

Midlands Championships Host 2018



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# LEI NEWS

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Presentation Evening 2017  
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The Fellsman  
Travel Support Scheme



Summer 2017

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*Front cover: Roger Edwards competing at JK 2017, day 2*

*Photo: Wendy Carlyle*

## Points from the Editors



By the time you read this, we will be enjoying the summer league, and hopefully some warmer weather. We were certainly blessed with the weather this year at the JK. Well done to those members who recorded good times at the JK, not forgetting the good results LEI members have enjoyed at other national and international competitions. I enjoyed reading about Charlie Rennie's Sicilian experience on pages 14 and 15 and think that it is amazing to experience orienteering abroad, something we've yet to do.

In order to continue to develop LEI members' good results, Chris Phillips (see opposite page) is asking for *your* views on how LEI delivers its training, an objective of the club's development plan. Please make your views known to either Chris, Bob, Roger or Jane.

Although it may appear like a long way off, LEI will be hosting the Midlands Championships on 18th March, 2018, and the day before we are hosting a sprint event in Leicester (see page 35), for which plans are already underway. Please keep this weekend free in your diary for competing and volunteering. More information will follow in due course.

Unfortunately, I (Wendy) am still struggling after a nasty injury following a fall at day 3 of the JK, so I am unable to orienteer at present. However, I'm hoping that my Physio will soon patch me up, so that I am out orienteering again before the end of the summer league. See you soon!

*Wendy and Alan West*



# Ramblings from the Chair



It has almost become a tradition that at some stage in the year the chair mentions the weather during the summer league, and being a great one for traditions I am going to keep it going! I think this year for the first time, we had snow during a Summer

League event. Putting out the controls before summer league 1 at Grange and Battram, and plodding round with several extra layers of clothing as the snow wafted down, I did wonder if the event would pass the Hornsby Test (more competitors than controls). So, thank you to the 45 hardy souls who braved the weather and turned out for the first event of what I am sure (?) will be a warm and hot summer.

Thank you to all those club members who made the long trek to Lincolnshire for the Compass Sport Cup heat at Burwell and Haugham. Next year could well be a slightly shorter trip to the West Midlands and the 2019 heat is just up the M1 at Sherwood Pines.

Two of the major events of the late spring, the Midlands Championships and the JK, proved to be very successful ones for LEI members: a record medal haul at the Midlands and some first class performances at the JK. Congratulations to everybody. The Midlands Championships are on home territory next year at Belvoir, so I hope we have another strong performance from the home team.

The British Championships and British Relays proved tougher going for many of our members with some very long times being recorded. There were two outstanding club results from the weekend and very many congratulations go to Finn Lydon on winning a bronze medal in the M18 elite race and Ben Hardy, Charlie Rennie and John Worth for a silver medal in the ad-hoc relay.

Our good performances at these events have moved our UKOL A team to 16th place in the club league and our B team to 77th out of 101 teams.

As those club members involved with mapping will know, IOF have introduced a new set of specifications for 'forest' maps. ISOM 2017 will make its appearance at World Ranking Events later this year and at British Level A events in early 2018. After that, it will gradually appear on maps for level B and C events. British Orienteering Committees have not finalised that timetable for the lower level events. The new specifications can be found on the IOF website.

One of the objectives of the club's development plan is for the officers of the club to talk to members about how they see the future of the club. Bob, Roger, Jane and I would particularly like to hear your views on how we deliver training for club members.

*Chris Phillips*



# Captain's Corner



It's been a busy spring with a large percentage of this year's Level As having already taken place, but thankfully there are still a couple of As left to aim for this September. This year's club

championships will provide a perfect warm up for the British Sprints & Middles.

If you have not been keeping up to date with LEI's website and social media outlets, you will have missed out on the news of some notable LEI performances at the top level. Finn Lydon claimed a bronze medal on a very tough course on the M18 elite course at this year's British Championships and a bronze medal at the JK Sprints. Alison Hardy proved that medals are not just for juniors, with a silver medal at the JK sprints. LEI also claimed 8 Midlands Champions at Bentley Woods, back in March (M10 - George Rennie, W12 - Daisy Rennie, M14 - Charlie Rennie, M18E - Finn Lydon, W35 - Liz Heaton, M40 - Steve Chafer, M65 - Roger Edwards, M80 - Don Moir).

With the club's policy of financially supporting club relay teams, we had a total of 8 teams across the JK and British relays this year. LEI managed a 3rd in the junior relay class at the JK (Charlie Rennie, Daisy Rennie and Ben Hardy) and 2nd in the ad-hoc class at the British Relays (Charlie Rennie, Ben Hardy and John Worth).

With only one senior interclub competition in the orienteering calendar, I always hope that every member can be available

to support LEI in the CompassSport Cup. Although this year's round was in the East Midlands, it was a long journey to Burwell and Haugham. Out of a membership of 159, I was disappointed that only 42 club members made it to the event. Sadly, we came 4th behind SYO, DVO and NOC with a score of 2251. On a positive note, it means the club will not have to make the even longer journey to the final in Devon.

The junior interclub competition, the Yvette Baker Trophy, will have been held by the time this newsletter makes it to print. If the LEI junior squad have managed to win the regional heat on 21st May, I will be looking for volunteers for a weekend away in Druridge Bay Country Park, near Amble, on 2nd July. If you are a club coach, I am sure I will be asking you for your help soon!

This year's Club Championships and Junior Award Presentations will be at Tunnel Woods on 17th September. Entries will be via the online form - <https://goo.gl/VxHsxJ> The closing date for the event will be 10th September.

Start times will be issued in reverse ranking order; this is to add both a sense of competition and to help the organising team collect in the controls and process the results ready for the presentations. If you feel like volunteering at the club champs, please let the organiser know.

*Roger Phillips*

**Club Championships, 2017, are on Sunday 17th September at Tunnel woods. For full details, see page 8.**



## Junior Captain's Corner



Here are some of the recent successes of LEI juniors:

Congratulations to Charlie Rennie, who was one of the counters at World Schools for the English Junior

Boy's Select Team, which came second overall! Also, well done to Finn Lydon for coming 3<sup>rd</sup> at the British Long on the M18 elite course.

At the time of writing, the Yvette Baker Trophy qualifier is the next big event on the horizon for LEI juniors. By the time you read this, let's hope we will have

qualified and lots of LEI juniors will have competed for our club. After a six month recovery from an Achilles injury, this will hopefully be my first competitive orienteering race. If we qualify, the national final is at Druridge Bay Country Park on 2<sup>nd</sup> of July and will be hosted by NATO.

Our other main junior event this year is the Peter Palmer Relays, which will be held on 7<sup>th</sup> September at Sutton Park. Last year, we came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Peter Palmer Trophy. Hopefully, we can make this year just as successful, or do even better!

*Anna*

## Schools' League

We are working with the North West Leicestershire Schools Partnership to encourage more families to try out orienteering at our monthly league races. This is being done in connection with their Primary Schools Orienteering Championships on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, when we had 500 pupils from 28 schools.

Simon Starkey and Peter Hornsby have mapped five schools in the district and we have delivered practice sessions at four schools.

For league races, we are offering prizes for the best school and the pupils on the adventurer course, about white standard. If you know a family who might be interested, do point them in the right direction.

Our final summer event is Saturday morning 24<sup>th</sup> June at Hicks Lodge. You might also have time to try out the Forestry Commission Gruffalo trail if you download the app beforehand.

*Roger Edwards*

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.



