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EDITORIAL

 I^\prime m afraid that this is a rush job! I hope that I have managed to devulge enough information to make it a worthwhile exercise.

Please accept my apologies for this very late issue of newstrack.

Alex and I, and of course the girls, hope you all have a Happy Christmas and a fruitful New Year.

Ed.

Next issue of Newstrack will be February - Deadline will be 14th February 1995

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NEW MEMBERS

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Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, ST14 5BS	01889 59	0217
HOPKINSON Richard and Dawn	Family	N
14 Castle View Drive, Cromford, Matlock		-
Derbyshire, DE4 3RL	01629 823	3392
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8 Knoll Cottage, The Knoll, Tansley, Matlock		
Derbyshire DE4 6FN	01629 656	546

"WELCOME TO DERWENT VALLEY ORIETEERING CLUB"

WEDNESDAY NIGHT TRAINING

All Welcome, Runs to cater for all abilities.

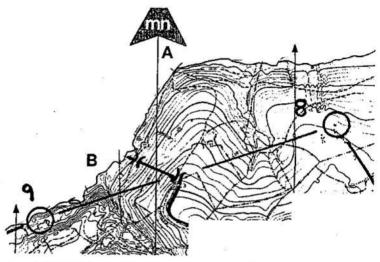
MON 2 JAN 95	CROMFORD MOOR SCORE EVENT	Org David Tryner, 01629 650053. Mass start 11.00 , String, Jr & Snr. SK 298532
WED 4 JAN 95	Training Run	20 Castle Hill, Duffield, Derby 01332 840712 time: 1845
WED 11 JAN 95	Training Run	253 Duffield Road, Allestree, Derby 01332 552664 Time: 1845 DVO Committee meeting: Time: 2030
WED 18 JAN 95	Training Run	20 Castle Hill, Duffield, Derby 01332 840712 time: 1845
WED 25 JAN 95	Training Run	253 Duffield Road, Allestree, Derby 01332 552664 Time: 1845
WED 1 FEB 95	Training Run	20 Castle Hill, Duffield, Derby 01332 840712 time: 1845
SAT 4 FEB	CALKE PARK NIGHT EVENT	org Martin Brown, 01332 294876, time: 1830 Short, medium, Long.
SUN 5 FEB 95	CALKE PARK Colour Coded	Org, John Hopper, 01332 703830 String, White to Brown
WED 8 FEB 95	Training Run	253 Duffield Road, Allestree, Derby 01332 552664 Time: 1845 DVO Committee meeting: 2030
WED 15 FEB 95	Training Run	20 Castle Hill, Duffield, Derby 01332 840712 time:1845
WED 22 FEB 95	Training Run	253 Duffield Road, Allestree, Derby 01332 552664 Time: 1845

RECENT EVENTS

Anatomy of a mistake

Eyam Moor badge event was for me a bit of a disaster, for some reason I decided to go off the map and so lost approx. twenty minutes of time.

Once home the inquest begins, for those who read this it may be either a familiar or cautionary tale.



It started at control 8, I'd just made two small errors at 6 and 7 losing about a minute at each, so I decided on what I thought would be a fast and sure route to 9 along the path to the north. The direct route was rejected on the grounds of too much climb, though in fact looking at the map more closely shows that there is just as much on the path route. Perhaps this is were I made another error because I had no firm idea at this stage of when to get off the path, the one thought was to go along the path, stream on the right, hillside on the left, and I shouldn't be able to miss it.

Running along the path was easy, passed a few ramblers then saw another group on a bridge. They saw me and hurriedly got off the bridge, so naturally I stormed over the bridge and up the valley keeping a stream on my right and a hillside on my left. Unfortunately it wasn't the right stream or the right hillside!

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From here it was a simple matter of persuading myself that the area fitted the map, after all I was still going up a valley with a stream on my right and a hill on the left. In retrospect I had plenty of information. I never saw any crossing point, the power line I crossed was at the wrong angle and the lack of any path or open areas which should have been there. I managed to overcome all this by convincing myself I must have come over the bridge at point B (on the map above) instead of where it really was point A.

