

British Night Championships Host 2016



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# LEI NEWS

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Photographs from JK 2014  
Annual Presentation Dinner

Retired Man Chronicles  
Access Update - Summer 2014



Summer 2014

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*Front cover photographs: LEI podium winners at the JK 2014.*

*Don Moir & Simon Ford by Rob Lines*

*Ben Hardy & Hannah Cox by Alan West*

## Points from the Editors



Welcome to the summer edition of the LEI News. As I write this, we are experiencing cold and wet weather, despite the fact that the summer league is well under way. The interim summer league results can be found on page 32.

As you can imagine, this edition is dominated by JK2014, in particular Day 3, and quite rightly so! What a fantastic event we hosted under extreme weather conditions. A big well done to all the members and families who were involved, especially to Chris Phillips, Roger Edwards and the senior team who did an amazing job! The logistics of such a large and distant event are quite unimaginable. Hopefully next year, Bob can have a day off to enjoy his birthday in peace (unless Chris has anything else up his sleeve!). You can read more about the JK on pages 3 and 11, plus see the photographs on pages 13 -16, inclusive, as well as on page 40.

We are pleased to report that the LEI News has won the CompassSport Newsletter Award for the second year running. The logo is being proudly displayed at the bottom of the front cover. Again, thank you to those members who have sent in a wide range of interesting articles and photographs for us to publish. It would be great to receive articles from new contributors, too.

Please continue to send your articles to [wenandal@talktalk.net](mailto:wenandal@talktalk.net). Happy reading.

*Wendy and Alan West*



# Ramblings from the Chair



Another 20th April, another big event for LEI. As Club Chairman, I'd like to extend my personal thanks to absolutely everybody in the Club who had any part to play in JK Day 3 at Llangynidr, South Wales. A very

special mention goes to Chris Phillips, of course, who was Day Organiser, but I suspect that the mileage award went to our planners, Roger Edwards, assisted by Peter Hornsby and Steve Edgar. This is one of the major events in the orienteering calendar, and we were thus very exposed to the eyes of the orienteering community. After my first visit to the site on a cold February day last year, I had concerns about the assembly area being suitable for this event, though not with our abilities to organise or plan. As it turned out, we effectively ended up with a 3km long event centre with parking most of the way along it, and with the arena at one end and the main start at the other. Thanks to all the appropriate LEI teams, this was made to work well. The weather wasn't wonderful, with low cloud on the day, but as Chris said, thinking about what it could have been like, we'd have settled for how it was if offered in advance.

Although I'd been to the neighbouring Brecon Beacons previously, I had never been on Llangynidr. The experience of running on the Saturday across the valley was sufficient to give a good indication of what it would be like, and in fact a couple of hours wandering around on the Monday morning in lovely weather collecting controls with Tracey and Laurie

gave a "clear" indication of what the orienteering must have been like! Although I'd heard talk from Roger about sites of special interest and caves, I didn't know much about the area, but by coincidence, the Guardian Country Diary the next weekend was about Llangynidr. Apart from mentioning the landscape, it talked about the Chartists' Cave where "pikes of the insurrectionists were stored before their 1839 attack on Newport". An account of this can be found at: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chartism>. More recently, Aneurin Bevan and his friends walked up there, discussing the political project that would become his enduring legacy – the National Health Service. Incidentally, the article also says that the deep hollows mark collapsed underground chambers.

Our next major event is scheduled to be the British Night Championships on 27th February, 2016. This won't be such a large event as the Sprints or JK, and will be paired with the Midland Championships to be organised by NOC on the Sunday.

I'd also like to thank those of you who wished me Happy Birthday on JK Day 3, and signed the card. Also a big vote of thanks to Ursula who baked my "Bee" birthday cake which we ate at the Youth Hostel in the evening. After organising the British Sprints on my birthday in 2013 and being assistant at JK 2014 Day 3, I'm thinking of having a quiet day next year (well it will be a Monday in 2015)!

Our juniors are continuing to put in some fine performances. They had great success at the East Midlands Championships and the results are on our website. They are also preparing for



the Yvette Baker Trophy National Finals in July and I'm sure all in the Club wish them luck for a podium position. Our Club Junior Captain, Hannah Cox, has also been selected to run for GB in the European Youth Championships, which is a great achievement. Having said that, we are also doing well at M70 and M80

with successes by Simon Ford and Don Moir.

We are well into the summer league season as I write this, and I look forward to seeing you all at one of our events in the near future. Hopefully, you'll be wearing some of our new club kit!

*Bob Haskins*

## Captain's Corner



It's been a very busy few months in the club, with LEI competing in the Yvette Baker Trophy, the CompassSport Cup and the Jan Kjellstrom Relays, along with a couple of our juniors being selected for the national team.

For the third time in a row, LEI juniors were regional champions in the Yvette Baker Trophy beating NOC, DVO and LOG with 897 points out of a maximum of 899. This was a real team effort, with many of our older juniors being out performed by their younger team mates. I am hoping that LEI can repeat this performance and achieve a podium place in the final on 6<sup>th</sup> July at Capite Woods, near Ashington, Sussex. Further details about the event and travel will be emailed out using the club's mailchimp software in the coming weeks.

Sadly, the rest of the club could not match the quality of the juniors in the other inter-club competition, the CompassSport Cup. With the rescheduled regional round being held in March, rather than in the traditional

February Half-Term break, conditions were looking favourable for us to claim the 2<sup>nd</sup> available at the final. We were undone with the fast conditions of Bentley Wood, but we still managed our best performance in recent memory, being only 47 points away from qualifying.

If you're not an avid reader of the British Orienteering website, you might not know that two of our juniors have been making themselves known to national team selectors with their championship standard performances. Imogen Wilson and our Junior Captain, Hannah Cox, were both selected as reserves for the England team in the overseas Interland Competition. More recently, Hannah has been selected for the European Youth Orienteering Championships and the British Orienteering Talent Development Camp.

It's great to see LEI colours being proudly worn. If you're in need of a new 'O' Top, you will be pleased to know that the club has just taken delivery of the long sleeved 'O' Top from Siven.

If you haven't done so already, please add 5<sup>th</sup> October to your diary as the date for the Club Championships. As in previous years, there will be trophies for juniors, veterans and the club champion.

*Roger Phillips*



# Junior Captain's Corner

## Interland 2014



5am, and Imogen and I were on our way to the pick up for this year's Interland before the long journey into Northern France.

After a very lively journey so early in the morning, we arrived in sunny Bruay-la-Buissiere for the middle distance event. This wasn't part of the Interland competition, but the 3 event competition that was running alongside. It was also a chance to run in a similar area in preparation for the next day. The area was quite runnable with some good contour detail, and after a mistake at number one, I had a fairly clean run from then on. The night event (again not part of the Interland competition) was around the wood surrounding our accommodation. Being a reserve meant that my start time was one of the last, and after a lot of worrying that I'd be the only one left in the forest, I finally started. My fears were realised on the way to number one, as I didn't see another light at all anywhere in the area! But once I'd crossed the track over to the other side of the forest, there were plenty of people around and I began to settle down and, in the end, actually quite enjoyed it and didn't do that badly!

19 hours after waking up, we eventually got showered and had a very well deserved sleep! However, it was up early again the next morning ready for the real race. As both Imogen and I were reserves, our start times were again much later on, giving us the chance to support the England team as they started, and then get ready for our own races. Sunday's area was pretty tough going with heavy undergrowth and a fair amount of climb. My run was quite poor with a mistake at almost every control, which soon added up. However, I enjoyed the experience of orienteering abroad for the first time, though I will definitely learn the French for 'where am I?' next time!

I'm happy to say the England team won for the 20<sup>th</sup> time in a row and the long bus journey back was just as mad as the one on the way there, with celebrations!

