

# Nottinghamshire Orienteering Club



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## SPEAKING FROM THE CHAIR

Next year is going to be a year of action for the club.  
Come to the AGM and contribute to the debate.  
See you there on Saturday 12th October, 2.00pm at the Old Spot, Mansfield Road, Daybrook.

Thanks for listening.

*Ray Barnes*

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## PETER STEPS DOWN

At the AGM, I will be standing down from the Committee after three years as Team Manager and two as BAGWM Editor.

It would be remiss of me not to thank John Palmer for the considerable help with producing the BAGWM and without which I would certainly not have been able to do the job. *Peter Bourne*

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## MAPPING

David Olivant is organising a course for Club members interested in the surveying side of map making.

It is aimed at those who have little or no experience.

The venue is Bestwood Park, Nottingham on **Saturday November 9th 1996 9.30 - 4.00pm**

Please contact David on XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX if you would like to take part.

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## WANTED - PLANNERS, ORGANISERS & CONTROLLERS

The dates and venues for next year are shown later in this edition. Colin Portman now needs names for planning, organising and controlling.

If you have not yet planned or organised an event please give it a go - its good way to learn a bit more about the sport and make new friends.

Please ring Colin Portman (Fixtures Secretary) on XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX and make his life a lot easier.

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## CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

This is an annual championship, based on the results of the nearest badge event of the early Autumn, when no other major event is happening so that all club members can compete.

There are four awards, Club Champion / Second / Third and Best Newcomer (under two years active 'O'ing). Placing will be based on percentage of Gold time or equivalent for 'B' courses.

Presentation of the momento shields will be at the club AGM, or Xmas social.

For 1996 the event was at Macclesfield Forest, Sunday September 1st. This is the first event of the revived championship. As the rules are new, they may need adjustment for future years to cater for unforeseen circumstances. Feedback will be very welcome, as the committee would like to see the title "Club Champion" become a valued honour.

Here are the confirmed results:

%Gold		Class
75.182	David Hodkinson	M11A Club Champion 1996
77.786	Hilary Palmer	W45L Second
82.901	Robert Palmer	M17A Third
83.101	Helen Palmer	W15A
84.352	Stephen Wright	M13A
86.378	Colin Olivant	M11A
86.567	Stephen Wright	M50L
86.638	Richard Robinson	M15A
87.489	Alistair Footitt	M15A
87.489	Chris Hodkinson	M15A
91.177	Gilbert Bradshaw	M70L
91.264	Rosemary Hodkinson	W10A
91.495	Peter Forester	M17A Best Newcomer 1996
91.624	Bob Alderson	M55L
91.915	Tim Booker	M15A
93.679	Janet Evans	W35L
94.310	Nicola Olivant	W15A
95.272	David Olivant	M45L
95.947	Hilary Hodkinson	W40L
96.309	Thomas Billam	M11B
98.193	Robert Hatfield	M45L
98.530	Ros Bourne	W50L
Gold		
100.721	Jane Booker	W40L
102.424	Mike Dakin	M50L
104.904	Alan Jones	M65L
108.633	John Dalton	M45L
109.425	Dave Booker	M40L
109.538	Norah Jones	W65L
111.943	Stuart Hatfield	M15A
113.191	Keith Picksley	M55L
114.233	John Palmer	M50S
109.568	Pauline Jones	W35S
114.719	Emily Talbot	W15A
117.149	Katy Hatfield	W17A
117.591	Andy Booker	M11A
118.103	Mathew Sackman	M13A
118.304	Jacqueline Dakin	W40S
118.381	Pauline Olivant	W45S

119.789	Keith Streb	M40S
	Silver	
121.670	Fiona Munton	W15A
121.761	Ray Barnes	M40L
126.813	Richard Torr	M40L
127.905	Sarah Robins	W15A
131.688	Emma Jones	W15B
132.178	Sue Bedrock	W50S
140.076	Peter Bourne	M55S
142.239	Ben Lester	M13A
142.371	Keith Roberts	M35S
142.501	Stephen Hodgkinson	M40S
143.412	Ralph Bedrock	M50S
146.226	Lucas Lepola	M11A
150.526	Andrew Jones	M40S
157.035	Sam Kirwan	M15B
159.949	Alice Kirwan	W45L
	Bronze	
168.333	Gillian Hatfield	W45S
168.852	Jennifer Cook	W40S
172.708	David Armstrong	M35S
179.831	Sian Roberts	W10A
195.537	Rachel Pilnick	W15A
216.315	Arlene West	W21S
231.315	Adam Jones	M11A

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## WHITE ROSE CRICKET CHALLENGE

Under new rules devised (and continuously varied) by Del, the fifteen Lads scored a memorable victory over the seventeen Dads by 149 to 137. Leading scorers were Robert Palmer 31 (and 1 car alarm), Paul Mill 32 (and 2 angry caravanners), Alan Gould 29 and Janet Evans 20. Most memorable incident was Phil Pittson skying a catch, running underneath and allowing the ball to bounce back up from his pate, and still nobody caught it!. Of course the match result would have been different if the Dads had managed to find a few more ....

