

Berkshire Orienteers



Newsletter

January 2007



Peter Entwistle organised the very successful District event at Cold Ash. Event arrangements were complicated by the addition of the Yvette Baker Trophy competition. (Who remembers when Yvette Baker then called Yvette Hague was a BKO member?) The parking of coaches also presented some problems but Peter managed to solve them all! Some teams e.g. EBOR travelled many miles to compete. Peter managed to hold off the rain until later in the day when most runners had finished! The event also proved popular as a District event with more takers than anticipated but we managed to get them all started before the Yvette Baker event started. Do have a look at the comments on Nopesport about the event.

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BKO E-mail Group

Please note there is a very useful BKO members e-mail group. To join the group you have to ask to subscribe to the group by e-mail to

bko-mailing-list@bko.org.uk.

Any message to this one address goes automatically to all current members of that group. You can leave the group by sending a message to that address that you wish to unsubscribe.

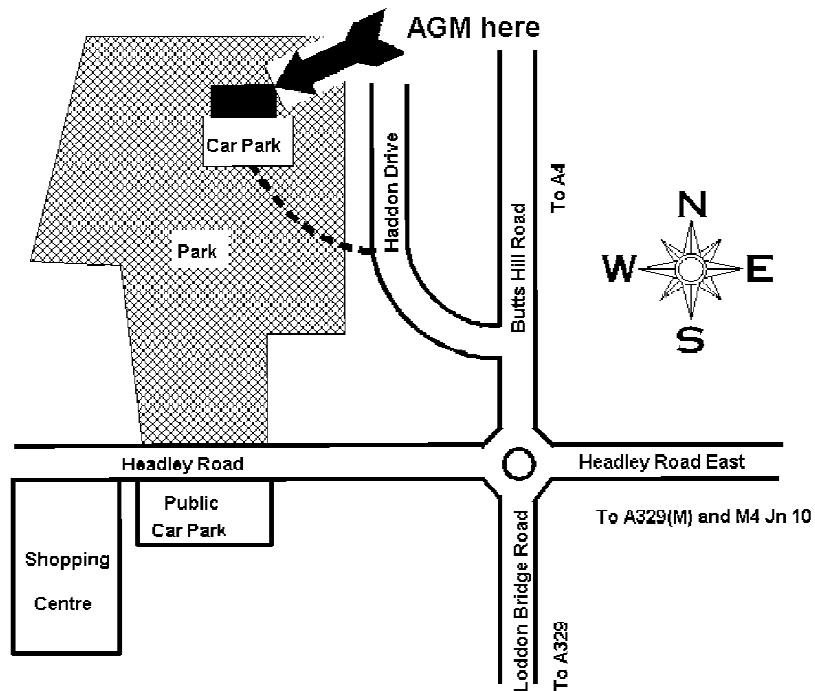
If you have changed your e-mail address or if the Club does not have your e-mail address then please send details to either Nigel Hoult, Membership Secretary, or to Reg Parker, BKO Secretary.

New Volunteers Required - Soon!

Nigel Hoult, BKO Membership Secretary and **Alan Yeadon**, Newsletter Editor will be standing down at the AGM. Nigel has done a good job keeping track of our membership. Many thanks to Nigel for all his work. Yes, we will be looking for a replacements.

*AGENDA FOR AGM Friday 23rd FEBRUARY 2007
To be held at Woodford Park, Woodley*

1. Minutes of last AGM held on 24th February 2006
2. Chairman's report
3. Treasurer's Report
4. Regional Development officer's report
5. Club Awards
6. Election of Officers for 2007
7. Election of Committee members for 2007
8. Relay Entries for JK, BOC, etc
9. Any Other Business.



SCOA RDO Report December 2006 Denise Harper

This report is a brief summary of work covered over the last 6 months. At our last RDO team meeting, the RDOs were given specific priorities on which to focus, as it was recognised that with the limited time available to us, this was necessary to achieve a degree of consistency, effectiveness – and job satisfaction. The RDOs receive so many varied requests for help and advice that some filtering is required in terms of deciding which ones to invest time in to produce a worthwhile result. Having said that, we do still try to respond to all reasonable requests.

The main work focus is therefore:

- * Helping clubs to develop by achieving Clubmark status
- * Increasing junior participation and membership through clubs.