It took a six foot high wall to convince me that the map wasn't wrong and I had no idea where I was. My run was effectively over. Ten minutes later going back into the area at the bridge, another competitor had just come across it. After a quick discussion he also turned around.

There are some conclusions from all this which may help me and others in the future.

Firstly if you are going on a path route decide at the beginning where you are going to get off, preferably a good attack point.

Secondly try to ignore any other people or competitors. Concentrate on the map and your route not what others are doing. How many people have made mistakes just after meeting someone they know.

Thirdly remember that the mapper spent more time in the area than yourself. It is much more likely that you are in the wrong area than the mapper got it wrong.

Maybe next time I'll get it right.

By the way do any M35's want to be in my relay teams next year?

Steve Kimberley

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VETERANS WORLD CUP ORIENTEERING

1st - 5th August 1994 STRATHSPEY

I've been orienteering now for some 5 years and for 4 of these, I was impressed by just how many DVO members were animal lovers. I was forever overhearing things like "I'm off to the vets again", "Are you going to the vets too?" My goodness, I thought, don't they just love their pets! Until this year, that is, when I discovered my big mistake. "Vets" does not mean a comforter of poor, sick creatures but just the opposite; it means "THE VETERANS WORLD CUP ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS."

Against my better judgement, I was persuaded to participate in this year's VETS - at Aviemore. Now Aviemore is an awful long way away from Matlock......it's even further north than Chesterfield (by about 400 miles, in fact). Having accepted my fate, I then find that it's 5 days of solid orienteering - 5 whole days!!!! - commencing on Sunday, concluding with the finals on Friday.

Our brave party of 4 arrived in Aviemore on the Saturday afternoon. In winter it is Scotland's premier ski centre, covered in snow and looking like a Christmas card. In the summer, however, the snow melts and exposes the buildings - an interesting 1960's collection by the Arndale Centre School of architects. We stayed in a comfortable wooden chalet imported, so we were told, from Sweden and held together by massive steel bolts, designed to withstand an earthquake - a little like a Volvo, in fact.

On the Sunday evening the opening ceremony was preceded by a grand march by all the competitors parading behind their national flags. I find my wife at the front of the massed UK contingent next to the flag bearer (a young, puzzled looking highland lad in a kilt). She has the uncanny knack of being able to follow you into a turnstyle and emerge in front. The procession eventually set off down Aviemore's High Street (actually there aren't any other streets in Aviemore). Unfortunately, no-one had informed the local police so no-one had thought to stop the traffic. It was similar to a CND march trying to make its way to Aldermaston down the middle lane of the M25 on a Monday morning. How anyone made the opening ceremony I shall never know.

I soon learnt one of the rules which governs the Vets - "The walk from the car park to the start must be at least twice the distance of the longest course and shall entail a climb of a minimum of 1000 metres."

Day 1, Sunday, was colour coded - "Just to give you a feel for the terrain, you know". I found my pace counting non too accurate and a trifle erratic. It was whilst discussing my stunning performance upon my return, that I discovered I had made a trifling error - the map was 1: 10,000, the scale I had selected on my compass was 1: 15,000. I thought until then that my legs had shrunk.

Day 2 was interesting; you were given the positions of 23 controls on a master map and you had to make up your own course. It was a little like when you were a child joining up numbered dots and suddenly finding you had drawn a hippopotamus. I completed my selected 4 controls course in well under the 60 minutes allowed - good progress I thought, excellent preparation for day 3, the real start of the championships!

Day 3 and I'm in M50's (what no short course!) and find myself surrounded by 6 foot super-hero beanpoles from Lapland. (Us Brits, by the way, were outnumbered 10 to 1 by fighting fit, 25 miles per day, Scandanavians. Thousands of them). It took me just 20 minutes to find the first control on account of me looking for the number for control 10 rather control 1. A mistake anyone could make. From then on out it didn't get any better with heather in full bloom, up to your eyeballs and no distinguishing features within a radius of 5 miles.

