

CHOC `O`2018 – GOYT VALLEY

Here is the first 'Norwegian O' style course in the Goyt Valley and is known as Choc 'O'.

SHORT - 7.2+ km (controls 1 6 7 8 9)

LONG - 12.5+ km (controls 1 2 3 6 7 8 9)

EXTRA LONG - 16.2+ km (controls 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9)

An up-to-date version of OS Explorer Map OL24 (White Peak) at 1:25,000 scale will show necessary detail. However, remember there are many paths on the ground in the Goyt Valley that don't appear on the map (and vice versa), so local knowledge will certainly help. It will be necessary for you to know how to use a grid reference:- 6 figure references are used. Basic navigation skills required, there is no fine navigation.

ESSENTIAL: Print off this instruction sheet and the control descriptions and take it with you along with a map, plastic cover, compass and pen or pencil to write down each grid reference. At each control you should find a small white stake in the ground (if not buried by snow) which gives the grid reference of the next control (please be discreet when locating the control to avoid 'passers-by seeing where it is'). I would strongly recommend that you write the grid reference down and then with the help of the control description mark it on your map. **At two points there will be a choice of routes (control 1 and control 3) take care you write the correct grid reference down.**

At the last control there will be some goodies in a green string sack. Please complete the book, help yourself to chocolates, reseal the plastic box and hide the sack. If chocolate is running low please text me on the following:- Julie Gardner 07973373381.

All controls are on open access land. If/when you leave open access land please navigate carefully and use public rights of way.

It goes without saying that you make sure someone responsible knows what you are doing - someone you can contact in the event of difficulty or emergency. Be prepared for poor weather and poor visibility. The event is not supervised - so look after yourself and others. Wear appropriate winter gear and fell/trail shoes must have a good grip.

The course will be open on a "turn up when you want to" basis and the controls will be in place (vandalism permitting) from **9.00am Sunday 23rd December to 4.00pm Thursday 3rd January**. The closing date may change if the weather stops play.

You can go solo, pairs or in a small group. If unsure of your navigational skills it may be an idea to go around with another person. Another option would be to do the short course first, and then come back another day and do the long or extra long course.

Many thanks to Hazel Winder for going around the course and checking the controls and grid references.

Julie Gardner

START/FINISH	Car Park East of Errwood Dam	SK 018 759
Control 1	Three posts (tree)	SK 015 748
	<u>SHORT ROUTE to Control 6</u>	
Control 2	Stream crossing (5m W of path)	
Control 3	Small ruin (N bank of stream)	
	<u>LONG ROUTE to Control 6</u>	
Control 4	Lonesome tree (E of wall)	
Control 5	Bridge (10m upstream)	
Control 6	Sheepfold	
Control 7	Cattle grid (S side wall/fence)	
Control 8	Crag foot (S on ground)	
Control 9	Stone enclosure (inside)	

CHALLENGE FINISHED AT CONTROL 9. COMPLETE THE BOOK AND WRITE YOUR NAMES, DATE, COURSE CHOICE AND ANY OTHER COMMENTS. NAVIGATE BACK TO YOUR TRANSPORT.