



# LAKELAND ORIENTEERING CLUB

## Family Challenge



# Wray Family Adventures

## OVERVIEW

- Come and have an adventure with us on Saturday 20th April (10am-12) in the beautiful lakeshore surroundings at Wray. Our special maps will take you off exploring mixture of gardens, woodland, meadow and shoreline to find checkpoints in the lovely grounds of Wray Castle.
- The aim is to find the correct orange and white kites in order and your progress around the courses will be recorded with an electronic timing device (dibber) which will be loaned to children from the registration area.
- This event is suitable for complete beginners with a choice of three map-reading courses to follow with different lengths and difficulty levels. You can choose to do one, two or all three courses on the day.
- There will be lots of helpers available to help you get started and answer any questions that you may have.

## MAP/TERRAIN

- The area is compact but varied with wonderful scenery and views.
- The courses will visit gardens, woodland, meadow and lakeshore paths.
- We have also been granted access to the adjoining farmland for our longer course.
- Please take care not to trample the lovely daffodils.
- The Wray map has been recently updated (2023) and the scale will be 1:2500 for the white course and 1:4000 for the yellow and orange courses.

## GETTING THERE

- National Trust parking will be available in the Wray car park, LA22 0JA (free to NT members or 2 hours £5, 2-4 hours £6.50, 4+ hours £7.50).
- Parking is limited so please car-share if at all possible.
- There are also great options to travel by bike using off-road cycle paths or by ferry from Ambleside, Brockhole or Bowness.
- More details for travel options can be found on the Wray website:  
<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/lake-district/wray>



## ENTRY DETAILS

The event is completely FREE to attend. To help our organisation, we request that you sign up by completing an entry form for each participant.

[Wray Family Adventures Sign-Up Form](#)

## COURSE INFORMATION

The courses will start on the path to the east (the lake side) of the car park and finish in the gardens near to the castle.

**WHITE** 1.2km 14 controls Shortest and easiest to navigate - follows paths, with checkpoints at each path junction to help with decision making.

**YELLOW** 1.5km 15 controls Longer and fairly easy navigation - follows paths and line features (fences, walls,...), some decisions to be made at paths junctions without a checkpoint, checkpoints may be just off the line features.

**ORANGE** 2.8km 22 controls Longer with a little more navigational challenge.

Explorer Points can be earned at this event for all LOC Juniors signed up to the awards scheme.

## REGISTRATION AND START TIMES

- The event will run from 10am - 12 noon.
- There will be lots of volunteers available to help you get started.
- You can choose to do one, two or all three courses on the day.
- Progress around the courses will be recorded with an electronic timing device (dibber) which will be loaned to children from the registration area.
- You should return to the registration/download area to download your results after each course and **MUST** download and return dibbers before you leave.

## SAFETY NOTES

- Children must be supervised by a responsible adult.
- Please be aware that there is a section of open lakeshore which has steep drops to the water in some places - please supervise children very closely along the shoreline.
- There are some sections which may become muddy and slippery, some steeper areas and some longer vegetation - please take care.
- The longer course visits open farmland - if there are any sheep in the field, please give them plenty of space and remember to check for ticks after the event. This land may also be boggy in some parts.
- Courses avoid the main parking areas, but please take care around traffic when walking between the registration, start and finish areas.
- Also, please make space for other park users.

## FACILITIES

- Toilets are available on site.
- There are a number of lovely picnic spots around the grounds.
- The ground floor of Wray Castle will be open and entry is free of charge.
- Joey's Cafe is on site serving hot meals, drinks, cakes etc.



## DOG RESTRICTIONS

Dogs on leads are welcome. Please clean up after your dog.

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