

Nottinghamshire Orienteering Club



Black and Green - September 99

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What's the Spinny Thing For?

I am, of course, referring to a compass, which I am frequently guilty of not using enough. The Scottish 6-day event soon enlightened me on that score however. For those of you who were unable to make it this time – it was fantastic – super terrain, majestic scenery and the chance to shout yourself hoarse encouraging the Brits competing in the world Champs. Thought for this issue – ‘Be bouncy like Tigger – not slow like Eeyore’ (with thanks to the GB team performance coach Goran Andersson who coined this particular piece of motivation-speak)

Anyway on with the plot.... I've been in this job for about a year now so it means that the AGM is looming – here are a few topics that we'll be talking about:

The AGM is on the 19th October at Chilwell Olympia Leisure Centre. It will start at 7:30 pm prompt. Please make every effort to attend.

1. The club has decided to affiliate to Chilwell Olympia in order that we may use this venue as a training base from which to run from throughout the year – it also has the benefits of showers and a bar. Training will commence from the 26th October and will be on Tuesday evenings from 7pm (be ready to run at 7pm). The type of training events run are very much up to you although we'll be trying to make it as interesting as possible.

2. Club and individual successes.
3. Mentoring of new members to assist their learning and enjoyment of the sport.
4. The clubs involvement in the O-Zone initiative.
5. Attracting new people into the sport.
6. The year ahead – competition-wise.

There are also a few elections to be had – After a few years of sterling service to the club the following people are standing down and taking a break from running one of the most successful orienteering clubs in the country. A whole bundle of thanks to the following:

Jad Dziadosz - Secretary
Janet Evans - Team Manager
Chris Hodgkinson – Junior Representative

Well, that's about it from me at the moment. See you at the AGM.

Good luck for the coming season. Bounce!

Tony

Compass Sport Cup 2000 Round One, Sunday 19th March

Please put this date in your diary NOW. This will save you much embarrassment when the team manager calls to check your availability.

AGM Notice

The Annual General Meeting of Nottinghamshire Orienteering Club will take place on 19th October 1999. It will be held at Chilwell Olympia Leisure Centre, Bypass Road, Chilwell, Nottinghamshire. The start time will be 7.30 p.m. prompt.

Any nominations for committee positions, resolutions, amendments to the constitution or items requiring a vote, to be sent to the Secretary, 116 Long Lane,

Attenborough, Nottingham NG9 6BW by 5th October 1999.

The agenda and minutes of last year's meeting will be published on the NOC website <http://www.cix.co.uk/~raybarnes/NOC/> by 12th October (this saves the Club £45), and will be available at the meeting. Anyone without Internet access who needs to be sent a written copy of the agenda and minutes should contact the secretary.

Jad Dziadosz (Secretary)

Harvester Relay, 11th /12th September

One of those events when things did not go well for the Club.

The Open team (much depleted by causes beyond our control), took part in 5 mini-mass starts, so finished 17th out of the 27 teams who started. Stuart Hatfield was lucky to be able to run at all - he couldn't find one of his 'O' shoes when he was packing to go. A search revealed a rather chewed shoe on the lawn. Warning: if you have foxes in your garden, don't

The Junior team had two failures - one a 'housekeeping error', where map 78 was collected rather than map 87, and one a lighting failure, meaning 2km in a technical area finding controls by a penlight!

Next year the Juniors will be trying to make it 3 wins in 4 years - and will hopefully have essentially the same team.

But the Women's team did well, finishing 6th, giving the club lots of points in the UK Relay League.

'O' Zone Report

Autumn Events: All the Family The new season began with the Come and Try It event at Colwick Park, where some fifty new faces appeared. The follow-ups are three Saturday morning events, all near Mansfield. These events are aimed at beginners, although everyone is welcome, and will only have White, Yellow and Orange courses. However, they still need 10 helpers each to run them, so names please to Ray Barnes who is co-ordinating the series.

Mapping and POC's During the next four months we will have mapped three more areas, and started to install at least two new permanent courses, with a focus on our least-well-populated area (as far as orienteers goes), of Mansfield, Sutton and Ashfield. It is essential that each POC has regular checks. Please volunteer to the Mapping Officer.

