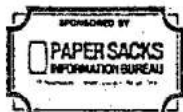


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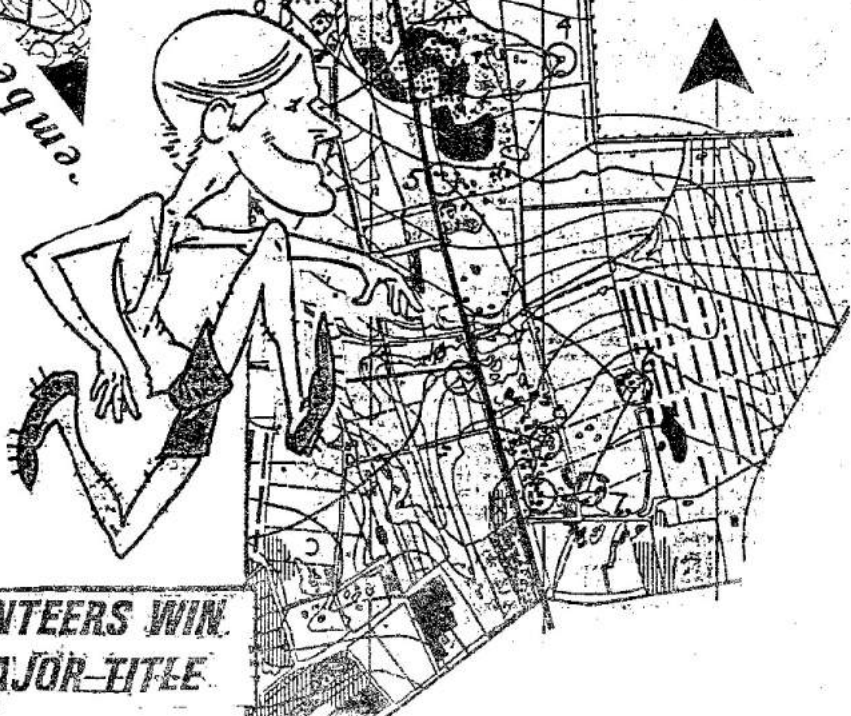
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ORIENTEERS WIN A MAJOR TITLE

Nov 8/9 See you there!

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below

EDITORIAL

This is my swan song. I have been editor now for two years and feel that I have done my stint. I have had a lot of help with producing the newsletter from Tony and from Lynette and Nigel Gilligan, for which I am most grateful. However I am starting an Open University Course in February and need to cross something off my list of duties. We will try to make life easy for the new editor, whoever that may be. Lynette has offered to continue doing the typing. I will produce the address labels, so the editor's job will consist of collecting articles, compiling fixtures, getting the finished article photoreduced and duplicated. BOF office and the lady in charge of reprographics at my school have been most helpful in getting the last two items done. Then the sheets have to be collated, put in envelopes and despatched. It's not a difficult job but it is time-consuming, unless you can twist some arms to help you. It is also useful if not essential to attend committees meetings. You can get the best planning jobs that way! If anyone feels they would like to be editor of Newstrack please contact Steve Buckley urgently.

Typist's bit. My apologies to Roger Wilkinson for failing to put his name to the excellent article in the last edition "Tips for Novices". Have you got any hints on what to do with the red biro after copying the Master map - I always lose mine!

COMPASSPORT CUP FINAL WITHERSLACK 15th Nov 1987

Well, we did it again, won another two tents which no one knows how to put up! No, seriously, this was a magnificent team effort right through the year. Congratulations to all those who counted in any of the rounds and thanks for the support from the also-rans. Hopefully we may get a commemorative mug done as a memento of this achievement. South Yorkshire ran us very close. Witherslack is a small intricate area of deciduous woodland, mostly runnable but a bit rocky in places. It was quite a good area for the final. The results were:

DVO 139, SYO 130, HH 105, ESOC 94

Individual scorers:

Orange Course C.Godfree 10, K.Buckley 8, T. Wilkinson 6.

Green Course: Z. Wilkinson 12, J.Buckley 11, D.Wilkinson 8.

Red Course: A.Buckley 3, D.Godfree 2, I.Finlayson 1.

Blue Course: J.Seaston 12, R.Wilkinson 10, R.Clayton 9.

Brown Course (M19,M35): T.Thornley 10, S.Buckley 9, D.Dickenson 7.