This is achieved by working with clubs, school sports partnerships, and attempting to create partnerships between the two. To this end, my main tasks over the last few months have been:

Clubmark/developing clubs *Support those clubs who are working towards Clubmark.*

To assist SN, BKO and SOC, I have:

- * regularly sent details of all compulsory courses and workshops in their local areas to these clubs
- * encouraged club members to attend.
- * suggested ways in which clubs could meet the various criteria.
- * promoted and attended the South West Development Conference in October.
- * assisted with providing evidence for the Clubmark files.

The aim is that BKO and SN will achieve Clubmark accreditation by March 2007, as 8 more clubs nationally are

required to do this to meet our Sport England objectives. SOC, with Di Smith as the Clubmark representative have also made great strides and are well on the way, hopefully completing all requirements before March 2008.

Increase junior participation and membership through clubs

All schools work, which we do through the PESSCL (PE, School Sport and Club Links) will hopefully lead at some point to increased participation by juniors. In many cases it is a slow process, but there have been noticeable SCOA successes this year following such work.

* Bitterne Park School, Southampton, competed in the British Schools Score Championships in October and were placed third in their category. This was a magnificent achievement, as the children had only been orienteering for a short time, following the appointment of Colin Hicks, SOC, as Community Sports Coach there. This was a project, supported by British Orienteering, to introduce orienteering to Southampton schools. SOC have helped by mapping, and assisting at events, and continue to try to provide mappers for the many other schools in their area who also wish to develop orienteering. I have been the link person for the new schools, met with Hants Education people to try to clarify off site regs, and had meetings with the new Competitions Managers re organising orienteering development throughout the various Hants areas.

* Likewise Broadmoor Primary School were placed third in their category at the BSSC. This follows on from a huge project in Bracknell involving 29 schools, after which some pupils with their families started regularly attending BKO's Saturday series. The children have been attending these events for a year now, and are progressing well through the colour coded system, with support from their PE teacher and parents.

* BKO were asked to hold a demo event at the inaugural Berkshire Youth Games this year. Jerry Newcombe and Neil Cameron attended as guests, and we were quite visible as a sport to all the VIPs. There has also been an invitation , which TVOC are supporting, to attend the next Oxfordshire Youth Games, and I have been acting as the link person on this.

* TVOC has started a new Saturday series, aimed at beginners, due to a lot of hard work by a number of members, under Mark Thompson's direction. This followed the completion of the first phase of the South Oxfordshire schools project, with about 30 schools mapped. This has been a huge project both to coordinate mapping and help with delivery. Good relationships are being forged with some of the schools, and I have been working with Mark and Yvonne Hodson to facilitate communications between club and schools, help with publicity, and generally forward school enquiries where schools are now looking to extend their experience beyond their school sites.

Secretary's report to the 7 December 2006 SCOA Committee Meeting

1. During the temporary absence of Tim Booth, I am acting as webmaster for the SCOA website.
2. The new BOF membership scheme with entry fee discounts for Seniors comes into use in January. Entry forms already published for 2007 events show there is some confusion on how the discounts should be applied. **All events should quote the full cost of Senior entry fees and then state that there is a discount for Seniors who are either BOF National Members or SCOA BOF Local Members.** Failure to stipulate that local members must be from SCOA may result in lost entry fees as Local members from other regions would also then be entitled to claim the discount (under advertising laws). Quoting the discounted price and then applying a surcharge for non-BOF members is also likely to lead to loss of fees as people tend to pay the first fee they see. Please ensure your club's fliers are correctly worded.
3. I have invited Neil Cameron (BOF Chairman) and Mike Hamilton (BOF CEO) to attend a SCOA meeting in order to update us on BOF developments. Neither could make our December meeting but they have noted the date of our June 07 meeting and, subject to confirmation, one of them may be present.
4. The SCOA Championships were held alongside the SO Regional event on 8 October. The turnout of SCOA members was very poor and I suggest we drop this competition in future as there is little enthusiasm for it from the members. (After some discussion it was agreed to try and hold the Southern Championships at a SCOA event instead of at an event outside the SCOA region)
5. British Orienteering Club of the Year Award – closing date for applications is 25 January 2007. Cash prizes available of £300, £200 and £100 for 1st, 2nd and 3rd clubs. Further details from the Secretary.
6. The British Schools Orienteering Association and the British Orienteering Federation have jointly introduced an award to recognise services to schools orienteering. Recognition will be on two levels, Services to Schools Orienteering and Outstanding Services to Schools Orienteering. Nominations will be considered every 6 months (in February and August). Further details from the Secretary.

