



LEI NEWS

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The Newsletter of the Leicestershire Orienteering Club



JK 2025

Top ten performances

Map printer's hints

Dinner & Awards Evening



Summer 2025

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Front Cover.

*The Tiger Trophy presented to Steve E
by Steve C*

Points from the Editors

After 30 plus years of orienteering, we thought that there were no new surprises in the sport. Crawling around taping, in the gentle drizzle, at 8.00am, red and white tape to a pavement in the centre of Sheffield for JK Day 1 Start was certainly a first. Thankfully the day cheered up, not least with the arrival of bacon cobs and tea.

There are over 4,000 photos on the JK website and we have trawled through them all to find a few action shots of LEI members. Unfortunately, there are no photos of LEI on Day 3 or 4.

As you will see from the Club Chat we have an influx of new members - welcome to all of them. The Club Committee has been discussing over the last few months ways and means of recruiting new members. A quick check of our membership list shows that a large number of the club members were introduced to the sport by friends in the club. When did you last introduce a friend to the sport? (and it's not an excuse to say you don't have any friends!)

Just a reminder. As many of you will be travelling, later in the year, to the CompassSport Cup Final in the North East and to the British Sprints in East Anglia, you can claim some of your travel expenses back from the club. Please speak to either Simon Ford or Roger Edwards about this.

Chris and Ursula



Ramblings from the Chair

Welcome everyone to the Summer 2025 edition of LEI News. I would like to start by again thanking David Cladingboel for standing in for me at



the club dinner and awards at Scraftoft Golf Club back in March. Thank you, David and also Chris and Ursula for the organisation of the event.

Congratulations to all our winners and especially those receiving the main club awards this year.

The Chairman's tankard was presented to Kevin Gallagher for his DIY skills and contribution at the JK in 2024.

The President's Salver was awarded to Iain Phillips for his work in the past few years as Events Coordinator and for his significant contribution to JK 2024 as the Day 1 organiser.

The clubs highest honour the Tiger Trophy was awarded to Steve Edgar, for his work over many years, organising, planning and controlling events and for his work planning the courses for Day 1 of JK 2024. Having worked closely with all three on JK Day 1, it certainly would not have been the success it was without their considerable efforts.

With the 2025 Summer League now well underway, it was a surprise to find myself topping the table after the first three events. It may have only been by 1 point from Andy Nicholls,

but it appears that walking over 20000 steps a day as a postie is paying off on my fitness. It is definitely cheaper than going to the gym!

In a change to the usual freezing cold and rainy weather that greets the Summer League, we have been blessed with a very warm start this year and the usual varied event schedule. An early reminder that the Summer League continues over the next few months and ends with the Score Cup (this year at Bagworth) and buffet and presentations on the 13th August. With my more recent results I am not sure I will be holding on to the lead for too long.

The new job has helped my fitness but unfortunately it hasn't been able to stop me from making silly map reading mistakes. I was very disappointed to have mis-punched on the JK Sprint day in Sheffield, especially having been told earlier by a number of club members to watch out for controls fairly close together. I do occasionally post the odd letter at the wrong address as well, so more work needed there! At 2 mins 59 behind the winner, it would have been my best JK result by some way.

Unfortunately, no JK or British Long-distance champions for LEI this year although there were a number of very good performances on difficult areas.

As well as the Summer League there are a number of LEI events coming up soon, with events at Irchester, Lutterworth and Hamilton in the next

Ramblings from the Chair continued...

few months. Other dates for the diary are the British Sprint Champs in East Anglia on the 30th /31st August. We are looking for a few ladies to make up some teams. Anyone interested please let the club captain know.

The CompassSport Trophy Final up in the North East is on 14th September. I hope to see you all there.

Finally, we have agreed the date for the Club AGM which will be on the 3rd November, the day after the Club Champs on Sunday 2nd.

Look out for further details on all events in the newsletter. Wherever you are orienteering this summer, have a great time.

Steve

Captain's Corner



Ben Shannon (93); Oliver Hague (92); Roger Phillips (90); Alison Hardy (96 and ran up); Matt White (95); Steve Chafer (92); Ian Buxton (98); Dave Denness (93); Roger Edwards (97); Eoin Simpson (98); Ellie Simpson (100); Cara Tolley (100) and George Normand (100). Well done all!

A lot of orienteering has taken place since the last LEI news.

Firstly, our qualification (again) for the CompassSport Trophy Final. An excellent turnout of over 50 runners from LEI at Clumber Park saw us secure our place in the final that is being held on 14th September at South Gare, near Redcar. Now we have qualified, I do hope as many of you as possible will be able to come to the seaside and take on the dunes – they look challenging.

Scorers on the day of the heat were:

Secondly, it should be noted that LEI juniors did a great job at Silverhill Wood. There were only six of them, but they scored high points and qualified convincingly for the YBT final. Whether or not we manage to get a full team together for the final at Capite Wood, West Sussex remains to be seen, though I do know a few are keen to go full team or not.

