

Protester's email of 29/05/18

Thank you for your e-mail, although I have to say I am disappointed with your decision.

On the way back from inspecting the control site I thought that it had been agreed by Arthur and Damian that the control was on the wrong feature, had therefore affected the results, and that they would recommend to you that the splits either side of control 207 should be removed. (Assuming that this would be the decision made it didn't occur to me to write my contact details on the paper, so thank you for making the effort to track me down.)

As this clearly hasn't happened then I would like to lodge a formal protest and request that the splits either side of control 207 are removed.

>>> The map in the vicinity of the pole and the boulder represents the mappers interpretation; the omission of the vegetation and ruin is regrettable

Having looked at the previous maps of the area:

- The map used for the 2002 Tamar Triple contains both the ruin and the small boulder in the correct locations.
- The map used for the JK in 2010 has had the ruin symbol replaced with that for a boulder cluster and the small boulder symbol has been removed.
- The map used yesterday has replaced the boulder cluster symbol with that for a large boulder.

The ruin is not missing from the map, it is the small boulder that is not shown (and why would a mapper show a very small boulder and not the much larger pile of rocks that are nearby ?).

Hence the control was on the wrong feature, and this was fairly obvious when we were inspecting the site as everybody was going to the large pile of rocks first.

>>> however was the same for all competitors and my decision is to let the results stand.

Whilst the location of the control was the same for all competitors the affect that this has varies depending on many factors:

- Which way do you approach the control from
- What do you do when you get to the correct location and the flag isn't there (e.g. circle the entire pile of stones; go back towards the pole to relocate; carry on regardless ?)
- Are you lucky enough to arrive as a group of people are looking for it and someone shouts "it's over here"

Furthermore, the fact that the control is in the wrong place then sets the competitor up wrong for the next leg resulting in further time loss.

Hence the splits for the legs both in to and out of control 207 should be removed.

Based on the above, please can you consider this a formal protest.