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# Phot-O Gallery 1



*Sue & Ian Buxton / Photo by Matthew Whiteley*



*Sue & Ian's Wedding*



*lan's medal collection from Waddesdon activity week!*

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*Front cover: Score course registration, Waddesdon activity week  
Back Cover: Wittenham Clumps Saturday Series, complete with cows*

### From the Chair

Well, we thought last year was an amazing success, but even more people took part in this year's orienteering at Waddesdon over half term. Massive thanks must go to Yvonne who oversaw the arrangements, and who encouraged, persuaded, and recruited helpers to cover the nine days.

Helping can be extremely enjoyable and rewarding. There are many opportunities to help within orienteering, and you can be sure of finding a role that you will feel happy in. An excellent way to get your first experience of planning courses is to offer to plan a Saturday Series event. These are low key events, with only a small number of courses, and you will get all the help you would like. Nat, the Saturday Series co-ordinator, is looking for people to offer to plan in the Autumn. So if you've never planned before and would like a go I would seriously recommend you get in touch with Nat.



*Carol Edwards at Winchester*

Something that I am very pleased to report is that TVOC has been re-awarded Clubmark. This is the national, cross-sport, accreditation for community sports clubs that recognises high standards in welfare, equity, coaching and management. A huge thank you must go to John Dalton, who did most of the work on this re-validation.

Our major club event of the year is coming up on 9th April. The Chiltern Challenge is our annual 'Level B' event, and has 12 colour coded courses on offer, plus a String Course, so something for everyone. It's in Hambleden, which is one of our most beautiful areas, and I hope as many club members as possible will take part. See our website for details.

Several club members attended the wedding of TVOC members Sue Jones and Ian Buxton on 13th February. It was a sunny day, in the lovely setting of Sefton's Barn near Princes Risborough. Photos and article elsewhere in this newsletter.

There was an excellent club effort at the CompassSport Cup round at Cold Ash, with us narrowly missing qualifying for the final.

Looking to the next six months, we have a very healthy programme of events in addition to our Level B event. There is a full programme of Saturday Series events, and Oxford Street-O events, with the next set of summer evening events in the planning stage – see elsewhere in this newsletter. Happy orienteering!

*Carol Edwards / TVOC chair*

## News in Brief

### Recent Club Successes

The British Night Orienteering Championships were held at Great Tower, by Windermere, in the Lake District, on 25th Feb. There were some good results for TVOC members:

Inara Gipsle 2nd in W65L, Carol Edwards 3rd W60L, Bethany Kippin 11th in W18L, Simon Kippin 11th in M45L  
*Carol Edwards*

Northern Championships: Inara Gipsle W65 first, Nigel Bunn M50 3rd; Fiona Bunn W18E second.  
*Mikhail Gryaznevich*

### Chiltern Challenge

TVOC's Chiltern Challenge (including the SCOA Championships) is on 9th April. Entries are now open. If you are helping on the day, the helper discount code on fabian4 is tvoc17 (and see the article from Alun on page 9 to see why you should enter!)

### Anne's Plum Job!

TVOC's Anne Edwards was invited by PWT Italia to write media copy for this week's orienteering events in Italy. You can see her first interview here <http://www.orienteering.it/>

### Art & Orienteering

You may be interested to know that the Paul Nash exhibition at Tate Britain (ends 5th March)

had paintings of no fewer than four\* TVOC areas, including seven of one, as well as HH's Ivinghoe Beacon. (\* If you include a street map & a non-current area!) *Jon Wheatcroft*

## Membership News

### Membership News

I am delighted to introduce the following new members to the club: Andy, Clare, Jemimah, Moses, and Hannah Pritchard, Victoria Cadman, Robert Kenny, Katharine Hill, Amanda Bicknell, Elaine Horsey, Ian, Lucia, Lula and Jacob Gunn, Rob and Lisa Dew, Neil Saunders, Jay Berry, and new junior member Alfie Hatton. I'm sure everyone will look out for them at events, and make them feel very welcome.

We are well into 2017 now, but there are still some members who have yet to renew their membership. Unfortunately this is the last newsletter you will receive if you do not renew. It is easy to do so via the British Orienteering website. Please get in touch if you have any difficulties.

The Membership List will be sent out with the next newsletter, so if anyone has any details they need changing please let me know. Also, if anyone wants to join one of the events teams, or to change teams let me know, then that information can be up to date in the Membership List.

*Carol Edwards, Membership Secretary*



*Carol Edwards*  
(photo: Rob Lines)

## Club Tops and Jackets

The stock of jackets is now much diminished but I still have a few at £45 and in a range of sizes. Use the Trimtex guide to assess your size, check with me to make sure I have one, then I will ask you to pay the club direct. Junior sizes work on height, but this link may help: <http://trimtexsport.com/measurements-table/>

As to running tops I have a few left and will be making a fresh order, so if you want one, please email me with your size and whether short or long sleeved. These are still priced at £25.

To remind members, the club will supply shirts free of charge to juniors, after they have completed 2 colour coded courses on their own.

Any questions, then best way is by email: [petercriches@gmail.com](mailto:petercriches@gmail.com)



*Peter in club kit*

**Peter Riches**

## Schools League

There has been a slight amendment to the leaderboard since the last newsletter, as a couple of runners had not been included. This brings Clifton Hampden back into the mix this year.

After the 5<sup>th</sup> event at Wittenham Clumps, Sir William Borlase's Grammar School in Marlow is still in an impressive lead, having consistently competed at each event so far. Last year's winners, Holy Trinity, are hard on their heels in second place. The updated leaderboard is shown below.

Pos	School	Points
1	Sir William Borlase's Grammar	1425
2	Holy Trinity Marlow	875
3	Charlbury Primary School	480
4	Clifton Hampden Primary School	390
5=	Queen Margaret's York / Westbrook Hay School	100

*Ian Buxton / Schools League co-ordinator*

## SCOA Junior Squad

### Junior Squad Highlights:

A small number of athletes and coaches attended two weekend events – one organised by the Welsh Junior Squad and the other by Sheffield University on behalf of JROS.

Several athletes and parents supported the BKO Langley Park event to sell cakes and raise funds. Thanks to BKO for the fantastic fund raising opportunity.

Fiona Bunn, David Bunn and Bethany Kippin have been selected to represent England at Interland, hosted by Belgium in April 17.

Fiona, David and Bethany were invited to join a night event organised by St Andrew's school, Pangourne. After a school dinner with the children, the three athletes chatted to the children and parents about their orienteering experiences and some tips on night orienteering. The night culminated in a manic 45 minute score event around the school.



*Photo by Simon Kippin*

### Future training sessions:

Saturday 18 March 2017	Long Valley. Training with SN Junior Squad in morning. Afternoon terrain running
Saturday 1 April 2017	Gordon's School West End Lightwater. Training with South East Junior Squad.
May / June	TBD

We welcome all SCOA juniors of about Orange standard and above and aged 10 or so to 18 years to join us at the Saturday training days. We meet at 1015 hrs and finish about 1500 hrs. You need to bring your lunch, a drink, £1 to cover map and access costs, and your orienteering

kit. Please contact Simon Kippin (juniorsquad@scoa-orienteing.org.uk) if you want to know more.

