

## **Forvie Pre O Comments**

We were very pleased to have 127 people try out the Pre-O. 115 returned their maps (although 4 of these were anonymous). We hope you all enjoyed the course and found it an interesting challenge to study the map in a rather different way from usual.

We tried to keep it fairly simple this time by placing all the kites at each control on different features. Control 4 caused the most difficulties - this needed distance judgment to solve correctly. Most of you answered A or, correctly, B to this one - viewed from a little way back up the track it was clear that A was 60m from the track but B was only about 30m.

Forvie has a lot of bumps, some too small to be mapped, and this may have contributed to errors at controls 2 and 4. We had to work within the constraints of the base map being a 1:10,000 map enlarged to 1:5,000 for this exercise – at elite TrailO events a 1:5000 base map would normally be used.

Overall, the high number of 'all correct' maps suggests that we should make it all a little more difficult next time! We hope to have the next Pre-O at SOL6 on October 21st.

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