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## WHITE ROSE RELAYS - NOC Robby Nudd (is that what it's called?)

Teams were shuffled by Nicola and Helen.

First in Forest was Robert Palmer.

Winning Team was Robert Palmer / Stuart Hatfield / Janet Evans who came third in the actual White Rose event so got two sets of prizes. Second were Nick Evans / Stephen Wright (Jnr) / Judy Pittson.

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## HARVESTER TROPHY 1996

For once a NOC team got it together on the night to win the Devilla Trophy for the first Veterans team (M/W 40+) in this years Harvester Trophy at Dipton Wood, Hexham on September 14th/15th.

Leg	Time	Team	Position
NOC Nocturnals			
1	Michael Napier	46:05	2
2	Ray Barnes	52:21	3
3	Alan Beardsley	92:11	4
4	Alan Gould	58:03	2
5	Colin Portman	81:09	5 of 28
NOC Noctivagants			
1	Mick Lucking	99:25*	20
2	Bert Bradshaw	78:42	21
3	Chris Hodkinson	60:30	18
4	Stephen Wright	57:53	15
5	Peter Forester	68:01	15 of 28

The race started at 3.00am. To give the opposition a chance Mick Lucking sportingly had a lie in and started at approximately 3:45am. His running time was probably very similar to Michael Napier's.

Individually there were some outstanding runs with Chris Hodkinson fastest on Leg 3 and Michael Napier second on the competitive first leg.

Worthy mention to Ray Barnes eighth on Leg 3 and Stephen Wright beating many of his elders to come in a similar position on Leg 4.

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## JUNIOR HOME INTERNATIONALS

Our English team representative, Alistair Footitt had a good run to come 4th on the M15 course. England won (again) but our two Welsh representatives, Robert and Helen Palmer had something to cheer about when their country came second - victory over the Scots made up for their various disasters on the individual day but they did contribute with good runs in the relays.

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## BRITISH ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS 1997

Please keep the date free - **Saturday May 17th 1997** Clumber Park. We may not have the best terrain in the country but as a club we pride ourselves on our top class event organisation. Please ring Andy Jones on XXXXXXXXXXXXX to offer your help.

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## SHINING CLIFF BADGE EVENT

DVO have asked us to point out that this will now be a C4 event and not a Badge event as originally advertised hence no pre-entry. The undergrowth has got the better of the area.

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## SPORTS INJURY CLINIC

NOC has renewed its group membership of the Sports Injury Clinic. This entitles club members to treatment at £13 a session. There are clinics on Mansfield Road, Woodthorpe, Nottingham and in Beeston. Ring 0115 960 9553 to make an appointment.

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## EVERYONE WINS WITH COACHING

**Junior Coaching** - for those of white/yellow standard (i.e. capable of doing that course on their own) Bestwood (S end) 10-12 noon **Sat December 14th**. Names to Hilary Palmer XXXXXXXXXXXXX

**Coaching Weekend** - almost certainly **Jan 25th/26th** at Merthyr Mawr, a sand dune area near Bridgend. Club adult members who would like to go, please give your names to Eddie Nicholson XXXXXXXXXXXXX

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## NOC EVENTS AUTUMN 1996

<b>Date</b>	<b>Area</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Planner</b>	<b>Organiser</b>	<b>Controller</b>	<b>Group</b>
<b>Oct 20</b>	Thieves Wood	C4	Richard Torr	Ian Ward	Keith Streb	C
<b>Nov 16</b>	Walesby	N5	Colin Portman	CP & Alan Gould	Alan Gould	
<b>Nov 17</b>	Walesby	C4	Colin Portman	Andrew Bukavs	Alan Gould	A
<b>Dec 1</b>	Bramcote	C5	Keith Roberts	Paul Beverley	M Thomson	B
<b>Dec 27</b>	Rufford	X5				
<b>Jan 18</b>	Sherwood Pines	N5				
<b>Jan 19</b>	Sherwood Pines	C4				
<b>Feb 22</b>	Bestwood	X5		Hilary Palmer	Coaching	
<b>Mar 9</b>	Strawberry Hill	C4				
<b>Apr 20</b>	Blidworth	C4	Paul Morris			
<b>May 17</b>	Clumber	C1	British Champs			
<b>Jun 8</b>	Colwick Park	R4	Little John Relays			