I'd like to thank John Duckworth for driving Imogen and me back from the south after an extremely long weekend. Also to LEI for helping to fund my place on the weekend, and EMOA, whose donation supports England orienteering in covering the costs for us to go.

*Hannah Cox*

**East Midlands Urban League**  
**Check out all the details and results at**  
**<http://eastmidlandsurbanleague.wordpress.com/>**



# Top Performances from Major Championships

Congratulations to those club members who delivered winning and top 10 performances in the following major championships:

## Southern Championships, Star Posts, 26th January, 2014

M10A 2nd .....Harrington Leake

3rd .....Ben Hardy

M14A 2nd .....Ethan Tebbutt

M16A 10th .....Finn Lydon

M20E 5th .....Matthew Cox

M75L 4th .....Peter Leake

W14A 4th .....Imogen Wilson

7th .....Ashleigh Howells

W16A 8th .....Gabriel Rawlinson

W18E 7th .....Hannah Cox

W45L 9th .....Alison Hardy

## British Night Championships, Pippingford Park, 22nd February, 2014

M16 4th .....Euan Tebbutt

M20L 2nd .....Simon Bradbury

M45S 2nd .....Iain Tebbutt

## East Midlands' Championships, Middle Distance - 6th April, 2014, Cademan Woods

\* Indicates East Midlands Champion

M10 1st .....Ben Hardy\*

2nd .....Charlie Rennie

3rd .....Harrington Leake

M12 1st ..... Oscar Wilkinson\*

M14 2nd ..... Ethan Tebbutt\*

M16 1st ..... Tom Barber\*

4th ..... Nick Wilson

5th ..... Fraser Alcock

M18 3rd ..... Finn Lydon\*

5th ..... Simon West

M20 2nd ..... Matthew Cox\*

M35 1st ..... Roger Phillips\*

3rd ..... Ian Wilson

5th ..... Derek Herd

M40 2nd ..... Howard Alcock\*

4th ..... Jamie Rennie

5th ..... Jamie Sutherland

M45 10th ..... Matt White

M50 3rd ..... Ian Howells\*

M55 9th ..... Alan West

M60 6th ..... Roger Edwards\*

M65 2nd ..... Glynn Smith

M70 2nd ..... Simon Ford\*

7th ..... Ernie Williams

8th ..... Eric Porter

9th ..... Peter Chick

M75 1st ..... David Anderson\*

2nd ..... Peter Leake

7th ..... Roger Kelly



W12 2nd .....Reed Lydon  
W14 3rd .....Anna Barber  
4th .....Caitlin Chafer  
5th .....Imogen Wilson  
9th .....Peta Jarvis  
W16 2nd .....Gabriel Rawlinson  
6th .....Daisy Herd  
W18 2nd .....Hannah Cox\*  
W21 3rd .....Liz Heaton\*  
W45 1st .....Alison Hardy\*  
9th .....Tracey Brookes  
W55 4th .....Julie Starkey\*  
W60 5th .....Felicity Manning  
W65 7th .....Diane Ford  
W70 4th .....Sue Porter

**JK Festival of Orienteering 2014,  
South Wales, 18th-21st April, 2014.**

**JK Day 1 Sprint, Swansea University**

M10 2nd .....Ben Hardy  
7th .....Harrington Leake  
M40 9th .....Howard Alcock  
M75 4th .....Peter Leake  
W14 7th .....Ashleigh Howells  
W18E 3rd .....Hannah Cox

**JK Day 2, Merthyr Common**

M10A 4th .....Harrington Leake  
M21V 6th .....Chris Heaton  
M40L 8th .....Howard Alcock  
M60S 4th .....David Bray  
M70L 5th .....Simon Ford  
M70S 9th .....Ernie Williams

M80 2nd ..... Don Moir  
W10B 4th ..... Libby Barber  
W16B 6th ..... Holly White  
10th ..... Emma Phillips  
W18E 5th ..... Hannah Cox  
W65S 8th ..... Diane Ford

**JK Day 3, Llangynidr**

**\*\*\* LEI HOST DAY \*\*\***

M10A 7th ..... Harrington Leake  
10th ..... Ben Hardy  
M21V 3rd ..... Chris Heaton  
M70L 7th ..... Simon Ford  
M70S 7th ..... Eric Porter  
M75L 10th ..... Peter Leake  
M80 1st ..... Don Moir  
W14A 6th ..... Imogen Wilson  
W18E 10th ..... Hannah Cox  
W18S 5th ..... Jessica Howells  
W60S 4th ..... Pat Conway  
Pre O Novice 6th .....Iain Phillips

**JK Day 2 and Day 3 Combined**

M10A 4th ..... Harrington Leake  
10th ..... Ben Hardy  
M21V 3rd ..... Chris Heaton  
M60S 8th ..... David Bray  
M70L 2nd ..... Simon Ford  
M70S 7th ..... Eric Porter  
M75L 10th ..... Peter Leake  
M80L 1st ..... Don Moir  
W18E 7th ..... Hannah Cox  
W60S 4th ..... Pat Conway



**Northern Championships, The Lakes,  
3rd-5th May, 2014**

**Day 1 Middle Distance, Summerhouse  
Knott**

Yellow 7th.....Harrington Leake

Short Green 5th.....Ethan Tebbutt

Green 8th.....Euan Tebbutt

**Day 2 Classic Event, Gummer's How &  
Blakeholme**

M10A 3rd.....Ben Hardy

5th.....Harrington Leake

M14A 7th.....Ethan Tebbutt

M21V 1st.....Chris Heaton

M45S 3rd.....Iain Tebbutt

M70S 2nd.....Eric Porter

M75L 6th.....Peter Leake

M80 4th.....Don Moir

W10B 1st.....Libby Barber

W14A 5th.....Anna Barber

W21S 2nd.....Liz Heaton

W45L 8th.....Alison Hardy

W70L 2nd.....Sue Porter

**Day 3 Urban, Kendal**

Yellow 6th.....Ben Hardy

## Club Chat - 1

We would like to give a big LEI welcome to the following new members:

Adam Concannon

Tracy and Karl Phillipson

Gabriel Valero

**Club Championships 2014  
are on Sunday 5th October  
at Hanging Hill, Ashby.**

**The Club AGM is on  
Monday 27th October at  
Glenfield Parish Rooms,  
Glenfield LE3 8DL**



Warm-up jackets, as modelled by Ursula above, are now available to be ordered from club captain, Roger Phillips. The cost of the tops is £32.00. Matching trousers will also be available at approx. £20, but these items are subject to possible price increases by Siven, the supplier.



# Congratulations

To the following LEI members who are East Midlands' Champions following the event at Cademan Woods on 6th April, 2014.



M10 - Ben Hardy



M12 - Oscar Wilkinson



M14 - Ethan Tebbutt

M16 - Tom Barber



M18 - Finn Lydon



M35 - Roger Phillips





M40 - Howard Alcock



M50 - Ian Howells



M60 - Roger Edwards

Unless shown, all photographs  
by Alan West.

M70 - Simon Ford



M75 - David Anderson



W18 - Hannah Cox





W21 - Liz Heaton  
Photo: Chris Heaton



W45 - Alison Hardy



W55 - Julie Starkey

## JK2014 Day 3 - A Day Trip to Wales

Well that's it, then. No more trips down the M5, no more trying to remember that Llfyn is not pronounced as it is spelt, no more late night shifts on the computer, and no worrying if we could find enough helpers (actually I never did worry about that - I knew that you would all be there on the day).

Firstly, a very big thank you to everybody in the club and friends in the rest of the East Midlands who volunteered to help. I am only sorry that we could not provide you with better weather. More of that later. For the record, there were 121 volunteer helpers on Day 3, 84 of which came from LEI. I must record a very special thank you to our Planning Team: Roger Edwards, Peter Hornsby and Steve Edgar, who spent, literally hundreds of hours on the mammoth task of planning and re-planning the courses. A personal thanks to my Senior Team,

Bob, Ernie, Ursula and Roger P for their support and encouragement over the last 18 months.

