

Local knowledge gives runners an advantage in test

BEVERLEY: Local knowledge proved a big advantage at an orienteering event on the Westwood at the weekend.

The second round of Orienteering's East Yorkshire Short Race Series took place on Saturday.

The event consisted of two races of 3km with a handicapped start calculated for the second race.

The technically demanding Newbegin Pits area of the Westwood caught several runners by surprise.

But not the locals. The Men's Open was won by England Junior Zac Field, of Beverley, and the Women's Open was won by Skidby's Helena Crutchley.

Second and third in the men's event went to Brian Ward, of

South Carr, and Dean Field, of Beverley.

On the women's event, those places were filled by Helen Smith, of York, and Yasmin Field, of Beverley.

The next two rounds of the series take place at Driffield Airfield on

June 11 and the University Of Hull on July 23.

Beginners' courses will be available at these events for anyone wanting to try the sport.

For more details, visit www.halo-orienteeing.org.uk

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