**Simon Kippin / SCJS squad manager**

## Colour-coded award badges

Are you eligible for a colour badge? You can qualify for a colour award badge by successfully achieving the 'standard' for that colour course (at a level C event or above) on 3 separate occasions. For yellow, orange, red, light green, green, blue & brown courses the standard is generally set by either the winner's time +50%, or the top 50% of those who started the course, whichever gives the most qualifiers. The white standard is achieved by all who complete the white course.

If you believe you are eligible for a colour badge, collect together the relevant results and contact Roger Baker who maintains the TVOC stock.

*email: rogerhbaker@btinternet.com phone: 01235 520447  
post: Ludwell, Faringdon Road, Abingdon, Oxon OX14 1BQ*



*Yellow & Orange badges*

**Roger Baker**

## Permanent Course Certificates

Along with Instructions on the back of TVOC Permanent Course maps there is the offer of an attractive certificate to commemorate achievement if the secret codes that have been discovered are sent to me. This gives me the opportunity of including publicity material along with the certificate and making suggestions for further involvement in a personal letter.

Thanks to Mike Shires (design) and John Farren (production) I now have new certificates as illustrated here.



### TVOC Permanent courses:

you can download maps from the TVOC website, using username **maps** password **tvocmaps**

**Roger Baker**

## Saturday night and Sunday morning

TVOC will be hosting the **Southern Night Championships** at Penn Wood on the evening of Saturday 2nd December, followed by a level C event in the same area on the morning of Sunday 3rd. Please put that date in your calendar now.

Two events back-to-back like this are going to strain our event helpers. As organiser of the

two events, I am really concerned that we can put enough helpers out so that both events run smoothly. So:

- if you are a regular helper (in which case many, many thanks to you), please put that date into your calendar now.
- If you are not a regular helper, please do join one of our event teams. We really need more people in our event teams. And if you are new to TVOC, it's a great way to meet other members. And we will be more than glad to give you reduced price entry to our events when you help. Just drop an email to [membership@tvoc.org.uk](mailto:membership@tvoc.org.uk) to say which membership team you would like to join – there us a list of teams on the inside back page.

***Alun Jones / Southern Night Champs Organiser***

## **Waddesdon Activity Week**

The Waddesdon half-term week was very successful with 1565 participants in total over the 9 days - 27, 46, 184, 215, 174, 273, 287, 173, 186. The first weekend was low because of the poor weather - light snow and cold winds. The total is 168 more than last year.

The children, parents and grandparents really enjoyed the challenge with many families determined to get all 4 medals - 1 for each course - that fitted together like a jigsaw. The children's faces are delightful when receiving their medals. A group of Girl Guides had a go at the score course and said it was fun. Their Leader was pleased that there was an outdoor activity they could do in February.

A total of 19 helpers (18 from TVOC and 1 from HH) spread over the week joined Waddesdon staff in running the activity, to explain orienteering and set the participants off on their courses and give out Mike's excellent event advertising cards.

A big thank you from me to these volunteers.

Surprisingly, there were many visitors from the Oxford area, lots of whom were interested in our forthcoming Saturday events around there, so look out for newcomers at Wittenham and Cutteslowe.

Waddesdon staff are extremely grateful to TVOC for supporting their half-term activity.

***Yvonne Hodson***

## **TVOC re-accredited for Clubmark**

TVOC's submission for re-accreditation to the Clubmark standard has been successful after sign-off and formal agreement by Craig Anthony on behalf of British Orienteering.



*Roger Baker helping at Waddesdon -  
photo by Yvonne Hodson*

Clubmark is the universally acknowledged cross-sport accreditation scheme for community sports clubs. It is based on criteria which must be supported by specific evidence. Based on four key areas of club development, it centres around:

- Activity/playing programmes - this includes, for example, coaching qualifications requirements, insurance and coach to participant ratios
- Duty of care and welfare - appropriate risk assessments, health and safety policies, training, compliance and child protection policies
- Knowing you club and its community - this ensures that you club is committed to fairness and equity in respect of the way in seeks to attract and retain members from your local community
- Club management - which covers issues to do with club and committee structure and the general running of the organisation

In response to TVOC's initial submission, Craig Antony said, "I felt it was a very strong submission with little that required further investigation. Thank you for taking the time to present the evidence so well."

I am extremely grateful to a large number of people who contributed in a wide variety of ways to our submission. The information and evidence that needed collecting and collating was extensive.

Our accreditation lasts for four years, subject to annual self-review. Our accreditation demonstrates that the club has a good framework in place for its development. It is important to be able to acknowledge this by highlighting our excellence to the outside world. We will be able to continue using the Clubmark logo on our club publicity material, which can be very important as we continue to promote our club to all, and particularly to young people in our area.

*John Dalton*

## **Why you should enter the Chiltern Challenge**

This year's Chiltern Challenge, at Hambleden on Sunday 9th April, is also the 2017 SCOA Championships. It will be a great event, on a great area. If you were not planning to attend, do read this article and think again. You can find details of the event on page 19.

If you often do level C or level B events, you can skip the first part of this article.

**If you never go to any events other than Saturday Series,**  
then you are missing out on the excitement of bigger events.

Research shows that a lot of newcomers to the sport never develop beyond local events. Our own experience backs that up. TVOC has been really successful in the last two or three years in attracting new members, thanks in no small part to Mike Shires' publicity efforts to support our Saturday Series. However many of those new names never appear in the results lists for larger events, even ones that TVOC puts on.

For some of you, all you want is to go to an occasional local event. If that is as much orienteering as you want to do, then that is absolutely fine.

However, maybe you are put off attending larger events – perhaps thinking that 'those are for serious orienteers, not people like me'. If that is the case, then please think again. Our (and other clubs') level C and level B events do offer long technical courses for fit and experienced orienteers. But they also offer the usual courses you see at Saturday Series, with White, Yellow, Orange, Light Green and Green available (but note there is no Red); some also offer Short Green and even Very Short Green to confuse matters! So these events are just as much for 'ordinary' orienteers as for the elite.

And you will be just as welcomed as at our Saturday Series. In fact, more so, because with the larger numbers attending, we need more helpers to run the event. Whether it be directing cars in the car park, helping on Enquiries, dealing with Registration, at the Start or Finish, or collecting controls after the event, these larger events need a lot of volunteers. So much so that TVOC offers a decent discount (usually something like 50% of the pre-entry price) if you are prepared to do a shift helping. So do please come to them, and do help there. It's also a great way of getting to know other club members.

Our next such event is the Chiltern Challenge, a level B event\* at Hambleden (between Henley and Marlow) on Sunday 9th April. Hambleden is a super area. It really does live up to the club's name because it is on the side of the actual valley of the river Thames. The valley side has some deep indentations into it, so it is quite undulating, and contains lovely open and runnable forest. It really is a pleasure to run in. The only downside is that access is quite expensive, so we only use it for our more prestige events.

So why not enter? It IS more expensive – those access charges have to be paid for. If you pre-enter then seniors pay £14.50 plus £1.50 EMIT hire. But come along to help for an hour or so and you will be eligible for a discount of £6. (Equivalent figures for juniors are £6.00, plus £1.50 less a £3 helper discount.) OK, so even after the helper discount it's a fair bit more than a Saturday Series. But it is a really lovely bit of wood to run in and you will experience the atmosphere of a major event.

