
**Dartford Orienteering Klubb are hosting the second event of the 2010/11
KENT NIGHT CUP at:**

Hucking Estate, near Hollingbourne, Kent

Thursday 30th September 2010

Courses: Suitable for all abilities and ideal for those who have not tried night orienteering before as much of the area is open fields. 60 minute Score event – find as many of the 20 controls as possible in the time limit. Score 1 point for every control collected, 1 point deducted for every minute late. The optimum route to collect all 20 controls is approximately 7.5km.

Map and Terrain: 1:10,000 & 5m contours. Large area of farmland and patches of wood. Much of the wood is overgrown at this time of year. Controls will only be placed in woodland where runnability is reasonable, therefore most controls are on paths or gates. There will be great moonlit views over the North Downs if the weather is suitable

Registration: 19.00 to 19.20 hrs **Start at:** 19.30 hrs or soon after

Equipment: Head torch required and some sort of spare/backup. Whistles advised. Hucking is an exposed site so a cagoule may be required if raining heavily.

Need a headtorch? DFOK members are reminded that the club has a spare Halogen headset for anyone to use. Just contact Dave Cave (equipment@dfok.co.uk) leaving him a couple of days to charge the battery.

Fees: £3 adult, £1 juniors. Optional £1 donation to the Woodland Trust who have allowed us permission to orienteer at Hucking.

Gates/Sheep/Cows/See the course now: Please do not cross the Woodland Trust fences except at the many gates. Please close the gates (including latches) behind you to prevent the sheep and cows leaving the fields to eat the woodland. In order to help you do this, a PDF of the course will be put on the DFOK website before the event. This will also help those new to night orienteering.

Want a longer Run? We always look for volunteers to collect in controls after the event.

Parking and Directions: Parking at The Hook and Hatchet Inn, Church Road, Hucking. ME17 1QT. Allow 15-20 minutes to find the pub once you leave the M20/A249 near Maidstone. Start and finish will be adjacent to the pub.

Public transport: Nearest station is Hollingbourne (4km), or high speed train to Sittingbourne (6km). Contact the organizer if you need a lift from a station and he will try and arrange one.

Après-O: At the Hook and Hatchet – Cosy pub with reasonably priced hot and cold pub meals (£6-£10). Prizes and results in the pub.

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