Next came the JK which I really enjoyed, though nearly retired on the M55L at Wharnccliffe as I was absolutely worn out. First time I had

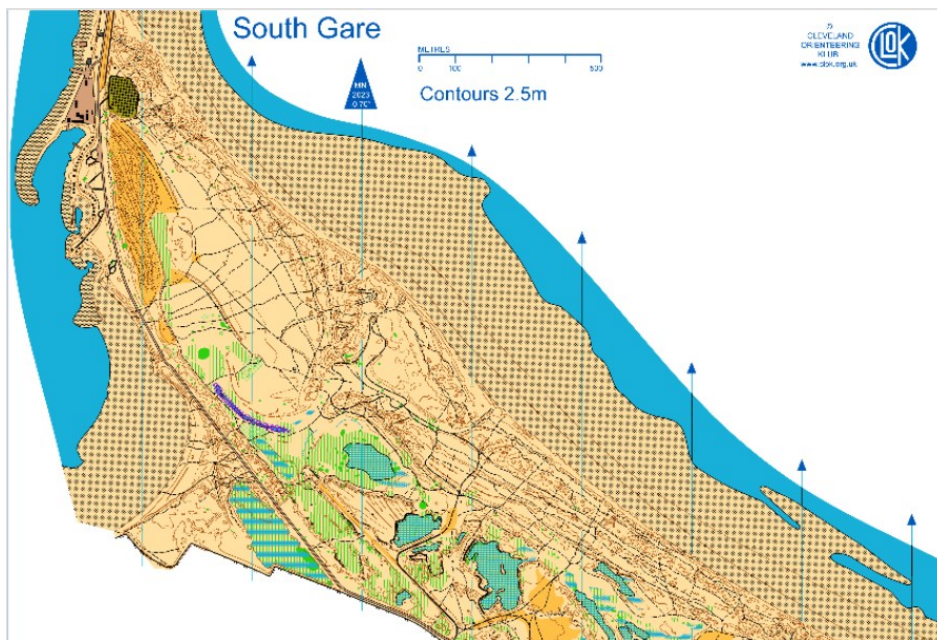
Captain's Corner continued...

been there and it was tough. The water station near the end of the courses was so welcome. I would definitely go there again but then again, next time I'll be an M60.

We managed to field only one LEI team for the Day 4 relay. Well done to team "The One and OnLEI" (Ed Chester, Steve Chafer, Alastair Paterson) for getting round Middleton Park in the rain.

As mentioned previously, the British Mixed Sprint Relay Championships is at Bury St Edmunds on 30th August. The British Sprint Championships are the following day at the University of East Anglia. This looks like being an enjoyable weekend so sign up on the LEI website if you are interested in making up a relay team – women especially!

David



See the CLOK website routegadget page for the full map and previous courses.

Club Chat

We would like to give a BIG LEI welcome to our new members.

Miles Foord Donna Tolley

Rebecca Sindall Robert Wright

Thomas Kempa Kristy Nicholls

We look forward to seeing you at a club event soon.

Could you plan a winter league event? Perhaps you and a club colleague could plan an event together? Ask Jane Dring-Morris for information.

The following BOF Incentive Awards have recently been achieved by members.

Navigation Challenge

4 stars Jacob Miles

1 star Suranne Tolley

Racing Challenge

Gold

5 stars Toby Miles

1 star Suranne Tolley

Bronze

4 stars Cara Tolley

4 stars Jacob Miles

Colour coded awards

Green Eoin Simpson

Green Toby Miles

EMOA Development Day

EMOA are running a development day on

Saturday 20th September 2025.

Venue:

Rushcliffe Country Park

Likely Sessions Available :

Rule changes 2025

Mapping Spec changes

Environmental Risk Assessments

Event reporting and feedback

Promoting orienteering

Developing EMOA

It's free and lunch is provided. Come and meet some of your EMOA club colleagues and share your ideas.

If you are interested, please speak to either

Chris Phillips or Iain Phillips.

Orienteering is a volunteer sport. Please offer your help to the Organiser of the next event - you will get a discount on your run. Why not get more for your money and offer to collect controls after the next summer league event?

Club Chat cont.

LEI Service and Performance Awards 2025

These were announced at the Club Dinner and Awards Evening in March 2025

Performance Awards:

Veteran Performance: **Don Moir**

The Thelma Spalton Trophy. Veteran Women's performance: **Sue Bicknell**

Clock Trophy (longest time on an LEI course): **Jo White**

Service Awards:

Chariman's Tankard for services to the club this year : **Kevin Gallagher**

President's Salver for service to the club over several years: **Iain Phillips**

The Tiger Trophy for outstanding service to the club over many years: **Steve Edgar**

Congratulations to the Winners

Major Events Top Ten Performances

British Middle Distance Championships 2025

W80 3rd Sue Bicknell

British Championships 2025

M16A 4th Eoin Simpson*

M90 2nd Don Moir

W55S 5th Karen White

JK Festival of Orienteering 2025

Day 1

M85 4th Peter Leake

W80 8th Sue Bicknell

Day 2

M12B 2nd Hugh Chester

M14B 9th Aidan Chester

M20L 3rd Daniel Stothard

M21V 2nd Oliver Hague

M40S 5th Chris Tolley

M50S 4th Ed Chester

M65S 3rd Alan West

M80S 1st Bob Titterington

M80S 2nd Peter Chick

M90 3rd Don Moir

W80L 8th Sue Bicknell

Day 3

M16A 8th Eoin Simpson*

M60S 6th Ian Buxton

M90 3rd Don Moir

Overall Results

M16A 9th Eoin Simpson

M90 3rd Don Moir

* Championship time achieved

Events Co-ordinator



So far, the first five months of 2025 have been a relatively quiet time (for LEI), with only the Boothorpe event and

the EM Championships to run, together with our winter and summer leagues. For the rest of the year, we have forest events at Irchester, Burbage, Beacon Hill and Martinshaw and urban events at Lutterworth and Hamilton (both new areas). Hamilton on Saturday 6th September will be the support act for DVO's Midland Championships at Chinley Churn on Sunday 7th September.

As we look forward, we have Major and National events (Level A and B to old hands!) to organise with the British Night Championships and the Midland Championships in 2028, provisionally booked for the weekend of February 5th and 6th. Much work will need to be done, so 2026 and 2027 will be quieter years to help us prepare. We're also looking at where LEI will contribute to the National events programme in 2029 and beyond!