You need to pre-enter via [Fabian4.co.uk](http://Fabian4.co.uk). You will need to register your details, but it is straightforward. Enter the helper discount code, which is `tvoc17`, to obtain the helper discount. And drop a note to the organiser Jon ([wheatcroft@waitrose.com](mailto:wheatcroft@waitrose.com)) to say you are available to help.

One other reason for running at Hambleden. It's a rare opportunity to get access to a very exclusive bit of forest, which is normally the preserve of the shooting elite. The forest itself, and the very picturesque nearby Hambleden village, has featured several times in Midsomer Murders as well as in many films and other TV dramas. If you have not been there before, then it would be well worth visiting after your run on what I am sure will be a nice sunny April afternoon.

And another thought. What about entering the JK, the Easter weekend festival of orienteering? This event, which this year is being held in the South-East, will attract probably 3,000 orienteers. It's too late to enter the main courses, and in any case they are seriously expensive (like £25 a day plus £2.15 for e-card hire). But you can enter Colour courses (White,

Yellow, Orange and Light Green) on Saturday and Sunday, or a Novice course at the Sprint on Friday for just £12 plus £2.15 e-card hire. That's a decent price for taking part in probably the most prestigious event of the year.

If you are planning to go to the Chiltern Challenge, do think about what class to enter.

Our Chiltern Challenge is this year's SCOA Championship, so there are medals going for the top three in each age class. Now you may think there is no way you are going to win a medal, but think again. Just follow these simple rules and you may surprise yourself.

**Rule 1. You must enter an age class.** So don't enter a colour class. The obvious class to enter is your own age class. The entry flyer shows you what colour class that age class translates to. If you are confident that you can get round that colour of course, then maybe that is the class to go for. But read Rule 3 first.

**Rule 2. You must pre-enter by the closing date of 2nd April.** Late entries and entries on the day will not be eligible for the SCOA Championships.

**Rule 3. Think about running up.** This means entering the class above yours. M/W20 and below can enter an older age class, up to M/W21; M/W35+ can enter a younger class down to M/W21. And women can enter mens' age classes.

This is where things get interesting.

Results of the last four years' SCOA Championships can be seen at <http://tinur1.com/SCOA-champs> Have a look at the results, and you will see quite a few gaps in the medal tables, because there were not enough SCOA competitors in some of the classes – indeed a few classes had no competitors at all!

Let's take last year's SCOA Champs, held in December at the SN Trophy at Long Valley, as an example. M40 was won by Jan Travnicek, but he was the only competitor. So you could have turned up, walked round the M40 course and picked up a silver medal! Most of the junior classes are pretty sparsely filled, as are the younger senior classes. But from M/W45 or so, the medal table looks pretty full, all the way up to fairly advanced ages.

It is the same in earlier years. Take W35 in 2014. Second place was Georgina Blair of TVOC. She may have been a long way behind the winner, but Georgina was delighted to win a medal as she had only been orienteering for about a year. She has since moved north so is sadly no longer with TVOC.

So have a look at what age classes are generally short of competition and consider running up into that class.

Even if there are several competitors, you may find that running up puts you against less stiff competition. Last year I should have run M60, but that would have put me up against Colin Dickson, Axel Blomquist, Philip Eeles, Pete Jones, not to mention Mikhail and Vladimir from TVOC. I can beat some of them, indeed I have beaten all of them in the past, but never at the same time. So the chances of me becoming M60 champion were low. But if I ran M55, also on the Blue course but different opposition, my chances looked a lot better. And so it proved. I had a decent run, but was beaten by Colin and Axel so would have been 3rd had I been competing at M60, but instead was M55 champion. Result!

So do enter for the Chiltern Challenge, do enter by age class, and do have a think about running up. Oh, and do offer to help.

\* What do those letters to describe events actually mean? Well broadly:

Level D events are generally small local events with limited facilities.

Level C events are larger events with more courses, more competitors and better facilities.

Level B events are generally larger again, usually with more challenging terrain.

Level A events are the most prestigious events in the UK.

**Alun Jones**

## Scottish 6-Days

Scottish Orienteers are very much looking forward to welcoming everyone to beautiful Royal Deeside in July for 6 amazing days of orienteering in a very special location. The event is suitable for everyone - for first time families right up to World Ranking athletes. Don't miss it!  
[www.scottish6days.com/2017](http://www.scottish6days.com/2017)

Preparations are now well under way for the Scottish Orienteering 6 Days Festival which promises to attract over 3000 entries to Royal Deeside from 30 July to 5 August. Much International interest has been generated as the previous, highly successful Moray 2015 incorporated the World Orienteering Championships and competitors will be keen to return to Scotland for this year's event. Almost 2000 entries have been received so far including those from Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong as well as throughout Europe and Scandinavia.

Royal Deeside has much to offer to visitors who enjoy the outdoors - hillwalking, cycling, golf and fishing to whisky tasting and the well-known Castle Trail.

Local MAR Orienteering Club will be hosting the event in conjunction with Edinburgh's Interlopers Club and Scottish Orienteering with the event centre housed at the Victoria and Albert Halls in Ballater - 'the Gem of the Cairngorms'.

The Event camp site - with good quality washing and toilet facilities and also electric hook up - is situated close by, a 5 minute walk away from the centre of town where there is a good-sized supermarket, cafes, restaurants and local shops.

Kicking off on 30 July with Day 1 being held in beautiful Glen Tanar, each day sees orienteering action throughout Deeside showing off some of the best countryside and stunning scenery the area has to offer. Day 3 at Birsemore will be a World Ranking Event and while there is plenty to attract the top elite athletes with steep climbs, challenging terrain and technical areas, there are many other courses on offer suitable for all the family and all levels of experience including string courses available for small children to try each day. A Trail-O event is being



*Scottish 6-days postcard*

held on one of the days at close by Cambus O May Forest which will be suitable for wheelchairs and buggies. All events are within a 20 mile corridor along the Dee valley which will allow plenty time for sightseeing and relaxing!

On the mid-week "day off" a Sprint race has been organised by Graham Gristwood and Sprint Scotland which will comprise a fast and furious race round the streets of Ballater – a sight not to be missed! This event is part of the 2017 UK and Scottish Urban Leagues.

Be a part of it! Enter now through [Sientries.co.uk](http://Sientries.co.uk). Further information on the festival is available at [www.scottish6days.com/2017](http://www.scottish6days.com/2017) or follow us on Facebook or Twitter @scottish6days.

**Forwarded by email from Carol Edwards**

## Happy Monday

After a dreary weekend, the sun shone on Monday 13th February. The 13th February was an auspicious day for Ian, being exactly 365 days after he impaled himself on the stub of a tree branch at Christmas Common. Following the resulting trip to hospital, Ian proposed to Sue. No doubt by design, their wedding took place exactly one year on.

The wedding celebrations were held at Sefton's Barn, at the Horses Home of Rest at Speen. This was a very beautiful setting for a very happy and enjoyable occasion. Bride and Groom had a brief honeymoon at Burford before work commitments dragged Ian off to Switzerland.