Day 4 was worse, impenetrable forests, interspersed with bogs which made the Great Grimpen Mire look like a bowling green. I was lucky to get back alive! Running up to the finish I kept my map clutched closely to my chest (to cover my number, actually) lest the announcer boom out over the Tannoy to the assembled thousands, "...and here comes 2618 Roger Keeling from DVO with a time of 5 hours 32 minutes his personal best."

I even participated in the finals on Friday - as a spectator.

Tired, but happy, we drove 450 miles home on Saturday clutching our batch of hard won trophies. We had all done our bit for Queen and country.

Would I go again? Not if its in Scandanavia!!!!!!!
ROGER KEELING.

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BUCKO & CLOUGHIES'S KARRIMOR PRELUDE

On arrival in Moffat the dynamic duo found registration and meticulously went through the procedure of map collection and kit declaration. The weary pair then carefully navigated to the cosy farmhouse booked on their behalf by a "friend".

On approach it looked idyllic, warm and welcoming. "You need to get a good on the Friday night", Russell had stressed, the voice of experience. "Whatever", Dave had replied. "I'm easy". So here they were "Gilbert house". Mr Poynton the owner answered their knock and a stupefied gaze took over his face when they announced who they were. "Did you know it's a double room?" he questioned. The gruesome twosome looked at each other in disbelief. Not having any alternative they followed the owner to THEIR room.

A cosy double bed awaited them. Now most people in this situation would sidle into bed, keeping on as many clothes as possible and quickly switch off the light in embarrassment. Not these two wise men, they stripped off, grabbed the map and sat up in the bed to study it, what a picture.

But Dave said that he would never live it down if anybody found out, so keep it a secret.

PS. Morcambe and Wise eat your heart out!

From "Someone in the Know"

Kim Buxton

A Broadcast to the Nation

"They want you on the radio," they said. Well, I know Wonderful Radio One's audience is flagging, but this did seem a little desperate. Perhaps I was expecting too much; more likely to be Radio Derby. Valley Radio? Never heard of it. Nor had anyone else in (Amber) Valley either, so I rang the local tourist office to see if someone was pulling my leg. And it really does exist - or did since by the time you are reading this its month-long trial period will have expired, and, in the light of having me and Val on its air-waves, it may seriously be considering its reappearance.

The omens were not good. Valley Radio, complete with good luck message from Kevin Whateley (Kevin who? You know, that nice man off Peak Practice) was broadcasting, I kid you not, from a railway carriage at the Swanwick end of the Butterley railway. Who said romance was dead?

Have you noticed how radio stations are getting smaller? First there was national radio, then local radio and now, it seems, anyone can broadcast the same unvarying diet of Michael Bolton and Lisa Stansfield to whoever is unfortunate enough to twiddle their dial in the wrong direction.

We did have a go at finding Valley Radio on our tranny, but, although the station had had a postcard from a ham (that's an amateur radio enthusiast, thicko, not a dead pig) in Preston, reception in Belper is interrupted by Radio Estonia which unfortunately started transmitting on the same frequency only a few weeks before. Shame that, although Michael Bolton sounds remarkably similar when singing in Estonian.

Not being a registered anorak, the delights of the Midland Railway Centre had somehow escaped me, and I had not a clue how to get there. After several failed attempts, I located the general area of the station, using Golden Valley as an attack point. We were supposed to be on air at 6.20, and I was leaving things desperately close. I could just imagine the announcer, sorry, dee-jay, apologising to both of his audience, "Well, tonight, we were to have had an introduction to orienteering but, unfortunately, our guests couldn't find us".

I did eventually manage to locate the station on one of the more remote stretches of the Centre, in a darkened carriage, just like one of the many I have travelled in over the years. Being used to the experience of being stuck in the middle of nowhere in a BR train going nowhere, I immediately felt at home.

I met up with Val and quickly we ran through the sort of questions we might like to be asked with the station controller, then suddenly we were led through to Glyn Williams just as the last Michael Bolton track was fading away. We were only in the next railway carriage along but the scene was much how you might imagine a radio station to be - turntables (no new-fangled cd players for Valley Radio, a sentiment which I as one of the few remaining vinyl junkies fully endorse), jingles, microphones and one of those machines with lights that go up and down but don't seem to do anything else.

