

Croucher Creek

August 14, 2019

Meet organizer and course planner: Craig Brooks

The first YOA Wednesday night meet on our new Croucher Creek map saw 49 participants under overcast skies, sprinkles, and a (short) period of rain. Several Yukoners are at the World Orienteering Championships in Norway, while others are on vacation.

Rain in the afternoon made the woods wet, with a few maps coming back in various states of decomposition.

Many of the control locations were from when Yukon hosted more than 500 orienteers from North America and the world at the North American Orienteering Championships in August 2018. This gave many Yukoners, who were busy organizing NAOC in 2018, the opportunity to run this new map.

In addition to the Novice Course, several tried the Novice Plus, a course done for this meet where some controls were just off trails. For advanced, we also offered a shorter version (just removing a loop mid way through) that a few tried.

On our expert course, Caelan McLean just edged out Leif Blake by just over a minute.

Thanks to John Rance (from BC), for reviewing the courses as part of my certification, Wendy Nixon (food and registration), Bob Sagar (all those last-minute items), Bruce McLean (control check / setup) and Benoit Turcotte for control pickup.

Apologies about any name typos.

<b>Novice, 2.3km, 11 controls (Regular) or 2.3km, 11 controls (Novice Plus), 19 participants</b>	
Carl Turcotte	21:02
Adney Karais	38:25
Maria Billingsley, Clara Billingsley, Charlotte Billingsley, Carrie Ariss, Ron Billingsley (Novice Plus)	39:14
Lucy Aasman & Sarah Aasman (Novice Plus)	44:41
Arla Repka & Karn Seaman	45:35
Valerie Bussiers, Maya Poirier, Anne-Marie Legare (Novice Plus)	50:33
Selene Boothroyd, Scott Williams, Tegryn Williams	58:45
Krysti Horton & Mallory Horton (Novice Plus)	75:29
<b>Intermediate, 2.3km, 8 controls, 10 participants</b>	
Krystal Karais & Giulia Bertolotti	29:53
Jane Bell & Laura Wells	44:06
Rima Khouri	49:31
Anneke Aasman	55:11
Karin Keeley-Eriksson & Kala Emond	58:11
Alex Milburn	61:28
Kieran Horton	DNF

<b>Advanced, 3.5km, 8 controls (short) or 4.8km, 13 controls (regular) 13 participants</b>	
Ben Hancock (short adv)	42:28
Martin Slama	51:51
Philippa McNeil & Jonathan Parker	60:48
Barbara Scheck	61:45
Emilie Stewart-Jones	71:36
Bruce McLean	79:40
Lara Melnik	84:55
Nesta Leduc (short adv)	87:21
Kris Gardner	91:10
Grant Abbott	91:43
Wendy Nixon	DNF
Emily Tredger	DNF
<b>Expert, 5.3km, 7 participants</b>	
Caelan McLean	49:19
Leif Blake	50:40
Benoit Turcotte	53:33
Darren Holcombe	59:56
Brian Horton	77:30
Dave Hildes	79:22
Bob Sagar	95:35