

# LEI News

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The Newsletter of the Leicestershire Orienteering Club

## Ramblings from the Chair



Colder days, longer nights, the Winter Orienteering "season" is in full swing. Not that we ever have a closed season these days. Nearly all clubs have a Summer League (but we were the first!) and most nights you can find an event within easy reach of Leicestershire. Our own Summer League attracted over 160 competitors and there was some fierce competition throughout the summer, with most of the trophies only being decided at the last event at Burbage. Congratulations to the overall winner, Roger Edwards.

If you need a weekly orienteering fix - join us on club night at Groby on Thursday evenings from 6.30pm. I am hoping that all this technical and fitness training is going to improve my times! The first big test will be at the Midlands

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## Treasurer's Report



The turnover through the club account increased this year with the promotion of the Midland Long Distance Championships at Belvoir, the CompassSport Cup final at Fineshade in October. Our income increased with the award of several grants from Sport England via British Orienteering, the County Sports Authorities for equipment and HighCross Leicester Bursary for our Riverside Permanent Orienteering Course. In addition North West Leicestershire District Council supported our new Training Centre at Ibstock Community College. Our expenses remained high as we undertook promotion work to encourage new members and increase the use of our Permanent Orienteering course. Over 2500 maps are being downloaded each year. Overall there is a surplus of £180. The annual accounts to be

Membership fees	450	Memberships	90
Permanent courses	1,417	Committee meeting hire	352
Commissioned mapping	1,600	Committee expenses	189
Surplus from events	8,157	Newsletter	513
Club night fees	306	Team entries	34
Social events	19	Publicity	105
Corporate events	394	Mapping expenses/surveys	798
BOF prize	200	Schools/POC Mapping	1,500
Grants & gifts	4,080	Map printing	2,270
Equipment grants	500	Software & OS copyrights	97
Club shop	415	Insurance	300
Bank interest received	1	Event equipment	2,569
		Storage rent	378
		Equipment from grants	733
		Depreciation	1,028
		Expenses - coaching	218
		Permanent courses	2,495
		Extended Activities & Grow	3,217
		Trophies incl. special clothing	93
		Club shop	380
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>17539</b>	<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>17359</b>

In August the Committee considered the budget for 2010/11 and in order to balance the books and to encourage more coaches to qualify a number of changes are planned. The senior entry fee for minor events was increased by 50p to £3.50 from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2010.

# Social Programme



You have already been invited to attend the special celebration of our 40 years of existence following our championships on October 2nd. We do of course also have our Christmas event and as is now traditional we will be organising some refreshments to follow that as well. These will be provided at the Railway Inn, Station Road, Glenfield.

Between these two events we do of course have our annual presentation dinner back at Kirby Muxloe Golf Club by popular request (menu and booking form enclosed with this newsletter). This year's dinner is to be on Saturday November 27th. You are asked to gather from 7.00 at the club (off Station Road) and we will be sitting down at 7.45. We again have a private function room. Please remember the etiquette of attending any upmarket golf club. Gentlemen are required to wear **jacket and ties** and ladies should wear appropriate dress (they are not brave enough to indicate what they consider that to be!) Certainly denim clothing, T shirts or trainers will be turned away.

Can I also remind you of our AGM on 25th Oct at Glenfield Parish Council. Not strictly a social event but we do lay on light refreshments and make it as sociable an evening as possible.

If we add to these the socials after the last event of the summer league we can be said to have a fairly full social programme but that is not to say we cannot consider even more social events. We are first and foremost an orienteering

club but if we are to find volunteers to fill the many tasks required to maintain what is now over 100 events a year and run the administration of the club it is important that all members feel part of an organisation contributing to their social lives.

I am happy to organise almost anything (provided it is legal) if there is a demand. We have just organised an evenings gliding and will be doing so again before the end of October but it is likely to be on a Saturday afternoon given that the nights are drawing in. Such events have to be confirmed at short notice and are subject to the vagaries of the weather but if you are at all interested give me a ring and I will provide more information and keep you in the loop.

I have also been asked to consider a hot air ballooning event probably in the spring.

We have in the past also had slide shows, quiz nights, skittles and petanque games, canoe orienteering and BBQs.

Again please give me some indication as to any of these you would consider supporting if we organise them.

*Roy Denney,*  
*Social Secretary*  
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Middle Distance Championships at Irchester on the 25<sup>th</sup> October - we shall see!! Organiser Bob Haskins is looking for helpers. Please don't wait to be asked. Volunteer now.

By the time you read this we shall have held our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations and our new style Club Championships. Please let me know your thoughts on the new format and whether we should continue to hold the Championships as a stand alone event.

Retired Man aka John Marriott has achieved a 6<sup>th</sup> place in his age class in the World Radio Orienteering

Championships in Croatia. Congratulations John. No doubt Irene will have something to say.

The Club AGM and the Dinner are mentioned elsewhere in the newsletter, please give your support to both events. Both are very convivial evenings and who knows you might gain an award at the Dinner. On the distant horizon is the 2011 Compass Sport Regional Heat on January 16<sup>th</sup>. This year we are on home ground at Beacon Hill. Please put the date in your diary. C.S.C is a very tactical event and we need the maximum numbers out, even if it is to stop other clubs scoring.

*Chris Phillips*



## East Midlands Development Day

11<sup>th</sup> December at Nottingham Trent University, Clifton

Club members over 14 are invited to join one of the courses on offer

**Organiser - Planner - Introductory Mapping - Grade 3 Controller - Grade 2 Controller**

New volunteers should consider attending the Organiser course first as this covers the framework in which orienteering takes place. Older juniors should apply for the planner or full coaching course.

Further details from Chris Phillips or Roger Edwards.

**Let Chris know which course you want to go on by the 18<sup>th</sup> November. Closing Date is 20<sup>th</sup> November.**

## Summer League 2010

This year's League provided some outstanding competition and attracted a significant numbers of good orienteers from outside the club. The final results were in doubt up to the very last event.

### League Winners

1<sup>st</sup> Roger Edwards 1112points  
2<sup>nd</sup> Simon Ford 1065 points  
3<sup>rd</sup> Roger Phillips 1062points

### Wining Lady

Ursula Williamson

### Junior League

1<sup>st</sup> James Gath  
2<sup>nd</sup> Euan Tebbutt  
3<sup>rd</sup> Finn Lydon

### Sprint Series Winner

Roger Phillips

### Best 8 Results before Handicapping

Roger Phillips 842 points

### Best Use of Area

Steve Edgar for the Score Cup at Bagworth

### Best Newcomers

Gabriel Rawlinson  
Finn Lydon  
Simon West

### Dogged Determination!

Ursula Williamson

# UKCC Level 1 Coaching

UKCC Level 1 Coaching 3 days course is being run at the end of the Autumn.  
Saturday 20th Nov, 27<sup>th</sup> Nov, 11th Dec - 10am to 6pm.