# Top 10 Performances from Major Championships

## British Night Championships 2017, Great Tower, 25th February 2017

M55S	3rd.....	Chris Heaton
W21L	9th.....	Toni O'Donovan
W35S	1st.....	Liz Heaton

## Northern Championships, Big Land, 26th February 2017

M10B	2nd.....	George Rennie
M14A	4th.....	Charlie Rennie
M18E	2nd.....	Finn Lydon
M20E	10th.....	Euan Tebbutt
M50S	5th.....	Richard Leake
	9th.....	Iain Tebbutt
W12A	4th.....	Daisy Rennie
W21E	10th.....	Toni O'Donovan
W21L	1st.....	Lucy Taylor
Orange	1st.....	Helen Rennie

## Midlands Championships Weekend, Rugby Urban, 25th March 2017

M12	8th.....	George Rennie
M16	4th.....	Charlie Rennie
	6th.....	Ben Hardy
M40	10th.....	Jamie Rennie
M75	8th.....	Ernie Williams
W12	1st.....	Daisy Rennie
W40	2nd.....	Alison Hardy

## Midlands Championships Weekend, Bentley Woods, 26th March 2017

\* denotes Midlands Champion

M10A	3rd.....	George Rennie*
M12A	5th.....	Harrington Leake
M14A	4th.....	Charlie Rennie*
M18E	13th.....	Finn Lydon*
M40L	6th.....	Stephen Chafer*
	7th.....	Roger Phillips
M50S	1st.....	Ian Wilson
M65L	4th.....	Roger Edwards*
M65S	9th.....	Kevin Gallagher
M70S	3rd.....	Eric Porter
	5th.....	Peter Chick
	6th.....	Chris Phillips
M75L	7th.....	David Anderson
M80L	2nd.....	Donald Moir*
W12A	2nd.....	Daisy Rennie*
W21L	2nd.....	Julie Ferris
W21S	1st.....	Esther Revell
W35L	2nd.....	Liz Heaton*
W50L	2nd.....	Alison Hardy
W50S	5th.....	Barbara Tebbutt
W60S	5th.....	Maureen Webb
W70S	1st.....	Sue Porter

## JK Festival of Orienteering 2017, South East, 14th - 17th April 2017

### JK Day 1 Sprint, Brunel University



M14 5th .....Charlie Rennie  
 M16 9th .....Ethan Tebbutt  
 M18E 3rd .....Finn Lydon  
 M40 4th .....Andy Simpson  
 M75 8th .....Peter Leake  
 W10 8th .....Ellen Simpson  
 W12 3rd .....Daisy Rennie  
 W35 6th .....Liz Heaton  
 W50 2nd .....Alison Hardy

**JK Day 2, Ambersham Common**

M12A 2nd .....Harrington Leake  
 M14A 8th .....Charlie Rennie  
 M21V 6th .....Jack Tiffin  
 M35S 6th .....Chris Heaton  
 M40L 5th .....Andy Simpson  
 W10B 3rd .....Ellen Simpson  
 W12A 10th .....Daisy Rennie  
 W16B 1st .....Caitlin Chafer  
 5th .....Reed Lydon  
 W21L 7th .....Lucy Taylor  
 W35L 10th .....Liz Heaton

**JK Day 3, Holmbush & St. Leonards**

M14A 9th .....Charlie Rennie  
 M16B 8th .....Ben Bishop  
 M21V 5th .....Jack Tiffin  
 M40L 5th .....Andy Simpson  
 M50S 6th .....Ian Wilson  
 W10B 2nd .....Ellen Simpson  
 W12A 10th .....Daisy Rennie  
 W14B 1st .....Libby Barber  
 W16B 1st .....Caitlin Chafer

W21L 7th .....Lucy Taylor  
 W35L 8th .....Liz Heaton  
 W50L 4th .....Alison Hardy

**JK Day 2 and Day 3 Combined**

M12A 9th .... Harrington Leake  
 M14A 9th .... Charlie Rennie  
 M21V 5th .... Jack Tiffin  
 M40L 5th .... Andy Simpson  
 W10B 2nd... Ellen Simpson  
 W12A 9th .... Daisy Rennie  
 W16B 1st .... Caitlin Chafer  
 W21L 6th .... Lucy Taylor  
 W35L 9th .... Liz Heaton

**JK Day 4 Relays, Pippingford Park**

Class M (Junior Relay M/W40-) .....3rd

Team: *LEI Fantastic Foxes* comprising:  
 Ben Hardy, Daisy Rennie, Charlie Rennie

**British Long Distance Championships,  
 High Dam, 6th May 2017**

M10B 4th .... George Rennie  
 M14A 8th .... Charlie Rennie  
 M18E 3rd.... Finn Lydon  
 M21V 1st .... Chris Heaton  
 M40L 10th.. Andy Simpson  
 W10B 5th .... Ellen Simpson  
 W21E 10th.. Toni O'Donovan  
 W35L 10th.. Liz Heaton

**British Relay Championships, Summer  
 House Knott, 7th May 2017**

Class S (Ad Hoc) .....2nd

Team: *LEI 5* comprising: Charlie Rennie,  
 Ben Hardy, John Worth



# LEIOC Club Championships 2017

The 2017 LEI Club Championships will take place on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2017. The venue will be Tunnel and Gresley Woods.

## Championships Courses will be:

Age Class	Colour
M/W10 and under	Yellow
M/W12 and under	Orange
M/W14 and under. W60+	Light Green
M/W18 and under. M60+ and W20 to W55	Green
M20 to M55	Blue

There will be a Golden Boot trophy open to all competitors for the fastest time from the final control to the finish.

The event will use SI punching.

Post event, there will be presentations and a buffet lunch at Moira Village Hall at 1.30pm. The cost of the buffet is included in the event fee. There will be a bar open from 1.00pm and we hope to have the presentations at 2.15pm.

*Parking will be at Occupation Road, Albert Village DE11 8HD SK 298173.*

Event Fees: Seniors £9. Juniors £5. Dibber Hire Free.

**There will be pre entry with no entry on the day.** Closing date for entries is 10th September. Start times will be pre-allocated. Starts will be from 11.00am. Last starts will be around 11.45am. The link for entries is <https://goo.gl/VxHsxJ>

It will also be on the event details on the club website.

This is a closed event restricted to club members and guests.

Winners of the junior courses will receive their trophies and certificates on the day. Other junior certificates and prizes will be presented on this occasion. Senior trophies will be presented at the Club Dinner and Awards Evening on 17th February, 2018. Senior winners will receive a certificate at the post championship buffet.

Organiser: Ursula Williamson

Planner: Chris Phillips



# The Fellsman

Clive Kent and his running partner, Katie Hateley, supported (massively) by Jenny Kent, made their way to Threshfield, in Yorkshire, on Friday 28th April for the Fellsman, 2017. The Fellsman is a high level traverse covering 61 miles over rugged moorland. The event climbs over 11,000 feet in its path from Ingleton to Threshfield in the Yorkshire Dales. The route covers large areas of private land, where navigation comes into play and takes the participants across areas such as Dodd Fell, Fleet Moss, Great Whernside, Hell's Gap, Buckden Pike and eventually to the finish in Threshfield.

After comprehensive kit checks (for safety), Clive and Katie stayed at Threshfield School, ready for a 5.30am bus ride to the start on Saturday morning.

The start went straight up Ingleborough, where navigation wasn't an issue... Follow the path over the top. It wasn't until around 15 miles in where the route choice could cut off a few hundred metres here and there. By the time Clive and Katie got to Fleet Moss, at about 40 miles in, safety called for grouping with other runners in case any problems arose. They were lucky to find two like-minded Liverpoolians in both spirit and pace to finish the next 20 miles. Advice at Fleet Moss to take a bearing of 79 degrees meant a tussocky run over to Middle Tongue and Hell's Gap in the dead of night. The team realised there was a slight error here and they missed the only corner of a wall for miles, by miles, but they made it over in the end. They felt only slightly sorry for the teams following them in their pursuit!

The next tricky place was Great

Whernside. The team decided to stay high, handrail a fence due east and watch out for cairns as a check feature. This route could have been harsh if it had rained, but the bogs had stayed relatively dry. In other years, knee deep bog for miles can be the norm! The temperature had dropped significantly overnight and Clive thinks, that with wind chill factored in, it could be well in the minus figures.

Eventually, the sun rose over the hills for a glorious run down into Grassington and Threshfield. The road called for a strong run in and the team made the finish in around 22 hours. Should they ever enter again? They realise that more efficient checkpoints and a little more trust in their navigation (with practice) could see Clive and Katie easily shave at least 4 hours off their time.

*Clive Kent*



*Clive and Katie: Photo: Jenny Kent*



# Club Chat

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

Maureen Webb

Clive and Jennifer Kent

Drew Thompson

Congratulations to the following members who have received colour-coded awards since the last LEI NEWS. To achieve a colour coded award, you need to get a minimum of **three** qualifying standards, i.e. race round a course within the winner's time plus 50%. The time standard for each event is normally shown on the results front page, so you can easily work out if you have met it. If you have missed out on your certificate, please apply to the Development Co-ordinator, Roger Edwards.