**Alun Jones**



*Sue & Ian - photo by Yvonne Hodson*

## Future major event plans

A quick reminder about our major event during the remainder of 2017. We have the following major events coming up:

- **Chiltern Challenge on Sunday 9 April.** Our premier event of the year, being held this year at Hambleden, a fantastic area with lovely runnable woodland, lots of contours, and a great Assembly area. The Chiltern Challenge is just a week before the JK, the annual Easter weekend festival of orienteering, which this year is being held in the South East. There will be a week of events leading up to the JK, kicked off by the Chiltern Challenge. Do come, and do lend a hand there. We will need you! Entries are open, helper discount tvoc17.
- **Abingdon Urban Race on Monday 28 August.** That's Bank Holiday Monday. A new area for Urban, with a historic town centre and some modern housing estates.

- **Southern Night Champs on the evening of Saturday 2 December** at Penn Wood and Common Wood. Not for the faint-hearted. You need good orienteering skills, and a bright headlight, to do well at night-O. But we will need lots of helpers that evening.
- **Penn Wood and Common Wood on Sunday 3rd December.** Back at the same venue on Sunday morning for a SCOA League event.

I am pleased to say I have organisers, planners and controllers for all of those events.

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2		<b>Date</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Where?</b>	<b>Map update</b>	<b>Organiser</b>	<b>Planner</b>	<b>Controller</b>	<b>Comments</b>
3		<i>Note location of events is subject to obtaining appropriate permissions</i>							
47		<b>2017</b>							
50	Su	09/04/2017	B	Hambleden	Mark Thompson & John Farrer	Jon & Glynis Wheatcroft	Mark Thompson & Peter Riches	Terry Smith, SOC	
51	Mo	28/08/2017	C	North Abingdon	Martin Ricketts	Luke McNeill	Fiona Bunn	John Orton, NWO	
52	Sa	02/12/2017	B	Common Wood & Penn Wood	Bob Beresford	Alun Jones	Neville Baker	Mike Pemberton, BKO	Southern Night Champs.
53	Su	03/12/2017	C	Common Wood & Penn Wood	Bob Beresford	Alun Jones	Gary Walford	David Frampton, HH	
54		<b>2018</b>							
55	Su	21/01/2018	C	RAF Halton East + Wendover	??	??	Nat Skidmore	??	
56	Su	15/04/2018	B	Great Hampden	Mark Thompson	John Dalton	Robin Bishop	Mike Edwards, RAFO	
57	Su	??/06/2018	C	Coombe Hill	??	??	??	??	
58	Mo	27/08/2018	C	Bicester Urban	??	??	??	Charles B-G, SARUM	
59	Su	??/11/2018	C	Shotover	??	??	??	??	
60		<b>2019</b>							
61	Fr	19/04/2019	A	RAL		Wheatcrofts	Colin Duckworth		
62	Mo	22/04/2019	A	Bradenham		Neville Baker	Steve Long		
63		<b>2020</b>							
64									
65	Sa	??/??/2020	A	Hambleden	??	??	Neville Baker?	??	British Night Champs
66	Su	??/??/2020	B	Hambleden	??	??	Carol Edwards	??	Chiltern Challenge

For those of you who have only ventured to Saturday Series events, do make a note of the above dates in your diary and come along to them. These may be bigger events, hopefully attracting around 300 competitors and maybe 500+ for the Chiltern Challenge, but fundamentally they are just the same as Saturday events. The same range of courses (plus some longer technical ones), the same navigation challenge (although these will be technical areas with courses designed to test more experienced orienteers), the same EMIT punching system.

As for 2018, we have five events lined up. Have a look at <http://tinyurl.com/TVOC-plans> to see the details. I have a full set of officials in place for the Chiltern Challenge in mid April. But I need an organiser for the January event, and organisers and planners for the three events later in the year. First come, first served. Just drop an email to [alun.orienteering@gmail.com](mailto:alun.orienteering@gmail.com)

**Alun Jones / recruiter of officials**

# Summer Series 2017

The proposed dates for the summer series 2017 are below, all we need now is some very kind individuals to come forward and take on one of these events, I know many of you are involved with the Saturday Series and other TVOC events, but these are very low key events that last about an hour (5k for longest courses). They are intended for experienced and developing orienteers, and are not suitable due to no first aid cover, for newcomers. There is usually 1 loop at yellow/orange level at 1.5k, then two other loops of 1.5k and 2k where we aim for a TD5 controls if possible. What the event entails is entirely up to you.

## Dates allocated so far...

9 May Brill, Ben Green

20 Jun Hodgemoor, Mark and Peter

4 Jul, Bernwood, Jamie Parkinson

TBA, TBA, Robin Bishop

23 May, Bradenham, Seamus Cunnane

28 Jun, Chesham Bois, Andrew Chalmers

12? July, Wycombe Abbey, Sue/Ian Buxton

## Proposed dates:

Wed 17 May

Wed 31 May

Tue 6 Jun

Wed 14 Jun

Wed 12 Jul

Tue 18 Jul

Many thanks for your support,

**Chris Poole / Summer Series Co-ordinator**

## Oxford Street-O series

It's less than a week to go for next weeks Oxford Street-O Series event. We return to central Oxford this month for a run around the city centre. Neville Baker is planning this event, centered in the University Club on Mansfield Road, OX1 3SZ.

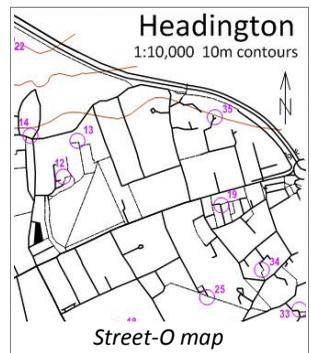
Please see if you can come along on Wednesday 15th March to have a go. The city centre is flat with very little traffic, though one or two of the surrounding roads are still busy.

Usual format of a 60 minute score event, with multiple choice questions for control sites. Remember to bring a pen and also a head torch may prove useful.

Full details are on the event website.

<http://oss.markandblanka.com/event/oss-march-2017-central-oxford/>

Hope to see you all during the season.



**Robin Bishop / Street Series Co-ordinator**

# Unilluminated Orienteering or Grope O

## (A Cautionary Tale)

It was going pretty well in the British Night Championships M70L: over two thirds of the way around the course with barely a minute lost. Winsplits has me 2nd at control 7, 2 minutes down on 1st, and 2 minutes ahead of the eventual winner. Had dropped a few minutes and a place by 8, but 8 – 9 was somewhat eventful. Suddenly I was plunged into total darkness, and I mean total – a misty night on a remote Lakeland wooded hillside with no urban, moon or starlight. I frantically checked my connections without success. So I had to recourse to my spare light, which consisted of a very small cheap headlamp from which I had removed the head strap, and had to carry in my hand. How I wish I hadn't taken the head strap off to save weight! I carry my protractor compass in my right hand, and my thumbled map in my left. Lacking a third arm and hand, I soon tripped and knocked the little light on the ground, resulting in only the red light working. With this I couldn't discern detail on the map let alone see the ground. Fortunately, I was near a path with people flitting by. I had no choice than to resort to plaintive, highly-apologetic, shamefaced solicitations of these focussed, purposeful people to whom I retrospectively profoundly apologise. One slung a light to the ground without stopping, saying, 'use this', which I would have done if I could have seen where it had landed. I found it after several desperate minutes of groping for it in the total darkness. IT DIDN'T WORK! More desperate solicitations resulted in the loan of another light that the owner admitted was 'rather dim'. He wasn't kidding. There was no way I was going to complete the course with it, but it did enable me to get to the nearby path, which I followed back to Assembly.

