

Glen Dye Pre-O

I hope those of you who tried the Pre-O enjoyed it. The cold today was not ideal conditions for a bit of trailO and it may be that some of you spent less time over the course than you might have done in warmer weather. The results showed that controls 1, 3 and 5 presented not much difficulty, but 2 and 4 proved much more tricky.

Congratulations to Denise and David who got number 2 correct. The right answer was C. I suspect that many of you who answered B did actually identify the correct kite but failed to spot the left most kite A which was to the south east of the near spur. The control description (and the punch boxes) should have shown you that there were 4 kites at this control and kite A was clearly visible from the decision point post, though somewhat obscured by vegetation compared with the other three.

Number 4 was more tricky as the depressions in front of the hill with the correct kite were not easily visible from the decision point. They could be seen more clearly by moving up or down the track. The correct kite on the hill was also clearly at a higher position than kite B between the depressions. Correct identification of the decision point should have ruled out kite A.

For people new to orienteering or those moving up through the technical levels, this sort of exercise gives good practice in contour recognition and interpretation. I hope it helped some of you when you got on to your main orienteering course today.

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