I don't know what it sounded like in Radioland but I felt the interview went reasonably considering we were radio virgins - not to be confused with Virgin Radio. The least satisfactory aspect of the proceedings was having to advertise NOC's Blidworth and LEI's Bradgate events, there being no up and coming DVO events apart from Eyam five weeks away and hardly suitable for the novice.

Having given our telephone number out to any interested listeners, we hurried home to await the deluge of calls. To date we have had only one - some halfwit from Ambergate who sounded a bit like Paul Wright's less intelligent brother (yes, I know this is difficult to imagine). I have the sneaking suspicion that we may have been talking to ourselves.

Graham Johnson

Injuries of The Month

Not having seen Alex Stalker with compass in hand for some months, I enquired as to the reason for this, and was informed that he had injured himself - gardening. I found this highly amusing until a few days later, burdened with Christmas presents, I bent over and felt a sharp pain in the back. For the next two days, I suffered in pain and embarrassment. Missing Drum Hill and Sherbrook was bad enough but imagine the shame of having to admit this was due to a shopping injury.

Party Animal of the Month

M40 probably cannot come too soon for Ian Whitehead. Suffering from the effects of over-indulgence in Pedigree, he had to be left behind to be looked after by his five-year old daughter while the rest of the family ran round Hopwas. Funnily enough, most of us who ran at Hopwas wished we'd stayed in bed too.

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The accommodation arrangement for last year's JK, where we hired a village hall for the weekend to house around 25 DVOrienteers, worked well, I thought, so I have sent off to this year's organisers for addresses in the North Yorkshire area. Further details will appear in the next NewsTrack, but if anyone interested can let me know in the next few weeks, this will help in judging the size of hall\hut to book.

Graham Johnson

COMING EVENTS

BRITISH ORIENTEERING FEDERATION

A CELEBRATION FOR MARTIN HYMAN

Next January Martin Hyman officially retires from the post of Administrator/Treasurer for the British Orienteering Federation National Squad.

Martin was the moving force that set up the Squad back in 1973. For most of the time since then Martin ran the squad; motivating by example, writing, travelling, debating, meeting, doing accounts arranging kit etc. What he has done is take a motley bunch of pedestrians and develop a Squad that is respected around the world evolving into the group of highly motivated and successful orienteers we have today. Throughout this time using the small(?) voice of conscience he has guided the Squad to avoid the disaster that bedevil other sports - The Squad is a self-help group run for the orienteers in the Squad with as full involvement as possible from the orienteers themselves. In recent year the Squad Management team has increased in size but those guiding principles of self-help and involvement in decisions will remain as a foundation for all activities.

Throughout Martins incumbency there have been a couple of well hidden secrets - One was accounts which for the good of the Squad remained unpublished... If they had been published we would have realised the extent of Martin's personal support for Squad members. The other secret was Margaret Hyman, the voice on the phone at half-past-eleven who patiently supported martin at home throughout parent-hood, work and now, retired.

Martin has now taken a lower profile role within the Squad, although his wit and wisdom will continue to be donated freely for the benefit of future international orienteers.

In order to celebrate Martin's and Margaret's contribution a number of things have been arranged.

- An informal get-together for feeding, hydrating and talking. This will be held on the Saturday evening March 18th after the prize giving for the British orienteering Championships. It will be open to all but some indication of your availability would be very helpful. Please use the reply slip below to assist in the organisation of this. A contribution for this function will probably be necessary. Further details to follow.
- A SPECIAL EDITION SQUAD NEWSLETTER.. please send your reminiscences, photographs, extracts from previous newsletters or other documents, history, appreciations etc for compilation into a one off bumper newsletter to: SARAH HAGUE, 64 Richmond Road, Eccleston, Nr Chorley, Lancs PR7 5SR.

Sarah will edit produce a newsletter which BOF national office will distribute. Articles etc will need to be with Sarah by mid January 1995 in order to be ready for March 18th. Please send articles etc in as neat a form as possible - with your name attached to each item. Please enclose an A5 sized, self addressed, stamped envelope with articles etc.