Cost is £200 but some bursaries are available to Club members through the Treasurer. In return 15 hours coaching needs to be delivered.

A prerequisite is light green experience and attendees will also need to obtain first aid certificate to qualify.

Closing date for applications to Pauline Olivant is **6th October**

## Compass Sport Cup & Trophy Regional Heat Beacon Hill Sunday 16th January 2011



Following on from the wonderful turnout by Club members to a snowy

Worcester Beacon in January this year, the time approaches again for thoughts of the Compass Sport competition 2011. As we hope to be hosting this heat in Leicestershire on Sunday 16th January 2011, please make a note in your diaries as I hope that most of you will be there to take part. Please remember though that the area is embargoed now until after the competition so, whilst I would encourage you to train, Beacon Hill is off limits.

Entry for this event is different to most events in that entries need to be made via the Club Captain.

As many of you will be aware, this is an inter-club competition for adults and juniors where each club competitor accrues a score based on their finishing position. The club team accumulates these points towards a final overall score. BOF website has lots more detail if you want to know more. There are 8 different courses so please let me know which course you are willing to run:

**Alison Hardy-LEI Club  
Captain  
01455 273026 (before 9.30  
pm please) or email  
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Course	Compass Sport Course	Eligible Age Classes	Class Size
1	Brown	Men Open	Large
2	Blue Women	Women Open	Small
3	Blue Men	M45+ M20-	Large
4	Green Women	W45+ W20-	Small
5	Green Men	M60+	Small
6	Short Green Veterans	M75+ W60+	Small
7A	Light Green Men	Men 18-	Very Small
7B	Light Green Women	Women 18-	Very Small
8A	Orange Men	Men 14-	Very Small
8B	Orange Women	Women 14-	Very Small

# Annual General Meeting

The Club's Annual General Meeting will take place on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October at the Glenfield Parish Rooms, Stamford Street, Glenfield at 7.30pm. After the formal agenda has been completed there will be light refreshments and an open forum. The open forum is an opportunity for members to raise issues regarding the club and sport in general.

*Chris Phillips - Chair*

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In order to enter you I will need to know the course you plan to run, your class (as for 2011) plus your dibber number.

**Particularly as we should be on "home turf" it would be great to have a large LEI presence, and as always it is great to see the ladies and the juniors being well**

**represented.**

There will also be White and Yellow courses but these do not count towards the overall Club score.

I look forward to hearing from you.

*Alison Hardy*

# Development Activity

The second 'County' Schools was held at The Outwoods in mid June and teams from year 5/6 and 7/8 came. In the Primary Event Rutland SSP represented by Cottesmore Primary school dominated proceedings and won the pairs event.

There were some good runs but a tricky section near the end resulted in quite few pupils missing one control out. The winning pair of Dominic and Thomas from St John's Whitwick were nearly three minutes clear in a time of 7.39.

The team from Oadby & Wigston outperformed the other teams. The greater experience arising from the inter high school sprint competition proving a decisive factor, the first 6 girls home all being from O&W. The overall winner Yasmin from Manor High school beat all the other boys and girls by over two and a half minutes.

*Roger Edwards*

# Spotlight on Belvoir and the North East

On this occasion, as your Access Development Officer, I thought I would share my records with you on those areas in the north east of our patch. Unfortunately, this means Belvoir and little more as once we get north and east of High Charnwood prospects are limited.

### **BEAUMANOR HALL**

Beaumanor Hall, situated within the village of Woodhouse, was built during the 19th Century for the wealthy Herrick family and has played many roles over the years. Originally a grand country home, it later played an important part in World War Two, when it became home to a signals unit.

Surrounded by beautiful gardens and parkland, Beaumanor Hall was purchased in the mid 1970's by Leicestershire County Council, and developed as a busy Conference and Education Centre. It has been mapped for orienteering and they provide courses for school groups and we occasionally use it for small training events.

### **BUDDON WOOD**

This woodland is on what was a hill to the north of Swithland Reservoir. We have mapped and used it but since 1970 the hill has been progressively quarried away. The collar of surviving woodland could be mapped with Mountsorrel Common and Castle Hill but would be fairly linear and is low priority at present. These two sites are registered common land and now 'Open Access' under the CRoW Act.

Despite clear felling and quarrying

activities Buddon Wood remains one of the best birch-oak woodlands in Leicestershire of a type not found elsewhere in the East Midlands. It is on an area of granite overlain by Keuper Marl (Mercian Mudstone), giving a relatively free-draining, acid, siliceous clay soil. The woodland mainly is comprised of silver birch. Various oaks and small-leaved lime are indicating the ancient origins of the wood. Adjacent wet meadows and acidic flushes within the wood provide added diversity. Rare moths, butterflies, spiders and other insects abound presumably because of the proximity of Swithland Reservoir.

The tall-fen and inundation plant communities of the margins of the reservoir are amongst the best in the County and the reservoir is important as a roosting and feeding area for waterfowl during winter months.

There is evidence of Bronze or Iron Age activity at Buddon.

### **LOUGHBOROUGH UNIVERSITY.**

This is an extensive and growing campus at a university specialising in sport and we really should have more connections with it. Periodically we have assisted a student orienteering club but this waxes and wanes under different intakes and in the past has taken up much time and effort to little ongoing benefit to the club. With the advent of sprints it may well be that we should look at the area again and see if we cannot get something set up by way of an ongoing club. We have an old map but a new one of the whole campus would be required if we are to organise an event.

The Loughborough campus (once the estate of Burleigh Manor) covers an area of 433 acres (1.75 km<sup>2</sup>), and includes academic departments, halls of residence, gardens and playing fields. Of particular interest are the beautiful walled garden, the "garden of remembrance", the Hazlerigg-Rutland Hall ("Rigg-Rut") fountain-courtyard and the Bastard Gates. In the central quadrangle of the campus stands the famous cedar, which has often appeared as a symbol for the University. Unfortunately a heavy snowfall in December 1990 led to the collapse of the upper canopy which gave the tree its distinctive shape. The recent acquisition by the university of Holywell Park from Advantica Technologies and a 23-acre parcel of land between New Ashby Road and Holywell Park from 3M Heath Care Limited has increased the size of the campus to 433 acres

## **MELTON MOWBRAY COUNTRY PARK**

This comprises 140 acres of parkland and a section of the 'Jubilee Way' (a fifteen mile footpath that leads to Belvoir Castle) passes through the park. It contains nature & sculpture trails, a large lake and an abundance of wildlife.

This is an area where we have little representation and we are to bring this into use and offer the local authority help in the provision of a permanent orienteering course which could be serviced from the visitor centre.