Jerry Newcombe, BAOC

Treasurer's report to the 7 December 2006 SCOA Committee Meeting

1. Bank Balances: Current £ 351.62
Savings £7407.31
2. Main Payments/Grants made EOC £254.00
K Bray & A Edwards £150.00 each, BOF Uppsala tour
D Rogers £224.76 Coaching & First Aid
courses re Junior Squad duties
T Booth £75.00 First Aid course re Junior Squad duties
Dell £517.07 Computer for Fixtures Sec.
3. All 2006 expense claims should be sent to the Treasurer as soon as possible after the year end.

Jerry Newcombe, BAOC

Club Kit

Sue Wilkes is now responsible for the sale of Club Kit.

So if you need to UPDATE your club kit or need trousers without gaping holes in them then give Sue a ring and she'll sort you out. Why not purchase a new blue Club sweater?

Sue Wilkes can be contacted on 01635-522-356 or why not try to contact Sue at events?

Berkshire Orienteers



Nigel Jefferies planned the courses for the very successful District event at Cold Ash which attracted over 600 runners and incorporated the Yvette Baker Final. Nigel knows the area well since he lives in Hermitage. Nigel is shown after the event with his wife Judith and daughter Phillipa.



Many thanks to the Moore family youngsters who successfully ran the String Course at Cold Ash



Liz Yeadon along with Di & Glenn Wass, Neil Frankum and Chris Moseley were in charge of the Start for the Yvette Baker Trophy Final at Cold Ash. We were fortunate that the rain did not start at the same time!



Runners enjoyed a spectator finish towards the EMIT arch at Cold Ash and, of course, they were cheered on by team mates in the Club tents along the line of the finish funnel.

Concorde Chase Regional Event - 28th January 2007

**BKO and BAOC invite you to the
Concorde Chase 2007
- Regional and Regimental Event -
Sunday 28th January 2007
on Hawley and Hornley Common**

Location: Gibraltar Barracks, Hawley and Hornley just off the A327. GR: SU 823584

Signed from the junction of the A30 with the A327 between Yateley and Blackwater near Camberley and from the roundabout at Junction 4a of the M3.

Map/Terrain: 1:10,000. Mixture of open areas and runnable woodland with a challenging path system. Map updated in 2006.

Courses: JM/W1-4; JM5L/M/S; JW5L/S; M/W21-75L/S; M/W21V; M21N

Colour Coded: White, Yellow, Orange, Lt. Green and free String Course.

Entries: On-line pre-entry preferred at www.ntrees.co.uk

Fees:

Postal and online entries by: 9th Jan 2007 Seniors £8 Juniors £3

Late entries online only: 21st Jan 2007 Seniors £9 Juniors £4

Non BOF and Non-SCOA Local members surcharge: Seniors only £2.

**** (Helpers – please send a postal entry to the above address (by the closing date, please!). Seniors £3, juniors free).**

Postal entries to:- Concorde Chase 07, 12 Jerrymoor Hill, Wokingham, Berkshire RG40 4UG. Enclosing one/two SAEs for final details/results. Cheques made payable to: BKO

Please only send SAEs if you are unable to print from the internet.

Entry enquiries to cc07entries@bko.org.uk

Please note that postal entries arriving after 11th January may not be processed – please enter online.

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Entry on the Day: Regional Seniors £10 Juniors £5 (Until maps sold out).

Colour Coded Seniors £5 Juniors £2

Electronic Punching will be used, using the Emit system.

Emit hire: Seniors £ 1 Juniors Free

Times: Registration 9:30 – 11:30

Starts 10:00 – 1:00

Courses close at 3:00

Security requirements: To access Gibraltar Barracks you will be required to provide photo ID and final details or if E.O.D a copy of this flyer. Please allow sufficient time for possible vehicle checks.

Dogs: Are allowed but only on a lead.

Traders: Ultrasport and possibly Wilf's (alternative food service should be available if Wilf's can't get there)

Officials:

Organisers: Alain and Rachel Wilkes (Email: cc07@bko.org.uk Tel: 01635 522356)

Planner: Stefan Stasiuk

Controller: Roger Thetford (TVOC)

COMPETITORS TAKE PART AT THEIR OWN RISK

New Year's Day Score Event - Greenham Common

BKO and BADO

invite you to a

New Years Day Score Event

at Greenham Common

on Monday 1st January 2007

Location: Entrance to car park from a roundabout on the A339 leading into New Greenham Park Industrial Estate. Roundabout grid reference SU503638. Car park on hard-standing, £1 charge for parking.