Since the event, I have received many emails and letters of thanks from the "great and good" of orienteering and many of the people who took part. As space is short, I include just one extract from a letter from one of our more "senior" competitors:

*"I think it was all a magnificent feat of organisation with so many problems to overcome and I marvel at the way it all went so well. The concessionary parking for those of us not quite so young as we used to be was much appreciated and Audrey and I were particularly impressed by the good humour of the car parking attendants as they shoehorned us into our slots. My courses were superb and I hope the planners and controllers got as much pleasure from creating them as we*

*the competitors got from trying to solve them. Very many thanks to the myriad of organisers and helpers for a most successful JK."*

I am very aware that most of you only saw a little bit of the day so here are some of the highlights!

On Saturday evening, our IOF advisor, Mike Forrest, was injured whilst control checking and had to be taken to hospital. Not a good start and a frantic scramble to find a replacement. Fortunately, the Chair of the IOF Foot O Commission was on site and with a little bit of "persuasion" took on the role. The World Ranking Event can go ahead.

Needing 6 start clocks, we had arranged to borrow from other clubs. The one from WREKIN came with the advice "don't drop it, it cost £4,000 (LEI's cost £200!) Late on Saturday night, Messrs. Hornsby, Bradley and Phillips R are seen puzzling as to how it works. Day Organiser heads to the bar - it's going to be long night!

Sunday morning dawns bright and clear. No, it did not! At 6.00am, it is throwing it down with the cloud level below 1,000ft. The 7.00am Radio 4 weather forecast is reasonably optimistic. Good, we can go ahead. 8.00am - conference with the JK Co-ordinator, Safety Officer, the First Aid and Mountain Rescue teams with a telephone input from the Controller - things are not looking too good. The local weather forecast is horrendous - heavy rain, gale force winds and actual temperatures just above freezing. Do we cancel? I have a lot of advice but it is nobody's decision but mine. Further advice and forecasts are sought. 8.30am - the advice is that the high winds are likely to be confined to the valleys. We go ahead with the proviso that waterproof jackets will be carried and we will review again at 10.00am. As you know, we carried on, but it was a very close call.

The day winds on, the catering crew make yet more sandwiches for Chris B and Roy to deliver to the furthest parts of Wales (judging by the amount of food that that went out of the door we must have been feeding a large percentage of the Welsh population), Ursula delivers yet more toilet rolls to the Portalooos (we had 300 toilet rolls in reserve at the start of the day). Additionally, the string course SI boxes blow up and manage to disable Sport Ident's master system. The police drop in, in large numbers, for a chat and a cup of tea - very pretty the Welsh police ladies! The First Aid Team report business is brisk. The Mountain Rescue Team get stuck in the mud and, all of sudden, it's the prize giving and then it's time to go home.

The day is not going to end without a little more drama: there are three missing competitors, one of whom is a 16 year old novice on a light green course, and who has been out for three hours. Our emergency response plans swing into action and within 40 minutes, two of the missing competitors have been located. The third competitor has not been found, and we and the Mountain Rescue Team feel that we have done all we can and the police are in the process of taking over from us, when some detective work by the download crew and the Starts Coordinator unearth the fact that the missing person had changed their dibber and had retired about half way round the course and had not downloaded. Relief all round!

By early Monday afternoon, the whole site was clear with no trace of our activity, and it was as if 3,000 people had not spent two days there.

What next? Watch this space!!

*Chris Phillips, Organiser Day 3*



# Photo Gallery JK2014 - Day 1



David Bray. Photo:  
Wendy Carlyle



Harrington Leake



Ian Howells. Photo: Rob Lines

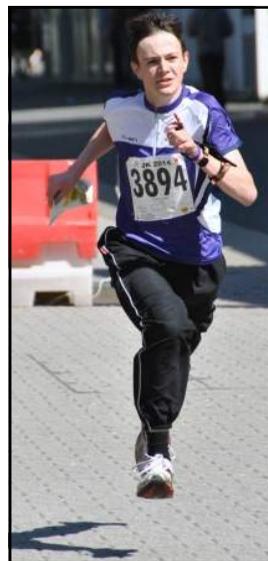
Unless shown, photos by Annie Leake.



Finn Lydon



Richard Leake



Simon West

# Photo Gallery JK2014 - Day 2



*Alastair Paterson*



*Anna Barber*



*Ben Bishop*



*Ben Hardy*



*Bob Haskins*



*Felicity Manning*



*Jessica Howells*



*Ian Wilson*



*Imogen Wilson*



*Kieran Coolican & Matt Cox*

# Photo Gallery JK2014 - Day 2



John Marriott



Laurie Fluck



Diane Ford



Liz Heaton



Roger Phillips



Libby Barber

Nick Wilson



All photos:  
Annie Leake



Andy Portsmouth



Ursula Williamson



Wendy West

# Photo Gallery JK2014 - Day 3 & 4



*Tom Barber*

*Top row photos:  
Annie Leake*

*Euan Tebbutt*



*Trish Lydon*



*Peter Leake*

*Simon Ford*



*Ethan Tebbutt*



*Howard Alcock*

*Middle and bottom  
row photos:  
Wendy Carlyle*

*Matt White*



*Toby Manning*



# Junior Spotlight: Interland - 29th/30th March, 2014

Interland is an annual international competition between 5 countries (6 regions): NE France, NW Germany, Belgium (Wallonia and Flanders), the Netherlands and England, which the England teams have dominated and won for 19 consecutive years. You have to go to special selection races and qualify for selection the year before, and there was a tough competition for places in my age group (Upper W14). I was selected to travel as a reserve with the English team which meant that I was entered to run in all of the races and that I had to be on stand-by in case one of the other W14s had to drop out.

I woke up early on Saturday morning, ready to be collected by Hannah Cox (who was also selected as a travelling reserve for W18) and her parents at 5am – it was still dark outside! Hannah's Dad drove us down to the meeting point with the England coach, which was going to take us to France. This year's competition was near *Calais* in Northern France in the vicinity of the small town of *Bruay La BuiSSIère*.

When we arrived, I was very nervous and apprehensive as I didn't know anyone going apart from Hannah. Luckily, Hannah introduced me to all of her friends and I sat with them at the back of the coach. It was an exciting journey to France, as I had never been through the Eurotunnel by train before. Blue sky and bright sunlight blinded us as we emerged from the tunnel. The rest of the way to the training event at *Bois de Verdrel* went quickly and we arrived there with a lot of time to spare before I had to run.

Lining up at the start line, I wondered

what the area was like, although I had looked at an old map of the area at home. My run went really well, even though I made a few silly mistakes. The area was very brambly and there were a lot of old bomb holes and trenches from WWI battle sites, as it had said in the details. I had to use bearings a lot as there weren't many paths in the area.

When I got back, I played football with some of the other juniors and bruised my shin very badly, after colliding with another player. Once everyone was back, we took the coach to our accommodation, which was very nice. I was assigned a room to share with the rest of the W14s and two of the W16s. This way, I got to know them better and made friends.

We had our evening meal straightaway, as a lot of people were doing the night sprints. The food was reasonable and I had chicken and pasta with salad. Afterwards, people got ready for the night event, which I didn't do as I really dislike running in the dark. Once everyone was back, we had a team meeting about the *Interland* race on Sunday, and we all went to bed after that.