As ever, I must thank all our volunteers, especially event officials (organisers, planners, controllers) for all their hard work. We could not do what we do without you.

Iain

International Trail O Finland

RANK	COUNTRY	NAME	PTS	TIME	PEN	RES.		
						1	2	3
1	EO	Iain Phillips	GBR	20	16:11	Z	Z	A
2	EJ18	Albert Forst	CZE	20	18:00	Z	Z	A
3	EO	Ben Kyd	GBR	19	12:29	Z	Z	A
4	EO	Sami Hyvönen	FIN	19	17:54	Z	Z	A
5	EO	Pinja Mäkinen	FIN	19	19:51	Z	Z	A
6	EO	Petteri Hakala	FIN	19	21:07	Z	Z	A
7	EO	Sami Torstila	FIN	19	22:54	Z	Z	A
8	EO	Ari Tertsunen	FIN	19	26:07	Z	Z	A
9	EO	Ola Jansson	SWE	19	27:24	Z	Z	A
10	EO	Davide	ITA	19	28:54	Z	Z	A

A perfect trail O score in Finland and Iain wins with the fastest time.



The photo shows all the prize-winning competitors including Iain Phillips, third from the left.

Photo Vesa Mäkinen

Map printer's hints

Customize Appearance

Item Sizes

☐ Use IOF standard sizes

Control circle diameter: 7.50 mm

Line width: 0.53 mm

Center dot diameter: 0.00 mm

Control number height: 4.00 mm

Control number style: Roboto Bold

White outline around numbers: 0.00 mm

Automatic leg gap size: 3.50 mm

Scale item sizes: Do not scale

Purple Color

Blend purple with underlying map colors: None

☒ Use purple color from map

Cyan: 35.0 Magenta: 85.0

Yellow: 0.0 Black: 0.0

Control Descriptions

Color: Black

Advanced

☐ Use overprint effect for colors marked "overprint"

Preview

OK Cancel

Planning a Minor Fixtures event for the summer or winter league?

Please use the above settings on your purple pen file. From the Events tab, customise appearance. If your map is not scaled 1:15000, then these settings give the clearest layout. We don't have many 1:15000 maps and likely to be commercially printed when we use them!

Don't forget to add the control descriptions - you can make them symbols, text or both for each course from the Course tab, properties.

It's great to add the course title. Add Special Item tab, Insert special text - Course name (and part if double sided).

And of course, add course closing time and the event number (from the British orienteering website).

Ursula

Retired Man Chronicles: Ramblings from my settee.

Our son Andrew shows RM how to use the data stored in his keep fit watch. In summary RM's fitness is in the top 10% for men of his age and equivalent to a 40-year-old's body. Impressive. (However, it does not mention brain age.)

It's cold at Boothorpe in January and RM did not appreciate waiting for a newcomer to be extremely late to download, but afterwards it's food at Ashby Spoons to cheer him up.

RM takes part at Burntstump, a small area with 3 separate courses. He runs 2 of them but missed out a control punching a similar one in the same area.

At the end of January, the voice-activated channel-changer on our Samsung TV is translating John's voice as if it is Russian and giving us a choice of various Russian channels with pictures of a President Putin smiling at us. Later research shows this problem is widespread suggesting the system has been hacked.

February begins with a trip to Donisthorpe and the next day, Brandon Woods when RM's

comments are mainly about the serious traffic problems getting there.

18th Feb is RM's birthday. The published event details for Martinshaw include 'It's an LEI member's birthday today'. I wonder if they will give him the bumps and throw him into the mud. No such luck. But he is given a piece of birthday cake from Ursula. Thank you. He isn't 2025 EM champion but came 4th behind Roger Edwards.

We watch Henning Wehn at De Montfort Hall and afterwards chat to Ian and Berthe who have also been to see the comedian. Tomorrow, they too, are off to the CompassSport cup/trophy. If the wind is above 50mph the event will have to be called off for fear of falling trees.

CompassSport Trophy at Clumber Park goes ahead. Chris B has beaten him but John has an ankle injury. His track shows speeds mostly in green with one tiny section blueish purple where he was going faster. I ask 'were you chasing a woman?' 'No, running down the road'. Results show he wasn't fast enough to score any points but

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well done to those LEI members who did score points for the trophy. (*Enough points to qualify for the final at Redcar! Eds*)

Bah... March 1st and 2nd and another weekend of no orienteering. 'To me, to you ' as we act like the Chuckle Brothers to get the very long ladder out of the garage, past my car, along the alley way, over the bins, into the back garden and prop it up against the Eucalyptus tree that is leaning over at 41 degrees. RM will chop a big chunk off the end of the trunk that also has tall branches. 'No, he does not need my help', but I hurry back from the Co-op in case he has fallen off the ladder.

10th March, a significant date as RM gives a whoop of delight because the rail freight terminal at Hinckley has **not** been given the go ahead.

RM meets the Jolly Orienteers in Whitwick as Peter Hornsby had promised him a present. It's a CD for mapping but our computers no longer have a 'sliding drawer' to accept a CD.

Returning from Stone Common Plot, RM's main story is of his chat at The Rock pub with Pete and a chap who tests athletes for drugs.

After running round the streets of Glenfield the orienteers visit The Gynsills. 'The beer was OK tonight but the carvery wasn't.'

RM is keeping an eye out for the black bin collection as he hid a huge piece of Eucalyptus trunk in there. Luckily, there is no knock on the door to complain. Later Peter H. will come to our rescue by taking logs for his wood burner.