## **BELVOIR CASTLE**

Belvoir, meaning beautiful view in French, dates back to Norman times. The English pronunciation 'Beaver' was built up over many centuries probably due to the inability of Anglo-Saxons to master the French tongue.

Belvoir has been the ancestral home of

the Duke and Duchess of Rutland for over one thousand years.

The present Castle is the fourth to have stood on the site since Norman times. The existing Castle was completed in the early 19th century after previous buildings suffered complete or partial destruction during the Wars of the Roses, the Civil War and a major fire in 1816.

The grounds include the Rose and Statue Gardens which are elegantly laid out round a central fountain, where a statue collection is set back into a terrace in the hillside. There are superb specimen trees dating back hundreds of years and the area is an orienteers' delight with a great range of terrain, water features, variety of plantings and very challenging slopes. We have mapped the grounds and used them for a badge event as far back as 1981 and the odd smaller event was staged there a few years later but had not been used for many years until our major event there this year. We had switched our orienteering to the extensive estate woodlands to the west of the castle but have now used the combined areas for a major event but it is open to question whether we could use the castle area for smaller events.

## **BELVOIR WOODS**

These are extensive estate woodlands to the west of the Belvoir Castle and offer a good variety of features. The downside is that the area is a bit linear in that it runs along the top of an escarpment with mature woodlands along the top and down the often very steep slopes. The flatlands below the slope are extensive with a fairly complex path network but the blocks are often severely tangled with bramble and often extremely boggy underfoot.

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# RS 205838 (Retired Man) Goes Radio Orienteering

Star Posts, Bracknell in May, was the venue for the British radio orienteering championships and on a sunny Sunday evening, while we were setting up the BBQ in the garden a jubilant Retired Man arrived home as British Champion at 2 metre wavelength (144 megahertz) M60 class, and I think he was as surprised as we were. He took charge of the BBQ cooking and told us all about it. Thoughts turned to the World championships in September in Croatia. In Britain radio orienteering is a minority sport and the British team consists of "anybody who wants to go" with no other qualification required. Retired Man was determined to go. The sport is dominated by eastern European countries such as Ukraine & Russia.

It was the 12th June at Hunts Hill car park when "Captain Bob" Titterington found me in charge of the String Course. We are not allowed a Club shop at Bradgate - "What no jams! No flapjack!" "I think this will be safer with you" said Captain Bob as he handed me John's British Championship trophy and disappeared. Sue Bicknell was there too and we couldn't resist peeking inside the box, pushing back the tissue paper to reveal a silver salver with 2010 J.MARRIOTT engraved on the back "We'll never hear the end of this" laughed Sue. We also found a stand and a silver polishing cloth too. -very organised.

A week later, after radio orienteering at Chawton, Hampshire, John has been

given his red, white & blue British team top. On the back it has the words Great Britain Radio Orienteering and a picture of the orienteering 'running man' with what looks like a TV aerial in his left hand. On the front, a large Union Jack and JOHN MARRIOTT emblazoned over the right breast. He is under instructions not to wear the top until the championships in Croatia. But John, being John, has to wear it for the evening meal and dribble garlic butter down the front.

The rest of the team kit comprises a red sweat band, bright blue trousers and red gaiters. Son Andrew comments that if he wore red underpants on the outside of the trousers he would look just like Superman.

The next few months we have to put up with all things Croatian, radio orienteering and new acquaintances called Vlad the Bulgarian. I am beginning to lose my patience; when John comments "The very first world radio orienteering championships for the blind are to be held in Croatia, can't be much competition to get into those teams". I offer to poke his eyes out but he doesn't seem very keen.

John's winning streak continues and at Reynold & Holcot Wood, near Bedford, he receives a bottle of Cava pink fizz as top of his class

At the end of July the whole tribe: Irene, John, And, Suzi & her husband Edd, went

to the Limousin region in central France. We couldn't squash all five of us and luggage in the car so, once we had crossed the Channel, John took the TGV from Calais to Lille, then to Paris, walked across Paris to change stations then train to La Souterraine. Well, we had a 'Top Gear' challenge with the rest of us racing the trains in the car. We won by 20 minutes and took a photo standing under the station clock at La Souterraine to prove our arrival time. John, however did spend three hours walking across Paris sightseeing.

We couldn't go on holiday and not go orienteering even if it is a couple of hours drive away. We seem to be the only British people there but John spent 55 minutes finding the second control and is quite late back from this 7 km course. Meanwhile I have been walking round the small lake, dictionary in hand, translating the information boards about the wild life. The notes about the Elm trees suggest their wood has been used in clogs and in French accordions which are made in Limoges, not far away..

The French were having a festival of sports and music and John's entry fee included food & drink; I have never seen such a big wheel of camembert cheese, obviously catering size.

(From a children's dictionary I discovered a *baguette de magique*. Or magic wand. The image of Harry Potter waving a stick of bread is quite amusing.)

Being a member of the British squad it is vitally important to keep fit and injury-free. So you would think that on a mountain bike ride, reaching the top of a flight of steps and reading the notice 'Les escaliers sont dangereux aux cyclistes' might make him dismount just like Edd and Andrew. But no, John bumpity-bumps down the steps, comes off the

side and into a tree. Undaunted, minutes later, again he is unseated by a steep descent. Finally, his front wheel gets stuck in deep mud at the bottom of a slope, the bike stops but John flies on resulting in scratched, grazed and bleeding face, arms and legs and a badly bruised chest. I expect Dave Toach wants to know what happened to the bike?

Back in Blighty, and the summer league is in full swing. Why do I walk into The Old Plough pub in Braunston in Rutland and am greeted by loud cheering? Retired Man has locked the car keys inside the car AGAIN along with his change of clothes, wallet etc. and I have brought the spare keys to rescue him. Why does this have to happen miles away in Rutland? I chat to Roger Phillips who is recently returned from 6 months in New Zealand where he has been helping on nature reserves and measuring very small penguins. In a mix up about taking in controls one box is left out but Mark Foxwell is pleased to find it a week later.

The next day, while mapping at Welbeck College, Old Woodhouse, John puts his foot down a rabbit burrow and strains his Achilles tendon which he had previously damaged. What about keeping injury-free for Croatia? Perhaps, mega hertz should be mega hurts.

In the following few days John is getting ready to camp in the Lakes and the White Rose -this includes separating the electronic part from the traditional mechanical car key to prevent further incidents of locking the keys in the car. It's a pity there is no cure for "I can't find my wallet."

John gets up early as he has to drive to the Lakes and be on the Start at 1.15pm. Unfortunately while putting on his

trousers, he tweaked his back and had to hobble to the car. Aren't warm wheat-bags and ibuprofen wonderful things? Bad backs loosen up on a 3km uphill walk to the start and with gentle jogging Retired Man caught up with Colin Drury, who was suffering with a bad knee. The two war-wounded orienteers battle it out and the bad back beats the bad knee.

