

Nottinghamshire Orienteering Club



Black and Green - May 00

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Who cares if there are a few brambles - just run!

My very first orienteering experience, aged 15, was on Ilkley Moor - in a blizzard. Hopefully my second visit will be more rewarding.

Yes folks, we couldn't have wished for a better result at the recent CompassSport cup match at Wakerley. Flat terrain, plenty of brambly areas - typical of much of NOC terrain really. We had an outstanding day despite missing a few runners who usually get a few points for us and managed to score higher than the Walton Chasers in every class apart from the 'A' category.

Don't forget your hat!

One event we won't be taking part in this year is the footpath relay as this falls on the 17th June - we'll be concentrating on other things!

We will now probably be favourites for the final but we will need

Looking forward to other events please make an effort to attend the Little John Relays on the 7th May and also the NOC

another superb performance on Ilkley Moor on 18th June.

summer league series - there will be prizes this year. See the web site for more information or give me a call.

Keep it going.

Tony

Compass Sport Cup'00 Final, Ilkley Moor, 18th June

First of all, I'd like to say a big thank you to everyone who ran at Wakerley. Facing last year's winners in the first round looked like it would be a tough challenge. However, on the day, NOC members ran their socks (muddy?) off to win the heat with a healthy margin over WCH (2nd), DVO (3rd), OD, LEI, HOC, NOR and WAOC. Particular thanks go to those of you who travelled long distances to support your club. [I am in possession of a course B map - if it's yours please call or email me and I'll arrange to get it to you.]

The grand final will take place on Ilkley Moor on June 18th, with parking/assembly at Ilkley Grammar School. I hope that you will be able to join the NOC team in our competition against SYO, SLOW, MDOC and BOK. This time there will not be an opportunity to enter on the day, so please get your entries to me well in advance of the closing date, so that I have time to organise the club entry. We will be using pre-marked bagged maps and Sport Ident electronic punching. Don't forget to send me both your BOF and card numbers. If you don't send a sport ident number then add 50p to your entry fee to cover the hire charge. Fees are £5/£2 (junior rate for students), please make cheques payable to NOC and ensure that they arrive at 29 Mason Rd, Ilkeston, DE7 9JP by 15th May (NB AIRE have changed the closing date from that listed in the BOF fixtures). Starts will be from 11am to 1pm (with some starts available 1-2pm for parents to have split times), don't forget to include your preferred start block and course with your entry. I've booked a 49 seater coach, so please tell me whether you would like to reserve a place. Cost will be around £7 for adults and £4 for juniors payable on the day. We will meet at West Bridgford Library opposite the Co-op for a 7.30 am departure and should be back by 7pm at the latest. The courses on offer are the same as before, A - Open, B - Open 20-/35+, C - Open 18-/45+, D - W Open, E - W45+/M60+, F - W18-/M16- and G - W14-/M14-.

There will also be a yellow course for non-competitive people.

If you'd like to have your control card before the day of the event, please include a S.A.E.

Catherine Hughes

Club Event Entry Forms

As an experiment, Catherine would like you to try using a special entry form for entering Compass Sport Cup and/or Harvester. A copy has been placed on the NOC Web site.

White Rose Weekend: 26th-28th August (Bank Holiday)

The Yorkshire Orienteering Weekend (2 Badge events and a relay) will be held at Cawthorne & Keldy this year. This year there will be SportIdent electronic punching. As ever, NOC will book part of the Wayside Caravan Park at Wrelton (5 miles from events, 3 miles from Pickering), where the end of summer festivities will include a BBQ on the Saturday evening, cricket on the Sunday evening and the Robby Knudd trophy relays on the Monday. NB - This is a family campsite - unaccompanied juniors should be capable of looking after themselves and behaving responsibly (or camp on the event campsite?!)

- | If you want to book a place on the NOC campsite then details of numbers, date of arrival, unit (caravan/awning/small tent/trailer tent etc) are needed. Pay on arrival at campsite.
- | Rubby Knudd Relay runs are £3 per person - names, SI numbers and cheque payable to NOC by June 9th.
- | Do your own entries for the Badge events. The event flyers are expected to appear at BOC'00 onwards.

Names for campsite and names/SI Nos/money for the relays to Hilary Palmer, xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Logo competition

At their last meeting, NOC Committee discussed the external image of the club. One of the reactions that had been received from outside sources was that the club logo appeared to belong to an archery club. It was decided to try to find a new logo that was

- | distinctive
- | indicative of orienteering
- | representative of Nottinghamshire (perhaps still using the Robin Hood connection?)
- | suitable for use on maps, headed paper, event flyers, posters, adverts, B&GWM, web-site, sweatshirts, tee-shirts and maybe O-suit tops.