Colour Standard	Member
White	Cerys Glover Daniel Glover
Yellow	George Rennie
Orange	Daisy Rennie
Light Green	Alison Glover Helen Rennie
Green	Ben Hardy Felicity Manning Robert Bood
Blue	Andy Glover Ethan Tebbutt
Brown	Edward Young



Congratulations to Ed Young who (sporting his LEI club top) was the first local finisher in the Woodhouse May Day Challenge in a time of 1 hour 39 minutes and 50s. The Woodhouse May Day Challenge is a charity event for runners and walkers covering a 13 mile route through the Leicestershire countryside.

Next year's event takes place on Monday 7th May, 2018.



## Racing Challenge and Navigation Challenge Awards

Results submitted for Level C (district) events to British Orienteering are used to determine these awards. Most club members got their awards fairly soon after the scheme was introduced. So new awards are mainly for newcomers and juniors moving through to the courses with higher levels of technical difficulty. The latest awards are:

### Racing Challenge

Gold 5 stars: Kevin Barber, Jessica Dring-Morris, Jack Tiffin, Ben Hardy, Andy Glover

Gold 4 stars: Harrington Leake

Gold 3 stars: Daisy Rennie

Gold 2 stars: Ben Glover

Gold 1 star: Daniel Glover

Silver 5 stars: Robert Bood, Oscar Ferris, Caitlin Chafer

Silver 4 stars: Helen Rennie

Silver 1 star: Cerys Glover

Navigation 5 stars: Robert Bood, Oscar Ferris, Lorna Cutts, Ben Hardy, Andy Glover

Navigation 4 stars: Libby Barber, Helen Rennie, Harrington Leake

Navigation 3 stars: Iona Moss

Navigation 2 stars: Ben Glover

Navigation 1 star: Felix Jarvis, Cerys Glover, Daniel Glover

**Diary date:** The presentation dinner in 2018 will take place on Saturday 17th February at our usual venue, the Kirby Muxloe Golf Club.

**Diary date:** The date of the AGM is on 30th October, 2017, and will take place at the Glenfield Parish Council Offices, Glenfield.

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.

**Don't forget!**  
**The LEI NEWS can be found on line, in full colour at**  
**[www.leioc.org.uk/members/lei-news/](http://www.leioc.org.uk/members/lei-news/)**



# Presentation Evening - 2017



*Alison Glover: Light green standard award.*



*Andy Glover: Blue standard award, summer league score cup winner.*



*Felicity Manning: Green standard award, 2016/17 winter league top veteran woman.*

*Liz Heaton: 2016 summer league top woman.*



*Bob Haskins: 2016 summer league sprint & urban series winner.*



*Ursula Williamson: 2016/17 winter league top woman.*



The annual presentation dinner was held on Saturday 4th March, 2017, at the Kirby Muxloe Golf Club. The presentations were made by our club president, Ernie Williams.



*Roger Edwards: 2016/17 winter league top veteran male.*



*Iain Phillips: The Clock Trophy awarded for the longest time on an LEI course.*



*Tracey Brookes: Thelma Spalton Trophy awarded for an excellent performance by a W45+.*

*Other members receiving awards, but not present at the dinner:*

*Ed Young: 2016 summer league and 2016/17 winter league winner.*

*Unless otherwise stated, photographs by Alan West.*



*Alan & Wendy West: President's Salver award to honour a member(s) who has/have put in some outstanding work for the club.  
Photograph: Glynn Smith*

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



# Junior Spotlight: World Schools' Orienteering Championships, Sicily 22nd - 28th April 2017

I've been asked to write a report on my visit to Sicily for the World Schools Orienteering Championships. I could write a book about this amazing experience, but I don't want to bore you, so I'll just write the best bits!

Everyone was in a relaxed and chatty mood on Friday night at the Premier Inn at Heathrow Airport. It felt more like a holiday with friends than an international competition. It wasn't so much fun waking up at half past four in the morning to catch our flight to Rome, but now it felt very serious, all 50 of us dressed in team kit, with officials all around us. It still left time for a competition to see who could find the most expensive bottle of wine in the airport shop. I managed £260, but the winner found one for a 'grand' and I still can't think of anyone who would buy that! How would they get it on the plane? Wine aside, we made a quick changeover from Rome to Palermo and after a police escort soon arrived at our seaside hotel. With a beautiful view, a heated pool, slides and a beach, the hotel had everything, but it was early to bed with the model event in the morning.

It was another early start for a two-hour bus journey to the event centre, which meant time for a good sleep and to look at the beautiful mountains of Sicily. Sunday was the model event which was a chance to experience the area and get a run in, so my team and our coach set off to try out Sicilian orienteering. It was one of the hardest areas I've ever been in! The vegetation was thick and full of

spikes (a bit like Bagworth!) so running was slow and you couldn't see much either. If you got lost, you properly got lost! The views were spectacular, however, and I really enjoyed the challenge. After a few hours of running, we returned for lunch, got back on the bus and headed back to Palermo for the opening ceremony.

The opening ceremony was incredible. There were amazing acts, with dancers, acrobatics and big crowds. All the athletes walked around the old town in our teams, following our national flags. It made me feel very proud to be representing my country. Even Chris Bosley was in the crowd, cheering us along. We got back to the hotel late after the opening ceremony, hungry and tired but feeling good and prepared for the long distance race tomorrow.

In the long distance race, I messed up two controls, but still finished 17<sup>th</sup> in the world which I was pretty proud of. My dad texted me to tell me he'd watched it on the big screen at work. Apparently there was a live feed on Facebook! I knew what I needed to do to improve for the middle distance race.

Tuesday was the friendship relay, where a team of three from different countries had to collect all the controls around the old town of Palermo in as fast a time as possible. The town was beautiful - full of renaissance statues and churches. I've done some pretty cool urban races in the UK, but this was the best.





*Charlie in action. Photo courtesy of International School Sports World Schools Championships*

The next day, we had a full free morning, which meant time for swimming and having fun with our new friends from the other nations. First, we went to the toboggan, a massive waterslide that led into the sea, and I must have gone on it about 20 times. We relaxed in the heated pool for a bit before returning to our rooms, spotting a lemon tree on the way back. The next thing we knew, us and the Latvian team were having a lemon fight across the rooftops which escalated to a water fight, until we made a peace treaty that was instantly broken and we had another fight. It left us sticky and soggy, but we had a great laugh!

Wednesday night was the cultural evening, which was time for each country

to showcase their country with food and dance. We all liked the Belgian table a lot and the Scots had Iron Bru!

Thursday, our final day in Sicily, we made the same stunning bus journey to the event centre for the middle distance race. I had a decent run, finishing 14<sup>th</sup> and cementing my team a second place in the world and an amazing silver medal.

After a party on the last night, we flew back home, buzzing from our amazing time in Sicily, and I really hope I can go to Estonia for the World Schools Orienteering Championships in 2019. I also want to say thank you to Leicester Grammar School, Leicester Grammar School Friends, Leicestershire Orienteering Club and the East Midlands Orienteering Association for funding me, so I could go on this wonderful trip. It was an experience I will never forget.

*Charlie*

Have you moved recently?

If you have, then please don't forget to inform our membership secretary, Jane Dring-Morris, by email: [jane@dring-morris.com](mailto:jane@dring-morris.com) to ensure your contact details are updated.



# Congratulations

Congratulations to the following juniors who have performed well at major competitions in the first half of the year.