We have had terrible trouble with our extensive lawns. The badgers have dug up clumps in their search for worms and grubs in an area near the fence with the fields. Much of the rest of the lawn is more moss than grass. RM buys an Aldi scarifier to rip out tons of moss. The brown bin and compost heap are overflowing like foam from a science experiment and I have put piles of sphagnum moss around the base of the fruit bushes. Next door's cat has a sunny afternoon nap in the mossy bed he has made. Now the lawn mower needs a new spark plug and RM is really pleased with the cheap price £3.29 which includes the P&P.

RM returns from the NOC event at Silverhill Wood, no comment on the O-ing but 'The seats in Roger's car are not responding to commands. Not a comfortable ride.'

Covid and other things prevented the British Radio O championships taking place, so RM has held onto the silver trophy since 2019.

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He is trying to find the stand and to clean away six years of tarnish. 'Knowing it is this difficult to clean, I won't try to win it again!!'

At The Rock pub a funeral wake had taken place. RM and other orienteers return with left over sausage rolls, chicken skewers, sandwiches and salad .

29th March was the date of the club dinner. We sit on a table with Pete and Judi Leake, Roger E and Chris B. It's good to chat and catch up on family news. Pete is reminiscing about his BSA Bantam motor bike. A bantam is a small chicken. Strangely modern motor companies have sophisticated names and not Porsche Piglet, Land Rover Rat or Tesla Tadpole.

Steve Chafer had written the speech but due to a relative's 90th birthday celebrations it is David Cladingboel to deliver it. Ursula was going to take the photographs but suddenly she has a bleeding finger and passes the phone/camera to Alison Hardy. Shock/horror; a year when Roger Edwards does not win a trophy (due to injury). RM gets a mention but is beaten into second place by Kevin Gallagher. Look out Kevin there's a target on your back. I have agreed with Rachel to take home two

ginormous purple balloons and discover RM has even more balloons. Will there be room for RM, Chris B, me AND the balloons in the car? Thanks to Chris and Ursula for organising the meal and Rachel for the balloon table decorations.

Next day it's the Bentley Woods event. RM did not land properly after jumping a ditch about three quarters of the way round. He had hoped for revenge over Kevin Gallagher and looking at the results he says he could have won if he hadn't pulled a muscle. I reply 'I could be playing the piano accompanied by the Halle orchestra if I had carried on with my piano lessons.'

RM tries to create an Amazon Bucket (to store files in the ether that other people can share). I'm not sure he appreciates my singing There's a Hole in My Bucket song as he struggles to set it up.

Should I mention the schools event at Donisthorpe? Perhaps not.

After the John's Lee Wood event and visiting Spoons, RM is regretting all that mixed grill food he ate. He is an avid player of the word game Wordle and has amassed 120 correct daily answers but fails with Genii and will have to start all over again.

A long weekend stay with Suzi and Edd lets RM pull in two O

events including a SN area called Hogmoor Inclosure (apparently there's a legal difference between Inclosure and Enclosure). He also visited the museum near Amberley with specialisms in telephones, printing, radio etc. In the 1930's when more electrical goods came to the market, apparently women were too scared of electricity to help reduce the housework load. A slogan to allay their fears could be mis-interpreted ...

DON'T LET WORK KILL THE
HOUSEWIFE.
LET ELECTRICITY DO IT FOR
YOU.

RM has been busy making a Bennion Pools and Castle Hill big scale map for my Brownies in between battling with the badger-damaged lawn and ants. The grass seed he ordered has gone missing (delivery service Evri). Did someone think grass meant cannabis? He had ordered 5kg (cheaper in bulk) and must have 4.90kg left. Do you know of a football pitch that needs re-seeding?

'Not a wonderful run' says RM after the evening event at Burbage Common in the very hot weather and at the pub the beer is £5.40, no bacon for the Hunter's chicken, no fish for fish

n chips.. 'What a way to run a pub!'

I need help replacing broken glass in the greenhouse. RM goes to the DIY shop and also to Aldi and buys so much beer that the bag is so heavy he struggles to carry it.

The window catch of the greenhouse also needs repairing. However, after mending the catch he cannot remember where he put it down. In his junk room? in the kitchen? in the garage? Once found, it's back to repairing the greenhouse window. He can't remember how it exactly happened but now he has cut his finger and it is bleeding profusely. Years ago, RM had fitted a speed controller to my sewing machine and could RM do the same for granddaughter Hattie's sewing machine? Much brain ache, losing bits, taking my machine apart too, covering my baking surface in electronic components and two days later it is done. RM is now putting **my** sewing machine back together but, of course, has lost some tiny part.

Burbage Common was the location for radio O. At the end, when the transmitters needed bringing in, a chap asks 'What are you doing?' He joins John to learn how to use a receiver to locate the transmitters and take them down. It appears that he

Summer League 2025

The 2025 programme is shown below. The events are informal. 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).

For details of the event check on the LEI website.

SL1	Tuesday 15th April	John's Lee Wood
SL2	Wednesday 23rd April	Beacon Hill
SL3	Thursday 1st May	Burbage Common
SL4	Tuesday 6th May	QEDJ Woods
SL5	Wednesday 14th May	Burrough Hill
SL6	Thursday 22nd May	Castle Hill
SL7	Tuesday 27th May	Abbey Park
SL8	Wednesday 4th June	Market Bosworth
SL9	Thursday 12th June	Barrow Urban
SL10	Tuesday 17th June	Western Park
SL11	Wednesday 25th June	Leicester Forest East
SL12	Thursday 3rd July	Market Harborough South
SL13	Tuesday 8th July	Aylestone Meadows
SL14	Wednesday 16th July	Dishley Urban
SL15	Thursday 24th July	Brocks Hill
SL16	Tuesday 5th August	East Goscote
Score Cup & League Presentations	Wednesday 13th August	Bagworth Heath and Bagworth WMC