- | also available in a monochrome version

Budding designers out there: please submit sketches (or just ideas) to Tony Donaldson before the end of August. If a suitable design is accepted by the committee and approved by the AGM, a small prize will be awarded to the designer at the Xmas Special Event.

BSOA Success

The British Schools OA took a party to Israel to compete in the World School O Champs. As well as the team from Nottingham High School for Boys, NOC was well represented in the 'Select Team'.

The BSOA did very well overall with NHS finishing 4th best school by age class. Special congratulations are due to the NOC members who won medals:

Alison O'Neil: Gold Classic, Gold Short, Gold Select Team

Nicholas James: Silver Short, Bronze Classic

Colin Olivant: Bronze Relay, Silver Select Team

Thomas Billam: Silver Select Team

Other recent success for club members:

- | Representing England, Sarah O'Neil and Hilary Palmer both won their classes, and David Hodgkinson was second at the 5 nation international match in Belgium on Feb 20th.
- | At the JK Peter Hodgkinson won the M10, and Alison O'Neil, Sarah O'Neil and Rose Hodgkinson were 1st in the W48- Relay.
- | At Brown Clee, Peter Hodgkinson, Michael Napier, Alison O'Neil and Sarah O'Neil became Midlands Champions for 2000.
- | Jane Booker won her class every day at a multi-day event in Spain.

Footpath Relay

This year's footpath relay will take place on 17th June in Derbyshire. Unfortunately this is on the day before the Compass Sport Cup final. Following discussions with a selection of NOC members in the finish tent at Sherwood Pines, it was decided NOC would not be organising a team this year.

Summer League

Due to unexpected circumstances Brian James has had to step down from co-ordinating this year's Summer League. There are still three events needing orga-planners (see Back Page), please call Richard Torr (0115 966 4771) if you are able to take one of these on.

One of the functions of the Summer League is to give novice planners a chance to have a go at planning on the small scale amongst friends. Meeting every Thursday on balmy summer evenings, it is an ideal opportunity for new club members to make acquaintances within the Club.

Harvester Relays

If you think JK and BOC relays are a little tame, then you'll be looking forward to this year's Harvester Trophy Relay which will take place near Rochdale on the 8th/9th July. I took part last year for the first time and can thoroughly recommend this truly surreal experience! It's also a very easy way to convince friends and colleagues that you and your fellow orienteers are indeed completely mad!

Watergrove reservoir is the 'stage' of a huge natural amphitheatre, stretching over a kilometre to the west, north and east. The organisers envisage some very interesting patterns of competitor lights all night long and head-to-head racing with excellent spectator facilities in the later stages of the race. It is primarily fast open moorland with very few tussocks and hardly any bracken. There are complex land forms, tricky contour detail, many decrepit walls, streams, marshes and deep re-entrants but virtually no paths. There are two races - A - seven legs (5 night/2 day, mix of TD 4 and 5, distance 5 - 12 km) and B - five legs (4 night/1 day, mix of TD 3, 4 and 5, distance 4 - 7 km). Entry fees are £8/£4, Sport Ident will be used - please send your card number or indicate if you'll need to hire a card - and send cheques (payable to NOC) to me by 1st June. NB. if you're entering more than one event, it would make my accounting easier if you sent separate cheques.

Catherine Hughes, xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Event Fees

Following the introduction on 1st April of a new calculation system for BOF event levies we have revised our event fees:

Colour Coded: BOF Members £3, Non-members £4, Juniors £1, String Free. At the two autumn adult O-zones, Adults may run W-Y-O at a concessionary fee of £2.

Summer League remains free.

Weekday Evening & Lunchtime Training

Tuesday Club Night has moved for the summer to Bramcote Hills (W car park, 18:30) SK499384. Entrance is on east side of A6007 immediately south east of roundabout complex A6002/A6007/B6004. NOTE: Ready to leave at 18:30.

Choice of two runs each about 1 hour. Pleasant route along canal, over hills and down dales. (oh, and a sting in the tail !)

There is now also a Wednesday lunchtime training session of 45 mins using the Beeston Canal, the River Leen, and the River Trent. The participants join and leave as the route passes nearest each runner's base. Call Ray for timings along the route.

Informal Thursday evening training is hosted by the Olivants, xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx, except on the Summer League dates. Arrive at 18:30, we set off at 18:40. Runs of various lengths and speeds to suit all. Afterwards a cup of tea or glass of orange and a chat.