*Midlands Champions:*

*George M10A*

*Daisy W12A*

*Charlie M14A*

*Photo: Helen Rennie*



*Ellen Warming up at the JK sprints for her 2nd place in W10B for days 2 and 3 combined at JK2017.*

*Photo: Toni O'Donovan*



*Harrington on day 2 of the JK, powering his way to 2nd place in M12A.*

*Photo: Annie Leake*



*Caitlin, warming up at the JK sprints for her 1st place in W16B for days 2 and 3 combined at JK2017.*

*Photo: Wendy Carlyle*

*Finn, M18E Midlands Champion, JK2017 sprints M18E third place, British Long Distance Championships M18E third place.*

*Photo: Rob Lines*



# Summer League Table (abbreviated)

## Current Positions as at 17/05/2017

Pos	Name	Club	Class	Best 4	Handicap	Events	Total
1	Ethan Tebbutt	LEI	M16	364	408	40	448
2	Euan Tebbutt	LEI	M20	360	375	40	415
3	John Marriott	LEI	M65	267	342	40	382
4	Iain Tebbutt	LEI	M50	292	339	40	379
5	Alastair Paterson	LEI	M50	272	315	40	355
6	Simon Ford	LEI	M70	230	304	40	344
7	Jamie Rennie	LEI	M45	278	312	30	342
8	Edward Young	LEI	M45	271	304	30	334
9	Charlie Rennie	LEI	M14	256	298	30	328
10	Mark Hardy	LEI	M50	252	292	30	322
11	Helen Rennie	LEI	W40	231	259	40	299
12	Roger Edwards	LEI	M65	207	265	30	295
13	Roger Phillips	LEI	M40	230	249	30	279
14	Robert Titterington	LEI	M75	179	244	30	274
15	Andy Portsmouth	LEI	M60	197	244	30	274
16	Dave Denness	LOG	M55	196	236	30	266
17	David Seaman	LEI	M45	205	230	30	260
18	Hugh Lachlan	LEI	M50	187	217	30	247
19	Daisy Rennie	LEI	W12	161	200	30	230
20	Jane Dring-Morris	LEI	W45	171	198	30	228
21	Mark Sherriff	LEI	M55	156	187	30	217
22	David Pettit	DV0	M21	189	189	20	209
23	Kevin Bradley	LEI	M60	142	176	30	206
24	Alison Hardy	LEI	W50	154	185	20	205
25	Peter Hornsby	LEI	M60	141	175	30	205
26	Maureen Webb	LEI	W60	134	172	30	202
27	Ed Chester	LEI	M40	156	168	20	188



# Access Report - Summer 2017

Finding new areas is increasingly difficult, and we need to be looking at present areas to explore just how they can be used and whether areas we do use can be entered from different directions. There is a new car park which should be usable to allow us to use Aylestone Meadows from the other end. We are also looking at the feasibility of starting Bradgate events from overflow parking areas in Newtown Linford.

The Queen's Diamond Jubilee Wood is maturing nicely and will become increasingly usable. Growth is patchy, but for our purposes that is better than wall-to-wall woods. A car park has been provided and new bridleways created, giving linkage to other nearby woodlands. There are also full facilities available at the nearby Cattow's farm shop and café, where there is extensive parking and arrangements could possibly be made to walk people into the event area from there.

Next to our Hanging Hill area, there is a massive restoration scheme being agreed for an area of old extraction workings, which will add a sizeable area of more complex terrain with one or more lakes included. This overall area could end up a very useful addition to the sites available for larger events. It is also only one field removed from Pick Triangle, mapped for orienteering and on our Spring Cottage map. The Forest is slowly getting joined up.

New links to Hicks Lodge are being created, extending that area's usability, and the National Forest Company is developing a site at Bawden Castle. There is no parking but it is fairly near Beacon Hill, offering the possibility of a walk-in from the top car park.

The National Forest has also acquired a lot of land behind Groby College which does not exactly adjoin Martinshaw, but using the school grounds as we do, we should be able to use this as an addition to our area.

There is a lot going on within the National Forest Company at present, but not a great deal of direct interest to us as orienteers. Whilst it should be fairly seamless, a lot of work has been done converting from being a virtual government agency to becoming a Charitable Trust.

This year's funding has seen what may be interesting projects from an orienteering point of view. Some are additions to existing areas, but there is a new one of about 140 acres, the location of which cannot be disclosed at present. In addition, the Forest Enterprise is to plant up nearly 50 acres between Poppy Wood and Robin Wood in the DVO area. The Forestry Commission locally has a new recreation forester, Kelly Brindley.

As for Charnwood Forest, in my role on the Local Access Forum and as a board member of the Charnwood Nature Partnership, I have been working for some time to create a Charnwood Forest Regional Park. I am now part of a development group, working with the local authorities and the National Forest Company, which shortly is to submit a bid for lottery money of several million pounds to protect and enhance the area.

From our point of view, I wish to see smaller areas of access joined up and better path networks linking them

Within the Forest, they are devising a new long term plan which will focus on access and recreation, and it all stands



us in good stead as a sport

The major developments extending Glenfield by a third are almost complete and will afford new orienteering possibilities. A lot of new amenity land is being provided, but we will have an issue about road crossings if we wish to take advantage of it all. There will be a large block along the Rothley Brook corridor to be opened up this summer, and a new footbridge over the brook will link this to the bridleway and a new path through open countryside to come out by the cemetery near Groby College. This will be good for training purposes, either from Groby or Glenfield, and when complete a large area of available land linked by only paths and estate roads might offer other opportunities. The new housing estate itself has pockets of woodland and recreation land, and a wildlife corridor along a stream with flood relief basins. In addition to the new paving along the road from the old 'new' estate, there is also a path around the edge of the golf course giving two access points into the rest of the village, creating a block large enough for local urban events without crossing a road. Adjoining this, and probably able to be included, is an extensive commercial area with many large buildings and service areas which could extend the possibilities. There is yet another new block being landscaped at the moment which will have trees, glades, a twisting grass path, open areas, a stream and substantial slopes. Isolated by main roads, it could only be used as a modest sized training area

All is looking reasonably positive, but major blocks are unlikely to come on stream for the foreseeable future, so we are looking to older areas to see if they can be brought back into use. In discussions with the National Forest, they are to review how much weighting (brownie points) they give to full access

when comparing schemes, as some recent schemes have offered only linear access (paths). This is, in part, because most schemes are very small these days, and I suspect the era of large blocks of land being re-wooded are behind us. We have looked at the south east areas of the Staunton Harold Estate. Rough Park we could use again, but much of it has been let to other groups, including archery, field sports, dog training and horse riding, and part of the neighbouring Rising Wood will be cut by HS2, although that is unlikely to be for some time. The owners have asked that we leave things for another year to see how these relationships bed down and look at the situation again then. The best part of the area is still available to us, if small, and could be good for a summer league event

Staunton Harold itself is another area we have revisited. The Forest Enterprise managed woodlands have matured nicely and could handle courses up to short green easily and could be used for longer events, either by double looping or using other parts of the area. Various pockets of woodland within the Staunton Harold owned parts are on our existing map and a few longer courses could use these to circle back. In the short term, however, the prospects of using the western FE woodlands for an event are good and we are in discussions with the Estate about parking, as well as using their facilities and café. I have told the Head Forester that we are looking at the possibility of using it again.

*Roy Denney*

*Access Development Officer*

*(Editors' note: Direct access to Martinshaw Woods from Groby Community College is now in doubt due to the erection of a fence around the school grounds, as recently stated on the LEI Facebook page).*



## Out and About



Feeling a bit historic, and with much of my out and about spent visiting NHS establishments, it was good to vanish down under for a couple of months, missing out on some of our dreary winter.

Given I also spent three fortnights last year in the Alps, this report could have something of an international flavour, but that is not what we are really about. Suffice to say, I managed to get some walking and swimming in whilst in New Zealand and Grenoble, and hope to actually start getting out and about and orienteering again err long. Perhaps a long white?

Climate change is putting wildlife populations increasingly in peril as temperatures rise, and weather becomes more extreme. Warming average temperatures in Europe are pushing sea creatures, birds, bees and butterflies further north, but unfortunately some nasty bugs as well. Some native creatures have nowhere else to go and most plants cannot migrate fast enough. Alpine plants in our upland areas are declining, as they cannot go any higher, so the vegetation we see when running the high places will slowly change. Many people and organisations are striving to help endangered species with some marked successes, but there are probably more losers than winners. Creatures in urgent need of often costly assistance are slowly recovering, but a lot more needs to be done.

With the seasons changing and species adapting at different rates, birds and different animal species are becoming out of sync with the insects and harvests on which they rely, which has an impact all up the food chain. The UK's Birds of Conservation Concern 'Red List' now stands at 67 species, with 96 more species amber-listed — not good when we have only 244 regularly species.

Of those I love to encounter when wandering wild places, our native curlew is struggling, down 12% in the last decade. Although largely due to protection measures, its very rare relative, the Stone Curlew, has doubled in numbers over the last 25 years. They visit in summer to breed in fields and need careful protection from farm machinery. The English (Grey) partridge was once widespread and very common, but its numbers have declined dramatically due to loss of habitat and shooting. It is a 'Red List' species. It is doing well at present in the new National Forest in the Midlands, where farmland has been planted with young trees, but with maturity these woodlands will be less suitable.

