



# The Bag.

The Newsletter of  
Nottinghamshire Orienteering Club

<http://www.noc-uk.org> May 2003.

## Helen's bit

### **Just returned from a thoroughly enjoyable JK.**

There were a number of impressive NOC performances, notably club champion Hilary Palmer who won W55L and Hazel Rice winner of W50S. The relays brought success with Helen Palmer anchoring the open women's team with team-mates Liz Day and Alison O'Neil into 4th, just 28 seconds down on third place, and the young team of Aidan Hewitt, Peter Hodgkinson and Joy Hodgkinson achieving a fifth place in M/W40-. And don't forget the fifth placed women's short team of Rose Hodgkinson, Sian Roberts and Sarah O'Neil.

Summer league events are scheduled for Sundays this year as our previous mid-week scheduling has been attracting fewer and fewer competitors in the past few years. So why not give a score event a try (also white to orange) for some summer fun and keep the orienteering skills in use until next autumn season starts again?

Well done to all who competed at Compass Sport 1st round at Blidworth and helped NOC get through once again to the Final at Downham Market on 1<sup>st</sup> June

(see elsewhere in this issue for details of event and NOC coach).

Please contact Mick Lucking for an entry. We want as many entries as possible! Also send in your entries for the Footpath Relay and the Harvester relay.

See you at all Rushcliffe 11th May?

### **JK 2003 NOC top 3 places**

M12A 2nd Peter Hodgkinson  
M16A 3rd Andrew Llewellyn  
M18A 3rd Colin Olivant  
W10A 2nd Jenny Evans  
W14B 2nd Laura Evans  
W16A 3rd Rosemary Hodgkinson  
W21S 2nd Nicola Olivant  
W50S 1st Hazel Rice  
W55L 1st Hilary Palmer  
W65S 3rd Val Gebbett

Helen

Team manager  
Team races 2003

**Compass Sport Cup Final**  
**Shouldham Warren, Downham Market, Norfolk, Grid Ref TF 680 105**  
**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2003**

We are taking a coach to this event. Most of the details of the event are available on <http://homepage.ntlworld.com/roger.stenson1/CSCFinal/index.htm> however the organiser is discussing with team managers the possibility of making start times between 11.30 and 15.00. We are the nearest club to the event and the terrain should be similar to what we are used to. It would therefore be nice if we could get a strong turnout. The subsidised cost for the coach will be £5.00 for adults and £2.00 for juniors and students. The event entry fee is £6.00 for adults and £2.50 for juniors. Please provide me with name, BOF number, S I dibber number and a cheque payable to NOC if you can run.

**Compass Sport Cup Final. Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2003 Shouldham Warren, Norfolk**

Name	Travelling On coach?	BOF Age Class	BOF Number	S I card number

Footpath Relay  
Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2003

This year the event is being organised by Hallamshire Harriers and will be based at Castleton. This is a 20 leg relay race with details of the route being provided beforehand. As a result anyone entering is expected to reconnoitre their leg before the day of the race. If you get lost you will have to answer to 19 very disgruntled team mates! The team has to be made up of a mixture of males and females of varying ages. If you wish to run please give me your name and BOF age class.

**Footpath Relay 2003 21<sup>st</sup> June 2003**  
**Entry for NOC Team**

Contact Name	Contact Tel No.
Address	
Name	BOF Age Class

**Harvester Trophy**  
**Longshaw, Derbyshire. 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> June 2003**

As this event is “on our doorstep” it would be nice to get more teams out than usual. Hopefully we can field a handicap team, a womens team, a junior team, and an open team. The terrain is ideal for an event of this type.

Both day and night legs are available varying from 5km to 12km although most are 7km. If you are interested please put your name down below indicating whether you would prefer a day or a night leg. The entry fee is £9.00 per head for adults and £5.00 for juniors. Cheques should be made payable to NOC and sent to Mick Lucking at 6 Long Lane, Attenborough, Beeston, Nottingham NG9 6BG. **NO CHEQUE NO ENTRY Harvester Trophy Relay 2003 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> June 2003 Fees: Senior £9.00 Junior £5.00**

Name	BOF Age Class	BOF Number	S I dibber Number	Day or Night Lap Preferred?	Fee
<b>TOTAL FEES (Cheques payable to NOC)</b>					

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# NOC volunteers wanted

Please contact Helen or any other member of the committee if you are interested in any of the following, or to find out more about what's involved.