Brown Course (M21): D.Nevell 12, I.Whitehead 5, P.Jones 4.

AREA LIASON OFFICER

Recent practice within DVO has been for event organisers to obtain permission for their event's area from the landowners. The correspondence thus generated has been retained in the area's file for the guidance of subsequent organisers. In general this system has worked very well. However, recently there have been problems such as changes in land use which were not known to the event organiser and grievances by a landowner following an event which was not known to us until permission was sought for the subsequent event in that area.

In an attempt to prevent the recurrence of such problems the DVO committee has decided to appoint Area Liason officers. Their role will be to seek permission from the landowners prior to each event, and also to check afterwards that no problems have arisen, and to keep an eye on the area between events and investigate changes of land use or ownership

In this way the club will be more in touch with developments affecting its areas, and the landowners will each have a permanent contact within the club which we think will be more convenient for them.

You will not be surprised to hear that there are now a number of vacancies for Area Liason Officers. I should be pleased to hear from anyone interested, particularly those who live near the areas or already have contacts with the landowners.

John Hurley

OPEN MEETING 9th December 1987

The Club's first Open Meeting was held at Ripley Leisure Centre on 9th December. The twenty-nine members who attended were accommodated comfortably, justifying the small charge for the meeting room. About half of these used the changing rooms at the Centre and went for a run or swim before the meeting - one even did both - and there was time for a drink in the Centre's bar afterwards.

Samples of the Club's new G-suit were displayed at the meeting for members to try on. It is best if they are ordered through the club and at least three multiple orders have already been placed. John Birkin agreed to do this in future so see him about ordering yours soon. They come in seven different sizes and the design is not too flashy so there is no excuse for wearing anything else at our next Compass Sport Cup tie. Complementary (this does not mean free) DVO woolly hats are available from Steve Davis.

Although it was possible to report directly to the members who were present on matters being discussed in the Committee and at the East Midlands meetings, and to answer questions, those present represented only a small part of the club's total membership. Since it is likely that many of those not present would still like to keep in touch, we are seeking to find cost-effective ways of doing this. For the time being minutes and reports will be posted on the club notice board at local events and copies will be available for members at DVO events and on Wednesday evenings. This will be kept under review and will be discussed again at the next Open Meeting, so come along and say what you think should be done.

The slight embarrassment of winning two more club shelters at the Compass Sport Cup Final was discussed. There is no problem in principle of substituting a different prize provided it can be supplied by Ken Broad of Ultrasport, so it was agreed to pursue this possibility. The favourite was a digital start time to replace the rather dilapidated manual flipover we still use but there was also seen to be a need for a second club tent if we could find the difference from club funds.

The meeting contributed to the national debate about the age groupings for juniors. It was felt that the current international standard two-year age groups based on the calendar year of birth were acceptable for experienced youngsters competing in badge events and above, but were less satisfactory for school-based orienteering where the natural division is by peer group. There was a strong consensus for having one-year, academic year groups for the East Midlands Schools league and, hopefully, for the National Schools' Championships too.

Dave Nevell is planning club coaching activities for the season. During the winter when the evenings are dark there will be exercises at DVO's open events and possibly an armchair evening. Then, when the evenings are lighter, there will be coaching activities to supplement the usual spring/summer Wednesday evening training programme. Dave is keen to consider ideas from members, beginners and improvers as well as experienced orienteers.

Mike Godfree has had a very positive response from Derby City Leisure on the Establishment of a permanent course in Allestree park. With their co-operation the course could be operational within a few months, in time for the new Schools' league. If this works well, we could also set up courses at Cromford Black Rocks and Calke Abbey.

A club relay team manager for 1988 is needed urgently. Any offers please to Steve Buckley.

The next Open Meeting is at 8.00pm on Wednesday 9 March 1988 at Ripley Leisure Centre. Put the date in your diary now.

Andy Thomson (standing-in for John Hawkins)

WELCOME TO THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS

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Pete Tunncliffe, 6 Redway Croft, Melbourne Melbourne 3570

Derek, Pamela and Wendy Hewitt, 1 Milton Close, Mickleover 0332 515295

EVENT REPORTS

THE SCOTTISH SCORE CHAMPIONSHIPS

A wet morning on Sunday 18th October in Scotland was the day for another event: the Scottish Score Championships. We got up, had breakfast, then packed the car and said goodbye to Granny and Grandad. At the area of Bowhill we parked first in the wrong place. When we were getting ready Dad noticed he hadn't got his 'O' shoes so we went the ten minutes back to Granny's house to get them. The start clock was two minutes slow so we had a longer wait in the rain than we had expected. It wasn't quite as heavy as at the British Champs. When we were running it was raining hard. There were 21 controls on Course C for M/W 10, 11, 13. I visited 14 of them in 45 minutes and scored 370 points. There were only 5 boys on M10. I came second.