National Trust 'O' Workshop

The new permanent orienteering course at Clumber Park was launched by Mick and Angela Lucking holding workshops for 30 non-orienteers during the weekend of March 11th and 12th. More people had tried to book for the Sunday!

Hilary Palmer's 'coaching box' provided materials for the initial coaching activity. Paul, Sarah and Simon (aged 4) Teesdale helped on both days and John Middler and Steve Hodgkinson helped on Sunday. All of them were invaluable and the Teesdale's input as newcomers to the sport was particularly helpful. The participants were very complimentary about the course and we are hopeful of seeing a few new faces at future events.

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A Handy Reference Guide for your Diary

Actions / Deadlines To Remember

- | URGENT ** Summer League - offers of orga-planners to Richard Torr **
- | 15th May - Pre-Register and book coach for Compass Sport Cup Final to Catherine Hughes.
- | 1st June - Harvester entries to Catherine Hughes.
- | 9th June - Site bookings / Relay entries for White Rose to Hilary Palmer.
- | Offer to Plan / Organise / Control events marked + below to Richard Torr.
- | Summer League - offers of organisers/planners to Brian James
- | 30th June Copy Date Black & Green
- | 31st August Designs for a new club logo to Tony Donaldson.

Fixtures

<i>Date</i>	<i>Venue</i> <i>Parking Grid Ref</i>	<i>Event Status</i>	<i>Organiser</i> <i>Helper Group</i>	<i>Notes</i> <i>+ see foot of page</i>
Summer League is on Thursday Evenings with starts from 18:30-19:30				
18th May	Blidworth (Rigg Lane car-park - the middle one)		Richard Torr	Evening Summer League
				Afternoon Schools O-

25th May	Sutton Lawns, Sutton-in-Ashfield Car Park off Station Road.			zone +O+ Evening Summer League
8th Jun	Berry Hill			Afternoon Schools O- zone +O+ Evening Summer League
15th Jun	Thieves		Keith & Sian Roberts	Afternoon Schools O- zone Evening Summer League
18th Jun	Ilkley Moor	C4 Colour Coded	AIRE	Compass Sport Cup Final
22nd Jun	Colwick Park		Clare Caxton	Summer League
29th Jun	Haywood Oaks			+O+ Summer League
			Catherine	Summer

6th Jul	Rushcliffe Country Park		Hughes	League
13th Jul	Colwick Woods		Dave Cooke	Summer League
30th Jul	Thieves Wood	C5 Limited Colour Coded	Helpers - Group C	+O+ O-Zone CATI with Ashfield District Council
23rd Sep	Bramcote	C5 Limited Colour Coded	Helpers - Group A	+O+ CATI
14th Oct	Blidworth	XS4 Score	Janet Evans Helpers - All	British Schools Score Champs (entry via BSOA only)
21st Oct	Thieves Wood	C4 Colour Coded	Helpers - Group A	+O+
21st Oct	TBA	N5 Night		+PCO+
18th Nov	Harlow Woods	C4 Colour Coded	Helpers - Group B	+O+ (inc. adult O-Zone)

10th Dec	Annesley	C4 Colour Coded	Helpers - Group C	+O+ (inc. adult O-Zone)
30th Dec	Colwick Woods	X5 Closed Special	NOC Juniors	Xmas Event
6th Jan 01	Walesby	N5 Night		+C or O+
7th Jan 01	Walesby	C4 Colour Coded	Bob & Gill Hatfield Helpers - Group A	+P+
3rd Feb 01	Thieves Wood	O5 Short	Helpers - All	+O+
4th Feb 01	Blidworth/Haywood/Sansom	C3 Badge	O'Neil Family, Helpers - All	+PC+ Robin Hood Trophy
25th Mar 01	TBA	C4 Colour Coded	Helpers - Group B	+O+
22nd Apr 01	Byron's Walk	C4 Colour Coded	Helpers - Group C	+PCO+
2nd Jun 01	Haywood Oaks	R5 Relay	Helpers - Group A	+PCO+ Little John Relays

+PCO+ Need one or more of Planner / Controller / Organiser.

Submit all your exciting stories to 0115 974 6044, r.barnes@diamond.co.uk.

Latest news is on the NOC web site. <http://www.cix.co.uk/~raybarnes/NOC/>
and on the NOC WAP site: http://www.cix.co.uk/~raybarnes/NOC_WAP/news.wml

Copy date will be 31st Jan, 31st Mar, 31st May, 31st Aug (sic), 30th Sep and 30th Nov with publication normally within two weeks.