In the Lakes, John is camping, Chris Bosley and Sue Bicknell are on the event campsite, Peter H & Peter L are in the hotel. On rest days and a cancelled day (because the car park field is too wet,) they get together for walks on the hills.

Not many LEI members go to the White Rose. John sees Ben Windsor, Mollie & Glynn and Derek Ricketts. Thank you to Mr Ultrasport for the air pump to blow up the car tyres Thank you to Mr RAC for a new fuse when the old fuse is blown by the air pump. Thank you to Sue Bicknell for help in recharging the battery that was flattened by too many gadgets: cool box, lap top air pump etc. etc

The following week is set aside for serious work on radio orienteering. Retired man is tinkering in the garage morning, noon & night with the occasional expeditions to Wilkinson's and B&Q. My limited understanding of hand held radio O receivers is that 3 aerials must be spaced correctly but batteries, compass, timers, wires etc can be adjusted to the user's own preferences. Well, batteries got moved, holes were blocked, new holes made, handle moved up handle moved down, new central plastic pipe added. "Yes dear that's lovely/that's the best receiver I've ever seen etc etc" Then there was the timer. Wilkinson's best cooker timer for £2.50 reduced to its bare essentials and placed inside half a clear spectacles case for waterproofing. It would have been

possible to buy a ready-made one for £6. (Vlad the Bulgarian has a ready-made one but it gets flooded in the rain on the last day)

Retired Man practises in the fields beyond our Cropston garden, taking bearings on All Saints Church tower and the electricity pylons. The man with the Rottweiler is most intrigued.

Up at 5 am on 13th Sept but Retired Man is a little late so we hurry to East Midlands Airport at high speed with the wallpaper tables and other equipment from Glenfield Gala rattling in the boot. John flies to Venice, then takes the train to Trieste (Italy) and finally a one and a half hour bus journey to Opatija in Croatia. The bus driver unloaded the black bag and Retired Man trundled it the short distance to the hotel where he left the bag in reception to join the rest of the British team who were already in the dining room.

Later, in the lift, Retired Man discovered he had the wrong bag. The correct bag was at the bus garage but this was closed for the night. 'Chocolate Man,' i.e. David Williams M40 from HOC, works for Cadbury's in Poland and had driven his car from the chocolate factory to Croatia. As David has a car, he offers to drive John in the morning to swap bags. They are half way there when David realises that Retired Man hasn't put the wrong case in the car to exchange for the right one. Back to the hotel, try again. Second time lucky, the bags are exchanged. John has to gather his clothes & set up his equipment etc and so he misses the bus to take him to the training area with the rest of the team. Instead he tries the Street O around Opatija.

Next day is the real thing at 2m band and the sun shines on the 3 orienteers in the M60 team, (Captain Bob, Robert

Vickers and John). Retired Man puts up the best result in his team and is even 6th out of 48. The team are placed 7th. Whooppee !!

Rest day is followed by a day of pouring rain, even John's spare clothes in the plastic bag are sitting in a puddle of water. In the 80m band Captain Bob leads the team with a bedraggled John having a very off day. But the team are in 7th position again and are very pleased.

John is back home late Saturday afternoon and on Sunday morning he is orienteering again at Carsington, still wearing his soggy British team top. He says it's to advertise radio orienteering but I think he does deserve to show off just a little bit.

The LEI News deadline has passed and I am receiving desperate e mails from the editor. (I am tempted to name & shame the other orienteers who are cc'd to receive the same plea). My excuse is to bring you fully up to date with the Retired Man Chronicles,

and right now he is phoning the airport in case anyone has handed in his lost camera!

I wish I could wave my baguette de magique and make it re-appear!

*Long suffering  
Irene Marriott.*



## British Orienteering Regional Roadshows

British Orienteering Staff and Directors are taking to the road to visit all 12 Associations and give members an update on current projects within orienteering in the UK.

The roadshows will cover the Competition Review, the 4 tier event structure, plans for the future development programme and much more.

All members are welcome to attend. Refreshments including a sandwich buffet will be provided. The roadshows are completely free and all that is requested is that members register their attendance in advance with the British

Orienteering National Office. Please email [info@britishorienteering.org.uk](mailto:info@britishorienteering.org.uk) with your name, membership number, the roadshow you wish to attend and any access and dietary requirements.

The details for the EMOA roadshow are:

**Wednesday 20th October, EMOA**

Nottingham: Lecture Theatre C11

Portland Building

University Park Campus

University of Nottingham

Nottingham, NG7 2RD

# Access Development Report



Six months into the new government early signs are that gradual improvements in access, being seen nationally, will be continued. The coalition have committed to continuing the new marine and coastal access arrangements. It remains to be seen what happens as regards rights of way but just before the end of the last one a working party reported on the best way forward to clarify the rights of way record. Whilst footpaths in themselves usually only provide dead running they do provide links between smaller areas and access to such areas and the better the network the more it assists us.

The report and proposals take up many pages as you would expect but I have attempted to give you the gist of it. Surprisingly, it was not until 1949 that a duty was established to keep any official legal record of public rights of way (PRow). Before the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act of 1949 introduced the concept of the "definitive map and statement", it was not easy to find out for certain whether a particular route was a PRow. There was a growing concern that as a result, existing public rights were being lost to development and other changes in land use. This definitive map and statement has secured the future of many rights of way, with about 118,000 miles recorded in England.

The PRow network constantly changes and the record with it, to reflect the express creation, actual or presumed dedication, extinguishment or diversion of particular routes. Unfortunately many

historical PRow are not recorded on it, and some are recorded with the wrong status. Some of these unrecorded rights are still in regular use by the public. Others have effectively been forgotten, but English common law includes the ancient maxim 'once a highway always a highway' – meaning that once established, a public highway cannot be lost as a consequence of lack of subsequent public use. So there is always the possibility as things stand of hitherto unrecorded rights of way being discovered and added to the map.

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Some years ago a suggestion was made that this should be changed: that there should be a point beyond which rights of way that existed before the definitive map was introduced, but have never been officially recorded, should be officially extinguished and a "cut - off date" was agreed as 2026. This initially seemed plenty of time but as the process started to be rolled out of identifying these routes there were extensive concerns about the possible loss of PRow that it might cause in view of the complex, often adversarial processes involved in considering whether such rights exist and getting them onto the

definitive map. On the other hand, there is a strong feeling among land managers and property owners that a cut - off needs to be brought into effect at the earliest opportunity in order to create some certainty and remove the situation where unknown rights of way can appear out of the blue.

It soon became apparent that the original system as conceived could not possibly be completed by the cut off date and this working party has been looking at how otherwise the situation can be dealt with. Because of the lengthy and convoluted nature of the processes, large case backlogs have developed.

