## **Betteshanger Country Park**







#### Location/Parking

Between Deal and Sandwich, off A258. CT14 0BF

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Pay and display car parking with ANPR (pay on exit or on-line)

#### **About the Park**

250 acre country park built on the site of the spoil tip for Betteshanger colliery. Now a centre for cyclists, walkers and families. Frequent activities and special events. https://www.betteshanger-park.co.uk

### Permanent Orienteering Course

The course is represented by a Start a Finish and a number of checkpoints or controls. At each control you will find a permanent marker attached to a post.

Visit as many of the checkpoints as you can in any order. Map can be printed or borrowed from the cycle hire kiosk.

$\triangle$	Start
$\bigcirc$	Controls
	Finish



permanent marker

#### **Facilities**

Newly opened facilities with cafe, toilets, cycle hire and the Kent Mining Museum. Playpark and picnic area.

#### **Start/Finish location**

Carpark side of main entrance canopy.

#### **About the Map**

Scale is 1:7,500 so is larger than Ordinance Survey. Map also shows more detail – fences, knolls, depressions, distinctive trees, and uses different colours to aid navigation – vellow is open land, white is runnable woodland, light through to dark green represents woodland that is increasingly difficult to pass through.

#### Safety

Look out for cyclists on the main tarmac track, (use marked crossing points) and MTB users on the MTB tracks. Also be aware of:

- trip hazards, uneven ground and the lake
- steep slopes that may be slippery in wet weather
- other park users and dogs

## Find Your Way / Virtual Orienteering Courses

No physical controls - your position is recorded by your smartphone's GPS using an app called MapRun6. Download for free onto your Android or iOS device. Simple registration (name etc).



Select 'Events near me' or press 'Select Event' and navigate to: - UK > Find Your Way > FYW Kent > Betteshanger. There are 4 linear courses to choose from and a 60 min score course.

A - Short / easy	1.9km, 9 controls
B - Medium	2.2km, 11 controls
C - Long / more challenging	3.5km, 14 controls
D - Mega	6.0km, 16 controls

See "How To" pages for help and phone setup at https://www.findyourwayvo.org.uk/how (see QR code)

You can use the map on your phone, but it is easier to use a paper map Either print the maps overleaf or pick up from the cycle hire kiosk.



Once the course is selected, click 'Go to Start' and head to the red triangle. The triangle will go green and your phone Links to other activities will bleep to register you have started.

> Make your way to Checkpoint 1 (the virtual control) and each of the other controls in number order. The circle will go green and your phone will bleep each time you successfully find the control. Once you have visited all controls, head to the finish, (the double circle) for your final bleep.

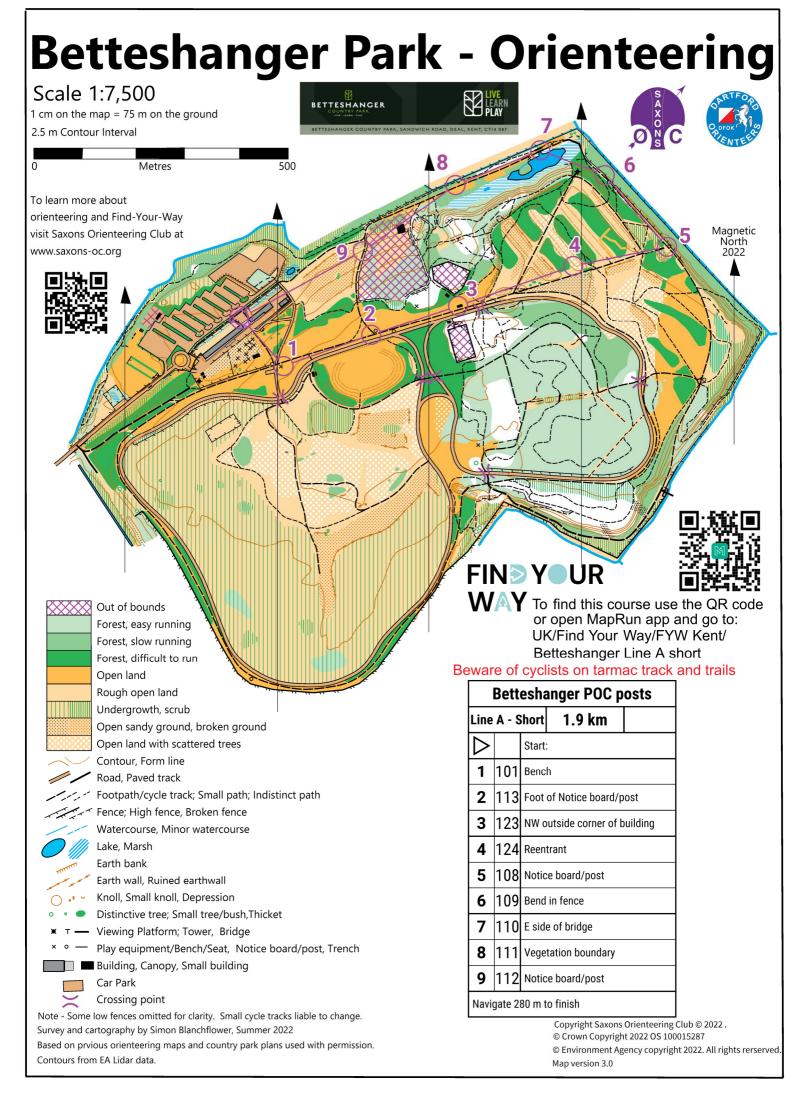
Note: the Start and Finish are in the same place, so the triangle and double circle are on top of one another.