Lapwings like cooler climates and we are seeing numbers heavily reduced. Changing agricultural methods and draining of damp grasslands have deprived them of much of their food source. The iconic Golden Eagle was many years ago seen throughout the UK, but they are now restricted to the uplands of Scotland, where we have a fifth of all Western Europe's population. They are still persecuted by shooting interests. Another raptor really struggling is the Hen Harrier. Usually found on moorland, it is also heavily persecuted by grouse shooters. Breeding numbers are very low and the species is under severe threat (Red List). One I



used to hear, rather than see, is also badly in decline: the spring-visiting cuckoo is also on the 'Red List'.

Insects and other invertebrates, comprising 97% of all animal species, are struggling badly, with over half being in steady decline with the draining of wetlands harming many species. These are nature's dustbin men, keeping soils healthy, and they are the lowest rung of the food chain on which all creatures depend.

We are seeing a number of new insects taking up residence in the UK. Often

blown here in the past, it was too cold for them, but colonies are now being established. Not all are welcome: new larger wasps, hornets and ladybirds are a problem and numerous smaller 'nasties' are attacking trees and shrubs. Ticks carrying dangerous diseases are now being found increasingly far north. There are some attractive immigrants, however, for example the small red-eyed damselfly.

*Roy Denney*

## Travel Support Scheme



Another small change to our scheme. Please measure your mileage from our



Registered Office at Groby Community College or your home, whichever is the shorter.

The scheme relies on club members making gift aided donations with both you and the club benefiting. If you are claiming accommodation, I need some evidence of what you have paid out.

This year, the British Nights, JK, British Long in the Lake District, the Scottish 6 Days and the White Rose are some of the events which will qualify.

Also, the Lake District Training weekend on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> June can be included.

Beware if you extend your stay to include extra holidays, as you may not meet the requirement of three quarters of the days being spent on orienteering training or racing.

If you are thinking of using the scheme for the first time, you might want to speak to me. If it's your first claim, you may claim for events as far back as July 2013.

*Roger Edwards, Treasurer*



# Retired Man Chronicles: As Yet Untitled with Apologies to Alan Davies

Let's begin with an update on RM's injured left shoulder. The nerves have been growing back down his arm for 20 months and it is the muscles in his hand and flexing of some fingers that still need improvement. In January, he was pleased to have the strength in his hand and shoulder to do push-ups at Thursday evening sessions. It might seem a minor conquest, but in April, RM was able to clap his hands. The left hand had enough strength to resist the right hand and a decent clapping sound was made. He is also back doing DIY with help. In early February, he turned up at the O event, near Ashby, with a car full of plastic and cardboard, courtesy of IKEA, that was destined for the tip. With daughter Suzi nagging him, we have finally moved back into our old bedroom, now decorated, carpeted and furnished Scandi style. I have only been waiting 3 ½ years! He has also been busy advising how to mend washing machine pumps and boilers, and helping son, Andrew, with a nightmare bathroom where everything that can go wrong did go wrong.

Many of you will have been subjected to RM's arguments about abandoning the HS2 railway project, and he spends many hours sending off Freedom of Information requests and interrogating the 'science' behind this high speed link that will benefit very few, blight the landscape and cost billions of pounds (a billion is a thousand million). He went to an exhibition in Kegworth 'to annoy those HS2 people' and returned with freebie large scale **MAPS** that must have been stored in the engine sheds, as they stank of oil.

RM is a keen member of the Radio O community and had volunteered to put on an event at Gracedieu/Cademan Woods in the cold and dark of early February. He had put 4 of 5 aerial leads up trees and been lost in Cademan Woods on the Saturday, before returning home very cold. Next day, the event went well. Only one transmitter failed and was soon replaced, but the big question of the day was, 'When is a bridge not a bridge?' Perhaps when it does not touch the other bank of the river but leaves one with a jump on and off a stone; or jump to and run along a log to reach the other side. Are you brave enough to try?

In contrast, the Radio O event in March at Donisthorpe was on a warm, sunny day. After a recent operation, Captain, Bob T, was not intending to compete, but beats RM anyway. At home, John investigates the route of railway lines and stations near Donisthorpe when he ought to be sitting in the bath getting clean as we are going out.

The British radio O champs took place on a weekend in early April and gave the Brits a chance to catch up with all their overseas friends, who love to visit Britain. The event areas were near Creepy Crawley and RM came 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in his age class. Unfortunately, there were only 2 competitors in this class and Vlad is younger and fitter than John! Just recently, there was a radio O event in the land around a big quarry in Cannock Chase. Before he set off, I had to dig a large splinter from under his big toe. How romantic!

Early in the year, RM goes to 'normal' orienteering at a DVO event, Haddon



Lindop, where he ran with a bad back on the green course, but is miffed to be beaten by a youngster, Ben Hardy. However, he is cheered by cakes that Ursula had made for John and Roger Edwards, as both had had birthdays recently.

A few days later, John is up early to travel to Wakefield for an HS2 meeting. Ironically, he cannot get there by train without some complicated route and ticket charging. It is the same date as the Beer Festival at the Polish Club in Loughborough. John had left Wakefield at 7pm, so most of the orienteers had been to the festival and gone home already. Luckily, Iain Phillips was still there, as RM needed to borrow £20. Four half pints later, John comes home and falls asleep. It had been a long day.

The club dinner once again was at Kirby Muxloe Golf Club and we surprise everyone, as we are not last to arrive or late. Dave Toach has broken a bone in his ankle that he did not know about and this is the start of conversation topic that continues on our table with Roy and his wife Doreen, Dave Anderson, and Peter and Judy Leake. It soon becomes obvious we are the table of the sick and injured. Is the conversation any more sparkling as we reminisce over the old O club members and realise many of them are dead? However, our food is delicious.

The restaurant area has been decorated with purple table runners, and silver and purple balloons by Rachel S, who is thanked by Chris Philips as he starts the awards presentation. The first announcement is to congratulate Roger and Leanne on their forthcoming summer wedding, but Chris adds 'and about time, too'. Iain Phillips turned a short brown course into the longest time spent by an LEI runner on an LEI event, with a time of over 106 minutes to win the Clock Trophy (again). Our regular award winning

members are award-winning again: Bob H and Roger E for the men, and Ursula W, Felicity and Dr Liz, with a broken wrist after a recent night O, for the ladies. The awards are presented by Ernie, who is now the club's own knee surgery expert. The joint winners of the Presidents, Shield for service to the club are our editors, Alan and Wendy West, so Glynn steps up to take over the camera from Alan. Thanks to Roy for organising the meal. As we are waiting for our lift home, Dave Anderson tells us that the weather forecast for tomorrow is dire and he has decided to stay home where it is warm and dry.

The next day, Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March, RM returns with a bag, heavy with wet shoes and clothes, and is off to warm up in the bath. He has been to the (disputed) highest point in Notts, a reclaimed coal tip called Silverhill. He did the green course and an extra 2km, as he forgot his dibber and had to go back to the car 1km away, but also picked up his windproof jacket as some protection against the weather. Perhaps he should have heeded Dave Anderson's warning? He is also grumpy because they did not stop at a pub on the way home.

It was poor weather for the Schools Event at Donisthorpe. Armed with sandwiches, a hot flask and a gazebo, RM is ready to brave the cold with Roger E. Several hundred kids are expected but how many will be put off by the weather?? 27 NW Leicestershire primary schools send their children to orienteer. Our club members had endured a long day, as the orienteering was kept open into the evening for Ashby and Glenfield club night people. The gang set off to 'Spoons for food and beer, but at the roadside RM steps into a puddle, soaking his dry socks as he goes in search of his shoes in the car boot.

Another unfortunate moment occurred



with the travel arrangements to Shining Cliff. Roger E was supposed to pick up John. However, newly returned from skiing, Chris B sends a message that he is 'not going O-ing', and Roger thinks the message is from John. RM is left waiting at home for a lift that will never arrive. Later, he sets off alone to a very, very muddy event, and when he opens the car door, his purple LEI fleece falls out into a big puddle of mud - and his orienteering: 'not very good'.

John travelled to Irchester on 2nd April and was surprised to see that the results system went back to the old 'washing line' days because there are not enough people trained to use auto download. John had offered his results system, but again it was not used.

April was also the time for the JK, and RM is able to meet up with Edd, daughter Suzi and grand-daughter Hattie, who are staying nearby at Bracklesham. Mark Foxwell posts on Facebook a photo of an orienteering control next to the statue of I. K. Brunel. Brunel University is the Uxbridge location of the JK sprints. (It's a pity Brunel's initials weren't JK!). LEI club members do well individually and as a relay team.