Other events needing Planners, Organisers and Controllers

Oct 25 1997, Bestwood, (N5),  
 Oct 26 Bestwood (C4),  
 Nov 22 Thieves Wood (N5),  
 Nov 23 Thieves Wood (C4),

(R4 = Relay, X5 = NOC members only, N5 = Local Night event)

## AGM Agenda

### 1996 AGM of the Nottinghamshire Orienteering Club

to be held at the Old Spot, Mansfield Road, Daybrook at 2.00pm on Saturday 12 October 1996.

### AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of the 1995 AGM
3. Matters arising from the minutes
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Other Reports from the Committee
6. Membership Fees for 1997
7. Election of Officers
8. Chairman's Report and Plans for the New Year
9. Amendment to constitution proposed by Ray Barnes; "To amend Clause 6 in the club's constitution by replacing the phrase 'M/W17+' with 'M/W18+'.
10. Amendment to constitution proposed by John Dalton; " To amend Clause 3 para 1 in the club's constitution to read 'Membership of the club shall be open to anyone. 5 grades of membership shall exist - Family, Senior, Junior, Group and Honorary Life member. These grades of membership are as defined at anytime by BOF. Honorary Life members shall be elected at an AGM.
11. Tea
12. Video
13. Prize Giving
14. Any Other Business (not requiring a vote)
15. Informal events (including report on BOC '97).

The following nominations for positions on the committee have been received:

Position	Nominee	Proposer	Seconder
Chair	Ray Barnes	John Dalton	Hilary Palmer
Secretary	Jad Dziadosz	John Dalton	Steve Wright
Fixtures Secretary	Colin Portman	Hilary Palmer	Ray Barnes
Treasurer	Alison Sage	Jad Dziadosz	Colin Portman
Mapping Co-ordinator	David Olivant	Colin Portman	Ray Barnes
EMOA Representative	Ray Barnes	John Dalton	David Olivant
Coaching Co-ordinator	Hilary Palmer	Peter Bourne	Colin Portman
Team Manager	Janet Evans	John Dalton	Hilary Palmer

**The Committee has requested no smoking during the meeting**

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# **MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ORIENTEERING CLUB HELD ON WEDNESDAY 18 OCTOBER 1995 AT SHERWOOD PINES, MANSFIELD.**

## **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Andy Jones (Chair)	Alan Jones	Keith Streb	David Olivant
Colin Portman	Steve Wright	Alan Gould	Ray Barnes
Bert Bradshaw	Tony Caldicott	Bob Alderson	Keith Roberts
John Palmer	Hilary Palmer	Jad Dziadosz	Mick Lucking
Mark Thomson	Angela Lucking	Peter Bourne	Ros Bourne
Janet Evans	Hilary Hodgkinson	*Chris Hodgkinson	*David Hodgkinson

\* denotes non-voting member

## **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from the following members: Pauline Olivant, Peter Preston, Andrew Preston

## **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the 1994 AGM were accepted.

## **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

Ray Barnes asked if Proteus was a potential badge area. Andy Jones suggested that we could map Proteus with Budby, but we were still at the exploratory stage with regard to access and mapping, and the MoD were still waiting for a national agreement with BOF. Andy Jones said that we are making an effort to provide string courses at all our events. Andy Jones explained that we had found it difficult to co-ordinate a lottery claim.

## **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman said " we remain one of the largest clubs in the country, with active schemes to encourage new members into the club. Even so I feel that it is important that we maintain our high standards of sportsmanship and fair play to maintain our enviable image. " We have a reasonable spread of