On Sunday morning, we woke up early, had breakfast and the best hot chocolate I've ever tasted. Packed and ready for the day ahead, we all carried our luggage to the waiting coach again. The Interland race itself was at *Le Bois des Dames* (an unusual forest area between two heaps, moderately hilly, with watercourses, many point features, quarries and paths, requiring different technical skills and variations in race speed). I had a long wait till my start, so I re-read all the information and cheered on members of



the England team. When it was my turn to run, I felt more confident than on the previous day, as I knew the French terrain better. It was still VERY brambly, but I had an amazing run, practically without any mistakes. I ended up 1<sup>st</sup> out of the W14 reserves and would have been 4<sup>th</sup> on the W14 *Interland* course with a time of 30:19 minutes. I was extremely proud of myself. The tension built after that whilst we were waiting to find out England's score – finally it was announced that the England team had won its 20<sup>th</sup> successive win and the juniors had also won the Junior Trophy again!!

Back in England, we got stuck in traffic and didn't get back to Hannah's house

until 10.20pm. It was a long weekend; however, I had an extraordinary time – I made new friends, got to experience orienteering in France and enjoyed lots of wonderful memories. Finally, I would like to say a big thank you to LEI for helping with funding, and to Orienteering England for organising the trip. Furthermore, I would like to say a big thank you to John Duckworth from DVO who kindly gave Hannah and I a lift back to Leicestershire. I had the time of my life and I would love to do something like that again.

*Imogen Wilson*



*The England Interland Team Photograph, with LEI members, Hannah Cox and Imogen Wilson. Photo: Philip Gristwood*

Don't forget to visit the LEIOC website at  
<http://www.leioc.org.uk>  
for up to the minute information on what is happening in  
your club.

## Access Update - Summer 2014

I have previously mentioned that, as part of the Queen's 2012 Diamond Jubilee celebrations, the Woodland Trust is creating its own flagship, Diamond Wood on 460 acres in the heart of Leicestershire, just to the west of Ravenstone. It is the biggest block of woodland in the National Forest under a single ownership. It contains a lake, fragments of ancient woodland and extensive new woodlands and glades are being created. About 200,000 trees of native species have already been planted, with half as many again to go in over the next two years. Before long now, it will be a very good new area for us, and an event base with full facilities should be available at a nearby farm shop and cafe. For smaller events, a car park has been created for 50 cars and two buses within the actual site.

We do have prospects for new, small event areas, but unless we can park reasonably near, there is not a lot of point in mapping these. There is one coming up at Bawden Castle, about 1k walk from the top car park at Beacon, which is just about useable.

Belvoir had priced itself off the agenda, except for very large events, although we may test the water again by seeking permission just to use the western end of their woodlands for a small event, as the regime at Belvoir seems to be coming more pragmatic, having been thwarted in some of their ambitions.

We are currently mapping QE2 Wood for future use with National Forest sites around Alton Grange, and are also mapping a large block of the National Forest even nearer to Conkers than Spring Cottage, meaning it can be serviced from there. Hanging Hill has

been acquired by the National Forest itself who, in one guise or the other, already own the adjoining mature Feanedock Covert, Rawden East Country Park and Maybury Woods, all of which have public access. The area extends as far as the hamlet of Boothorpe and is about three times the size of Jubilee Wood and The Outwoods.

As always, there are minor changes at some event areas which we are having to update maps for. Castle hill is being slowly redesigned and the map is being updated as changes occur, and has been extended to the speedway club who have offered us parking and other facilities. Martinshaw is a bit of a problem, as there is a continuing programme of thinning and felling which will constantly affect the map. There is a very welcome, new regime at Bradgate, but changes they are making means we are having to update the map; but the plus side to this is that we have now got permission to go into the rocky copses, and this will increase the difficulty of the area considerably. The new map includes two blocks just off Swithland Woods. These have just been acquired by the Bradgate Trust. How much public access is to be permitted has yet to be decided. The orienteering map, however, has included them since I redrew it four years ago, but two years ago we stopped using them because new fences were put up after complaints from the landowner. They may be available to us again now, but we will raise that with them when we next feel we might like to include them. We need to exercise considerable caution in Bradgate, especially when planning.

There is a seasonal regime of bracken

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# Club Officials

<b>President, Events Secretary, Mapping Coordinator, Club Archivist, Technical Adviser</b>	<b>Chair, EMOA Delegate</b>	<b>Secretary, Permissions Secretary</b>
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# Annual Presentation Dinner

The following presentations were made at the presentation Dinner on 1st March, 2014 by president, Ernie Williams.



*Tracey Brookes: Winter League 2013/2014 Top Woman.*



*Howard Alcock: Winter League 2013/2014 winner, Men's M20 to M55 Club Champion.*

Photographs: Alan West.



*Hannah Cox: Summer League 2013 Top Woman*



The following LEI members gained awards, but were unable to attend the presentation evening:

Alison Hardy: Women's W20 to W55 Club Champion

June Cole: Women's W60+ Club Champion

Ian Wilson: Score Cup Winner

*Roger Edwards: Summer League 2013 winner, Summer League Sprint & Urban Series winner.*





*Steve Edgar: The Clock Trophy, awarded for the longest time on an LEI course.*



*Roger Phillips: Presidents Salver awarded to honour a member who has put in some outstanding work for the club.*



*Kevin Bradley: The Tiger Trophy, awarded to a member who has contributed greatly to the club over a period of time.*

The following members were candidates for the Clock Trophy 2013/2014:

1. Steve Edgar (Winner): 130m, 36s - Bagworth, Brown Course
2. Roger Kelly: 128m, 36s - Fineshade, Green Course
3. Roger Cole: 124m, 10s - Bradgate, Green Course
4. Wendy West: 114m, 53s - Ratby Woodlands, Green Course

## Colour Coded Awards 2014

Congratulations to the following members who have received colour coded awards since the start of the year. If you have been overlooked or have achieved a standard outside of the East Midlands please notify the Development Co-ordinator, Roger Edwards.

White	Robyn Jarvis		
Yellow	Libby Barber	Flora Miskin-Young	Charlie Rennie
Orange	Felix Miskin-Young		
Green	Jane Dring-Morris	Wendy West	
Brown	Finn Lydon		



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cutting in the park, and as such the undergrowth cover can vary widely. Fortunately, there is a specific design to the areas they do cut back, which helps us as it is constant year on year. It depends on the weather, but from mid July onwards the ground cover increases rapidly. However, in the autumn, many areas are progressively cut back. We cannot reflect the interim few weeks when cutting is in progress, but by the winter, it is quite runnable in many previously tangled areas. When we had seasonal access only, this was not a major problem, but now that we are allowed in all year round, we need to address this. This is accommodated by an extra symbol on the map which can be turned on and off to suit the time of year. In addition to the light and heavy undergrowth symbols, there is one styled seasonal light bracken. During much of the year, this symbol can be turned off.

As for the copses in Bradgate, two of them in particular are full of complex landforms and rock features, and all are wooded. Our permission to use these is very much on a trial basis, so great care must be exercised in planning to use these to ensure we do not cause any damage. If any runners are seen climbing walls, we will be in trouble. The walls are marked on the map with the uncrossable boundary symbol, except where access can be allowed.

Some of them have more than one gated

entry and we will be able to borrow keys for events. In addition, there are a number of exit points which must not be used as entries. These are ha-ha points for the deer. They have ramped approaches from the inside of the walls, but jump down into the park between 2 feet 6 inches and 4 feet. This should be acceptable for longer, technical courses, subject to the approval of a controller, but we must not plan courses to make climbing the wall to get in at these points a possible route choice.

There are also a number of points where the walls are badly damaged, and these could provide access points. Where this damage is to such an extent that no further damage can be caused, we can use the gap until such time as the wall is repaired, but where damage is less severe we must not exacerbate it so these are marked uncrossable. Again, route planning should not tempt people to cheat at these points.

There are two walled areas which are permanently OOB. Another is OOB for the time being because of regeneration planting, and this has not yet been mapped.

By the time you read this, the new National Forest Way will have been formally launched (May 17th), so if we want a 75 mile Long O, we know where to look. Perhaps a bit too extreme!