John returns from Grange Wood, pleased with his run on the score event and hoping to gain points for the summer league, as his rivals, Roger E and Chris B, were not there. However, he was disappointed that the après O was not at a Wetherspoons and he arrives home hungry and searching in the cupboards and fridge for something to eat.

A few days later, I am walking with my friend and her two dogs along the footpaths in the fields at Swithland when a runner comes puffing by that I recognise. "Hello Andy," I say to A Portsmouth, and then he realises who I am. He says he is training as he wants to

beat John.

Sorry Andy, but when I tell RM that you want to beat him, he says he is not worried.

John sets off for O-ing at Fineshade, hoping to score well in the summer league, as not all orienteers will travel that far away. However, in the end, he has a disappointing run and if Andy Portsmouth had travelled to Fineshade, he would probably have beaten John

The next day when I return from shopping, there is a camper van outside the house and an Ursula inside the house. She has come round with the raw results from Fineshade. It takes 1½ hours to process the results of 30 runners, as Ursula and RM had trouble communicating with the results box, but eventually got it to download. Oh dear, John's bad run really was bad and he came last on the long course, So much for 'going to an out of the way event' in hopes of scoring mega points! Ursula says she is going home via the chip shop and, as you read on, chip shop visits might happen again.

RM did not think he would do very well at the British Champs and wanted to work on his imminent summer league event at Ratby Woodlands instead, but well done to Finn and the relay team - Ben, Charlie and John W.

The following Wednesday, John goes to Hartshill with Pete Hornsby and Iain Phillips. In the morning, his back had 'gone again' and he was walking with a stoop, but he needed to collect the dibbers for his event tomorrow. He was determined to go and had taken several painkillers. Maybe the painkillers numbed his brain as well as his back, as he is the slowest of our 3 gallant orienteers. Perhaps the numb brain is an explanation for RM leaving his shoes and long



handled shoe horn in Iain Phillips's car! He had to drive and chase after the muddy Ford C-Max down the road and through the villages, eventually catching up and flashing his lights. Iain stopped, thinking he was being chased by the police. (John described IP's driving as 'legal in the speed restricted village areas and not so legal elsewhere'). Iain must have been relieved to see it was RM wanting his shoes back, and not the long arm of the law

11th May was the date for RM's summer league event at Ratby and I had promised to help if he bought me a meal afterwards. John sets off to put out controls in the early afternoon and I arrive at 5.30pm, having checked how to get to the wonderfully named Cow Lane. The track is very dusty and vehicles, including a huge farm tractor, travel up and down to give pink/ white-out conditions, causing orienteers to dive back into their cars and close the windows. When the dust settles on this beautiful sunny evening, I can see to the tall buildings of Leicester University. John says he has a few more controls to put out and disappears again. I have to move my car to avoid it being scratched by the huge tractor and trailer that comes back with a trailer full of broken bricks to add to the enormous piles of broken bricks already in the yard. Why?? When John returns, he only has the start, check and clear boxes still to do, but some of the canes are broken and he has to improvise. The advertised start time is 6.30pm and the first starter, Sue Bicknell, sets off at 6.24pm.

Finishing orienteers comment about the beautiful bluebells and how good it is to use a different starting point and the newly made gaps in the hedges. SF asks, "Are summer league events getting harder?" We have had lots of customers, and Roger E is pleased as the money will more than balance out the losses at

Fineshade. Thanks to those who volunteered to collect in controls, and especially to Mark Sherriff and Ursula who arrived at The Railway, but missed the last call for food orders. John had taken my request for a mushroom omelette and driven like a bat out of hell to get there in time, while I drove at a more leisurely and legal pace. Will Ursula be visiting that chip shop again?

The following day, RM spent the morning (in a towel) and the afternoon (dressed) struggling to put the Ratby results onto an Excel spreadsheet. When he enters the competitor's time of 48:25, Excel converts it to 6.00 am 2nd January, 1900. WHAT???

Co-incidentally, in the news that day, the NHS computer system and organisations in other countries have been attacked by Ransom-ware demands.

As I am distracted by cooking a curry, John explains the results from the Excel spreadsheet, so I hope this is correct. Apparently, the time 48:25 is interpreted as 48 hours and 0.25 of a day. The default calendar setting is New Year's Day 1900 (or should that be New Millennium Day), so 48 hours converts to 2 days, hence 2nd January, 1900, and 0.25 is 1/4 of a day or 6.00am. But how do you get this system to work properly? I will leave you computer nerds to discuss it in the pub. Maybe you could also discuss how to make the NHS immune (ha ha) to Ransom-ware.

*Irene Marriott.*



# Summer League 2017

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 - courses close at 8.30pm. (These times may be advanced by 30 minutes at either end of the season.) For details of the event type, i.e. score, classic or sprint, check on the LEIOC website.

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, giving everyone a chance of success in the league if they perform as well as their age would suggest they should. Overall, it is the best 10 events to count with a sub league of sprint/urban events, with the best 4 counting. 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 data, 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 2017</b>		
1st Thursday	LEI EMOA Local D	LEI Summer League 6, Oakham Tops, Oakham, <a href="#">SK840074</a> Entry times: 6.30 - 7.30pm. Dogs: On Lead. <a href="http://www.leioc.org.uk">www.leioc.org.uk</a> Organiser: Liz Heaton
7th Wednes- day	LEI EMOA Local D	LEI Summer League 7, Johns Lee Wood, Leicester, <a href="#">SK504105</a> Entry times: 6.30 - 7.30pm. Dogs: On Lead. <a href="http://www.leioc.org.uk">www.leioc.org.uk</a> Organiser: Alastair Paterson. Two sprints & short course.
10th	BOK SWOA Regional B	BOK Blast - City of Bristol Races (Euro Tour), Bristol Harbourside North & Clifton Wood, Bristol Entry times: Registration : 1100 - 1330 Starts : 1230 - 1430 Courses close, Organiser: Mark Dyer <a href="http://http://www.bristolorienteeing.org.uk/city-of-bristol-races-2017/races">http://http://www.bristolorienteeing.org.uk/city-of-bristol-races-2017/races</a>
10th	NOC EMOA Local D	Explore The Parks, Wollaton Park, Nottingham, <a href="#">SK530394</a> Entry times: 13:00 - 14:00. Organiser: Hilary Palmer , org20170429@noc-uk.org
11th	BOK SWOA Regional B	BOK Blast - City of Bristol Races (UKUL & SEOUL), Bristol Harbourside East & Temple Quarter, Bristol Organiser: Mark Dyer , 01179 684173 <a href="http://http://www.bristolorienteeing.org.uk/city-of-bristol-races-2017/races">http://http://www.bristolorienteeing.org.uk/city-of-bristol-races-2017/races</a>
13th Tuesday	LEI EMOA Local D	LEI Summer League 8, Billa Barra, Leicester, <a href="#">SK468111</a> Entry times: 6.30 - 7.30pm. Dogs: On Lead. <a href="http://www.leioc.org.uk">www.leioc.org.uk</a> Organiser: Derek Herd <a href="mailto:Derek@herds.kiwi">Derek@herds.kiwi</a>
17th	NOC EMOA District C	East Midlands Sprint Championships, The Meadows, Nottingham, <a href="#">SK575382</a> Organiser: Julie Webster , org20170617@noc-uk.org (EMUL 2)
18th	LEI EMOA District C	EM Urban League 2017, Loughborough University, Loughbor- ough Entry times: 10:30 to 12.30. Dogs: On Lead. Organiser: Iain Phillips , <a href="mailto:iain@phillips4.co.uk">iain@phillips4.co.uk</a> <a href="http://www.leioc.org.uk">http://www.leioc.org.uk</a>
18th	SELOC NWOA District C	UK Urban League, Queens Park/Bolton School & Horwich town centre, Horwich & Bolton, <a href="#">SD706091</a> Entry times: TBN. Dogs: TBN. Organiser: Kevan Latham <a href="http://www.seloc.org.ukw">http://www.seloc.org.ukw</a>
22nd Thursday	LEI EMOA Local D	LEI Summer League 9, Leicester Grammar School, Leicester, <a href="#">SP648983</a> Entry times: 6.30 - 7.30pm. No dogs allowed. <a href="http://www.leioc.org.uk">www.leioc.org.uk</a>
24th	LEI EMOA Local D	LEI Schools League, Hick's Lodge Cycle Centre, Ashby, <a href="#">SK328156</a> Entry times: 11-12. No dogs allowed. Organiser: Roger Edwards , <a href="mailto:rwmhedwards@gmail.com">rwmhedwards@gmail.com</a>
25th	HALO YHOA District C	Hull City of Culture Weekend: Day 2 Hull City Race, to be confirmed, King- ston upon Hull Organiser: Brian Slater , <a href="mailto:bslatercllee@yahoo.com">bslatercllee@yahoo.com</a> , 01472 509247 <a href="http://www.halo-orienteeing.org.uk">http://www.halo-orienteeing.org.uk</a>