Turn off the A339 Newbury to Basingstoke road at the large roundabout at the main entrance to New Greenham Park Industrial Estate at grid reference SU 503 638. Proceed along Main Street and follow orienteering signs to the far northwest corner of the large industrial estate. The car park is opposite the large English Provender Company building on Buckner Croke Way.

Terrain: Mixed with some very open areas, some woodland and various buildings. It is in general very runnable.

Facilities: This will be a low key event, so we are offering few facilities apart from the orienteering. There may be very limited toilets, but we strongly recommend that you go before you arrive!

Courses: **This is a 60 minute Score Event starting at 11.00 am.** We will be using Emit and a punching start. Call-up time for the mass start will be at minus 5 minutes. We will have sufficient "simple" controls for younger/less experienced competitors. If you find the roving Santa Claus control then you can get extra points!

Registration: From 9.45am to 10.45am.

Fees: £4.00 Seniors and £1.00 Juniors.

EMIT hire £1.00 if you do not have your own.

Officials: **Organisers Reg and Anne Parker (BKO). 0118 947 1344** or secretary@bko.org.uk
Email preferred.

Planner: Laurie Rose (BADO).

If for any reason this event has to be cancelled, you can either check with the organisers or look on this web site.

Please note you take part in this event at your own risk.

Membership Reminder from Nigel Houlton

Local members need to return the form they were sent with next year's membership fee if they want to upgrade to BOF local membership. (They can e-mail or ring me if they've lost it - I don't mind if you publish my home phone number (0118 375 7459) for this.)

Welcome to new members Kelly White and Keith McCarthy from Crowthorne

Some Fixtures for January to March 2007

NB Check the event has not been cancelled by looking at the appropriate website before leaving home!

January 2007 1st January BKO & BADO Christmas Score Event. Greenham Organisers: Reg & Anne Parker (BKO) 0118 9471344 (email preferred see page 2) Planner: Laurie Rose (BADO)£4.00 Seniors and £1.00 Juniors EMIT hire £1.00. See previous page for more details.

7th SOC District Event & SCOA League Event. Reptile Centre, New Forest. SU248057. Mary & David Nixon, 01794 516298. mary_david_nixon@yahoo.co.uk £7.00/£2.00 +£1.00 Emit hire. EPS-Emit. Entry limited to 400. www.southampton-orienteers.org.uk

14th GO Regional Event & OO Trophy 2007. Waggoners Wells, Hindhead. SU853333. Organiser: Alastair Doyle, 01428724297. eventorganiser@guildfordorienteers.co.uk

Entries: Keith Tonkin, 4 Gregory Close, Crawley, W.Sussex, RH10 7LB. CD: 04/01/07. £8.00/£2.00. Colour Coded £4.00/£2.00. EOD +£2.00/£1.00. Chq: Guildford Orienteers. EPS-SI. Lim CC courses - Yellow/Orange/Lt Green/Red, String course. Parking £1.00. Dogs must be on lead in car park and assembly area. Online entries preferred. www.guildfordorienteers.co.uk

14th TVOC Local Event. Brill, SP652142. Mary Spence, 01844 237639. johnmaryspence@hotmail.com £5.50/£1.50 less £2.00 BOF seniors. EPS-Emit. String course. Emit hire £1.00. www.tvoc.org.uk

21st HH Regional Event. Ashridge West, Berkhamsted. SP979131. Organiser: Helen Errington & Susan Marsden, 01727 842883. helen.errington@virgin.net Entries: Susan Marsden, 24 Glen Way, Watford, Herts, WD17 3JL, 01923 225197. Ashridge2007@happyherts.org.uk CD: 07/01/07. £10.00/£3.00 less £2.00 for BOF Seniors. No EOD. Chq: HHOC. EPS-SI. Entry limited to 500. String course. Dogs in car park only. www.happyherts.org.uk

28th BKO Concorde Chase at Hawley and Hornley Common. Organisers Rachael and Alain Wilkes. See Page 8 for more details.