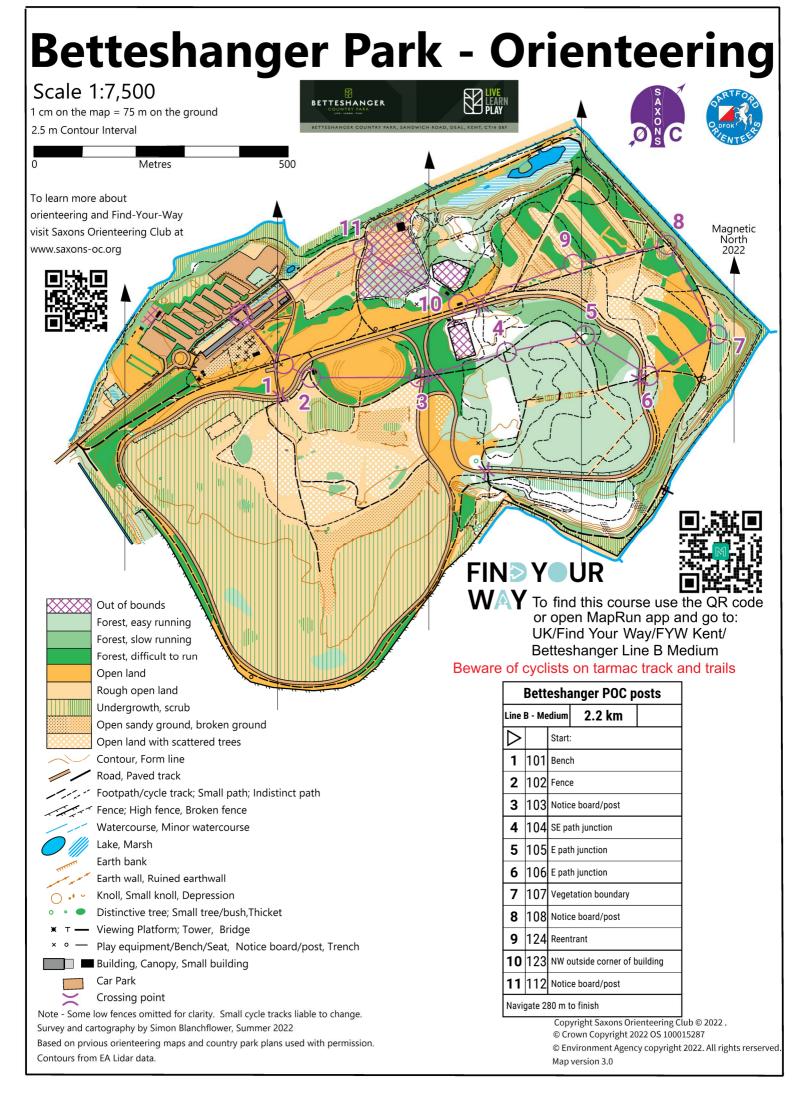
Click on "Show Results" on the app and you can see how you did! Can you complete the course faster or try a longer, more difficult course?

If you enjoyed the Permanent Course or the Find Your Way activity, there are many others to try in Kent - goto