Summer league table after 5 events



Pos	Name	Class	Club	SL1	SL2	SL3	SL4	SL5	Best 10	Handicap	Attend	Total
1	Andy Nicholls	M50	LEI	86	97	94	99	100	477	553	50	603
2	Steve Chafer	M55	LEI	98	95	77	90	81	441	529	50	579
3	Alastair Paterson	M55	LEI	87	85	87	83	85	427	513	50	563
4	Dai Bedwell	M55	DVO	106	108		103	100	417	500	40	540
5	Andrew Ward	M35	LEI	91	79	86	88	84	427	444	50	494
6	David Cladingboel	M55	LEI	65	79	99	80		323	388	40	428
7	Roger Phillips	M45	LEI	84		91	86	85	346	387	40	427
8	Liz Phillips	W60	OD	74	73	78	74		299	383	40	423
9	Helen Chiswell	W45	DVO		89	74	82	84	329	382	40	422
10	Carol Stynes-Martin	W55	LEI	52	44	46	75	75	292	362	50	412
11	John Marriott	M75	LEI	54	45	53	45	66	262	357	50	407
12	David Seaman	M50	LEI		77	83	74	68	303	352	40	392
13	Jane Dring-Morris	W55	LEI	65	66		60	69	259	321	40	361
14	Stephen Martin	M65	LEI	68	62		48	68	246	315	40	355
15	Bruce Bryant	M65	OD	85	75	75	10		245	314	40	354
16	Chris Tolley	M40	LEI	64	65	71	87		287	310	40	350
17	Robert Titterington	M80	LEI	50	41	33	48	48	219	298	50	348
18	Toby Miles	M55	LEI	79	93		91		262	315	30	345
19	Hebe Parr	W21	NOC	67	65		76	84	293	304	40	344
20	George Normand	M80	LEI		49	50	62	62	223	303	40	343
21	Kevin Gallagher	M75	LEI	45	48	55	55	10	214	291	50	341
22	Peter Hornsby	M70	LEI	56	10	54	47	52	219	290	50	340
23	Sally Calland	W50	DVO	81		95	80		255	306	30	336
24	Rebecca Sindall	W35	LEI	39	45	53	55	71	263	284	50	334
25	Ursula Williamson	W60	LEI	57		57	57	56	226	289	40	329
26	Rew Francis	M60	HOC	42	10	53	45	62	212	263	50	313
27	Jo White	W50	LEI	59	49		60	59	227	272	40	312
28	Gerry Spalton	M75	OD	43	44		46	64	197	268	40	308
29	Roger Edwards	M75	LEI	10	48	63	61		181	246	40	286
30	Matthew Birkett	M50	LEI			75	73	69	216	251	30	281
31	Simon Starkey	M65	LEI	64		67	61		192	246	30	276
32	Alan West	M65	LEI	59			61	72	192	245	30	275
33	Dave Foord	M50			71	70	67		208	241	30	271
34	Cara Tolley	W14	LEI	65	63	64			192	230	30	260
35	David Jenkinson	M60	LEI	10	50	51	65		176	218	40	258
36	Jonathan Lee	M60	LEI	59	63		58		181	224	30	254
37	Kevin Bradley	M70	LEI		37	55	10	55	158	208	40	248
38	Peter Chick	M80	LEI		10	50	41	50	152	206	40	246
39	Alison Foord	W50	LEI		65	60	54		179	215	30	245
40	Keith Wildig	M75	OD	10	54	10	74		148	202	40	242

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41	Chris Bosley	M75	LEI		50	50		50	151	205	30	235
42	Ray Collins	M70	WCH		84	79			163	215	20	235
43	Ed Chester	M50	LEI		83		10	75	168	195	30	225
44	Imogen Wilson	W21	LEI			102	94		196	204	20	224
45	Ed Cochrane	M35	NOC	97			99		195	203	20	223
46	Toby Manning	M70	LEI	48	47	44			139	184	30	214
47	Peter Dargue	M70	LEI	36	58		42		135	178	30	208
48	Ben Shannon	M35	LEI	87	94				181	188	20	208
49	Tom Hartland	M50	DVO			83		73	156	181	20	201
50	Aidan Chester	M14	LEI		35		35	73	143	166	30	196
51	Hannah Hateley	W21	DEE			88	80		168	175	20	195
52	Karen Bedwell	W55	DVO	49	40		39		129	159	30	189
53	Wendy West	W60	LEI	39			34	48	121	155	30	185
54	Miles Foord	M18	LEI		78		72		150	162	20	182
55	Alison Hardy	W55	LEI		68	59			127	158	20	178
56	Thelma Spalton	W75	OD	10	20		35	32	97	136	40	176
57	Andy Portsmouth	M70	LEI		56			61	118	155	20	175
58	Paul Stothard	M60	LEI	10	47		58		115	142	30	172
59	Robert Bood	M60	LEI	63	59				123	152	20	172
60	Iain Phillips	M55	LEI	56	10		48		115	137	30	167
61	Jacob Miles	M16	LEI	82	44				126	141	20	161
62	Mark Sherriff	M60	LEI			50	62		112	139	20	159
63	Sindy Chafer	W55	LEI	10		42		48	100	124	30	154
64	Ed de Salis Young	M55	LEI		10			100	110	132	20	152
65	Zeph Grant	M55	LEI	59		49			109	130	20	150
66	Sue Bicknell	W80	LEI	10	16		35	16	77	107	40	147
67	Margaret Willdig	W70	OD	46	48				93	127	20	147
68	Robert Wright	M21	LEI		43			75	118	118	20	138
69	Hugh Chester	M12	LEI		26		28	28	83	101	30	131
70	Felicity Manning	W70	LEI	41	36				76	103	20	123
71	Janet Richardson	W75	OD		34	39			73	102	20	122
72	Ian Wilson	M55	LEI			10	72		82	98	20	118
73	Steve Edgar	M55	LEI	10			70		80	96	20	116
74	Lap On Leung	M55	HOC		54	10			64	76	20	96
75	Peter Leake	M85	LEI	10	10	10		10	40	54	40	94
76	Daniel Stothard	M20	LEI	10	59				69	72	20	92
77	Mike Dallaway	M60	LEI		48	10			58	72	20	92
78	Isaac Mansfield	M12					28	28	57	69	20	89
79	Chris Phillips	M75	LEI			10		10	20	27	20	47
80	Barry McGowan	M75	HOC		10	10			20	27	20	47