Presentation of enough funding for a couple of round-the-world air tickets has been mooted as being a suitable target to aim for. With over 200 ex-Squad members and a target of £2000 the numbers work out quite reasonably. Anyone in impecuniosity is current Squad members could consider £5 as reasonable, those in the full enjoyment of employment, mortgage, children might be able to donate a significant amount - still a fraction of the benefits Martin's efforts have produced over the years.

If you have any questions about this please contact me or Graham McIntyre.

I hope you feel able to contribute something. Please spread the word to anyone who we may have not been able to contact.

Adrian Pickles

PLEASE RESPOND A.S.A.P AND SPREAD THE WORD TO ALL POTENTIALLY INTERESTED PARTIES

A CELEBRATION FOR MARTIN HYMAN REPLY SLIP NAME TELEPHONE ADDRESS Outline of personal Squad involvement: Please send details of the BOC95 Celebration YES / NO

SEND this form to: ADRIAN PICKLES
Primrose Cottage
Aston Munslow
Craven Arms
Shropshire
SY7 9FR

TELEPHONE: 0584 841433

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DVO DIARY

Social Diary

NEW YEAR

Dates to be arranged, but we are looking at a pantomime and visit to the theatre - suggestions welcome. Details in next Newstack!

And now for the hard sell bit

DVO Anniversary Mugs on sale at £2 each at Matlock and Eyam events. We are also ordering more long and short sleeved T Shirts, 'O' Tops and a new line in sweatshirts.

Viv Macdonald (Tel 0629 734307)

STOP PRESS!!!

Are there any willing coaches or school contact people who would come together and really get Orienteering noticed by schools in the area.

If anyone has any ideas or thoughts on the subject, I would love to here from them!!!

Contact: Ann Marie Priston tel: 01773 856824

<u>Also</u>

Compass sport cup venue

Octavian Droobers and Harlequins OC at

DIMINGSDALE, Nr Alton Towers on 12 MARCH 1995

FIXTURES

DATE	REGION/ CLUB	TYPE	AREA/GR	DETAILS
JAN 1995 2nd	DVO	New Year Event	Cromford Moor	Org David Tryner 01629 650053 Mass start 11.00am String Jr and Snr 5K/298532
8 JAN	YH	Colour Coded	Middleton Park Leeds SE/292295	Martin Broadest, 14 Cliff Terrace, Micklefield, Leeds (0523 - ??)
21 JAN	SYO	Night Event	Greno Woods, Sheffield SK/33x95x	Andy Russell, 18 Rothbury Close, Sothall, Sheffield (01142 474651)
22 JAN	EM NOC	Colour coded	Strawberry Hill, Mansfield	In aid of EM Junior Squad Event EM Gallopen Event
22 JAN	SYO	Colour Coded	Greno Woods, Sheffield SK/33x95x	Tom Jones, Grenfell House Chapel Lane, Penistone, (0226 763365)
29 JAN	NW	DEE (Delamere Trophy) Badge Event	Delamere forest SJ/556710	Sue Sinclair 11 The Crescent, Utkinton, Tarporley, Cheshire (0829 732871) CD 9.1.95 £5/£2 SEF Ltd EOD Cheque - Deeside OC
4 FEB 1995	DVO	EAST MIDLANDS NIGHT LEAGUE	CALKE PARK Night event 5K356240	org: Martin Brown 01332 294876 Short, Medium, Long 6pm £2/£1
5 FEB 1995	DVO	COLOUR	CALKE PARK SK356240	Org: John Hopper, 01332 703830 String, White to Brown £2/£1/£5 family
5 FEB	AIRE	BADGE EVENT	Ilkley Moor, Ilkley SE/123472	Val Gilleard 1 The Orchard, Lady Lane, Bingley, W Yorks. (0274 551323) CD 16.1.95 £4.50/£2 SEF ltd EOD Org: Chris Burden 0274 - 583853
11 FEB	WRE	MIDLAND NIGHT CHAMPS	Bishops wood, Market Drayton SJ/766327)	Clive Richardson 2 Isombridge Cottage, Isombridge, Telford, 0952 770902. FEES ??
12 FEB	SE	MV NAT EVENT 1	CANCELLED	**