<b>June 2017 Cont.</b>		
25th	DRONGO EAOA Regional B	Harvester Relays, Blakeholme, Newby Bridge Organiser: Ben Windsor <a href="http://http://www.drongo.org.uk/harvester">http://http://www.drongo.org.uk/harvester</a>
29th Thursday	LEI EMOA Local D	<b>LEI Summer League 10, Quorn, Loughborough, <a href="#">SK562165</a></b> <b>Entry times: 6.30 - 7.30pm. Dogs: On Lead. <a href="http://www.leioc.org.uk">www.leioc.org.uk</a></b> <b>Organiser: Iain Phillips. Urban event.</b>
<b>July 2017</b>		
2nd	NATO NEOA Regional B	Yvete Baker Trophy Final, Druridge Bay, Country Park, Alnwick
2nd	DVO EMOA District C	East Midlands League, Longstone Moor, Buxton <a href="http://www.derwentvalleyorientees.org.uk">www. Derwentvalleyorientees.org.uk</a>
4th Tuesday	LEI EMOA Local D	<b>LEI Summer League 11, Aylestone Meadows, Leicester, <a href="#">SK575024</a></b> <b>Entry times: 6.30 - 7.30pm. Dogs: On Lead. <a href="http://www.leioc.org.uk">www.leioc.org.uk</a></b>
8th	NOC EMOA Local D	Explore The Parks, Bramcote Hills Park, Nottingham, <a href="#">SK505380</a> Entry times: 13:00 - 14:00. Organiser: Hilary Palmer , <a href="mailto:org20170401@noc-uk.org">org20170401@noc-uk.org</a>
8th	AIRE YHOA Regional B	Fat Rascal Weekend (UKOL), Peel Park/Lister Park, Bradford, <a href="#">SE169344</a> Entry times: 10.30-12.00. Dogs: Not on courses please. Under tight control otherwise.Organiser: David Alcock , <a href="mailto:alcock_david@hotmail.com">alcock_david@hotmail.com</a> , 07989563588 <a href="http://www.aire.org.uk/events/fat-rascal-races-chasing-sprint-2017-07-08">http://www.aire.org.uk/events/fat-rascal-races-chasing-sprint-2017-07-08</a>
9th	AIRE YHOA Regional B	Fat Rascal Weekend (UKOL), Bradford, Bradford, <a href="#">SE162328</a> Entry times: 9.30-11.30. Dogs: Under tight control please. Organiser: Ken Patterson , <a href="mailto:ken.patterson@geo2.poptel.org.uk">ken.patterson@geo2.poptel.org.uk</a> , 0113 294 8488 <a href="http://https://www.aire.org.uk/events/fat-rascal-races-chasing-sprint-2017-07-09">http://https://www.aire.org.uk/events/fat-rascal-races-chasing-sprint-2017-07-09</a>
12th Wednes- day	LEI EMOA Local D	<b>LEI Summer League 12, Knighton Park, Leicester, <a href="#">SK606009</a></b> <b>Entry times: 6.30 - 7.30pm. Dogs: On Lead. <a href="http://www.leioc.org.uk">www.leioc.org.uk</a></b> <b>Organiser: Andy Portsmouth. Two sprints and short course</b>
16th	DEE NWOA Regional B	British Mixed Sprint Relays, Edge Hill Campus, Ormskirk Dogs: Dogs on leads. Not allowed on courses.. Organiser: Norman Hall
20th Thursday	LEI EMOA Local D	<b>LEI Summer League 13, Cademan, Loughborough, <a href="#">SK439167</a></b> <b>Entry times: 6.30 - 7.30pm. Dogs: On Lead. <a href="http://www.leioc.org.uk">www.leioc.org.uk</a></b> <b>Organiser: Chris Bosley</b>



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<b>25th Tuesday</b>	<b>LEI EMOA Local D</b>	<b>LEI Summer League 14, Abbey Park, Leicester, <a href="#">SK585054</a> Entry times: 6.30 - 7.30pm. Dogs: On Lead. <a href="http://www.leioc.org.uk">www.leioc.org.uk</a> Organiser: Kevin Bradley. Two sprints and short course</b>
<b>30th/31st</b>	<b>MAROC SOA Regional B</b>	Scottish 6 Days - Day 1, Glen Tanar, Aboyne Scottish 6 Days - Day 2 (UKOL) Balfour Forest, Aboyne
<b>August 2017</b>		
<b>1st/3rd 4th/5th</b>	<b>MAROC SOA Regional B</b>	Scottish 6 Days - Day 3, Birsemore Hill, Aboyne Scottish 6 Days - Day 4 (UKOL) Creag Chionnich, Braemar Scottish 6 Days - Day 5 Glen Feardar, Braemar Scottish 6 Days - Day 6 Glen Feardar, Braemar
<b>2nd Wednes day</b>	<b>LEI EMOA Local D</b>	<b>LEI Summer League 15, Moira Furnace, Ashby, <a href="#">SK313152</a> Entry times: 6.30 - 7.30pm. Dogs: On Lead. <a href="http://www.leioc.org.uk">www.leioc.org.uk</a> Organiser: Tracey Brookes, tbrookes49@gmail.com</b>
<b>8th Tuesday</b>	<b>LEI EMOA Local D</b>	<b>LEI Summer League 16, Bradgate Park, Leicester, <a href="#">SK541114</a> Entry times: 6.30 - 7.30pm. Dogs: On Lead. <a href="http://www.leioc.org.uk">www.leioc.org.uk</a></b>
<b>13th Sunday</b>	<b>LEI EMOA Local D</b>	<b>LEI Summer League 17 and LEI Score Cup Castle Hill Park, Leicester, <a href="#">SK550087</a> Entry times: 11.00am - 12.00 Noon. Dogs: On Lead. <a href="http://www.leioc.org.uk">www.leioc.org.uk</a> Organisers: Alan &amp; Wendy West, alanpeterwest@gmail.com, 60 minute score &amp; short course</b>
<b>17th Thursday</b>	<b>LEI EMOA Local D</b>	<b>LEI Summer League 18, The Park, Market Bosworth, <a href="#">SK411032</a> Entry times: 6.30 - 7.30pm. Dogs: On Lead. <a href="http://www.leioc.org.uk">www.leioc.org.uk</a> Organiser: Simon Ford, si.ford@btinternet.com</b>
<b>19th</b>	<b>DVO EMOA Local D</b>	Level D - Rosliston - South Derbyshire Series, Rosliston Forestry Centre, Derby Entry times: 13:00 - 15:00.
<b>20th</b>	<b>LOG EMOA District C</b>	EM Urban League 2017, Lincoln City, Lincoln Dogs: On Leads . Organiser: Sean Harrington <a href="http://www.logonline.org.uk">http://www.logonline.org.uk</a> (EMUL 4)
<b>20th</b>	<b>DEE NWOA Regional B</b>	DEE Urban race Frodsham UKUL, Frodsham, Frodsham, <a href="#">SJ515776</a> Entry times: 10.30-12,30. No dogs allowed. Organiser: John Padget <a href="http://http://deeside-orienteing-club.org.uk/events/club+events.htm">http://http://deeside-orienteing-club.org.uk/events/club+events.htm</a>
<b>23rd Wednes day</b>	<b>LEI EMOA Local D</b>	<b>LEI Summer League 19 Final and Presentations, Bagworth Woodlands, Leicester, <a href="#">SK458068</a> Entry times: 6.30 - 7.30pm. Dogs: On Lead. <a href="http://www.leioc.org.uk">www.leioc.org.uk</a> Organiser: Stephen Chafer 60 minute Score</b>



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26th	EBOR YHOA Regional B	White Rose Weekend, Collis Rigg, Helmsley, <a href="#">SE596891</a> Organiser: Joshua Cooper
27th	EBOR YHOA Regional B	White Rose Weekend & YHOA Superleague, Heater Rigg, Helmsley, <a href="#">SE596891</a> Organiser: Bryan Greener