Chris Godfree M10

MATLOCK FOREST WEST November 8th

The weather was cold and misty. I decided to try an Orange course for the first time. I got lost! I couldn't find the first 3 controls, but I found the 4th one, then found the rest ok. But at 7, which I found eventually, I noticed that lots of other people on the Orange course were also dashing about everywhere. The control was near a complicated junction, the path which was right was covered by a thin layer of branches. My map got ripped. I had a Mars Bar which was nearly solid afterwards.

Robert Gilligan M11

Good results for DVO

Brown: 4th A Campbell

Blue: 1st R Wilkinson

Green: 4th T Richardson, 5th R Riley

Orange: 3rd D Canavan, 5th T Wilkinson

Yellow: 1st D Richardson, 5th E Thomas

White: 1st Eddie and Chris (ie Thomas and Gilligan - shame on you, lads give the younger and newer members a chance!)

2nd E Shaw

String course: E Shaw M7 in 5 minutes

FOUND in Matlock Forest a fortnight after the event near the start: a good quality maroon mountaineering anorak with a golf card in the pocket. Ring Jo Thornley on Matlock 55589

CROMFORD December 13th

It was a cold and dry December day. First I went in for the yellow course. The courses were very well planned. I think I was 2nd, and on the orange I think I was 18th. I decided to try doing the orange course because I was fed up with waiting for Mum and Dad, who were helping. On the orange I over-shot a wall and had to go about 0.5 km. to get to no. 5 (C2), and found all the rest OK. The hill at the end was very nasty, because of the loose stones and the problem of stopping for the finish. On the orange from 9-10 going down by the crags I slipped on a flat rock and twisted my ankle. Still I enjoyed myself.

Chris Gilligan. M9

DVO results

White: 4th E Shaw 5th K Armistead
Yellow: 2nd C Gilligan 5th R Gilligan 9th J Skinner
Orange: 1st I Forrest 4th E Naisbitt 5th T Corror
Red: no DVO competitors
Light Green: 1st ? Kirby 4th I McCuaig
Green: 1st A Shaw 2nd N Forrest 5th H Finlayson
Blue: 2nd S Davis 3rd R Shooter 6th C Macdonald
Brown 1st J Hawkins 3rd R Shooter 4th A Pryor

SUTTON PARK BADGE EVENT 13th December

On the same day as DVO's Cromford event, this event nevertheless attracted some competitors from DVO and there were some excellent results.

M15A Alistair Buckley 1st
M21A Alex Campbell 33
M21B Rob Atkin 7th
M40A Roger Wilkinson 1st
V11A Tessa Wilkinson 1st
V15A Kim Buckley 5th
V21A Zoe Wilkinson 1st Judy Buckley 3rd
V50A Jenny Tennant 2nd

CLIPSTONE: BRITISH NIGHTS CHAMPS AND BADGE EVENT

1987 was not a good year for JMT so imagine my surprise when I bagged the British Nights V40 Trophy. Admittedly the opposition was pretty thin and my toughest rival Judy B. used day orienteering techniques, all the same I was rather pleased. How did I do it? Well first of all I

didn't bother with a headlight and large battery affair, very uncomfortable and slows you down. I used a hand held torch with a wrist strap. It was quite hard punching my control card in the dark, so next time I shall attach my card to my front and not my wrist. I paced everywhere and went round the tracks 90% of the time. I made sure I planned the whole route to the next control before leaving a control. To save batteries I turned the torch off when running along forest tracks, often benefitting from the halogen lamps of other runners. I did not want to have to stop and put new batteries in in the dark. It was a lovely cool crisp night, perhaps the coldest of the winter so far. It was a mistake to wear spikes! The rides were quite hard to see in the dark, but could sometimes be distinguished by looking up to see a gap in the skyline. All in all Clipstone was easier than any open area I have orienteered on at night.

To T.

Results show the first DVO finishers.