*Roy Denney*

## Club and Activity Nights

Monday night, Groby Community College, Groby, contact Birthe Richter-Wilson

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Wednesday night, Ivanhoe Community College, Ashby De La Zouch, contact Peter Hornsby [mapping@lineone.net](mailto:mapping@lineone.net)



## Out and About



That was the spring that was: late in coming, wet underfoot, wild, windy and welcome for all that, after a dismal winter.

Despite the weather, or perhaps because of it, I had an eventful April.

First weekend, one of the longest orienteering runs I have ever had (long in time that is - clock trophy probably mine). You know what the underfoot conditions were like so I won't go into detail, but spending time fishing in the bog to try and find one shoe was challenging, and perfecting your swallow diving technique, I can assure you, should not be done where the landing is a boulder field.

Having said all that, it was good to see the spring flowers emerging.

During the week, on a brief day of apparently good weather, I was doing some mapping at Bradgate and disturbed a hare in one of the copses. Rain drove me off the estate before the day was out, but talking to the management, they seemed very surprised, and it would appear that they did not know they had hares present.

The following weekend, I spent 4 days walking the fells of the North Pennines. Gale force winds and driving rain on Great Shunner Fell had a slight consolation in that a black grouse, looking and no doubt feeling just as miserable as me, could not be bothered to move away, and I passed within 8 feet of it. I have heard the occasional one but it is a long time since I last saw one. That walk was on the Saturday in the midst of

quite an unusual weekend. Twelve friends from my climbing club had elected to stay at the bunk house of the Green Dragon at Hardraw. Unbeknownst to us, 37 bikers from Durham had made the same choice. We got on well with them, but after heavy exertions on the Saturday we were not best pleased to have to wait for the disco they had arranged to subside before we could go to sleep.

Friday itself was more than a bit of a surprise. After walking a stretch of the Ure and visiting Hawes, we found our hotel and had no sooner got ourselves booked in when the BBC arrived; we found ourselves involved in 4 hours of filming of Countryfile. I had a good chat with Matt Baker and his Director, and extolled the virtues of Charnwood Forest as a place to film. I must have been in shot for a least an hour of filming but until 27th April I cannot be sure I will not be edited out as they only show about 20 minutes of their main feature.

Sunday, the weather was iffy but sunny at times, and as we only had one set of dry clothes left (posh frocks at that) we did not wander too far from our cars, but did find a number of short walks, many including superb areas of spring flowers. We walked the Aysgarth falls area and I had forgotten just how spectacular they are, and with the wild flowers and the quiet of an early morning, the small birds were about in droves. We drove over into upper Wharfedale before doing a few short walks there and I think every gull on Morecambe Bay had decided to move inland to avoid the gales. We stayed overnight in Clapham, at our club cottage, where there is a good drying room, Complete with now-dry boots and kit, we went up Pen Y Ghent where the red grouse were laughing at us.



In Kettlewell, we had lunch sitting outside the Blue Bell watching the world go by, which was very pleasant, before starting the weary way home.

Three days later and I was packing for South Wales and the 4 days of the JK. I suspect many of you will have seen enough of that area for a few years now. I use the term 'saw' somewhat loosely as we saw very little but cloud and heavy mist on 'our' day.

On a wider front, the future of English cricket is in doubt. Not performing very well, being out-competed and pushed to the absolute brink of extinction, the strangely named Wart-biter Bush Cricket is one of the most endangered insects in the country. It is now found at only five sites in the UK, all of which are in the South of England. Despite 30 years of re-introductions, this has not been enough to stop the unremitting decline of the species. The Wart-biter got its gruesome name from the age-old practice of using these crickets to chew off unwanted warts; indeed its Latin name 'verrucivorous' originates from the words for wart and devour. Strangely, this background might be its last hope of recovery. The maker of the UK's most popular verruca and wart treatment has linked up with the Species Recovery Trust to try to help to protect the cricket.

After a run of poor summers, our butterflies were sorely in need of a spell of dry, warm weather, and last year's summer was a godsend with many species recovering spectacularly. The late spring delayed the emergence of many garden butterflies, but this led to large peaks in activity later in the year than normal. Meadow Browns and Small Tortoiseshells were more than 50% up on the previous year, but the Peacock put them all to shame. This species over-winters as an adult but was very late emerging last year, with activity initially

peaking about three weeks later than normal, but it did much better than in recent years in the end, nearly 70% up on the past year. The late spring this year is having the same effect.

Research has revealed that a Scottish bird, no bigger than a starling, has migrated thousands of miles across the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean, a first for a European breeding bird. In 2012, individual geolocators were fitted to ten red-necked phalaropes nesting on the island of Fetlar, in Shetland. After recapturing one of these birds when it returned, experts discovered it had made an epic 16,000 mile round trip during its annual migration - flying from Shetland across the Atlantic, south down the eastern seaboard of the US, across the Caribbean and Mexico, ending up off the coast of Peru.

The bird is one of the UK's rarest breeding birds, only found in Shetland and the Western Isles, and there are no more than 50 nesting pairs. I say pairs, but the males have turned the tables on traditional gender roles. In summer, male birds can be found incubating eggs and raising young, whilst the female uses her brightly coloured plumage to attract new partners.

This is really a bird of the high Arctic, and as our climate warms, our surviving population must be at risk.

Whilst on the subject of our Scottish cousins, the forthcoming vote on independence looks interesting. Strange that as England underwrites a lot of their benefits, the people south of Hadrian's Wall do not have a say.

When it comes to independence, shall we, should we, can we, maybe? (They better make up their minds, as sitting on a fence in a kilt is a painful experience and care is needed getting off!).



A privately sponsored public petition was set up in November 2012 requesting the Government to proclaim the Scots Pine as the National Tree of Scotland. In support of this petition, Woodland Trust, Scotland, ran a public poll to determine which species of tree would be the popular choice. Two thirds of respondents chose the Scots Pine, so it was not only down to me, and Rowan was the only near, but still distant, runner-up with 20% of the vote.

Late last year, the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) announced grants totalling £21m to conserve nine distinctive landscapes. This apparently good news was received with mixed feeling by yours truly, as I am on the Board of Charnwood Forest Regional Park and we had a project for £3M rejected. Those approved were spread around the UK, with Coigach and

Assynt in North West Scotland and Lough Neagh, in Ireland. The two closest to home were Ingleborough Dales and the North York Moors, with the others being The New Forest; Humberhead Levels (spanning Yorkshire and Lincolnshire, a rare internationally important wetland landscape); Rusland Valley and Fells, in the South Lake District National Park; Derwent Valley (No not DVO country, but a coalfield area in North East England left behind by deindustrialisation) and East Wight, the eastern tip of the Isle of Wight and an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

This scheme has been running for ten years and, to date, over £160m has been invested in 91 different areas across the UK.

*Roy Denney*

## Retired Man Chronicles - Nothing Ever Changes

Since the last instalment of the Chronicles, John has been skiing in the Three Valleys with Andrew Middleton, Chris Bosley and a few other people. I have been given the following story by the man himself, but I wonder what else he keeps secret???

Retired Man won the idiot of the day award (strangely entitled Top Tour Performer) for the following: on entering a restaurant at lunchtime, he spies some antlers on the wall and assumes they are where you hang up your skiing helmet. Unfortunately, the antlers wobble and the proprietor comes over to tell John that the antlers are only for decorative purposes. After reclaiming the helmet and straightening the antlers, John walks off

to the toilet and is unaware that the antlers then fall off the wall and smash to the floor.

On hearing this story, our daughter, Suzi, is reminded of another skiing incident, a further "He's not with us" moment. It's time to stop for lunch, time to unclip those skis and stand them up in a row. The rest of the party start their own little grouping of skis, while John places his at the end of a very long row. Later, fed and refreshed once more, it's time to retrieve those skis. Retired Man skis away, nonchalantly, pretending that the domino effect of hundreds of skis falling over and getting tangled up with each other has nothing to do with him.