Subsequent research with my battery charger has revealed that I had only topped up the charge in the battery, which had probably lost less than a quarter of its charge. Draining it of charge and then fully charging it gave several hours of light on maximum beam.

Cautionary Moral: **Drain your battery before recharging and take a spare head lamp that you can STRAP TO YOUR HEAD.**

Foot(light) Note: I could blame the planner of last year's Southern Night Championships (my previous outing with my headlamp) for setting a course that took me only 36 minutes to complete, but I won't. This was a disaster that had to happen; pity it had to be the British where I learnt this inevitable lesson.

*Jim Prowting*

## CompassSport Cup 12 March

Many thanks to everyone who turned up to compete at Cold Ash today. We didn't quite make it through to the final, but it was very close – we were second to Southern Navigators (SN 2427, TVOC 2406, BKO 2387). The list of scores is attached – remember that a max of 4 people per course can score, and a max of 25 in total. But even those of you who were not amongst the top 25 TVOC scores will have helped to reduce the scores of the competitors from other clubs. Special mention to Heidi Lloyd, a newcomer to the sport who scored 95 on the Blue course! I hope you all had fun – maybe we will have better luck next year!

Brown		N/S
Jan Travnicek	99	
Nigel Bunn	98	
Nat Skidmore	95	
Chris Gilligan	93	
Tom Venn		91
Short Brown		
Julian Birkinshaw	98	
Tim Must	97	
Jon Bones		87
Blue Women		
Fiona Bunn	100	
Heidi Lloyd	95	
Blue Men		
Alun Jones	100	
Vladimir Kuznetsov	98	
Richard Sharp	97	
Ian Buxton	92	

Stefan Peykov		90
Nikolay Kolev		88
Seamus Cunnane		84
Chris Poole		80
Peter Riches		79
Green Women		
Alison Smith	97	
Sue Jones	96	
Marie-Ann Fischer	89	
Green Men		
Neville Baker	98	
Dave Kingham	96	
Mikhail Gryaznevich	94	
John Chappell	93	
Paul Kilpin		90
Paul Greenough		83
Tim Hughes		82
Mark Thompson		80

Colin Duckworth		79
Vet Short Green		
Jim Prowting	98	
Inara Gipsle	97	
John Thompson	92	
Roger Baker		89
John Farren		88
Yvonne Hodson		85
Junior Women Green		
Bethany Kippin	100	
Orange Men		
Jonathan Cunane	94	
Orange Women		
Carys Sharp	100	
TOTAL	2406	

**Alison Smith / Club Captain**

## Saturday Series

The Saturday Series got off to an exciting start in 2017 with some brilliant (almost sprint style) courses around Hill End, thanks to some original planning by John Owens. We've also now got our April event secured, with kind thanks to Shamus for stepping in here.

Our latest event was Saturday 11th March at Wittenham Clumps, just east of Didcot (a week earlier than the original published date). Tom Venn set some interesting courses and we had a great turnout of newcomers. As always this means we needed support from club members on the day to show people the ropes. We'll continue to offer discounted entry for helpers, so do please drop me a note or sign up here for future events [goo.gl/RL8Q4a](http://goo.gl/RL8Q4a)

Those with a keen eye on the calendar will notice we have quite a gap between our April and May events based on how those two have fallen in the months. With little fuss we could add an event at Brill in late April/early May, except I would need a planner. If you do think you could help here, please drop me a note as soon as possible, otherwise we'll leave it with a gap. On the plus side we have two events coming up close together now - excellent training for the Chiltern Challenge!

I'm now looking to fill events from September onwards; I have a couple of tentative ideas already in the diary including a return to the popular Waddesdon. Please click on the series calendar at [goo.gl/zTvdvj](http://goo.gl/zTvdvj) or drop me a note.

It's brilliant to have John Owens and Tom Venn joining our planning stalwarts this season, but it would be great if you aren't an event official yet for 2017 if you could give back to the club by offering to organise an event. Plenty of support is available and no previous experience is required. Many thanks and happy orienteering in 2017

**Nat Skidmore / Saturday Series Co-ordinator**



## THAMES VALLEY ORIENTEERING CLUB

# Saturday Series

events in Oxfordshire/Buckinghamshire

November 2016 to April 2017

Do you enjoy challenge, excitement, maps, just being out in the countryside? Then come and try Orienteering – an adventure sport for all – at this series of Saturday morning events organised by TVOC. These events are specially designed for juniors, school and youth groups, and adult newcomers, in Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire. Courses on offer will be easy to moderate and a 5km course for experienced orienteers.

Registration: 10.00-11.30 a.m. Starts: 10.30 -12.00; courses close 13.00. Cost : £6 seniors (£4, BOF or TVOC), £2 juniors per map.

Come prepared wearing suitable outdoor clothing. No equipment needed though a compass may help.

*The fixture list below is very provisional as permissions have yet to be sought. Check website nearer the time for details of any alterations.*

### Saturday Series fixtures – check [www.tvoc.org.uk/saturdayseries.html](http://www.tvoc.org.uk/saturdayseries.html) for any changes

26th Nov 2016	Robin Bishop	Black Park, Slough TQ005832 / SL3 6DT
21st Jan 2017	John Owens	Hill End
11th Mar 2017	Tom Venn	Wittenham Clumps
1st April 2017	Seamus Cunnane	Christmas Common
April/May	?	<i>Brill? Organiser wanted!</i>
27th May 2017	Carol Edwards	Cuttelowe Park, Oxford
17th June 2017	Ben Green	University Parks, Oxford
22nd July 2017	Neville Baker	Oxford Brookes University & Headington Hill Park
19th August 2017	Sue & Ian Buxton	Wycombe Abbey School, High Wycombe HP11 1PE

Future events will appear on the website shortly, subject to volunteers willing to plan them!

The TVOC Schools league will run alongside the 10 events from September to June each year. Further details: [www.tvoc.org.uk](http://www.tvoc.org.uk) contact Nat Skidmore - [nat.skidmore@gmail.com](mailto:nat.skidmore@gmail.com)

**Competitors take part at their own risk.**

**PLEASE CHECK WITH THE WEB SITE BEFORE SETTING OFF!**

**WANTED! Planners for 2016/17 events. Contact Nat Skidmore with offers!**  
[nat.skidmore@gmail.com](mailto:nat.skidmore@gmail.com)