Night Champs

V15A Zoe Wilkinson (3rd)
W40A Jo Thornley (1st) Judy Buckley(3rd)
M15B Alistair Buckley (1st) David Godfree (2nd)
M19A Douglas P Dickinson
M21A Alex Cambell closely followed by John Hawkins
M35A Tony Thornley (2nd)
M40A Douglas I Dickinson

Badge Event

M10 Chris Gilligan
M11 Chris Godfree
M13A Alistair Buckley (2nd) David Godfree (3rd)
M21A Dave Nevell
M21B Andy Clayton
M35A Mike Godfree
M35B Alan Shaw
M40A Roger Wilkinson (1st)
M40B Frank Mason
M45A Barrie Bibby
M45B Tony Seaston
M50A Tony Berwick
M60 Frank Johnson

V11 Tessa Wilkinson (1st) Joanne Armistead (3rd)
V13B Mary Finlayson (2nd)
V15A Kim Buckley
V21A Zoe Wilkinson
V35A Ann Armistead closely followed by Jenny Shaw
V35B Liz Godfree (3rd)
V40A Deborah Wilkinson
V45B Brenda Bibby (1st)

Yellow Katy Armistead
Orange L Glossop
Green D Gale and Ian Forrest
Blue S F Wilson

COMPASS SPORT CUP 1988 1st round DVO versus HOC

This has been arranged for January 31st at Bickerton Hills, Cheshire (a DEE event).

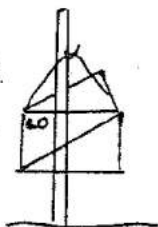
Registration at Bickerton Institute: GR 510537. Turn west off the A49 onto the A534 and follow O signs.

Please let Judy know if you are planning to run so she can reserve enough start times.

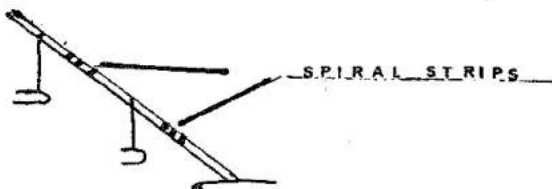
CONTROL HANGING a la DVO courtesy of John Birkin

John has now completed his construction work on controls and punches. This is how to use them at club events.

CONTROLS easily carried to control sites in plastic carrier bags. Hang on a handy tree or use one of the prepared canes and hang over the attached paper clip.



PUNCHES all punches are attached in pairs to canes. Plastic spiral strips hold the strings tightly to the canes to avoid tangling whilst in transit. Punch canes should be angled into the ground to avoid punches tangling in the event. Release the strings from the spiral binding.



Carrying bundles of canes is best done with rubber bands securing the two ends of the bundles so that canes can be released singly without disturbing the rest of the bundle.

It is more likely that you will be involved in collecting in controls than putting them out. Collection is the reverse of putting out. Ensure that the punches are well secured to the cane with the spiral binding so that the string is taut. Bundle the canes by securing with rubber bands (ask the planner for some before you go collecting). Take controls off canes and carry in a plastic carrier bag. If you secure controls and punches in this way then you will return to the planner with two or three neat bundles ready for passing on to the next planner rather than bringing back a massive tangle of punches, string, controls, canes and paper clips.

1988 SUMMER PROGRAMME

Last year DVO held about a dozen informal evening events during the summer (I am tempted to put inverted commas around the last word!) period from April to July. These ranged from technique training at Cromford and on the brown-only map at Shining Cliff through the handicap Club Championships to novelty, score and relay events. The pattern of events was largely determined by the willingness of people to organise them, and all events were enjoyed and appreciated by those who attended.

It is now time to plan the 1988 Summer programme and I should be glad to hear from anyone who would like to contribute. I should also like views on some comments which have been made, as follows:-

1 Events should be mainly on Friday evenings. Many people find it easier to attend on Fridays than on Wednesdays. This would allow the Wednesday evening training - interesting and scenic cross-country runs - to continue in parallel.

2 Technique and coaching events should be held before the main events, not after. Since the British Champs are on May 17th this implies April dates for them.

3 Events should have "wider appeal". This again boils down to the willingness of organisers, most of whom have full-time jobs and little time to spare for setting up courses for the evening. Seniors should be expected to tackle the courses provided for them. Younger juniors, however, may require closer attention. Is there a demand for string courses, etc. at evening events? They could be set out and run by a separate group of organisers, but a co-ordinator would be required.