Highland 99

64 NOC members attended the Scottish 6 Days based at Inverness. Best placings were:

- | M10A 2nd Peter Hodkinson
 - | W12A 3rd Rosemary Hodkinson
 - | W10B 4th Sarah Claxton
 - | W20S 4th Nicola Olivant
 - | M14A 5th Colin Olivant
 - | M18A 6th Richard Robinson
 - | M12B 6th Alistair Claxton
 - | W10B 8th Laura Evans
 - | W14A 9th Sarah O'Neil
 - | W50L 9th Hilary Palmer
 - | M16A 10th David Hodkinson
 - | W45S 11th Hazel Rice
 - | M18A 11th Brendan Mackrill
 - | W16A 12th Alison O'Neil
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Coaching Conference

Nottinghamshire CC are holding a Teachers and Coaches Conference on 14th October 18:00, at Trent Bridge Cricket Ground. Closing date is 1st October. Cost £20. The theme for Coaches is 'Psychology & Motivation', and for Teachers is 'Health Related Exercise for KS4' (*More details from me ... Editor*)

Yet More Representatives from NOC

England Team for the Junior Home Internationals (N Ireland Oct):

M14: Colin Olivant, M16: David Hodgkinson, M18: Richard Robinson, W14: Alison O'Neil

Welsh Team for the Junior Home Internationals (N Ireland Oct):

W14: Sian Roberts, W18: Helen Palmer

Welsh Team for the Senior Home Internationals (Wales Oct):

W20: Helen Palmer (W18), M20: Robert Palmer

GB Team for the European Junior Cup (Austria Oct):

Helen Palmer, Reserve: Richard Robinson

White Rose Weekend: 28th-30th August

The Robby Knudd relays were won by Tim Blaney, Stuart Hatfield and Sian Roberts. Thanks to excellent handicapping by Paul Morris, the first three teams were in the finish funnel at the same time. The 'First in the Forest' honour was won by Tim Blaney.

The Cricket was easily won by the adults, although rain and darkness did stop play before the juniors had a chance to bowl out enough adults with negative scores!

Thursday Training

Thursday training is hosted by the Olivants, 89 Southcliffe Road, Carlton until 30th September. From 7th October to 23rd December the venue will be Ray Barnes', 4 Bridge Grove, West Bridgford. 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.

This is in addition to the Tuesday Club Night based at Chilwell Olympia, starting from 26th October, 19:00.

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A Handy Reference Guide for your Diary

Actions / Deadlines To Remember

- | Offer to Plan / Organise / Control events marked + below.
- | 5th Oct Any resolutions / nominations for AGM
- | 30th Sep Copy Date Black & Green

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> + see foot of page
2nd Oct	Bestwood SK558477	N5 Night	Richard Robinson	
3rd Oct	Bestwood SK571463	C4 Colour Coded	Tom Kirwan Helpers - Group C	
	Thieves Wood			

16th Oct	SK544576	C5 W-Y-O	Coord Ray Barnes	'O' Zone
13th Nov	Blidworth SK586540	C5 W-Y-O	Coord Ray Barnes	'O' Zone
27th Nov	Rufford SK646656	N5 Night	Alan Beardsley	
5th Dec	Byron's Walk SK512534	C4 Colour Coded Galoppen	Phil Pittson Helpers - Group A	
11th Dec	Haywood Oaks SK610559	C5 W-Y-O	Coord Ray Barnes	'O' Zone
19th Dec	Berry Hill SK546593	O5 Christmas Event	NOC Juniors	
29th Jan	Thieves Wood	O5 Short Races	Helpers - Group B	+CO+
30th Jan	Blidworth Sansom	O5 Short Races	Helpers - Group C	+C
5th Mar	Sherwood Pines	C4 Colour Coded Galoppen	Bob & Gill Hatfield Helpers - Group A	
19th Mar	?	C4		Compass Sport Round One
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7th May	Thieves	R5 Relay	Helpers - Group B	Little John Relays
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+PCO+ Need one or more of Planner / Controller / Organiser.

This edition of Black & Green has been truncated to fit onto 4 pages. The Glossary / Juniors Report and a note about Letterboxes will appear in the next edition.

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/>

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