He does return home with a skiing injury -



he stubbed his toe on the bed leg. He must have given his toe 'a right good wallop' as it still hurts five months' later. Spring did seem to be the time for injuries: the return of the bad back when it goes 'ping' as he is putting his socks on and the pulled muscle causing him to retire from the Brock's Hill event. In the Oadby Owl after Brock's Hill, John takes so very long choosing some food that Chris P asks me, "Have you ever thought of murdering him?" "Frequently", I reply. John eventually chooses soup and a baguette. Despite various injuries, he makes sure he manages to get to all the pub nights - sorry, that should be 'club nights', even if he has to miss the training session beforehand. What a loyal and conscientious orienteer we have!

In February, I surprise Retired Man with a Valentine's card and his favourite coffee cream chocolates. Why the surprise? Well, it is only 13th February, so John threatens to write 'The Retired Woman Chronicles'.

Thank you to Roy for organising the Club Dinner in early March. The after dinner competitions included: anagrams to solve, which were their own clues, for instance, 'lies lets recount' rearranges to 'election results'. 'However kind to imports' was supposed to become 'protectionism', but what happened to the k? And where did the c and e come from??? No wonder the brain cells were getting overheated. Some people, no names revealed, resorted to apps on their mobile phones to solve the second competition, which consisted of the shapes of countries at different scales, and not at their normal orientation. Finland looked like a snail crawling down the paper and there was much consternation about answer 5, as Sweden and Crete look so similar.

There was a good turnout of purple-clad people for the Compass Sport Cup at

Bentley Woods South, where even I ran on a course, with no hope of winning, but I might just push an orienteer from another club further down the results table. It was rumoured that if we all ran to the best of our abilities, we might come second overall, and at one point during the day we were first, but as more and more results come in, LEI slip to 2nd, then 3rd - Oh dear! We console ourselves that we have some very good LEI runners who, for various reasons, have been unable to compete today. Did Peter Hornsby wear two right shoes: one black, one blue, in the mistaken belief that it would help when contouring round the hills??

Afterwards, the pub garden at Church End brewery turns purple as the LEI families move the picnic tables together to sit in a very long line. Beers from a beer festival are on

offer with strange sounding names of Goat's Milk and Fox Hat. Retired Man is complaining that he was given a duff map, as the T symbol for tower has a missing horizontal top and is only an I.

A week later and it's the event in Fineshade, although most people have to park in Wakerley and catch a minibus to Fineshade. You might feel a little peeved if, at the end of the event, the last minibus leaves without you! As I approach the Start box at Fineshade, two men with large cameras are peering into the grass and twiddling to focus the lenses. Chris Philips is manning the start and I enquire what the men are trying to photograph and then wish I had not asked, as Chris calmly replies, "It's an adder."

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Aren't mobile phones wonderful things? Bob H. contacts Roger P. to say the pub at Glaston is closed and we would meet instead at Barrowden. There, the map is under discussion "What is this strange colouring pattern?" A yellow brown cross hatching resembles a mini version of some wallpaper we once bought from Habitat. Perhaps it is a warning about really bad runnability. "Ere be dragons!", suggests Laurie. Perhaps "Ere be adders!" would seem appropriate.

## Some small event on a Welsh hill top??

Congratulations to the results team who once again have the results worked out and published before the competitors leave the 'Après O' in the pub.

It is only a few days later when John and his bad back return from hobbling around Beacon Hill for a Welbeck Military College event. "The standards of education are definitely falling", says a disgruntled Retired Man, limping upstairs and needing a long soak in a hot bath to thaw out. Not only had he got very, very cold but, unlike previous years, very few of this year's Welbeck students had called him "Sir".

Bad backs do not deter John from orienteering, but Roger E, Chris B and John are wasting time in my kitchen trying to decide whose car to travel in. "We went in yours last time." "That wasn't very far," etc., etc. I suggest they all put their toes in a circle and chant "Ib, dib, dab, do. It is not you" until they find a winner. Not impressed, they soon leave for Shining Cliff and John and his bad back tackle a hard Green course which Retired Man says was made even harder

by a poor map, hidden and misplaced controls.

Can anyone remember what was significant about Sunday 20th April, 2014?? Some small event on a Welsh hilltop?? JK Day3 - Mmmm. I expect Roger E and his team remember leaving at 5.30am to put out more controls. I spent the day on the catering team with Tracey B and Judi Leake, and we received lots of compliments for the food and drink supplies, and Ernie took our photo standing on the 1, 2, 3 awards podium. However, much more praise deserves to go to the rest of you. After all, we were inside a marquee keeping warm by the camping stoves and you were in the rain, mist and even lightning on Mynydd Llangynidr. Well done everybody and I'm glad the Mountain Rescue were not needed for that 'lost' competitor. Retired Man had not been allocated to a specific job, so that he could fill in if any gaps occurred. With the accident to Mike Forrest on Day 2, Retired Man is promoted to cover some of his jobs. John and I were sharing a cottage by the canal in Brecon with Roger E and his wife, Helen. Had you peeked into the Brecon cottage the day after JK3, you would have witnessed a scene of domestic bliss as Helen and I scrubbed clean the number cards from the control boxes and then stood them up to dry in a toast rack. This is made of pottery cows feeding from a pottery trough. Our next little job was scrubbing numbers off red or yellow, plastic pegs that had marked the position of control sites. Many of these pegs had been in the ground for six months since the sites were first identified. Some of the pegs had gone missing and the prime suspects were nibbling sheep and ponies. Meanwhile, John had gone to take part in the relays in a team with Nigel Lydon and Glynn Smith, where they 'do OK', and Roger E and team were out collecting in controls



from the previous day. Why couldn't the weather have behaved itself and be as sunny on Day 3 as it was for 1, 2 and 4?

I think we should all invest in Wetherspoons. The popular pub chain does seem to meet the requirements of orienteers (cheap beer?). Certainly the 'Spoons at Ebbw Vale and at Merthyr Tydfil benefited from an influx of hungry and thirsty LEI members. It is in the 'Spoons at Ebbw Vale that Ernie relates the story of how he was given a free Buff umbrella by the Buff salesman "for being the only person ever on a big sporting event to walk about so much and find so many people to talk to..." Sounds just like our Ernie!

You may have seen my husband with several scratches on his face - just arguments with trees and bushes, but the scar on his nose is from a car accident. He was looking at a VW car in a car sales in Derby and pulled the boot lid down and the boot catch hit his nose.

Losing keys and wallet often feature in the R.M. Chronicles: should you spot John returning goods to the shelves in Aldi, it's because he has left his wallet at home, and if anyone has found some strange keys, they might belong here in Cropston. Nothing ever changes!

*Irene Marriott*

## Club Chat - 2

### Request for a Grant towards Training

The committee have issued the following guidance for members:

**As guidance, the Club officers will consider making awards:**

Selected for training camp based on achieving (as a minimum) championship standard - examples being JROS organised camps, BOF training camps, OR selected to represent GB or Home Countries at international competition.

Been a member of LEI for 6 months and have taken opportunities to run for the club team (e.g. YBT, CSC, PPJTR, JK relay, British Relay, Harvester, etc.)

**Our Funding guidelines are:**

LEI will seek to make a grant of one third of the athlete contribution, excluding travel within the UK (unless bundled in the athlete contribution to the activity), also excluding clothing, insurance, travel documentation, medical certificates, etc.

Contribution of a maximum of £100 per activity and maximum of £250 per athlete, per calendar year.

If successful, we expect you to make a contribution to LEI activities, e.g. supporting training events and /or a photo article for the LEI news.