The Working Group was set up by Natural England to look for ways to improve the position delivering significant benefits to all interests. There are two main parts to the Group's recommendations, firstly there are core proposals for how to capture or preserve useful historical rights, and then close the definitive map to such rights and then how the legal record of PRowF relates to the administration of highways generally. Protecting and managing them in an integrated way must be organised to enable the work of surveying authorities to be significantly more cost - effective. Nevertheless, properly resourcing this work in recognition of the major public importance of the PRowF network will be vital to achieving the success we seek and in today's climate, funds are in short supply.

Amongst the proposals is that whilst supporting the cut off, any claims in the pipeline should not be lost at that time and due process should be allowed to run its course. On a technical point routes identified on the list of streets/local street gazetteer as publicly maintainable, or as private streets carrying public rights, should be exempted from the cut

- off to protect the thousands alleys and ginnels in our towns.

Surveying authorities should have new powers to put flexibility at the heart of procedures, with early negotiated solutions to resolve issues and for them to approach landowners if any application passes a Basic Evidential Test. A surveying authority should be able to make an agreement with one or more affected landowners recognising the existence of a previously unrecorded pre - 1949 PRowF but allowing it to be recorded with appropriate modifications on the definitive map, where justified to avoid significant conflicts with current land use. As a check as to how authorities handle this Natural England should be added to the list of prescribed bodies consulted when a definitive map modification order is being considered.

Also a stakeholder review panel should be constituted to review progress with recording or protecting useful or potentially useful pre - 1949 rights of way before the cut - off.

Effectively the suggestion is that rather than the present lengthy legal process the local authorities should have more powers to try and speed matters up by negotiation.

Another issue affected by the change of powers that be is that of the 10 year review of open access provision. As we go to press the situation is not entirely clear but I think this is being deferred. One suggestion which has been put on the table is that automatic access rights be extended from individuals to certain types of clubs and organisation who stage events on such land and if that was adopted it might well make permissions more easily obtained.

*Roy Denney*

# Out and About



Kinder Scout, quite apart from being within the Peak District National Park has now been afforded even more protection.

Actually owned by the National Trust it has now been designated a National Nature Reserve. It comprises around 700 hectares of various upland habitats, including rare blanket bog and sub-alpine dwarf shrub heath, and also supports several upland breeding birds, notably birds of prey and waders, curlew and ring ouzel. This status offers more potential to restore damaged areas, including the regeneration of bog mosses, which are fundamental to the long-term process of peat creation and carbon storage.

As an environmentalist this is very welcome and I have just seen first hand some of the damage being done by over usage by man. It remains to be seen however, what impact this status may have on access.

Whilst on the subject of such more unusual birds, Bird Track has been set up on the internet by ornithologists to record bird sightings throughout Britain but birdwatchers are thin on the grounds in the uplands of Scotland in particular and whilst we are out and about, if we spot anything, our input would be welcome.

The principle is that if you have been out anywhere in Britain and Ireland, or merely been watching birds in your garden, records of the birds you have seen can be useful data. The scheme is year-round and anyone with even only a passing interest in birds can contribute.

Least is known about the rarer mountain birds and Eagles, Black Grouse, Ptarmigan, Capercaillie etc. details would be most welcome.

A leaflet is available from [robin.anderson@bto.org](mailto:robin.anderson@bto.org) (01786 466560) which explains it in more detail and the web site is <http://www.bto.org/birdtrack>.

The basic problem with Kinder is that it is the only extensive upland within striking distance of Sheffield, Derby and Manchester and quite understandably it attract droves of visitors. The temptation is to get away from the crowds by going cross country and whilst the odd person will do little harm if new routes are created by footfall then extensive damage can follow.

I have just had a go at the Kinder Dozen, devised by Sheffield's Ken Jones in 1997, a challenging route that takes in all three Kinder trig points and many of its summit features. To achieve the Dozen's

10,000+ft of ascent in 24 miles you are required to head steeply up to a feature on the plateau only to immediately turn downhill into the next valley. A very real challenge and I only managed 14 miles but over half was cross country. Our

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event was only 10 strong but any larger attempt would be hard to justify environmentally.

Returning to birds, key areas of golden eagle habitat along Scotland's west coast should be due to receive additional protection following a recent decision by the Scottish Government to consider recognising more areas that are important for the birds.

Information on these birds is also sought by Scottish Natural Heritage which has now launched a public consultation on the proposal to create additional Special Protection Areas for the birds at Glen Fyne, Glen Etive, Moidart and Ardgour and the islands of Jura, Scarba and the Garvellachs. Others being considered are Foinaven, Glen Affric to Strathconon and the Cairngorms Massif. Scotland already has protected areas for golden eagles but has decided to look at adding more.

A consultation is open to all those who have an interest in the areas under consideration. The results will be collated by SNH and then reported to Scottish Ministers. For more information and how to comment on the consultation, visit

-> [www.snh.org.uk/strategy/GE\\_consult01.asp](http://www.snh.org.uk/strategy/GE_consult01.asp)

The biggest impact on the countryside we enjoy as we go out and about is still likely to be climate change. Whilst considering how best we can protect our threatened environment from the climate changes we are bringing about, many knee-jerk reactions turn to the dubious benefits of wind turbines. Unfortunately this is a largely discredited technology which is being discarded in a number of the countries that first bought into it and it is shame that our government does not put its subsidies into more productive renewable 'green' energy sources. The

idea that onshore wind farms, which deface our landscape in ever increasing numbers, are the be-all and end-all of renewable electricity has been a pretty successful con trick and the idea that you are irresponsible if you object to them is environmental blackmail.

Because the grid cannot rely on the wind blowing during periods of peak demand, power stations are needed to back up the turbines and it was recently admitted in parliament that cover was needed at about 90% of output. Countries in northern Europe and in Scandinavia are pursuing numerous other beneficial technologies and one of the best answers may be in digestion.

My own local authority ranks one of the best recycling authorities in England but calculates that the percentage of recycled waste it handles could go up by 20% if it could find a way of dealing with food waste.

Modern household have neither the time

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nor inclination (and possible not even the skills and knowledge) to use leftovers. Sell by and best by dates encourage paranoid parents to throw away perfectly good food and shops also discard perfectly usable food because of the lack of a willingness to buy it. The last Government was reconsidering such notices but who knows what will happen now.

In Britain, digesters are relatively few and far between, but the Europeans have got their act together. The Germans, for example, have over 4,000 digesters, generating 11% of their renewable energy. Our country is thought to discard nearly 30 million tons of food waste each year which could become a valuable resource rather than a toxic liability if we were to develop a network of digesters. Sainsbury's alone produces 56,000 tons of food waste a year but by the end of this year, all of it will end up in digesters, rather than landfill sites.