forests and parks to orienteer in, but we have difficulty finding a technical or physical difficulty above 3 or 4. As a result we struggle to accommodate events like the Nationals, JK or British. Having said that it is a pleasure to have the country's top competitors in the region, and we are planning to have the British Champs in 1997 and the JK in 2001, which will tie up Clumber and probably Sherwood Pines. "The orienteering calendar swells to bursting point from September to May each year and brings with it the problem of planning events and avoiding clashes with neighbouring clubs. The balance between providing a reasonable number of events and not over-using our forests is very difficult to achieve. Only careful course planning can provide variety and a challenge from a heavily used area such as Blidworth. "In recent months we have had a change in the way we look at mapping of areas for all club events. The demands on mappers are increasing, putting pressure on the mapping co-ordinator. This has led to the club contracting out mapping of some areas. We have recently seen the first payment for club mapping of Sherwood Pines and Budby. Keen mappers such as Mark Thomson, Keith Streb, Alan Gould and David Olivant are a valuable club resource. Even so, the club now opts to use professional mappers for events such as the JK and British. "Adopting a Permanent Course in 1995 has been worthwhile. We are confident that with club members checking the courses any damage will be quickly spotted and rectified. "When we put on events we take it for granted that it will go ahead on the date specified. In the past few years we have had enormous trouble finding volunteer helpers. There seems to be a reluctance of members to pitch in and help out. The offer of a free run no longer seems to have sufficient pulling power. "The club's financial position earlier this year was somewhat of an embarrassment, so we decided to invest in equipment for the future, including aluminium trestles and a new finish clock. We also, as mentioned earlier, paid for a the mapping of a number of areas. "A word of congratulation to those members who had the honour of being selected for their country. Our juniors continue to develop well, thanks to the considerable time spent by Hilary, Pauline and the rest of our club coaches. "BOF had suggested that we grade organisers and planners in the same way as controllers. Given the difficulty we have getting organisers and planners this was given a big NO from the committee. Andy closed by saying that his 3 year term had run its course, and hoping that a volunteer for the post of Chairman would be forthcoming.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The treasurer spoke to the accounts. He pointed out that 1995 was the third year in succession that the income had dropped. He explained that coaching costs were partly offset by income from training courses. Angela Lucking questioned the figure for clothing sales. Andy Jones explained that the figure shown represented very few 'O'-suits, and he was to try to increase the stock in the more popular sizes. Mark Thomson suggested reducing prices to clear, and John Palmer suggested re-designing the club 'O'-suits.

## **ELECTION OF AUDITOR**

Jan Calvert was elected as auditor; proposed by Ros Bourne, seconded by Mick Lucking.

## **MEMBERSHIP FEES**

It was agreed that there should again be no club fees. Membership fees would therefore comprise EMOA plus BOF fees only.

## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Position	Nominee
Chairman	no nomination
Secretary	John Dalton
Treasurer	Steve Wright
Fixtures Secretary	Colin Portman
Mapping Co-ordinator	David Olivant
Coaching Co-ordinator	Hilary Palmer
EMOA Rep	Hilary Palmer
Team Manager	Peter Bourne
B & G Editor	Peter Bourne

All the above mentioned officers were returned unopposed.

## **PLANS FOR THE NEW YEAR**

There being no Chairman elected for 1996 Andy Jones briefly touched on BOC '97, for which planning and organisation would be ongoing through 1996. He said that team leaders at the Budby badge event would be asked to lead teams at BOC '97. A fixtures list for 1996 was provided for those present by Colin Portman.

## **ITEM PROPOSED BY MARK THOMSON**

"That Nottinghamshire Orienteering Club have only a maximum of 5 events per calendar year". Mark explained that he felt that we were putting undue pressure on our competition areas. We have 3 badge areas plus two possible badge areas, and 6 colour coded areas plus 3 possibles. If we hold an event once every two months during the season we use each area once every 2« years. Keith Streb suggested that we could solve the problem by mapping extra areas, but David Olivant pointed out the difficulties of such a policy, and the costs if areas were used only infrequently. John Palmer pointed out that we have produced some very good orienteers from our 'poor' areas, and our juniors were happy to run in our forests. He felt we needed a regular competition programme for them. Andy Jones and Ros Bourne both suggested that if getting helpers was a problem with the current number of events then we could try to manage with fewer helpers at each event. The committee agreed to consider that possibility. A vote was taken, and the resolution was lost by 3 votes to 14 with 5 abstentions.

## **ITEM PROPOSED BY RAY BARNES**

"That Nottinghamshire Orienteering Club introduce a scheme to encourage car sharing to events". Steve Wright expressed agreement with the principle, but was worried about the administrative problems which may be involved. Owing to a lack of time which precluded a full discussion an amendment

was proposed by Ray Barnes and seconded by Keith Streb to replace the word 'introduce' by the word 'evaluate'. A vote was taken on the amendment, and the amendment was carried by 18 votes to 0, with 2 abstentions.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

There being no other business the meeting closed at 21.20.

*Addendum: Subsequent to the AGM the committee approached Ray Barnes, who agreed to take on the post of Chairman for the remainder of the year.*