**Please refer to the LEIOC website for an application form.**



# Photo Gallery - Northern Champs.



*Glynn Smith*



*Liz Heaton*



*Molly Smith*

*All photos: Annie Leake*



*Nigel Lydon*



*Reed Lydon*



*Trish Lydon*



# Summer League Table (abbreviated)

## Top 36 Places as at 18th May 2014

Pos	Name	Club	Class	Best 12	Handicap	Events	Total
1	Ed Nicholas	AROS	M21	313	313	30	343
2	Nicholas Wilson	LEI	M16	265	297	30	327
3	Roger Phillips	LEI	M35	279	290	30	320
4	Robert Haskins	LEI	M60	234	290	30	320
5	Alastair Paterson	LEI	M45	252	282	30	312
6	Kevin Gallagher	LEI	M65	211	270	30	300
7	Peter Hornsby	LEI	M60	210	261	30	291
8	Derek Herd	LEI	M45	227	254	30	284
9	Tracey Brookes	LEI	W45	207	240	30	270
10	Andy Portsmouth	LEI	M55	185	222	30	252
11	Hannah Cox	LEI	W18	197	221	20	241
12	Ursula Williamson	LEI	W50	169	203	30	233
13	Tom Barber	LEI	M16	180	201	20	221
14	Steve Edgar	LEI	M45	163	183	30	213
15	Laurie Fluck	LEI	M65	143	183	30	213
16	Howard Alcock	LEI	M40	174	188	20	208
17	Stuart Tyler	LEI	M45	158	177	20	197
18	Ian Williamson	LEI	M55	147	177	20	197
19	Peter Leake	LEI	M75	126	171	20	191
20	Simon Ford	LEI	M70	128	169	20	189
21	David Bray	LEI	M60	136	169	20	189
22	Mark Rawlinson	LEI	M50	141	163	20	183
23	Imogen Wilson	LEI	W14	136	163	20	183
24	Robert Titterington	LEI	M70	121	160	20	180
25	Roger Edwards	LEI	M60	126	156	20	176
26	Iain Phillips	LEI	M45	138	155	20	175
27	Mark Sherriff	LEI	M50	133	154	20	174
28	John Marriott	LEI	M65	117	150	20	170
29	Chris Bosley	LEI	M65	116	148	20	168
30	Andrew Ward		M21	143	143	20	163
31	Toby Manning	LEI	M60	115	143	20	163
32	Daisy Herd	LEI	W14	119	142	20	162
33	Ben Marchant		M45	117	131	30	161
34	Chris Phillips	LEI	M65	72	92	20	112
35	Karl Phillipson	LEI	M21	50	50	30	80
36	Tracy Phillipson	LEI	W40	39	44	20	64



# Summer League 2014

The fixtures are listed on the following pages. The events are informal, usually with a social element. Weekday starts are staggered from 6.30pm to 7.30pm and courses close at 8.30pm. (These times may be advanced by 30 minutes at either end of the season.)

The event type, i.e. score, classic or sprint, is listed adjacent to the fixture.

Competitive events will use SI electronic punching (£1 hire).

Entry fees: Adults £4.50, Juniors £1.50.

For results, please see [www.leioc.org.uk](http://www.leioc.org.uk) .

Events are provisional, awaiting permissions, etc.

Please confirm arrangements, either with the organiser or league coordinator.

League scores are on standard handicaps and the best 10 events count, giving everyone a chance of success in the league if they perform as well as their age would suggest they should. All events include a technical course. There will always be an introductory level course for novices and young children, and, where practical, an intermediate standard course.

## 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 10.30am to 12.30pm. 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 online. EOD will usually be limited and more expensive. Most will offer a limited number of colour-coded courses for EOD. 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 as to whether an event will take place, check with the organiser, check on [www.leioc.org.uk](http://www.leioc.org.uk) or check on [www.britishorienteering.org.uk](http://www.britishorienteering.org.uk). The editors take no responsibility for wasted journeys !

### EVENT STRUCTURE IN FIXTURE LISTS

- Level D = Relatively low-cost events providing local competition and aimed at increasing participation.
- Level C = Local events providing a wider variety of venues and competitors.
- Level B = Events providing opportunities for more experienced competitors, giving a wider variety of terrain and competition for those who are prepared to travel longer distances.
- Level A = Major UK Events.



<b>June 2014</b>		
1st	NEOA	British Relay Championships. Cragg Estate and Cheserhope common, Newcastle.
1st	NOC EMOA	NOC Summer League, Oxclose Wood, Mansfield Woodhouse
3rd Tuesday	LEI EMOA Level D	<b>Summer League 8. Oakham Woodlands, Classic event.</b> <b>Organiser:David Bray</b>
8th	LEI EMOA Level C	<b>EMOA League Event, Burrough Hill, Melton Mowbray, <a href="#">SK765114</a></b> <b>Entry times: 10.00 to 12.00noon. Dogs: On Lead.</b> <b>Organiser: Ursula Williamson ,</b> <b><a href="mailto:ursula.williamson.orienteer@gmail.com">ursula.williamson.orienteer@gmail.com</a></b>
17th	NOC EMOA	NOC Summer League, Colwick Park, Nottingham
12th	LEI EMOA	<b>Summer League 9. Treasure Hunt. Venue, TBC.</b> <b>Organiser: Alastair Paterson</b>
19th Thursday	LEI EMOA	<b>LEI Summer League 10 Leicester, Beauchamp College, Leicester, <a href="#">SP627993</a> Entry times: 6.30pm. Organiser: Kevin Bradley</b>
21st	NOC EMOA	NOC Sprint Event (EM Urban League), Nottingham University, Nottingham
22nd	DVO EMOA Level C	DVO Carsington EM League, Carsington Pastures, Matlock, <a href="#">SK245548</a> Entry times: 10 - 12. Organiser: Mark Spendlove , <a href="mailto:kathryn.spendlove@sky.com">kathryn.spendlove@sky.com</a> <a href="http://www.dvo.org.uk">www.dvo.org.uk</a>
24th Tuesday	LEI EMOA	<b>LEI Summer League 11 Spring Cottage, Gresley Wood, Albert Village, Swadlincote, <a href="#">SK298173</a> Entry times: 6.30pm.</b> <b>Organiser: Simon Starkey</b>
28th Saturday	LEI EMOA	<b>LEI Summer League 5 National Forest, Ashby de la Zouch</b> <b>Entry times: 6.30pm. Organiser: Robert Haskins</b>
<b>July 2014</b>		
2nd Wednes- day	LEI EMOA Level D	<b>LEI Summer League 12 Fosse Meadows, Fosse Meadow Country Park, Hinckley, <a href="#">SP489910</a> Entry times: 6.30pm. Organiser: Stephen Chafer</b>



<b>July 2014 cont.</b>		
6th	SO SEOA Level B	Yvette Baker Trophy Final, Capite Wood, Ashington, Horsham
6th	NOC EMOA Level C	NOC Summer League, Rushcliffe Country Park, Nottingham
<b>8th Tuesday</b>	<b>LEI EMOA Level D</b>	<b>LEI Summer League 13 Bradgate Park, Bradgate Park, Leicester, <a href="#">SK522116</a> Entry times: 6.30pm. Organiser: Ursula Williamson</b>
13th	DVO EMOA Level C	DVO Oakwood EM Urban League, Oakwood, Derby, <a href="#">SK381383</a> Entry times: 10 - 12. Organiser: Michelle Mackervoy , michellemackervoy@talktalk.net
<b>17th Thursday</b>	<b>LEI EMOA Level D</b>	<b>LEI Summer League 14 Snibston, Snibston Discovery Park, Coalville, <a href="#">SK416144</a> Entry times: 6.30pm. Organiser: Mark Sherriff</b>
20th	NOC EMOA Level C	NOC Summer League, Burnstump Country Park, Nottingham
<b>22nd Tuesday</b>	<b>LEI EMOA Level D</b>	<b>LEI Summer League 15 Ratby, Ratby Burroughs, Leicester, <a href="#">SK496092</a> Entry times: 6.30pm. Organiser: Wendy West</b>
<b>27th Sunday</b>	<b>LEI EMOA Level D</b>	<b>LEI Summer League 16 Irchester, Irchester Country Park, Wellingborough, <a href="#">SP911658</a> Entry times: 11.00am - 12.00pm. Organiser: Tracy Phillipson</b>
<b>31st Thursday</b>	<b>LEI EMOA Level D</b>	<b>LEI Summer League 17 Watermead, Watermead Country Park, Leicester, <a href="#">SK602096</a> Entry times: 6.30pm. Organiser: Chris Phillips</b>
<b>August 2014</b>		
3rd	NWOA Level B	Lakes 5 Days, Day 1 (UKOL). Swindale, Shap
4th	NWOA Level B	Lakes 5 Days, Day 2(UKOL). Simpson Ground, Newby Bridge
5th	NWOA Level B	Lakes 5 Days, Day 3. Grizedale NW, Hawkshead