An anaerobic digester works a bit like a cow's stomach as it uses bacteria to

break down organic material. During the process it gives off a vast amount of methane which can be converted into electricity. Where a wind farm only produces electricity when the wind blows they produce electricity round the clock and they also produce heat and organic fertiliser and consume waste which would otherwise have to be disposed of.

The heat generated by digesters is harder to distribute than the electricity, but a number of community schemes are being developed around the world. In Copenhagen there is already an 80 mile long grid distributing hot air.

The final benefit of such digesters is that the residual nutrients are put back into the soil from whence the food grew in the first place. The daft thing is that the Government incentives by way of a guaranteed price for electricity generated by a farm-based digester are only half that for wind power.

*Roy Denney*

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This is a commercial shooting estate and we can only use it outside the shooting season. For major events this means from February 2<sup>nd</sup> to March 31<sup>st</sup> but we can stage smaller event until the end of June if we avoid the bird rearing and release areas.

The overall area takes in several diverse woodlands. To the east there is a mulberry plantation which we can cross by arrangement and Old Park Wood and to the north a mature area known as Church Thorns. Then comes the middle area where the rearing is done but which we can cross by agreed routes and then the area is dissected north-south by

Wood Lane. To the west of this we have Barkestone Wood, then Plungar Wood and Stathern Wood all lying in the damp bottom lands below the escarpment.

On the top of the slopes of Wood Lane we have Terrace Hills and some parking which makes an ideal base for smaller events and east from here the escarpment itself is quite complex with varied landforms and provided attractive orienteering conditions all the way to the next vehicular track, Tofts Lane. West of this Combs Plantation is part of the estate and the surrounding meadows are managed as a country park under different ownership.

*Roy Denney*

# Fixtures



This fixture list is intended to list events in and around the Midlands and neighbouring areas, plus other items likely to be of interest. Unless otherwise stated Local events offer entry on the day (EOD) to a range of colour coded courses with start times from 10.30 to 12.30. Local events will only have a limited range of courses. Regional and National events provide a range of age related courses and are normally entered in advance using a Standard Entry Form (SEF) or more frequently these days online; EOD will usually be limited and more expensive. Most will offer a limited number of colour-coded course for EOD. Cheques payable to organising club , if not otherwise specified.

The OS map reference is either the car park or point from which the event will be signposted. The list is based on BOF registration, but events are sometimes cancelled. If you are uncertain of whether an event will be on, check with the organiser. The editor takes no responsibility for wasted journeys !

## CHANGE OF EVENT STRUCTURE IN FIXTURE LISTS

2009 sees the start of the new British Orienteering event structure with 3 levels of event. .

- ◆ Level 1 = NATIONAL (British and Area Championships and the JK)
- ◆ Level 2 = REGIONAL (Age Class Ranking Events)
- ◆ Level 3 = LOCAL (Participation events including \*Colour Coded\*, Summer and Winter League etc.)

\*Courses available at Colour Coded Events are White, Yellow, Orange, Light Green, Green, Blue and Brown unless the Event details state otherwise\*.

This replaces the previous 5 category system although at present the British Orienteering fixtures list appears to be still using the old system apart from dropping category 4. This makes it currently very difficult in the to distinguish a local event with a full complement of colour coded courses from a "Summer League" type event with limited courses

## October 2010

2nd	WMOA OD Local	OD Sprint Event (Afternoon) Stoneleigh Park , Stoneleigh Park (National Agricultural Centre) Kenilworth , SP329712 Organiser: Peter Guillaume, 01926 511490 Online entry through <a href="http://www.fabian4.co.uk">www.fabian4.co.uk</a> Entry On Day: Senior £8.00, Junior £2.00, Student £2.00. , Punch Type: EMIT, Start Times: 1-00pm to 3-00pm <a href="http://www.octavian-droobers.org">www.octavian-droobers.org</a>
3rd	WMOA OD Regional	Warwick Urban Race (Final Nopesport 2010 Urban League Event) , Warwick Warwick , SP287648 Organiser: Richard Gardner, 01604 770761 Online entry through <a href="http://www.fabian4.co.uk">www.fabian4.co.uk</a> Entry On Day: Senior £11.00, Junior £3.00, Student £3.00. , Punch Type: EMIT, Dogs: Preferably on lead Start Times: 10-30am to 12-30pm <a href="http://www.octavian-droobers.org">www.octavian-droobers.org</a>
9th	WMOA POTOC Local	POTOC Leisure and Training Event , Reaseheath College Nantwich, Cheshire , SJ650541 Organiser: Brenda Morgan, <a href="mailto:shenrymorgan@yahoo.co.uk">shenrymorgan@yahoo.co.uk</a> , 01889 502355 Entry On Day: Senior £3.50, Junior £2.00, Student £2.00. , Punch Type: SI, No dogs allowed. Start Times: Registration from 10 am. Starts from 10:30 to 12:00. <a href="http://www.potoc.dandasparks.org.uk/">www.potoc.dandasparks.org.uk/</a>
9th	EMOA DVO Local	DVO Local Event , Calke Abbey Derby , SK368227 Organiser: Val Johnson, <a href="mailto:gmjandfam@aol.com">gmjandfam@aol.com</a> , 01773 824754 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, <a href="http://www.dvo.org.uk">www.dvo.org.uk</a>
9th	WMOA WCH Local	Maize Maze , National Forest Maize Maze, Postern House Farm, Tattenhill DE13 9 SJ Burton upon Trent , SK206232 Organiser: Catherine Williams, <a href="mailto:cath@stodgell.co.uk">cath@stodgell.co.uk</a> Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, <a href="http://www.walton-chasers.co.uk">www.walton-chasers.co.uk</a>
17th	EMOA NOC Local	NOC Winter League , Holme Pierrepont Nottingham Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, <a href="http://www.noc-uk.org">www.noc-uk.org</a>
<b>19th</b>	<b>EMOA LEI Local</b>	<b>LEI Winter League , Watermead Country Park Leicester</b> <b>Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None,</b>
		
23rd	WMOA HOC Local	HOC Local Event , British Camp Malvern , SO763404 Organiser: Steve Chiverton, 01905 831184 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, <a href="http://www.harlequins.org.uk">www.harlequins.org.uk</a>
23rd	EMOA DVO Local	Limited Colour Coded Event , Bottom Moor Matlock Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, <a href="http://www.dvo.org.uk/">www.dvo.org.uk/</a>