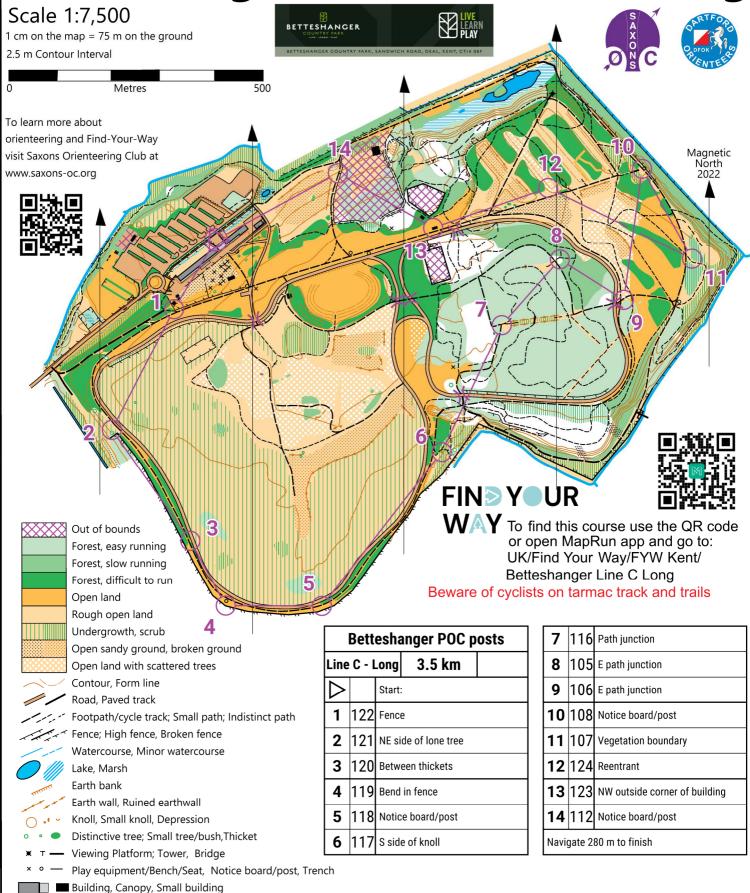
https://www.findyourwayvo.org.uk/southeast/maps. For details of orienteering events in Kent visit www.saxons-oc.org

New Bestteshanger FYW/Virtual courses will be uploaded over time. Look for announcements on social media.





**Betteshanger Park - Orienteering** 



Note - Some low fences omitted for clarity. Small cycle tracks liable to change. Survey and cartography by Simon Blanchflower, Summer 2022

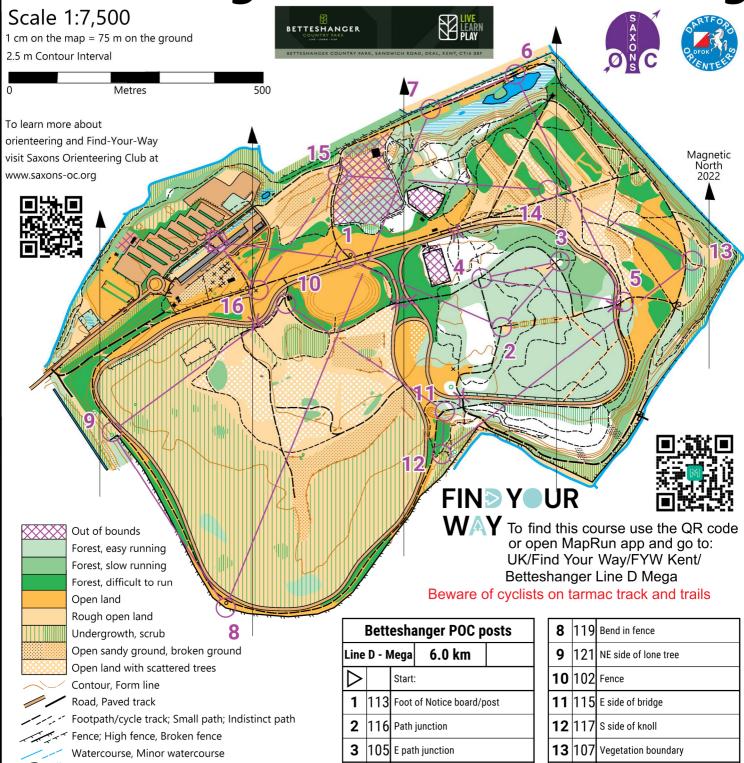
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Car Park Crossing point

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# **Betteshanger Park - Orienteering**



104 SE path junction 106 E path junction 110 E side of bridge 111 Vegetation boundary

Contour, Form line
Road, Paved track
ootpath/cycle track; Small path; Indistinct path
ence; High fence, Broken fence
Vatercourse, Minor watercourse
ake, Marsh
arth bank
arth wall, Ruined earthwall
(noll, Small knoll, Depression
Distinctive tree; Small tree/bush,Thicket
/iewing Platform; Tower, Bridge
Play equipment/Bench/Seat, Notice board/post, Trench
Building, Canopy, Small building

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8	119	Bend in fence
9	121	NE side of lone tree
10	102	Fence
11	115	E side of bridge
12	117	S side of knoll
13	107	Vegetation boundary
14	124	Reentrant
15	112	Notice board/post
16	101	Bench
Navigate 130 m to finish		

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