# Chiltern Challenge 2017 - Hambleton

**Sunday 9th April 2017**

**Emit Electronic Timing      Level B Ranking event**  
**SCOA Championships (subject to eligibility)**

Location:	Hambleton, Buckinghamshire. (venue for JK2013 Days 2 & 4) Signed from A4155 between Marlow and Henley. OS SU 772 855 (sheet 175) Nearest postcode RG9 3GH, <a href="https://map.what3words.com/ranks.blotchy.runners">https://map.what3words.com/ranks.blotchy.runners</a>
Parking:	On the Henley showground. No charge. NB this not in or near Hambleton village! (Assembly, String & Finish easy 400m from parking, Start 400m easy from Assembly)
Terrain:	Undulating slopes, some steep, with a complex path and track network. The area is covered in mature beech, mixed deciduous and conifer. The woodland is open and very runnable.
Map:	Scale 1:10000. 5m contours. Updated for 2017 by John Farren & Mark Thompson. Pre-marked, waterproof paper.
Courses:	Full range of colour-coded courses White – Black. See website for full details and SCOA eligibility. Beginners welcome. Free String Course for youngsters.
Starts:	From 10.00 to 12.30. Courses close 14:30.(approximate start times: V.Early 10.00-10.15.Early 10.15-10.45, Mid 10.45-11.45, Late 11.45-12.15,V.Late 12.15-12.30) Registration: 09.30 – 12.00
Entries:	Online at <a href="http://www.fabian4.co.uk">www.fabian4.co.uk</a> . We expect you will enter a colour course unless entering the SCOA Championships although you may enter by age class if you wish. To enter the SCOA Championships, you <b>MUST</b> enter the AGE CLASS in which you wish to compete. (NB There are no Short or B classes) – see website Pre-Entry closing date - midnight on Sunday 2nd. April 2017. There will be limited EOD by colour only, but this will be subject to map availability.
Fees:	Pre-entries - Seniors £14.50 (£16.50 non BOF/IOF), Juniors & Students £6.00. Late & eod - Seniors £16.50 (£18.50 non BOF/IOF), Juniors & Students £7.00. Adult beginners on Wh, Y & O £8 Emit electronic timing system card hire £1.50 per card - seniors and juniors.
Facilities:	Toilets, First Aid, Tom's burger+ van, Ultrasport. Well-behaved dogs allowed on their leads in car park and Arena area. Dogs are not allowed in the forest (Game, deer, lambs). Please clean up after your dog.
Organiser:	Glynis & Jon Wheatcroft (TVOC) 01491 837923 <a href="mailto:Wheatcroft(at)waitrose.com">Wheatcroft(at)waitrose.com</a>
Planner:	Peter Riches & Mark Thompson (TVOC)
Controller:	Terry Smith (SOC)

The personal data you give will be used by the event organisers and their agents only for the purpose of processing and publishing the event entries and results, for conducting safety checks and to validate British Orienteering insurance cover. Submission of an entry for the event will indicate your acceptance of this procedure.

[www.tvoc.org.uk](http://www.tvoc.org.uk)

**Orienteering is an adventure sport**

**All competitors take part at their own risk and are responsible for their own safety.**

# Minutes of club meeting

## Highlights from meeting held 17 January 2017

The recent club meeting discussed items such as:

- Waddesdon February half term
- New EMIT equipment & new kites
- Clubmark re-accreditation
- Safety workshop
- Club development & social events

You can read the full minutes online at

<http://www.tvoc.org.uk/application/documents/meeting%20minutes/Mins17thJan17.pdf>

The next meeting is on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2017, 8pm at the Merry Bells, Wheatley

*John Dalton, Club Secretary*

## Fixtures

This information is not guaranteed to be correct or complete. Please check on web site or phone numbers given before travelling. If no details are given, consider the event as doubtful. See also <http://www.britishorienteering.org.uk/page/event> or the event aggregation site at <http://oevents.info>

**Key: A = (Inter-)National, B=Regional, C=District, D=Local** CD: Closing date for entries.

March 2017		
Sat 18/03/17	D	SOC Level D - Anderwood, Anderwood <a href="http://southampton-orienteers.org.uk">http://southampton-orienteers.org.uk</a>
Sun 19/03/17	B	SAX SE League Event, Millbank <a href="http://www.saxons-oc.org">http://www.saxons-oc.org</a>
Sun 19/03/17	C	BADO SCOL8: BADO Colour Coded & SCOA League Event, Harewood Forest <a href="http://www.bado.org.uk">http://www.bado.org.uk</a>
Sun 19/03/17	C	BOK (C) BOK Club and ASO League, Westonbirt National Arboretum, <a href="http://www.bristolorienteering.org.uk">http://www.bristolorienteering.org.uk</a>
Sun 19/03/17	C	SMOC Rushmere EAOA Championships and EA League, Rushmere <a href="http://www.smoc.info">http://www.smoc.info</a>
Sat 25/03/17	B	OD Warwickshire Orienteering Weekend Rugby Urban (UKOL) (UKUL) (UK Elite League) (WMUL), Rugby <a href="http://www.octavian-droobers.org">http://www.octavian-droobers.org</a>
Sun 26/03/17	A	OD Warwickshire Orienteering Weekend - Midlands Championships (UKOL), Bentley Wood <a href="http://www.octavian-droobers.org">http://www.octavian-droobers.org</a>

## March 2017

Sun 26/03/17	C	SO level C, Tilgate Park & Forest, Crawley (event 1 of SO championships 2017), Tilgate <a href="http://www.southdowns-orienteers.org.uk">http://www.southdowns-orienteers.org.uk</a>
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## April 2017

Sat 01/04/17	D	<b>TVOC Saturday Series Christmas Common, Christmas Common</b> <a href="http://www.tvoc.org.uk">http://www.tvoc.org.uk</a>
Sat 01/04/17	I	Interland 1-2 April, d'Herbeumont
Sun 02/04/17	C	LEI East Midlands League, Irchester <a href="http://www.leioc.org.uk">http://www.leioc.org.uk</a>
Sun 02/04/17	C	SOS Colour coded, ESSOL & EA League, Writtle, Writtle Forest <a href="http://stragglers.info">http://stragglers.info</a>
Sat 08/04/17	D	BKO Winter Saturday Series (Rushall Woods), Rushall Woods <a href="http://www.bko.org.uk">http://www.bko.org.uk</a>
<b>Sun 09/04/17</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>TVOC Chiltern Challenge &amp; SCOA Championships, Hambleden</b> <a href="http://www.tvoc.org.uk">http://www.tvoc.org.uk</a>
<b>Wed 12/04/17</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>TVOC Oxford Street-O Series (Bracknell)</b> <a href="http://www.tvoc.org.uk">http://www.tvoc.org.uk</a>
Fri 14/04/17	A	Jan Kjellstrom Orienteering Festival - Sprint (UKOL), Brunel University
Sat 15/04/17	A	Jan Kjellstrom Orienteering Festival (UKOL) Middle Distance, Ambersham
Sun 16/04/17	A	Jan Kjellstrom Orienteering Festival (UKOL) Long Distance, St Leonards and Holmbush
Mon 17/04/17	A	Jan Kjellstrom Orienteering Festival Relays, Pippingford Park
Sat 22/04/17	I	World Schools Orienteering Championships 22-28 April, Palermo
Sun 23/04/17	C	SLOW SE Middle Distance Champs - NOTE NEW DATE, Wimbledon Common <a href="http://slow.org.uk/">http://slow.org.uk/</a>
Sun 23/04/17	I	World Masters Orienteering Championships 23-29 April
Sat 29/04/17	C	SARUM Ancient Wiltshire Weekend - Amesbury Urban race, Amesbury Town <a href="http://www.sarumo.org.uk">http://www.sarumo.org.uk</a>
Sat 29/04/17	I	Tio Mila 29-30 April
Sun 30/04/17	C	NWO Ancient Wiltshire Weekend - NWO Galoppen and Yvette Baker qualifier, Savernake Forest <a href="http://northwilts.org.uk">http://northwilts.org.uk</a>
Sun 30/04/17	C	SAX District Event and Yvette Baker Trophy Heat, Knole Park <a href="http://www.saxons-oc.org">http://www.saxons-oc.org</a>