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23rd	WMOA OD Local	OD Sat Morning Local Event Tudor Grange Park , Tudor Grange Park Solihull , SP145790 Organiser: John Middler, 02476 466711 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: EMIT, Start Times: 10-30 to 12 noon www.octavian-droobers.org
24th	<b>EMOA LEI Regional</b> 	<b>LEI Midlands Middle Distance Championships , Irchester Country Park Wellingborough , SP914660</b> <b>Organiser: Robert Haskins, bobh@piperdrive.co.uk, 01509 842449</b> <b>Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: SI, www.leioc.org.uk</b>
24th	WMOA WCH Local	Shoal Hill local , Shoal Hill, Cannock Chase Cannock , SJ959123 Organiser: Ianka Petrova Evans, 01782 788341 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: SI, www.walton-chasers.co.uk
31st	EMOA DVO Regional	EM League , Stanton Moor Matlock , SK247635 Organiser: Stuart Swalwell, stuart.swalwell2412@mac.com, 01335 347814 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, www.dvo.org.uk
31st	WMOA POTOC Regional	West Midland Championships , Park Hall Stoke on Trent , SJ928446 Organiser: Henry Morgan, shenrymorgan@yahoo.co.uk Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, www.potoc.dandasparks.org.uk/

## Autumn Series

The Saturday morning Autumn Series is along similar lines to previous years and all are welcome. Coaching starts at 10am prompt, please advise Chris Bosley on 0116 236 3349

email: c.bosley@ntlworld.com. if you are coming so that appropriate sessions can be prepared. We are using one area close to each of the Training Centres.

**25 September**

**Ratby Woodlands**

**30 October**

**Fosse Meadows**

**13 November**

**Batram Woods**

See LEI website for more details

# LEI News

## November 2010

6th	EMOA NOC Local	NOC Local Night Event , Bestwood Country Park Nottingham , SK565475 Organiser: Ruedi Billeter Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None,
6th	EMOA LOG Local	LOG Winter Series 2/6 , Sleaford Town (South) Sleaford , TF067458 Organiser: Sean Harrington, sean@logonline.org.uk, 01522 791344 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, Start Times: 11-12:00 www.logonline.org.uk
6th	WMOA OD Local	OD Sat Morning Local Event Brandon Wood , Brandon Wood Coventry , SP399770 Organiser: John Boden, 01926 313371 Entry On Day: Senior £2.00, Junior £0.00, Student £0.00. , Punch Type: EMIT, Start Times: 10-30 to 12 noon www.octavian-droobers.org
7th	EMOA NOC Local	EM League , Bestwood Nottingham Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None,
7th	WMOA WRE Regional	Bury Ditches Regional Event , Bury Ditches Bishops Castle , SO320828 Organiser: Graham Hardy, pmhrdy@f2s.com Entry On Day: Senior £8.00, Junior £1.00, Student £1.00. , Punch Type: SI, Dogs: The car park is on a farm - dogs to be kept under the strictest control. Start Times: 10.30 - 12.30 www.wrekinorienteers.co.uk
14th	WMOA HOC Regional	HOC Regional Event , Postensplain Bewdley , SO743791 Organiser: Lester Evans, 01299 832053 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, www.harlequins.org.uk
18th	WMOA HOC Local	HOC Local Night event (WEE) , Kingsford Forest Park Kinver , SO833830 Organiser: Barry Houghton, 01902 894890 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, www.harlequins.org.uk
20th	WMOA POTOC Local	POTOC Leisure and Training Event , Apedale Country Park Newcastle-under-Lyme , SJ822483 Organiser: Brenda Morgan, shenrymorgan@yahoo.co.uk, 07910 859932 Entry On Day: Senior £3.50, Junior £2.00, Student £2.00. , Punch Type: SI, Dogs allowed. Start Times: Registration from 10 am. Starts from 10:30 to 12:00. www.potoc.dandasparks.org.uk/
20th	EMOA LOG Local	LOG Winter Series 3/6 , Harlaxton College Grantham Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, Start Times: 11-12:00 www.logonline.org.uk
21st	EMOA NOC Local	NOC Winter League , Haywood Oaks Mansfield Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, www.noc-uk.org
24th	EMOA LEI Local	 <b>LEI Winter League Night Event , Sence Valley Country Park Ibstock</b> <b>Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None,</b>

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27th	EMOA DVO Local	DVO Local Event , Shipley Park Heanor , SK432454 Organiser: Kim Buxton, 01773 604123 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, www.dvo.org.uk/
28th	WMOA WCH Regional	WCH Regional Event & WM League , South Sherbrook, Cannock Chase Cannock , SK001167 Organiser: Patrick Murray, 01538 266224 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, No dogs allowed. www.waltonchasers.co.uk
 28th	<b>EMOA</b> <b>LEI</b> <b>Local</b>	<b>EM League , Burbage Common Hinckley</b> <b>Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, www.leioc.org.uk</b>

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4th	EMOA DVO Local	DVO Night Event , Allestree Park Derby , SK352398 Organiser: Ann-Marie Duckworth, jasrduckworth@btinternet.com, 01773 856824 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, www.dvo.org.uk
4th	EMOA LOG Local	LOG Winter Series 4/6 , Grantham Town Grantham Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, Start Times: 11-12:00 www.logonline.org.uk
5th	WMOA HOC Regional	Yvette Baker Trophy Final , TBC Bewdley , SO767780 Organiser: Rachel Dearden, 01827 895 298 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: SI, Start Times: 12:00 to 13:30
5th	EMOA DVO Regional	DVO Regional Event , Shining Cliff Matlock , SK334523 Organiser: Sal Chaffey Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None,
5th	WMOA HOC Local	HOC limited local (attached to YBTF) , Hawkbatch Bewdley , SO767780 Organiser: Rachel Dearden, 01827 895 298 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: SI, Start Times: Non-YBTF competitors 10:30 to 11:30. Entry on the day for non-YBTF competitors and registration 9:30 to 11:00 www.harlequins.org.uk
 8th	<b>EMOA</b> <b>LEI</b> <b>Local</b>	<b>LEI Winter League Night Event , Markfield Leicester</b> <b>Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None,</b>
9th	WMOA HOC Local	HOC local Night Event (WEE) , Walton Hill, Clent Hills Stourbridge , SO937804 Organiser: Peter Langmaid, 0121 561 3763 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, www.harlequins.org.uk
12th	WMOA OD Local	OD Colour-coded Event Oakley Wood & Ashorne Hill & OD Club Champs , Oakley Wood & Ashorne Hill Warwick , SP310589 Organiser: John Bowman, 01926 853720 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, www.octavian-droobers.org

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19th	EMOA NOC Local	Local , Walesby Ollerton Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None,
27th	WMOA OD Local	OD Club Xmas Relays Woodcote , Woodcote Leek Wootton , SP288691 Organiser: Peter Guillaume, 01926 511490 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, <a href="http://www.octavian-droobers.org">www.octavian-droobers.org</a>
28th	EMOA LEI Local	<b>EM League , The Outwoods Loughborough , SK515163</b> <b>Organiser: Chris Phillips Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None,</b>