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. Local (D) events will only have a limited range of courses. Regional (C) events offer a range of colour-coded courses, with start times generally from 10.30am to 12.30pm. National (B) and major (A) events provide a range of age-related courses. Post-Covid, most orienteering events are normally entered in advance online. EOD will usually be limited and more expensive. 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 or check on www.britishorienteering.org.uk. The editors take no responsibility for wasted journeys!

EVENT STRUCTURE IN FIXTURE LISTS

- Local (level D) = relatively low-cost events providing local competition and aimed at increasing participation.
- Regional (level C) = events providing a wider variety of venues and competitors.
- National (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.
- Major (level A) = major UK events, the best that orienteering can offer.

June 2025

1st	DVO EMOA Regional	EMOA League 2025 Carsington Pastures , Wirksworth, DE4 4ES Organiser: Stuart Swalwell stuart.swalwell2412@mac.com
4th	LEI EMOA Local	LEI Summer League 8 Market Bosworth , CV13 0LU Entry times: 6pm - 7pm. Organiser: Jane Dring-Morris
4th	LOG EMOA Local	Lincs Urban League #1 , Welton Village, Welton, LN2 3LU Entry times: Registration from 5pm. Starts 5-6.45pm, Courses close 7.30pm. Dogs: On a lead. Organiser: Sean Harrington
6th	LEI EMOA Local	Melton, Belvoir and Charnwood Schools Championships , Belvoir Cricket Club, Harston Lane, Knipton, Grantham, NG32 1RE Organiser: Matt White www.leioc.org.uk

June Cont.

8th	LEI EMOA Regional	EMOA League 2025 Irchester, Wellingborough Organisers: Alan and Wendy West
11th	OD WMOA Local	Burton Dassett , Northend, CV47 2AB Octavian-droobers.org
11th	LOG EMOA Local	Lincs Urban League #2 , Woodhall Spa, Entry times: Registration from 5pm. Starts 5pm - 6.45pm. Courses close 7.30pm. Dogs: On leads. Organiser: Sean Harrington
12th	LEI EMOA Local	LEI Summer League 9 Barrow Urban , Loughborough, LE12 8PZ Entry times: 6pm - 7pm. Organiser: Jane Dring-Morris
28th	LOG EMOA Local	Fight the Nite , Adam + Eve, Lincoln, LN2 1NT Entry times: reg 6. - 6 45. start 7pm. close 8pm. No dogs allowed. Organiser: Paul Murgatroyd
14th	International	Jukola 14-15 June , Finland
14th	POTOC WMOA Local	Festival Park - Local League 5 , Festival Park, Hanley, ST1 5NY Entry times: starts 10.00-12.00. www.potoc.org.uk
17th	International	World Cup Round 1 17-22 June , Sweden
17th	LEI EMOA Local	LEI Summer League 10 Western Park , Leicester, LE3 6HX Entry times: 6pm - 7pm. Organiser: Jane Dring-Morris
18th	LOG EMOA Local	Lincs Urban League #3 , Lincoln Ermine, Lincoln, LN1 3PT Entry times: Registration from 5pm. Starts 5pm - 6.45pm. Courses close 7.30pm. Dogs: On leads. Organiser: Sean Harrington
22nd	NOC EMOA Local	Local Event , Colwick Country Park, Nottingham Organiser: Hebe Parr
25th	LEI EMOA Local	LEI Summer League 11 Leicester Forest East , Leicester Entry times: 6pm - 7pm. Organiser: Jane Dring-Morris
27th	International	Junior World Orienteering Championships 27 Jun-4 Jul , Italy
29th	DVO EMOA Regional	EMUL League 2025 Wirksworth DE4 4DR See DVO website entry times (evening event) Organiser: Emily Williams

July 2025

3rd	LEI EMOA Local	LEI Summer League 12 Market Harborough LE16 7PA Entry times: 6pm - 7pm. Organiser: Jane Dring-Morris
5th	POTOC WMOA Local	Hanley Park - Local League 6 , Hanley Park, Hanley, ST1 4DX Entry times: 10.30-12.00. www.potoc.org.uk
7th	International	World Orienteering Championships 7-12 July , Finland
8th	LEI EMOA Local	LEI Summer League 13 Aylestone Meadows , Leicester LE2 8LZ Entry times: 6pm - 7pm. Organiser: Jane Dring-Morris
9th	OD WMOA Local	Warwick University (tbc) , Coventry Octavian-droobers.org
12th	NOC EMOA National	Urban Event - EuroCity Weekend (UKOL) , The Meadows, Nottingham Organiser: Hilary Palmer , org20250712@noc-uk.org
13th	LOG EMOA National	LOG EuroCity Race - Urban(UKOL) , Lincoln, LN6 7TS Entry times: Assembly open 10am. Starts 10.30am-12.30pm. Courses close 2.00pm.. Dogs: On leads.Organiser: Sean Harrington
16th	LEI EMOA Local	LEI Summer League 14 Dishley , Loughborough, LE11 4RZ Entry times: 6pm - 7pm. Organiser: Jane Dring-Morris
17th	International	European Youth Orienteering Championships 17-20 July ,
20th	International	O-Ringen 20-26 Jul , Sweden
24th	LEI EMOA Local	LEI Summer League 15 Brock's Hill , Leicester LE2 5JJ Entry times: 6pm - 7pm. Organiser: Jane Dring-Morris
27 th 1 st	MOR SOA National	Scottish 6 Days 2025