<b>May 2017</b>		
Sat 06/05/17	A	LOC British Long Championships (UKOL), High Dam <a href="http://lakeland-orienteeing.org.uk">http://lakeland-orienteeing.org.uk</a>
Sun 07/05/17	A	LOC British Relay Championships, Summer House Knott <a href="http://lakeland-orienteeing.org.uk">http://lakeland-orienteeing.org.uk</a>
Sat 13/05/17	C	SO Southdowns weekend 1/3 SO Middle Distance Event, Angmering Park, Arundel, Angmering <a href="http://www.southdowns-orientees.org.uk">http://www.southdowns-orientees.org.uk</a>
Sat 13/05/17	C	SO Southdowns Weekend 2/3. Level C Urban event - Chichester, Chichester <a href="http://www.southdowns-orientees.org.uk">http://www.southdowns-orientees.org.uk</a>
Sun 14/05/17	B	SO Southdowns Weekend 3/3. Arundel Estate (Rewell East). SE League / SO Champs, Arundel Estate <a href="http://www.southdowns-orientees.org.uk">http://www.southdowns-orientees.org.uk</a>
Sun 14/05/17	C	HAVOC Hornchurch, Hornchurch Country Park <a href="http://orienteeing-havoc.co.uk">http://orienteeing-havoc.co.uk</a>
Sat 20/05/17	C	SOS Maldon Ultra Sprints, Maldon <a href="http://stragglers.info">http://stragglers.info</a>
Sat 20/05/17	C	WSX Poole Town Race, Baiter Park <a href="http://www.wessex-oc.org">http://www.wessex-oc.org</a>
Sun 21/05/17	B	SOS Urban Colchester, Colchester <a href="http://stragglers.info">http://stragglers.info</a>
Sun 21/05/17	C	BKO SCOL9: BKO Level C event, Black Park Country Park <a href="http://www.bko.org.uk">http://www.bko.org.uk</a>
Wed 24/05/17	I	World Cup Round 1 24 - 28 May
Sat 27/05/17	B	HOC Springtime in Shropshire (SinS) 2017 Day 1, Long Myrd <a href="http://www.harlequins.org.uk">http://www.harlequins.org.uk</a>
<b>Sat 27/05/17</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>TVOC Saturday Series Cutteslowe, Cutteslowe Park <a href="http://www.tvoc.org.uk">http://www.tvoc.org.uk</a></b>
Sun 28/05/17	B	HOC Springtime in Shropshire (SinS) 2017 Day 2 (UKOL) Long Distance, Caer Caradoc and Hope Bowdler <a href="http://www.harlequins.org.uk">http://www.harlequins.org.uk</a>
Mon 29/05/17	B	HOC Springtime in Shropshire (SinS) 2017 Day 3 (UKOL) Long Distance, Brampton Bryan <a href="http://www.harlequins.org.uk">http://www.harlequins.org.uk</a>

<b>June 2017</b>		
Sun 04/06/17	C	SAX District Event, University of Kent Campus <a href="http://www.saxons-oc.org">http://www.saxons-oc.org</a>
Sat 10/06/17	B	BOK Blast - City of Bristol Races (Euro Tour), Bristol Harbourside North & Clifton Wood <a href="http://www.bristolorienteeing.org.uk">http://www.bristolorienteeing.org.uk</a>
Sun 11/06/17	B	BOK Blast - City of Bristol Races (UKUL & SEOUL), Bristol Harbourside East & Temple Quarter <a href="http://www.bristolorienteeing.org.uk">http://www.bristolorienteeing.org.uk</a>
Sat 17/06/17	C	NOC East Midlands Sprint Championships, The Meadows <a href="http://www.noc-uk.org">http://www.noc-uk.org</a>

<b>June 2017</b>		
Sat 17/06/17	I	Jukola Relay 17-18 Jun
Sun 18/06/17	C	LEI EM Urban League, Loughborough University <a href="http://www.leioc.org.uk">http://www.leioc.org.uk</a>
Sun 18/06/17	C	SO SE Relays, Capite Woods <a href="http://www.southdowns-orienteers.org.uk">http://www.southdowns-orienteers.org.uk</a>
Sun 18/06/17	C	SOS Colour Coded & ESSOL, Wivenhoe, Wivenhoe Park and Woods <a href="http://stragglers.info">http://stragglers.info</a>
<b>Tue 20/06/17</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>TVOC Summer Series, Whiteleaf <a href="http://www.tvoc.org.uk">http://www.tvoc.org.uk</a></b>
Sat 24/06/17	C	DFOK Kent Junior Orienteering Festival, Lullingstone <a href="http://www.dfok.co.uk">http://www.dfok.co.uk</a>
Sun 25/06/17	B	DRONGO Harvester Relays <a href="http://www.drongo.org.uk">http://www.drongo.org.uk</a>
Thu 29/06/17	I	European Youth Orienteering Championships 29 Jun- 2 Jul
Fri 30/06/17	I	World Orienteering Championships/World Cup Round 2 30 Jun-8 Jul

<b>July 2017</b>		
Sat 01/07/17	C	WIM SEOUL Dorchester, Dorchester Town Centre <a href="http://www.wimborne-orienteers.org.uk/">http://www.wimborne-orienteers.org.uk/</a>
Sun 09/07/17	I	Junior World Orienteering Championships 9-16 July
<b>Sat 22/07/17</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>TVOC Saturday Series Headington Hill Park &amp; Oxford Brookes, Headington Hill Park and Oxford Brookes Campus <a href="http://www.tvoc.org.uk">http://www.tvoc.org.uk</a></b>
Sat 22/07/17	I	Oringen 22 - 28 July, Arvika
Mon 24/07/17	I	World Games 24-27 Jul, Poland

<b>August 2017 onwards</b>		
Sat 12/08/17	D	BKO Summer Park Event and Club Picnic, Sandhurst Memorial Park and Shepherds Meadow <a href="http://www.bko.org.uk">http://www.bko.org.uk</a>
<b>Sat 19/08/17</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>TVOC Saturday Series Wycombe Abbey, Wycombe Abbey School <a href="http://www.tvoc.org.uk">http://www.tvoc.org.uk</a></b>
Sun 20/08/17	C	LOG EM Urban League, Lincoln City <a href="http://www.logonline.org.uk">http://www.logonline.org.uk</a>
Sun 20/08/17	C	SN Urban event, Farnborough <a href="http://southern navigators.com">http://southern navigators.com</a>
Fri 25/08/17	I	World Cup Round 3 25-27 Aug
Sun 27/08/17	C	MV Urban event, Epsom <a href="http://www.mvoc.org">http://www.mvoc.org</a>
<b>Mon 28/08/17</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>TVOC Urban Event, North Abingdon <a href="http://www.tvoc.org.uk">http://www.tvoc.org.uk</a></b>

