

Willesley

Leicestershire Orienteering Club- Winter League

Willesley: 21st November 2006

Organiser- Mark Foxwell

I think 17 is a respectable number for a mid week night event. Thanks to all for coming, and if you enjoyed yourselves, please tell your friends, it would be good to see more people at night events.

This was my first attempt at night planning, and I hope it was a reasonable job! Comments in the car park suggested that most people enjoyed themselves and had some challenging orienteering. However I do apologise to those who lost time particularly on the first 2 legs on Bottle. In retrospect, I should have rethought the planning for these legs. In places, the runnability screens were probably too pale, but it is clear that the new planting at Willesley is opening up and through block route choices are definitely viable, and with a little remapping, it will be good to come back here next summer. Finally, many thanks to Peter Hornsby for help with printing. The next LEI night event is at Benscliffe on 18th Jan. Benscliffe is fairly typical Charnwood terrain with mature woodland. Summer undergrowth can be nasty in places, but I think it will be OK in January.

| Bottle 4.9k | 75m | | |
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| Nick Barrable | M21 | Forth Valley | 00:42:59 |
| Bruce Bryant | M45 | Octavian Droobers/Warwickshire | 00:45:50 |
| Lloyd Biddell | M21 | Walton Chasers | 00:52:40 |
| Liz Phillips | W40 | Octavian Droobers/Warwickshire | 00:54:46 |
| Bob Brandon | M55 | Octavian Droobers/Warwickshire | 00:58:20 |
| Rudi Billeter | M50 | Stafa/Nottinghamshire | 01:00:20 |
| Peter Hornsby | M50 | Leicestershire | 01:17:34 |
| Robert Haskins | M55 | Leicestershire | 01:18:55 |
| David Seaman | | | 01:26:22 |
| John Marriott | M55 | Leicestershire | 01:32:06 |
| Nick Cutts | | | 5 only |
| Lorna Benson | W45 | Leicestershire | 5 only |
| Olive 3.2k | 35m | | |
| Iain Tebbutt | M35 | Leicestershire | 00:39:36 |
| Elliot Family | | Nottinghamshire | 01:01:37 |
| Mark Sherriff | M40 | Leicestershire | 01:23:10 |
| Ochre 2.1k | 10m | | |
| Chris Dunne | M21 | | 00:17:25 |
| Theresa Forbes & friends | | | 01:17:10 |

Next LEI Event- Xmas social Whitwick Woodlands-, December 10th meet at Forest Rock PH, Coalville

I wouldn't have known but a recent posting to the Nopesport discussion forum indicated that Nick Barrable is the current British Night Champion. That got me thinking as Peter Hornsby had mentioned that he had run in the first British Night Championships in 1978, had he improved! Well the relevant results from M21a (74 competitors) are below. I don't know how long the course was but Ash Ranges are very fast and the planners comments claim the first sub 5min/km in Britain was at the badge event the following day.

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| 1. Harald Hovi | NTHI (NORWAY) | 00:51:02 |
| 49 R Brandon | OD | 01:37:35 |
| 54. P Hornsby | LEI | 01:43:28 |

Some more Night events in the Midlands Dec/Jan

See www.britishorienteering.org.uk/asp/clubs.asp for web sites

- 29 NOV DVO Allestree Street score (phone first)
 - 6 DEC HOC Clent Hills , Stourbridge
 - 9 DEC HALO Scunthorpe
 - 13 DEC OD Kenilworth Streetlight event
 - 10 JAN OD Kenilworth Common
 - 11 JAN HOC Hartlebury Common, Kidderminster
 - 13 JAN NOC Manton , Mansfield
 - 18 JAN LEI Benscliffe Woods, Copt Oak
 - 20 JAN Warwick Uni, Midland championships , Oversley Woods, Alcester
 - 27 JAN SYO Ecclesall Woods, Sheffield
 - 10 FEB British Championships, Sheringham
- Harlequins (HOC) also have night street events on Nov 28, Dec 13??, Jan 9th and Jan 23