complete the course.

Courses close: 8pm

Course lengths and difficulty:

Novice: TD3 2.1km optimal route/50m climb/6 controls

Short: TD5 4.7km optimal route/140m climb/~~42 controls~~ 14 controls

Long: TD5 6.7km optimal route/185m climb/22 controls (Note significant path sections, winning time estimated 35 mins).

Note both short and long courses feature gaffles.

Map: 1:10,000, 5m contour interval. A4 Beecraigs North combining northern parts of East and West. Some unmapped windblow/recent felling to be aware of but does not unduly affect courses.

Toilets: None available, visitor centre will be closed. Plan accordingly.

Safety:

1. Road Crossings

Long and short courses both have multiple minor road crossings. Do take care. The busiest road is marked out of bounds on the map and only has one marked crossing point.

2. Felling Works

Recent felling has taken place in the forest which courses mostly avoid however there is a higher than usual level of brash/trip hazards to be aware of.

3. Crags, Caves and Open Hillside

Long and short courses take in Cockleroy Hill with lovely orienteering and views. Be aware of significant crags on the west side which the courses are designed to avoid. Depending on weather conditions long sleeves may be mandatory due to the exposed nature of the terrain. There are also some crags and caves in the north east extremity of the map (long course only - courses planned to avoid but do take care).

4. Please take care of other members of the public using the area for dog walking, bike riding etc.
5. A comprehensive risk assessment has been carried out by the organiser, but **participants take part at their own risk and are responsible for their own safety during the event.**
6. You have the option of downloading, completing and handing this Medical Form to the Organiser (via Registration) so that existing medical conditions are known about in the event of an incident. Please put in a sealed envelope with your name on it. It will only be opened if required and will be destroyed unread if you don't collect before the end of the event.
7. Everyone must download at the finish, whether or not you have completed the course.

Emergency Contact Number: Printed on the map.

Any queries prior to the event, feel free to contact Rory Slater roryslater@gmail.com