August 2025

5th	LEI EMOA Local	LEI Summer League 16 East Goscote , Leicester, LE7 3XD Entry times: 6pm - 7pm. Organiser: Jane Dring-Morris
9th	International	World Masters Orienteering Championships 9 -15 Aug , Spain
9th	SMOC EAOA Regional	Milton Keynes Urban , Great Linford, Milton Keynes, MK14 5AX Organiser: Dorien James www.smoc.info
9th	LOG EMOA Local	Wolds Mini Mountain Marathon , Donington on Bain Organiser: Paul Murgatroyd
9th	DVO EMOA Local	Local Event Markeaton Park , Derby, DE22 3ZE
10th	LEI EMOA Regional	East Midlands Urban League 2025 , Lutterworth
13th	LEI EMOA Local	LEI Score Cup and Summer League Presentations Bagworth , Coalville, LE67 1DL Entry times: 6:30pm. Organiser: Jane Dring-Morris
13th	OD WMOA Local	War Memorial Park , Coventry, CV3 6PS Octavian-droobers.org
16th	POTOC WMOA Local	Score Event and BBQ , Brough Park, Leek, ST13 6AT www.potoc.org.uk
17th	OD WMOA Regional	Kenilworth WMUL Urban Event , Kenilworth, CV8 1BP Octavian-droobers.org
27th	EBOR YHOA Regional	York City Race , York
22 nd -25 th	EBOR YHOA National	White Rose Dalby Forest , Pickering www.eborienteers.org.uk
26th	International	European Orienteering Championships 26-31 Aug & World Cup Round 2 , Belgium

August cont.

27th	DVO EMOA Local	Rosliston Forestry Centre local event , Swadlincote, DE12 8JX Organiser: Derek Gale dg.244@btinternet.com
30th	EAOA Major	British Sprint Relay Championships , RAF Honington, Bury St Edmunds, IP31 1LJ Organiser: Sally Wilkinson
31st	EAOA Major	British Sprint Championships (UKOL) , University of East Anglia, Norwich, NR4 7LP Organiser: Peter Woods

September 2025

6th	LEI EMOA Regional	East Midlands Urban League 2025 , Hamilton, Leicester
7th	DVO EMOA National	Midlands Championships (UKOL) , Chinley Churn, New Mills, SK22 4QL
13th	POTOC WMOA Local	Hanley Urban , Hanley www.potoc.org.uk
14th	CLOK NEOA Major	CompassSport Cup Final , South Gare, Redcar, TS10 5BE
20th	SLOW SEOA National	SLOW City of London Race , tba, London Organiser: Andrew Trimble
21st	National	Peter Palmer Junior Team Relays , tbc
25th	International	World Cup Round 3 25-29 Sept , Switzerland
28th	NOC EMOA Regional	East Midlands Urban League 2025 , Retford

October 2025

5th	OD WMOA Regional	West Midlands Relay Championships Pooley Country Park (tbc) , Pooley, B78 1JA Octavian-droobers.org
5th	WAOC EAOA Regional	Ely Urban- Autumn in Anglia , Ely, Ely, CB6 2SH Organiser: Helen Hague
11th	International	25manna , Sweden
11th	SO SEOA Regional	SO Urban - Chichester (part of the November Classic week-end) (UKOL) , Chichester https://www.southdowns-orienteers.org.uk/events
12th	SOC SCOA National	November Classic (UKOL) , New Forest, Southampton
12th	LOG EMOA Regional	East Midlands Urban League 2025 , Newark
19th	LEI EMOA Regional	EMOA League 2025 , Burbage Common, Hinckley Organiser: Jane Dring-Morris

Dates for your diary

Score Cup and Summer League Presentations

Bagworth Common and Woods

Wednesday 13th August 2025

Post-event Buffet and Presentations
at Bagworth Working Men's Club

CompassSport Cup Final

Sunday 14th September 2025

South Gare, Cleveland

LEI Club Championships and Presentations

Batram Woods

Sunday 2nd November

followed by Buffet and Presentations

Venue tbc

LEI AGM

Monday 3rd November

Glenfield Parish Rooms

knows Alison Hardy. A new recruit to radio O perhaps? No. Unfortunately the man is moving to Malta. However, 'it's a small world' as another man was a student at De Montfort University and Bob T was his lecturer. He has also worked with our son.

As I write this, RM is searching through the contents of the vacuum cleaner bag as something important might have rattled up the pipe when he was cleaning his junk room.

It's been 120 days since the last LEI news and just over 100 days of Donald Trump as 47th US President.

The world has changed. Do you remember:

'Drill baby drill', tariffs, stock market plummets, Gaza to be the Riviera of the Middle East, Canada to be 51st US state, 'put America first' and cut foreign aid and help for Ukraine, Europe to defend itself, dreadful White House meeting with Zelenskyy, Rare Earth deposits, Starmer

flatters Trump to reduce tariffs, photo of Trump as Pope?

Other notable events have been; Two ships collide in the Humber Estuary. One might have barrels of deadly sodium cyanide. 'Awful April' brings rises in bills for gas, electricity, phones etc, but minimum wage rises but so do National Insurance contributions. Powerful earthquake in Myanmar, Charles and Camilla celebrate 20 years of marriage but Pope Francis is ill and cancels their meeting. Pope recovers for blessing on Easter Sunday then dies next day (after meeting JD Vance), David Attenborough is 99. Conclave elects Pope Leo XIV. Power outage in Portugal and Spain. Reform gaining seats in elections. Cyber-attacks on M&S and Co-op.