## August 2017 onwards

Sat 02/09/17	B	KERNO Caddihoe Day 1 (UKOL), Hayle Towns <a href="http://www.cornwallorienteeing.org.uk">http://www.cornwallorienteeing.org.uk</a>
Sun 03/09/17	B	KERNO Caddihoe Day 2 (UKOL), Hayle Towns <a href="http://www.cornwallorienteeing.org.uk">http://www.cornwallorienteeing.org.uk</a>
Sun 03/09/17	C	SO SE Sprint Champs, Sussex University <a href="http://www.southdowns-orienteeers.org.uk">http://www.southdowns-orienteeers.org.uk</a>
Sat 09/09/17	B	SLOW City of London Race <a href="http://slow.org.uk/">http://slow.org.uk/</a>
Sun 10/09/17	B	COBOC Peter Palmer Junior Team Relay <a href="http://www.coboc.org.uk">http://www.coboc.org.uk</a>
Sat 16/09/17	D	SOC Level D - Hasley Hill, Hasley Hill <a href="http://southampton-orienteeers.org.uk">http://southampton-orienteeers.org.uk</a>
Sun 17/09/17	C	NWO Urban Event, Haydon Wick <a href="http://northwilts.org.uk">http://northwilts.org.uk</a>
Sun 17/09/17	C	OD Tony Haw Score Championships, Kingsbury Waterpark <a href="http://www.octavian-droobers.org">http://www.octavian-droobers.org</a>
Sun 17/09/17	C	SOS Colour Coded, Hylands, Hylands Park <a href="http://stragglers.info">http://stragglers.info</a>
Sat 23/09/17	B	SN Junior Inter Regional Championships Individual , Winterfold <a href="http://southern navigators.com">http://southern navigators.com</a>
Sat 23/09/17	D	BKO Winter Saturday Series (Bensons Enclosure), Benyons Enclosure <a href="http://www.bko.org.uk">http://www.bko.org.uk</a>
Sun 24/09/17	B	GO Junior Inter Regional Championships Relays, Blackheath <a href="http://www.guildfordorienteeers.co.uk">http://www.guildfordorienteeers.co.uk</a>
Sun 24/09/17	C	DVO East Midlands League, Kedleston Hall <a href="http://www.dvo.org.uk/">http://www.dvo.org.uk/</a>
Sun 24/09/17	C	HAVOC Weald Park EAL, Weald Park <a href="http://orienteeing-havoc.co.uk">http://orienteeing-havoc.co.uk</a>
Sun 24/09/17	C	WCH WMOA League Event 7, Oldacre <a href="http://www.walton-chasers.co.uk">http://www.walton-chasers.co.uk</a>
Fri 29/09/17	I	Junior European Cup 29 Sept - 1 Oct, Furstenfeld
Fri 29/09/17	I	World Cup Round 4 29 Sept - 1 Oct, Switzerland
Sat 30/09/17	A	British Sprint Championships (UKOL), Campbell Park
Sun 01/10/17	A	British Middle Champs (UKOL), Wendover Woods
Sat 07/10/17	I	25manna 7/8 Oct
Sun 08/10/17	B	SAX Urban event, Whitstable <a href="http://www.saxons-oc.org">http://www.saxons-oc.org</a>
Sun 08/10/17	C	LOG EM Urban League, Stamford <a href="http://www.logonline.org.uk">http://www.logonline.org.uk</a>
Sun 08/10/17	C	SARUM Sarum Galoppen & SCOA League event, Foxbury <a href="http://www.sarumo.org.uk">http://www.sarumo.org.uk</a>
Sun 08/10/17	C	SUFFOC King's Forest Colour Coded, King's Forest <a href="http://www.suffoc.co.uk">http://www.suffoc.co.uk</a>

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Sat 14/10/17	D	SOC Level D - Busketts (N), Busketts Lawn <a href="http://southampton-orienteers.org.uk">http://southampton-orienteers.org.uk</a>
Sun 15/10/17	C	BKO SCOL Level C event (Bucklebury Common), Bucklebury Common <a href="http://www.bko.org.uk">http://www.bko.org.uk</a>
Sun 15/10/17	C	SO District Event, Devils Dyke <a href="http://www.southdowns-orienteers.org.uk">http://www.southdowns-orienteers.org.uk</a>
Sun 22/10/17	C	MV Mole Valley District Event, Epsom Downs <a href="http://www.mvoc.org">http://www.mvoc.org</a>
Sat 28/10/17	B	CUOC Cambridge City Race 2017 <a href="http://www.cuoc.org.uk">http://www.cuoc.org.uk</a>
Sun 29/10/17	C	DVO Chesterfield (Holmebrook) urban - EM Urban League, Chesterfield <a href="http://www.dvo.org.uk/">http://www.dvo.org.uk/</a>
Sun 29/10/17	C	GO Autumn Colours Event, Redlands <a href="http://www.guildfordorienteers.co.uk">http://www.guildfordorienteers.co.uk</a>
Sat 04/11/17	B	SOC Southern Champs Weekend Urban Race (UKOL), Southampton City Centre <a href="http://southampton-orienteers.org.uk">http://southampton-orienteers.org.uk</a>
Sun 05/11/17	A	SOC November Classic and Southern Championships (UKOL), Highland Water <a href="http://southampton-orienteers.org.uk">http://southampton-orienteers.org.uk</a>
Sat 11/11/17	C	MV Mole Valley Night Event, Holmbush <a href="http://www.mvoc.org">http://www.mvoc.org</a>
Sun 12/11/17	C	DEVON Devon Galoppen, Haytor <a href="http://www.devonorienteering.co.uk">http://www.devonorienteering.co.uk</a>
Sun 12/11/17	C	HOC -WMOA League Event 9, Tittersone Clee <a href="http://www.harlequins.org.uk">http://www.harlequins.org.uk</a>
Sun 12/11/17	C	LEI EM Urban League, Shepshed <a href="http://www.leioc.org.uk">http://www.leioc.org.uk</a>
Sun 12/11/17	C	NOR colour coded <a href="http://www.norfolkoc.co.uk">http://www.norfolkoc.co.uk</a>
Sun 12/11/17	C	SO District Event, Arundel Estate <a href="http://www.southdowns-orienteers.org.uk">http://www.southdowns-orienteers.org.uk</a>
Sun 19/11/17	B	CHIG SEL event, Wormley Woods <a href="http://www.chig.org.uk">http://www.chig.org.uk</a>
Sat 25/11/17	C	GO Guildford City Race, Staines <a href="http://www.guildfordorienteers.co.uk">http://www.guildfordorienteers.co.uk</a>
Sun 26/11/17	B	LEI Level B, Spring Cottage <a href="http://www.leioc.org.uk">http://www.leioc.org.uk</a>
Sun 26/11/17	B	SLOW SE League event, tbc <a href="http://slow.org.uk/">http://slow.org.uk/</a>
Sun 26/11/17	C	SOS Colour Coded, Hockley, Hockley Woods <a href="http://stragglers.info">http://stragglers.info</a>
Sun 26/11/17	C	WCH WMOA League Event 11, Rawnsley Hills <a href="http://www.walton-chasers.co.uk">http://www.walton-chasers.co.uk</a>
<b>Sat 02/12/17</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>TVOC Southern Night Championships, Penn and Common Wood <a href="http://www.tvoc.org.uk">http://www.tvoc.org.uk</a></b>
<b>Sun 03/12/17</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>TVOC Level C Regional Event, Penn and Common Wood <a href="http://www.tvoc.org.uk">http://www.tvoc.org.uk</a></b>

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