## August 2014 Cont.

6th Wednes- day	LEI EMOA Level D	LEI Summer League 18 Foxton Locks, Foxton Locks, Market Harborough, <a href="#">SP691897</a> Entry times: 6.30pm. Organiser: Simon Ford
7th	NWOA Level B	Lakes 5 Days, Day 4. Pike O'Blisco and Blea Tarn, Ambleside
8th	NWOA Level B	Lakes 5 Days, Day 5. Hampsfell and Eggerslack Woods, Grange over Sands.
14th Thursday	LEI EMOA	LEI Summer League 19 Outwoods, Outwoods, Woodhouse Lane, Loughborough, <a href="#">SK515160</a> Entry times: 6.30pm. Organiser: Iain Phillips
17th	NOC EMOA Level D	<b>NOC Summer League</b> , Wollaton Park, Nottingham
19th Tuesday	LEI EMOA Level D	LEI Summer League 20 East Carlton Park, East Carlton Country Park, Market Harborough, <a href="#">SP833894</a> Entry times: 6.30pm. Organiser: Roger Phillips
23rd	EBOR YHOA Level B	White Rose Day 1. Olivers Mount and The Mere, Scarborough.
24th	EBOR YHOA Level B	White Rose Day 2. South Cliff and Holbeck Ravine, Scarborough.
28th Thursday	LEI EMOA Level D	LEI Summer League 21 Oakham, Oakham School, Oakham, <a href="#">SK860091</a> Entry times: 6.30pm. Organiser: Chris Bosley
31st	BOK SWOA Level B	Inaugral City of Bath Race, Bath
31st	LOG EMOA Level C	Lincoln City Race, Lincoln

## September 2014

3rd Wednes- day	LEI EMOA Level D	LEI Summer League 22 (final) Bagworth Woods, Bagworth Wood- lands, Heath Road, Leicester, <a href="#">SK458068</a> <b>FINAL EVENT, PRESENTATIONS TO FOLLOW.</b> Entry times: 6.00pm. Organiser: Iain Tebbutt
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<b>September 2014 cont.</b>		
6th	POTOC WMOA Level A	British Sprint Championships (UKOL), Keele University, Newcastle-under-Lyme
7th	WCH WMOA Level A	British Middle Champs, Brereton Spurs, Rugeley, Staffs.
13th	DVO EMOA Level D	<b>DVO Informal Event</b> , Swadlincote Woodlands, Swadlincote, <a href="http://SK305193.dvo.org.uk">SK305193 dvo.org.uk</a>
14th	NOC EMOA Level D	<b>NOC Summer League</b> , Brierley Forest Park, Sutton-in-Ashfield
14th	HALO YHOA Level B	Peter Palmer Junior Trophy Relay, Walesby, Worksop
20th	LEI EMOA Level C	<b>East Midland Urban League - Provisional, Loughborough University, Loughborough</b>
20th	GO SEOA Level B	GO Guildford Urban Race, Guildford.
21st	DVO EMOA Level C	<b>Longstone Moor - DVO &amp; EM League</b> , Longstone Moor, Bakewell, <a href="http://SK197737">SK197737</a>
21st	SLOW SEOA Level B	SLOW City of London Race, London.
<b>October 2014</b>		
4th	NN NEOA Level B	October Odyssey Day 1, Venue TBC
5th	LEI EMOA Level D	<b>LEI Club championships, Hanging Hill, Ashby</b> <b>Organiser: Liz Phillips</b>
5th	NN NEOA Level B	October Odyssey Day 2 Venue TBC



<b>October 2014 Cont.</b>		
11th	SOA Level B	Race the Castles - Edinburgh Street Race (UKOL)
11th	HOC WMOA Level B	British School Score Championships, Arrow Valley Country Park, Redditch.
12th	SOA Level B	Race the Castles - Stirling Street Race (UKOL)
12th	NOC EMOA Level C	NOC Regional Event (EM League), Byron's Walk, Nottingham
<b>19th</b>	<b>LEI EMOA Level C</b>	<b>LEI Regional Event, Bradgate,</b>
25th	LOG EMOA Level C	EMUL Washingborough & Heighington, Lincoln
26th	DVO EMOA Level A	Midland Championships, Longshaw, Chesterfield.
<b>November 2014</b>		
2nd	SOC SCOA Level B	November Classic (UKOL). Kings Garn Gutter, New Forest
8th	SN SCOA Level A	CompassSport Cup Final, Long Valley North, Aldershot <b>NOTE. May move to 14th December 2014</b>
16th	AIRE YHOA Level B	British Schools Orienteering Championships Temple Newsam, Leeds SE360323
22nd	DVO EMOA Level D	DVO Informal Event, Darley Park, Derby Organiser: David Bennett
23rd	CHIG SEOA Level B	CHIG Regional SE League, Epping NW



<b>November 2014 Cont.</b>		
30th	LEI EMOA	EMOA League Event, Beacon Hill,
30th	AIRE YHOA Level B	YHOA Superleague, Ilkley Moor, Ilkley
<b>December 2014</b>		
7th	DVO EMOA Level C	Kedleston - DVO & EM League, Kedleston, Derby
13th	DVO EMOA Level D	Night Event, Rosliston, Swadlincote
21st	NOC EMOA Level C	NOC Regional Event (EM League), Walesby Forest, Ollerton, <a href="#">SK668705</a>
28th	LEI EMOA Level C	EMOA League Event, Spring Cottage
<b>January 2015</b>		
25th	DFOK SCOA Level B	BKO Concorde Chase, Cold Ash, Newbury
31st	CUOC EAOA	Thetford Thrash, Thetford,
<b>February 2015</b>		
7th	MV SEOA Level B	Southern Championships Weekend, Sprint Event (UKOL), The Nower, Dorking
8th	MV SEOA Level B	Southern Championships Weekend & Interland (UKOL), White Downs, Netley Heath and Sheepleas, Dorking
15th	WCH WMOA Level A	Midland Championships, Cannock Chase, Cannock



## JK2014 Day 3: Team LEI (Parts of)



*Ernie Williams on hot drinks duty.*



*Judy Leake, Tracey Brookes, Irene Marriott - The LEI Catering Team.  
Photo: Ernie Williams*



*Alan West mixing wall paper paste for hanging results.*



*Wendy West (centre) briefing part of her Finish Team, Kevin Barber (l) and Jack Tiffin.*



*The finish showing the weather at the start of Day 3*



*(l to r) Hannah Cox, Catherine Cox, Paul Cox, Kiran Coolican, Ernie Williams & Matt Cox preparing the finish. Photo: Alan West*

*Chris Phillips, Day Organiser, and Peter Hornsby, Assistant Planner.*

*Unless stated, all photographs taken by Annie Leake.*