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2nd	KERNO SWOA Regional B	Caddihoe Day 1 (UKOL) and South West Middle Distance Championships, Hayle Towans, Hayle <a href="http://Devon Orienteering Club">http://Devon Orienteering Club</a>
3rd	KERNO SWOA Regional B	Caddihoe Day 2 (UKOL) and South West Long Distance Championships, Hayle Towns, Hayle <a href="http://Devon Orienteering Club">http://Devon Orienteering Club</a>
9th	FERMO NIOA Regional B	Senior Home Internationals Individual, Gortalughany and Florencecourt, Enniskillen
9th	SLOW SEOA Regional B	SLOW City of London Race
10th	COBOC WMOA Regional B	Peter Palmer Junior Team Relay, Birmingham
10th	FERMO NIOA Regional B	Senior Home Internationals Relays, Castle Saunderson, Newtownbutler
10th	BL NWOA Regional B	BL Level B Event High Pike, High Pike, Calebreck, Heskett Newmarket, Penrith, <a href="#">NY343354</a> Entry times: 10.00 - 12 noon. No dogs allowed. Organiser: Raymond Wren <a href="http://www.bl-orienteeing.org.uk">http://www.bl-orienteeing.org.uk</a>
16th	AIRE YHOA Level B	Dales Weekend Day 1 of 2, Attermire, Skipton
17th	AIRE YHOA Level B	Dales Weekend Day 2 of 2, Malham Moor, Skipton



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17th Sunday	LEI EMOA Local D	<b>LEI Club Championships, Tunnel Woods, Ashby de la Zouch</b> <a href="http://www.leioc.org">http://www.leioc.org</a>
23rd	BASOC SOA Regional B	Veteran Home Internationals - Relay, Scotland
23rd	SEOA Regional B	Junior Inter Regional Championships - Individual. Winterfold South East
24th	BASOC SOA Regional B	Veteran Home Internationals - Individual, Scotland. Auchernack and Balliefurth, Grantown-on-Spey <a href="http://www.basoc.org.uk/highland-wolf-2017">NJ0242524793</a> <a href="http://www.basoc.org.uk/highland-wolf-2017">http://www.basoc.org.uk/highland-wolf-2017</a>
24th	SEOA Regional B	Junior Inter Regional Championships - Relays. Blackheath Guildford
24th	DVO EMOA District C	East Midlands League, Kedleston Hall, Derby Organiser: Stuart Swalwell <a href="http://www.derwentvalleyorienteeers.org.uk">www.derwentvalleyorienteeers.org.uk</a>
30th	EAOA National A	British Sprint Championships (UKOL), Campbell Park, Milton Keynes Organiser: Peter Woods
<b>October 2017</b>		
1st	Level A	British Middle Champs (UKOL), Wendover Woods, Aylesbury Organiser: Mike Cope
7th	MWOC WOA Regional B	Junior Home Internationals Individual & Welsh League Event 2017, Tir Stent or Gwanas, Dolgellau Organiser: Mark Saunders
7th	NN NEOA Regional B	NN October Odyssey - day 1 (NEOL), Bewick Moor South, Alnwick, <a href="http://www.northern-navigators.org.uk/fixtures/0710211">NU110211</a> <a href="http://www.northern-navigators.org.uk/fixtures/071017.html">http://www.northern-navigators.org.uk/fixtures/071017.html</a>
8th	LOG EMOA Level C	EM Urban League, Stamford. (EMUL 5)
8th	NN NEOA Level B	<b>NN October Odyssey - day 2 (NEOL &amp; NE Champs)</b> , Bewick Folly & Blawearie, Alnwick, <a href="http://www.northern-navigators.org.uk/fixtures/0710231">NU074231</a> <a href="http://www.northern-navigators.org.uk/fixtures/071017.html">http://www.northern-navigators.org.uk/fixtures/071017.html</a>



<b>October 2017 Cont.</b>		
8th	SAX SEOA Regional B	SAX Urban event—Whitstable
14th	SYO YHOA Regional B	British Schools Score Championships, Rother Valley Country Park, Rotherham Organiser: Colin Best
15th	<b>LEI</b> <b>EMOA</b> <b>District C</b>	<b>East Midlands League 2017, Burrough Hill, Melton Mowbray</b> <b>Organiser: Andy Portsmouth , andy.portsmouth@btinternet.com</b>
28th	CUOC EAOA Regional B	Cambridge City Race 2017, Cambridge <a href="http://http://cuoc.org.uk/events/4454/Cambridge-City-Race-2017/">http://http://cuoc.org.uk/events/4454/Cambridge-City-Race-2017/</a>
29th	DVO EMOA	EM Urban League, Chesterfield (EMUL 6) Organiser: Claire Selby <a href="http://www.derwentvalleyorienteers.org.uk">www.derwentvalleyorienteers.org.uk</a>
<b>November 2017</b>		
4th	SOC SCOA Regional B	Southern Champs Weekend Urban Race (UKOL), Southampton City Centre, Southampton Organiser: Peter Davis , peterjdavis@gmail.com
5th	SOC SCOA Regional B	November Classic and Southern Championships (UKOL), Highland Water, South Central Organiser: Mary Nixon
5th	NOC EMOA District C	East Midlands League, Boundary Wood and Haywood Oaks, Mansfield, <a href="http://SK600570">SK600570</a>
12th	<b>LEI</b> <b>EMOA</b> <b>District C</b>	EM Urban League 2017, Shepshed, Loughborough Entry times: 10.00. <a href="http://www.leioc.org.uk">http://www.leioc.org.uk</a>
12th	EPOC YHOA Regional B	YHOA Superleague, Rishworth Moor, Ripponden
19th	BOK SWOA Regional B	British Schools Orienteering Championships, Forest of Dean, South West Organiser: Richard Rossington
26th	NOC EMOA District C	East Midlands League 2017, The Dukeries, Ollerton Entry times: 10:00 - 12:00.



<b>December 2017</b>		
2nd	TVOC SCOA Regional B	Southern Night Championships, Penn and Common Wood, High Wycombe, <a href="http://www.su923957.com">SU923957</a> Dogs: TVOC policy - no dogs on courses with timed starts. Allowed in car park strictly on leads..Organiser: Alun Jones , alunandliz@live.co.uk <a href="http://www.tvoc.org.uk">http://www.tvoc.org.uk</a>
3rd	NOC EMOA	EM Urban League 2017, Nottingham (EMUL 8)
10th	DVO EMOA	East Midlands Championships at Eyam Moor, Eyam Moor & Bretton Clough, Grindleford Organiser: Richard Needham <a href="http://www.derwentvalleyorienteers.org.uk">www.derwentvalleyorienteers.org.uk</a>
17th	LEI EMOA District C	<b>East Midlands League 2017, Outwoods, Loughborough</b> <b>Entry times: 10.30 to 12.00 noon. Dogs: On Lead.</b> <b>Organiser: Laurie Fluck , l.fluck@btinternet.com</b>
<b>January 2018</b>		
1st	DVO EMOA District C	EM Urban League 2018, Buxton <a href="http://www.derwentvalleyorienteers.org.uk">http://www.derwentvalleyorienteers.org.uk</a>
7th	NOC EMOA District C	East Midlands League 2018, Strawberry Hill, Mansfield, <a href="http://www.sk580600.com">SK580600</a>
14th	LEI EMOA District C	<b>East Midlands League 2018, Spring Cottage, Ashby</b> <a href="http://www.leioc.org.uk">http://www.leioc.org.uk</a>
28th	DVO EMOA District C	East Midlands League 2018, Birchen Edge, Bakewell <a href="http://www.derwentvalleyorienteers.org.uk">http://www.derwentvalleyorienteers.org.uk</a>
<b>February 2018 - Fixtures detailed in the Autumn LEI NEWS</b>		
<b>March 2018</b>		
17th	LEI EMOA Regional B	<b>Midlands Championships Weekend Sprint (UKOL), Leicester Castle and the Newarke, Leicester No dogs allowed.</b> <b>Organiser: Wendy West , wendyannwest@gmail.com</b>
18th	LEI EMOA National A	<b>Midlands Championships (UKOL), Belvoir Castle &amp; Estate, Grantham Organiser: Ursula Williamson , ursula.williamson.orienteer@gmail.com , 01509 412132</b>



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