February 4th TVOC Chiltern Challenge Regional Event. Wendover Woods, SP892100. Organiser: Bob Beresford, 01628 484639. bob.a.beresford@btinternet.com

Entries: CC07, Sylvan, Courtenay Close, Sutton Courtenay, Abingdon, Oxon, OX14 4AU. CC07@tvoc.org.uk CD: 21/01/07. £10.50/£4.00 (less £2.00 BOF Senior) +£1.00 Emit hire. Lim EOD +£2.00/£1.00. Chq: TVOC. EPS-Emit. String course. Colour Coded EOD only £7 senior (£2 discount for BOF members) £3.50 junior. On Line entries preferred at www.ntrees.co.uk Late On-line entries after 09:00hrs on 23/01/07 +£2 Senior, +£1 junior. On-line entries CD 18:00hrs 01/02/07. Parking £1.00. www.tvoc.org.uk

18th WIM Winter Warmer Regional Event. Ibsley and Rockford, Ringwood. SU150067. Organiser: Kirsty Staunton, 01425 653629. thestauntons@aol.com Entries: Cris Tween, Blackthorn Cottage, Fiddleford, Sturminster Newton, Dorset, DT10 2BX, 01258 861804. crisween@tiscali.co.uk CD: 05/02/07. £10.00/£3.00. Chq: Wimborne Orienteers. EPS-SI. String course. Colour coded - W,Y,O,Lt G EoD only £7/£3. No EoD for badge courses. Late entry +£2/£1. Entries will be taken up to 9pm 16/02/07 by tel or e-mail subject to map availability. Parking £1.00. www.wimborne-orienteers.org.uk

25th MV NATIONAL EVENT & FCC. White Downs, Dorking. TQ171506. Organiser and entries: Michael White, 19 Sheephouse Green, Wotton, Dorking, Surrey, RH5 6QW, 01306 888886. mandj@white1966.freeserve.co.uk CD: 08/02/07. £14.00/£6.00. No EOD. Chq: MVOC. EPS-SI. String course. Lim CC courses - Yellow, Orange, Lt Green. Online entry preferred (CD: 15/02/07) via www.fabian4.co.uk. www.mvoc.org

March 4th SOC District Event & Long O & SCOA League Event. Hampton Ridge, New Forest. SU217131. Jes Dickin, 023 92410164. jdickin@drumhsg.co.uk £7.00/£2.00 +£1.00 Emit hire (Sens only). EPS-Emit. String course. Entry limited to 400. Parking £1.00. www.southampton-orienteers.org.uk

Future BKO Fixtures

1. **New Years Day Score event at Greenham Common in conjunction with BADO.**

Reg & Anne Parker are the Organisers with Laurie Rose (BADO) planner.

Mass Start at 11 a.m. See page 10.

2. **Concorde Chase to be held at Hawley on 28th January 2007. Organisers are Alain and Rachel Wilkes with Stefan Stasiuk as the planner.**

3. **Proposed Dates for 2007 Saturday Fixtures:-**

20 January	Dinton Pastures at Davis Street on B3030 between Winnersh and Hurst. Turn left on entering the park and use the overflow carpark at the end of this track
24 February	Benyons Inclosure near Mortimer OR Cold Ash near Hermitage
17 March	Bloom Wood near Marlow Bottom (with TVOC)
28 April	Rushall Woods

The South Central Junior Squad will be holding Saturday training days as follows:

13th January, 2007 at the Lookout, Bracknell

10th February, 2007 at Mytchett

10th March 2007 - we are going up to the Lake District for the BOF training day and national event the following day.

We welcome all SCOA juniors of about Orange standard and above and aged 10 or so to 18 years to join us at these training days. We meet at 1015 hrs and finish about 1500 hrs. You need to bring your lunch, a drink, £1 to cover map and access costs, and your orienteering kit. Please contact Dave Rogers if you want to know more or will be coming along.

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E-mail: rogersda@pbworld.com Remember our website! www.scjs.org.uk

Other Sources of Information

BOF: <http://www.britishorienteering.org.uk/>

SCOA: <http://www.scoa.me.uk>

BKO: <http://www.bko.org.uk>

SCOA Junior Squad <http://www.scjs.org.uk>

General: <http://www.nopesport.com>

SEOA Answerphone 020-8948-6056

Midweek Answerphone 01256- 883265

Colour Code Standard badges

If you have achieved the required standard on colour coded courses you may apply for a badge. For further details apply to Bryce Gibson, telephone 0118-947-2220