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1st	EMOA LEI Local	<b>LEI Winter League Event , Donisthorpe Ashby</b> <b>Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None,</b>
6th	WMOA HOC Local	HOC local Night Event (WEE) , Shrawley Wood Stourport , SO807664 Organiser: Roger Keeling, 01905 831542 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, <a href="http://www.harlequins.org.uk">www.harlequins.org.uk</a>
8th	EMOA LOG Local	LOG Winter Series 5/6 , Stamford Town Stamford , TF028071 Organiser: Sean Harrington, sean@logonline.org.uk, 01522 791344 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, Start Times: 11-12:00 <a href="http://www.logonline.org.uk">www.logonline.org.uk</a>
16th	EMOA LEI Regional	<b>CompassSport Cup 1st Round , Beacon Hill Loughborough</b> <b>Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, <a href="http://www.leioc.org.uk">www.leioc.org.uk</a></b>
16th	WMOA OD Regional	OD Compass Sport Cup/Trophy Round 1 Sutton Park , Sutton Park (Streetly Gate) Sutton Coldfield , SP087984 Organiser: Tony Feltbower, 01926 864465 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, <a href="http://www.octavian-droobers.org">www.octavian-droobers.org</a>
19th	EMOA LEI Local	<b>LEI Winter League Night Event , Linford Ashby</b> <b>Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None,</b>
22nd	EMOA DVO Regional	DVO Regional Event & EM League , Eyam Bakewell Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None,
22nd	EMOA LOG Local	LOG Winter Series 6/6 , Bourne Woods Bourne , SK860595 Organiser: Sean Harrington, sean@logonline.org.uk, 01522 791344 Entry On Day: Senior £2.00, Junior £2.00, Student £2.00. , Punch Type: None, Start Times: 11-12:00 <a href="http://www.logonline.org.uk">www.logonline.org.uk</a>
27th	WMOA HOC Local	HOC local Night Event (WEE) , Rough Wood Walsall , SJ982009 Organiser: Barry McGowan, 01922 633792 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, <a href="http://www.harlequins.org.uk">www.harlequins.org.uk</a>

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30th	WMOA HOC Regional	HOC Regional Event , Breakneck Bank Bewdley , SO714768 Organiser: Steve Chiverton, 01905 831184 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, www.harlequins.org.uk
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5th	WMOA OD National	British Night Championships Bentley Wood , Bentley Woods Atherstone , SP282957 Organiser: Robert Brandon Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, No dogs allowed. www.octavian-droobers.org.uk
10th	WMOA HOC Local	HOC local Night Event (WEE) , Dudmaston Bridgenorth , SO748896 Organiser: Eric Brown, 01694 724330 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, www.harlequins.org.uk
10th	EMOA LOG Local	Local Night Event , Riseholme Lincoln , SK984757 Organiser: Sean Harrington, sean@logonline.org.uk, 01522 791344 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, www.logonline.org.uk
13th	EMOA NOC Regional	Regional Event , Sherwood Pines Mansfield Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None,
13th	WMOA HOC Local	BUOC/HOC Colour coded event , Sandwell Valley Sandwell , SP025917 Organiser: Marian White, 01215 548563 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, www.harlequins.org.uk
19th- 20th	EAOA NOR National	Norfolk Weekend incorporating Midland Championships 19th Retro Event at NT Felbrigg Estate , NT Felbrigg Estate Cromer , TG195405 Organiser: Pat Bedder, 01603 424589 Postal Entry: Alan Bedder, 21 Tills Close Sprowston, NORWICH, NR6 7QS, 01603 424589, dump-ling@norfolkoc.co.uk. Cheques payable to Norfolk Orienteering Club Online entry through www.fabian4.co.uk Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, Dogs: Dogs on Lead, Livestock area. Start Times: TBC www.norfolkoc.co.uk
	EAOA	20th National Event & Midland Championships , Sherringham Park & Weybourne Wood Sherringham , TG139410 Organiser: Alan Bedder, alan.bedder@virgin.net, 01603 424589 Postal Entry: Alan Bedder, 21 Tills Close, Sprowston, NORWICH, NR6 7QS, 01603 424589, dumpling@norfolkoc.co.uk. Cheques payable to Norfolk Orienteering Club Online entry through www.fabian4.co.uk Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: SI, www.norfolkoc.co.uk

<b>22nd</b>	<b>EMOA LEI Local</b>	<b>LEI Winter League , Aylestone Leicester Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None,</b>
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27th	WMOA OD Local	OD Local Event , WML,, Hay Wood , Hay Wood, Baddesley Clinton Warwick , SP205707 Organiser: John Bowman, 01926 853720 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, www.octavian-droobers.org
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## March 2011

3rd	WMOA HOC Local	HOC local Night Event (WEE) , Highgate common Wombourne , SO748896 Organiser: Barry Houghton, 01902 894890 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, <a href="http://www.harlequins.org.uk">www.harlequins.org.uk</a>
6th	EMOA DVO Regional	DVO Regional Event & EM League , Hardwick Chesterfield , SK460635 Organiser: Michelle Mackervoy Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None,
13th	SCOA TVOC National	TVOC National Event & Southern Championships , Hambleden Henley , SU765865 Organiser: John Dalton, <a href="mailto:jrpdalton@btopenworld.com">jrpdalton@btopenworld.com</a> , 01628 526283 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: EMIT, Dogs: On leads in car park. Not allowed in the forest. <a href="http://www.tvoc.org.uk">www.tvoc.org.uk</a>
19th	WMOA HOC Local	HOC Local (attached To H+W Schools Champs) , Eastnor Park Ledbury , SO746379 Organiser: Carol Farrington, 01531 635502 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: SI, <a href="http://www.harlequins.org.uk">www.harlequins.org.uk</a>
20th	EMOA LOG Local	EM League Event , Belton Park Grantham , SK934385 Organiser: Sean Harrington, <a href="mailto:sean@logonline.org.uk">sean@logonline.org.uk</a> , 01522 791344 Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, Start Times: 10:30-12:30 <a href="http://www.logonline.org.uk">www.logonline.org.uk</a>
27th	WMOA WCH Regional	WCH Regional Event , TBC Cannock Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None,
27th	NEOA NATO National	Northern Champs National Event & FCC Race , Ray Demesne Newcastle Entry On Day: Senior £TBC, Junior £TBC, Student £TBC. , Punch Type: None, <a href="http://www.newcastleorienteering.org.uk">www.newcastleorienteering.org.uk</a>

## **Burbage Common EMOA League Event 28th November 2010**

**Please note - Due to long term bridge works (due to start on 27.09.10 for approximately 20 weeks) access is not expected to be possible from Stoney Stanton direction via Elmesthorpe on the B581 or Burbage Common Road. There will be a lengthy detour. M69 users will need to approach via Burbage/Hinckley.**