



Swansea Bay
Orienteering Club

Western Night League & SBOC Winter League 2 - Night

Location: Briton Ferry Woods

Date: Saturday 8th November 2025

EVENT DETAILS

Location:	<p>Assembly: OS Grid Ref SS748949, Nearest Post Code SA11 2TS)</p> <p>Parking: Parking on Ynysmaerdy Road, Briton Ferry, Neath.</p> <p>Briton Ferry Parking Map</p> <p>Please park on the street on the Northern side of the cemetery between Cwrt Yr Ysgol and Pant Howell Ddu. When ready to start follow the road 200m to the end.</p>
Travel directions:	<p>From The West: Cross the old Briton Ferry Bridge. Turn left at the roundabout onto Neath Rd (A474). Follow for approx half a mile and then turn right at traffic lights into Ynysmaerdy Road keeping to the right.</p> <p>From the East: Exit the M4 at Jct 41 and at the roundabout take the A48 Towards Briton Ferry. At the following roundabout take Neath Road (A474) as above.</p>
Terrain:	<p>Very steep sloping hill with a mix of ancient woodland and younger trees crisscrossed by a network of footpaths. The area features many small crags and platforms.</p>
Map:	<p>A4. 1:7500. 5m Contours. Version 2021 minor updates 2025 Maps will be printed on waterproof paper.</p>
Course: (Subject to final planning)	<p>1 Hour Night Score Event in line with the Western Night League guidelines.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 1 point lost for each 6 seconds or part there-of over the hour.- Bonuses at the same rate if you get all the controls under the hour. <p>For novices, controls 1-9 form a yellow standard course.</p>
Entries:	<p>Entries for members and non- members is via the SBOC website or directly through https://pre-entries.co.uk</p> <p>Newcomers can hire SI cards through this system..</p>
Starts:	<p>17:00 – 18:00</p> <p>Punching start - start whenever you wish.</p> <p>Course closes at 19:00</p>
Entries	<p>Standard Entries Close Sun, 02 Nov 2025 at 23:59</p> <p>Late entries available through Pre-entries until maps run out.</p>
Organiser:	<p>Ben Mitchell (benmitchell1@live.com)</p>

Safety Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Safety Bearing North and Downhill ● Compulsory equipment: Whistle and backup lighting ● Newcomers: Night orienteering is challenging, especially for those with limited experience. Newcomers should focus on reaching the easier controls (1-9) and aim to be back early rather than pushing the full time limit. We will have to come searching if you are really late! ● A risk assessment has been completed but it should be noted that competitors take part at their own risk, and are responsible for their own safety during the event. ● Competitors are reminded that they are required to report to the finish and/or download once they have started a course, whether or not they have completed the course. ● Photographs might be taken for promotion
Medical Information:	<p>Any competitor with a high-risk medical condition is invited to contact the organiser beforehand and provide information in a sealed envelope at registration.</p> <p>Envelopes will only be opened if required for a medical emergency, and unopened envelopes can be collected from registration after your run or they will be destroyed immediately after the event.</p>
Additional information:	<p><i>Bagle Brook Beefeater</i> https://www.beefeater.co.uk/en-gb/locations/port-talbot/bagle-brook <i>Suggestion to book a table from 19:30, Last food orders 21:00</i></p> <p><i>No Dogs on the course</i></p> <p><i>Please arrive with clean shoes to help reduce the spread of disease in the forest.</i></p>
Personal Information:	<p>Your personal information provided for this event or obtained from registration databases will be used to process your entry, publish results, check for missing runners, used in case of medical emergency and to trace missing SI cards.</p>
Event cancellation or postponement	<p>For the latest information check www.s boc.org.uk especially in case of forecasted weather warnings. In the case of cancellation or postponement a notice will be put on the website and through the SBOC Facebook group.</p>

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