Oh, for a quiet life, putting my feet up on the settee and rambling on.

Irene Marriott.



JK 2025

A chance for the second consecutive year to compete in a JK within easy travelling distance of home saw us at JK 2025. SYO were organising the first three days, and as son Chris is SYO club captain and Day one Start team leader, the quid pro quo for him helping at last year's JK sprints at Loughborough (on the string course start with all the enthusiastic children - a busman's holiday!), we offered to help out on the Sprints starts. SYO had organised the sprints to take place in the middle of Sheffield City centre. The event centre was the impressive Town Hall and the Finish was a wonderful goldfish bowl just outside, where all competitors could view the run in, and the general public got a great view of this festival of orienteering. All facilities were close by including the usual o sales and there was even a climbing wall, a funfair, and an ice-cream seller. By happy coincidence, I'm not sure, but very welcome on a bright spring day.

The courses were genuine TD3 - not so very technical as some very confusing campuses, but enough to keep the competitor on their toes as they raced in and out of the general public and the Cardiff City FC team bus, ahead of their promotion clash with Sheffield United, parked inconveniently near the last couple of controls!

After the trepidation of possible collisions, all went well and lots of people asked 'What are you all doing?' It was a great chance to spread the orienteering word, and SYO had done much publicity as well. As, I think, the largest club in the UK, they might just have got themselves some new recruits!

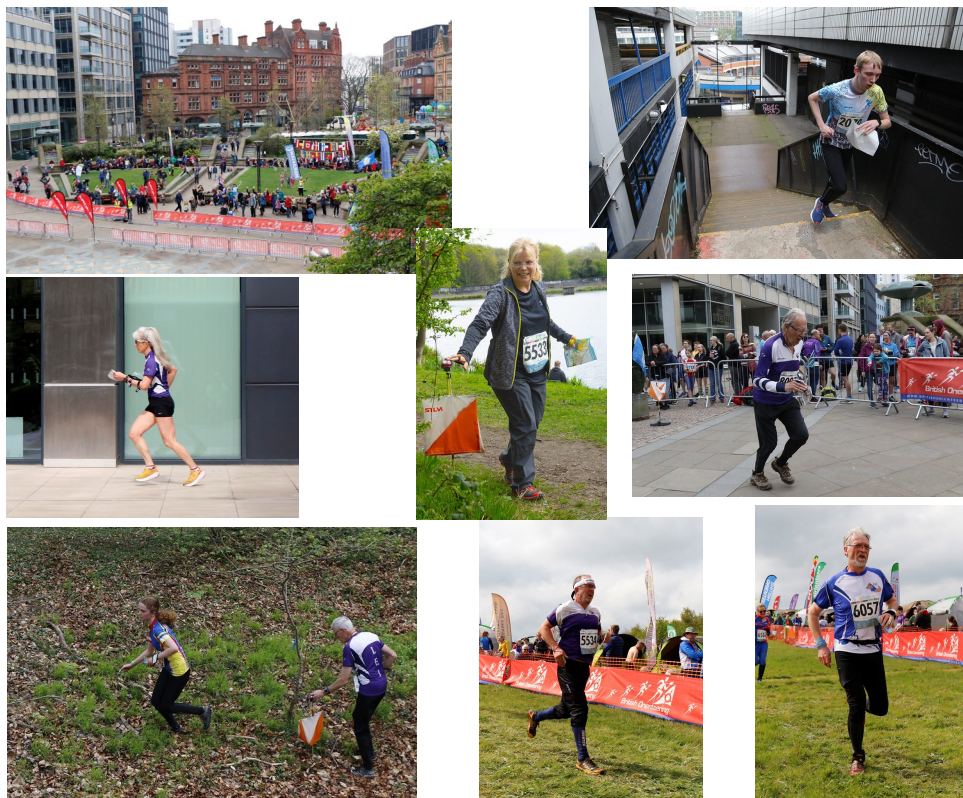
The magic thing that you might not have noticed as you ran round, were the humungous number of marshals who were out keeping an eye on several control sites and all the under 16s out on their courses; two sets throughout the day. On the text message from the planner that everyone was safely back and accounted for, each marshal picked up their controls and took them back to the Town Hall. All were collected and back in the blink of an eye. How about that for co-ordination!

Day 2 saw competitors return to Tankersley, a very complex area of pits, knolls and paths. Very fast for those that navigated with precision. A bit of a nightmare for those like me who aim in the general direction, then repeatedly hit a nearby control with an

adjacent number! There was a lung busting climb up to the penultimate control, then the last control at the top of the hill and a long downhill run to the Finish with spectators on both sides cheering everyone on. Boy can some orienteers run fast. I saw one M18E absolutely caning it down being matched step for step by an M12 who was determined not to let him get away! More ice-creams, finding your name on the huge welcome banner and enjoying the lovely sunshine and family atmosphere.

Unfortunately, Chris and I were called away to a narrowboat on Day 3, so we missed the 'delights' of Wharncliffe, but many people got their monies worth! Well done to SYO and the YHOA region on superb organisation and delivering a great four days of orienteering, and the one LEI team who made it to the relays - your perseverance is admirable!

Ursula



Photos courtesy of Wendy Carlyle and Rob Lines, with thanks. There are many more - see the JK website.

Awards Ceremony Photos

(thanks Alison and Roger, after my paper cut incident!)



Decorations thanks to club member Rachel Simonetti of Create the Scene
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