## **Press Officer**

We are looking for a Press Officer. This will involve liaising with BOF who are willing to help us promote orienteering and will give help and support.

All we need is a willing volunteer!

## **Start group co-ordinator**

Please note you do not have to be in the Start group to volunteer! A transfer can be arranged!

## **Events Officials co-ordinator**

This is a new role to take part of the load off the fixtures secretary and involves finding organisers, planners and controllers for forthcoming events.

## **Planners and organisers**

Please give it a go. Help is available for inexperienced or first timers.

## **Controllers**

If you have planned or organised events already and are willing to become a controller, we are needing more club controllers. The BOF requirements for a grade 3 controller are: Organise a competition registered with BOF within the previous 10 years  
Plan at least three events, with at least one at level 4, and at least one within the previous 5 years

Attend a BOF Controller Grade 3 course

Be appointed by their Association.

**We will help you achieve this if you are willing!**

## 7 Leg Elks Plaque - A "new" NOC trophy

*Bert Bradshaw has donated this to NOC and suggested we use it as a club trophy.*

*We feel that we should use it for the NOC Champion's trophy, given its unique history*

*Many thanks Bert, we shall treasure this special trophy with its history.*

Bjorn and Alvar Kjellstrom were brothers. They were both orienteers and developed and marketed the protractor compass under the now well known 'SILVA' brand name.

Bjorn went to live in the USA many years ago. Alvar's son Jan became a top orienteer and was one of the small band of Swedish orienteers who came to Britain in the early 60s to talk about the development of this new sport (in the UK, that is). Chris Brasher (who sadly recently died *see below*), John Disley and the late Gerry Charnley became good friends of Jan whilst working on this development and it was a great shock when Jan was killed in a car accident in his native Sweden at the age of 27.

Out of this tragedy grew the 'JK' in memory of this outstanding man. Alvar and his wife came to Britain at Eastertime for many years. They were very good friends of Bertie and Elsie Ward who ran 'SILVA' U.K.

In 1972 the 'JK' was held in the East Midlands, the individual race being held in Clumber Park, the Relays in Shining Cliff and training at Lea Wood Knoll (*near Smedley's Mill, this area has not been used for many years now*).

I was the planner and mapper at Clumber. Alvar gave me the "7 Leg Elks" Plaque (and I think that John Clark the overall organiser got another one) I used to see Alvar at the Swedish '5 Dagmars' (O-Ringen) as I ran there for many years. I always took a bottle of high quality 'Scotch' for him (Liquid Gold, he called it), and he gave me a box of small 'SILVA' compasses which I distributed to youngsters here at home. Both Alvar and his wife have been dead for a considerable time now. They were such a lovely couple.

**Bert**

\*Many of you will be aware of the recent death of Chris Brasher . Remembered principally for his pacemaking enabling Roger Bannister to run the first sub 4 minute mile, and for being the driving force behind the creation of the London Marathon.

As Bert says he was also one of the main founders of orienteering and BOF in this country.

He was appointed CBE in 1996, having previously rejected an honour from Margaret Thatcher: "Couldn't take it from that bloody woman," he said. "She did nothing for British sport".

Now there was a man to admire.....Sadly missed

*Ed*



## NOC Provisional Fixtures.

Check details@ <http://www.noc-uk.org>

For a full list of UK events see the BOF page at  
<http://freespace.virgin.net/pat.martin/fixtures.htm>

	<b>Date</b>	<b>Cat</b>	<b>Permis sions</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Sun	11/05/03	C5	Yes	<b>Rushcliffe Country Park</b>	Summer League
Sun	08/06/03	C5	Yes	<b>Vicar Water</b>	Summer League
Sun	01/06/03	C4	NA	<b>Downham Market</b>	Compass Sport Cup Final
Sun	15/06/03	C5	Yes	<b>Burntstump</b>	Summer League
Sun	06/07/03	C5	Yes	<b>Haywood Oaks</b>	Summer League
Sun	13/07/03	C5R	Provisional	<b>Rufford</b>	Little John Relays
Sun	21/09/03	C5	Yes	<b>Sherwood Pines</b>	CATI
Sun	05/10/03	C5	No	<b>Bramcote Hills</b>	CATI
Sat	25/10/03	C5N	No	<b>Thieves Wood</b>	Night League
Sun	26/10/03	C4	Provisional	<b>Byrons Walk</b>	
Sun	14/12/03	C4	No	<b>Bestwood</b>	

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