

WOC 2024

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Media Newsletter 2: Sprint Relay

Welcome to WOC 2024

This newsletter contains the latest information relevant to the media and focuses on the Sprint Relay Sunday 14th July.

Full details of the week are included in [Bulletin 4](#).

Accreditation

If you have not already collected your ID card then it will be available from the Media Centre.

All media representatives should wear their ID card at all relevant times. It must be presented to gain access to the Media Centres and authorised zones at race arenas.

Media Briefing

A short briefing will be held in the Media Centre at the Oriam starting at 12:00.

Start Lists

Starts Lists for the Sprint Relay are available on the [WOC 2024 IOF Live site](#). Printed copies will be available at the Media Centre.

Media Resources

The [WOC 2024 media page](#) includes links to several key resources as well as photos from events. Please remember to give credit to the photographer.

VIP/Media Race

The VIP/Media Race will take place on Monday 15th July. Long and Short courses will be available, and the race will be through central Edinburgh. Starts are between 17:00 and 18:00. The Event Arena is in Nicolson Square Gardens which is 1.5km from the WOC Event Centre at Pollock Halls. You can register to take part in the Arena when you arrive.

Please note that the Event Arena is on the edge of the embargoed area for the WOC Knock-out sprint. If you need to observe the embargo then you must travel along East Preston Street and South Clerk Street to get from Pollock Halls to the event.

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Sprint Relay – Riccarton Campus

When	Sunday 14 th July (pm)
Venue	<p>Heriot-Watt University was initially established in 1821 to provide practical knowledge of science and technology to Edinburgh’s working men. It became a university in 1966, and began the development of a new campus on the Riccarton Estate, to the south-west of the city.</p> <p>The campus area now includes various blocks of student accommodation, a business park, a hotel, Scotland’s elite Oriam Sports Performance Centre facility and the UK’s first FlexBIO flexible downstream bioprocessing centre, all set in attractive parkland. The campus is adjacent to the Hermiston Park and Ride and is served by buses from the city centre.</p>
Arena	<p>The Oriam, Heriot-Watt University GPS coordinates: 55.909407, -3.3159257 Distance from Event Centre: 11km</p>
Terrain	<p>The area features university buildings in parkland. Running surfaces will be a mix of paved surfaces, unpaved paths and natural terrain, including significant areas of grass and runnable woodland. 15%–25% of courses will be on grass and other natural surfaces. The competition area is predominantly flat with some gentle gradients.</p>
Media Centre	<p>Sports Hall at The Oriam. This is within 100m of the Arena.</p>
Maps	<p>Maps will be available from the Media Centre from around 11.30.</p>

Arena access	All accredited media will have access to the ticketed area at the Arena with a view of the relay changeover.
From Pollock Halls	#2 or #33 bus (3 an hour) from the “Commonwealth Pool” stop to the “Caledonian Village” stop on Dalry Road. Change to the #25 bus (4 an hour) to “The Avenue” stop*.
From Central Edinburgh	#25 or #34 bus (6 an hour) from Princes Street to the “The Avenue” stop*. Tram stop: Edinburgh Park Station (2.5km away)
Parking	Hermiston Park and Ride (free).

* If you are taking part in the WOC Tour event after the Sprint Relay then please walk from the “Hermiston Park and Ride” stop (800m) to avoid entering the competition area.

Media Centre opens	11:00
Media Briefing in Media Centre	12:00
Sprint Relay start	12:40
Sprint Relay finish	13:37
Flower Ceremony	13:52
Medal Ceremony	14:30
Media Centre closes	17:00

Race History

The first World Orienteering Championships Sprint Relay was held in 2014 in Italy.

Edinburgh 2024 will be the 8th time the event has been held.

Great Britain's only medal is a silver from WOC 2022 in Denmark. The team then was Charlotte Ward, Ralph Street, Kris Jones and Megan Carter-Davis. Ralph and Kris will be in the team again this year.

WOC 2022 Sprint Relay Results

Position	Country	Time
1	Sweden Lina Strand, Max Peter Bejmer, Gustav Bergman, Tove Alexandersson	58:39
2	Great Britain Charlotte Ward, Ralph Street, Kristian Jones, Megan Carter Davies	59:41
3	Denmark Ane Dyrkorn, Lukas Liland, Kasper Harlem Fossler, Andrine Benjaminsen	60:20
4	Switzerland Simona Aebersold, Joey Hadorn, Matthias Kyburz, Elena Roos	60:26
5	Denmark Nicoline Friberg Klysner, Soren Thrane Odum, Jakob Edsen, Miri Thrane Oedum	60:28

Position	Country	Time
6	France Isia Basset, Adrien Delenne, Lucas Basset, Cecile Calandry	60:31
7	Finland Marika Teini, Miika Kirmula, Akseli Ruohola, Venla Harju	61:14
8	Poland Hanna Wisniewska, Michal Olejnik, Bartosz Pawlak, Aleksandra Hornik	61:27
9	Lithuania Tekle Emilija Gvildyte, Algirdas Bartkevicius, Vilius Aleliunas, Ausrine Kutkaite	61:44
10	Czech Republic Tereza Janosikova, Tomas Krivda, Vojtech Kral, Jana Stehlikova	61:53

WOC Sprint Relay Medal History

Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
Sweden	4	0	1	5
Denmark	2	2	1	5
Switzerland	1	2	2	5
Norway	0	2	1	3
Russian Federation	0	0	2	2
Great Britain	0	1	0	1