25 MARCH	NI	BRITISH NIGHT CHAMPS	Blackwood, Basingstoke SU/540430	Laurie & Chris Rose, 9 Blackbird Close, Kempshott, Basingstoke, Hampshire, (0256 20098) CD 30.1.95 £5.50/£2.50 SEF No EQD.
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*****PLEASE NOTE 12TH TO 17 MARCH Pre-British Champs Training for Club Orienteers at YMCA Lakeside. For all ages and levels of ability apart from Novices. Up to 60 participants on a 1st come 1st served basis up to 21st January 1995. Application forms from Club secretaries or BOF. Cost £150 full board****

18/19th MARCH	WOA	British Orienteering Champs	North Wales	18 - Individual - Newborough Forest , Anglesey 19 - Relay event - Betws-y- coed
MARCH 26 1995	DVO	Colour Coded	Mattock Forest East 5K300647	Org Bartie Stephens 01629 \$13063 String, White to Brown £2/£1/£5 Family
2nd April	SW	NAT Event 2	Gare Hill Frome (ST/773385)	Details to follow
15 - 17 April	ҮН	JK	15 - day 1 - Wass SE/560818 16 - day 2 - Kilnsey SD965647 17 - Relay - Gilling SE/590765	details to follow
APRIL 23rd	DVO	Badge	Crich Chase SK348516	**To Be Confirmed** Org: Jayne Malley 01335 350467 Pre Entry £5/£2.50/£13 family M.Godfree 25 Rangemore Close Mickleover, Derby 01332 515862 String, Yellow, Orange, Red M/W10-70
OCT 8th	DVO		Gibbet Hill, Umberley Sick & Hell Bank Plantation (phew!)	This is on the day after the Compass Sport Cup Final (to be held in EM)

^{**} Offer to help at DVO events, and helpers will get a 50% reduction on fees (junior free at colour coded events)

Fixtures Secretary for DVO: Paul Wright 01773 856387

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Badge Event

CRICH CHASE

Sunday 23 April 1995

Location- 8 miles south of Matlock. Signposted from Hurt Arms, Ambergate A6(T) (SK348516)(OS map 119)

Terrain- Mixed open and woodland on escarpment. 1:10000

CoursesM/W10-19A & B M/W21-70A L&S. Colour coded Yellow, Orange and Red and a String Course. EOD cc & limited badge at surcharge

Fees Badge £5/£2.50/£13 family EOD £6.50/£3.25/£17 Colour coded (EOD only) £2/£1/£5 family

Entries On SEF with two 9 x 6 SAEs to

Whistles compulsory. Dogs enquire.

M Godfree 26 Rangemore Close Mickleover Derby DE3 5JU

Tel: 01332 515862

Closing Date 1 April 1995. Entries postmarked after 9 April will not be returned by post. They will be available on the day. (FOD surcharges may apply).

Organiser Jayne Malley 01335 350467

Planner Kathy Whitehead, Controller Ernie Williams LEI

BRITISH ORIENTEERING FEDERATION — STANDARD ENTRY FORM COMPETITORS TAKE PART AT THEIR OWN RISK AND ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR OWN SAFETY.



Entry for CRICHCHASE... (event) on . 23 APR 1995 (date) (OFFICIAL USE ONLY) NAME AND ADDRESS FORM NO. BADGE STANDARD TELEPHONE NO. INCLUDING STD CODE: mey not be possible to process entry for who objects to having his/her details so recorded P BOF FULL NAME - FORENAME FIRST NUMBER FEE max 20 letters: abbreviate forename if necessary CLUB PECIAL REQUIREMENTS: No. of copies of No. of copies Pre-Race info. TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED: of Results Have you remembered to enclose:-1. Two suitable sae's (minimum 9" × 4", preferably 9" × 6" 2. A cheque/p.o. made payable to DVO