Finally, the choice of venues for evening events will be more restricted this year, due to the access problems at Drum Hill and the closing of Crich and Shining Cliff prior to major events. It seems to me that this year we will be mainly at Cromford, Matlock and the Derby Parks.

John Hurley

FOUND

Recently at the bottom of a bag which was brought back from the Scottish 6-day, a NN Navigator Thumb Compass. Claim from John Hurley.

FIXTURES

- 10th January NCC Open Event Stapleford Woods, Newark. MR 862565
T Buckland 0602 231967
- 17th January DVO event Allestree Park Helpers from Team "N"
Organiser R. Wilkinson 0332 840712
- 24th January Harlequins Badge Event Hagley and Clent, Stourbridge
MR 920807 Org P Mannancourt 4 Eachway, Rubery, B'mingham
- 31st January Compass Sport cup tie see above
- 31st January SYO Open event Greno Wood, Sheffield. No map ref given
T Tett, 15 Freedom Road, Walkley, Sheffield 0742 334667
- 7th February DVO Event Robin Wood Helpers from team "S"
Organiser
- 13th February Bradgate Park LEIUOC
- 14th February National Event I Bentley woods and Purley Chase.
Contact Arden House, Saunders Avenue, Bedworth, Warwicks.
- 21st February HALO Badge Event Broughton Woods Scunthorpe MR 953121
H Milton, 161 Scotter Road, Scunthorpe 0724 861150
- 21st February BUOC Open Event. Eymore Wood Kidderminster MR 772792
J Parkinson, 10 Grange Road, Selly Oak, Brum 021 471 1482
- 28th February POTOC Badge Event. Swynnerton. J Birtles, 15 Ashbourne
Drive, Silverdale, Newcastle u Lyme 0782 630172
- 28th February NCC Open Event at Rufford Park and New Park Wood,
Ollerton MR 646648
- 5th March DVO event Crich Chase Helpers from team "X"
Organiser: Neil Forrest
- 6th March Macclesfield Forest Badge Event MR 958717
Organiser M Greenwood, 6 Hinds Rd., Macclesfield
0625 613411
- 13th March NCC Badge Event Annesley Forest, Eastwood MR486488
M. Bertram, 20 Bishopsdale Close, Long Eaton, Nottingham
0602 730641 closing date 22.02.88 (£2.50, £1.00)
- 20th March National Event II Mulgrave Woods, Whitby MR 862125
G Hardy, Upeleya, Upleatham, Redcar, Cleveland
0287 24521 No ECD Fees not known.
- " " Dee Open Event Delamere Forest MR 542716
Organiser A. Payne 0244 383036
- 27th March WCH Badge Event Beaudesert, Cannock Chase MR 040145
S Wilson, 4 Goodhill Close, Walton, Stone 0785 812078

AND LAST, BUT NOT LEAST, THE ANNUAL BLOAT. (DVO DINNER)

on 29th January at the Palm Court Restaurant, Allestree, 7.30 for 8.00.
If you wish to participate please send your name and cheque Payable to
DVO to Debbie Wilkinson, 20 Castle Hill, Duffield, Derby DE6 4EA by
Tuesday 18th January at the latest.

The menu is Prawn Cocktail,

Soup

Duckling £9 or Steak £9 .50 or vegetarian: lasagne or nut
roast cost approx £8.50

Gateau or Trifle

Coffee and Petit Fours

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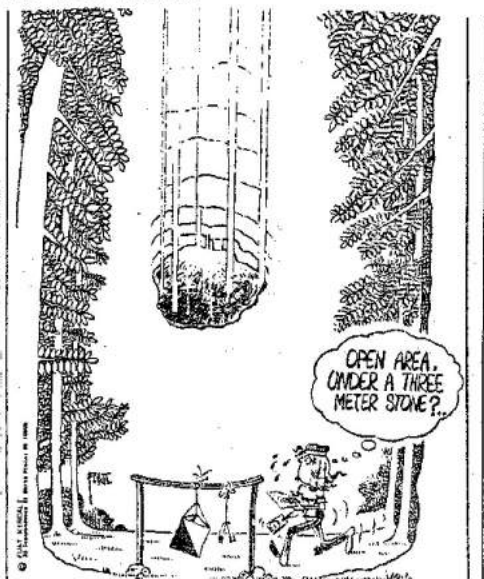
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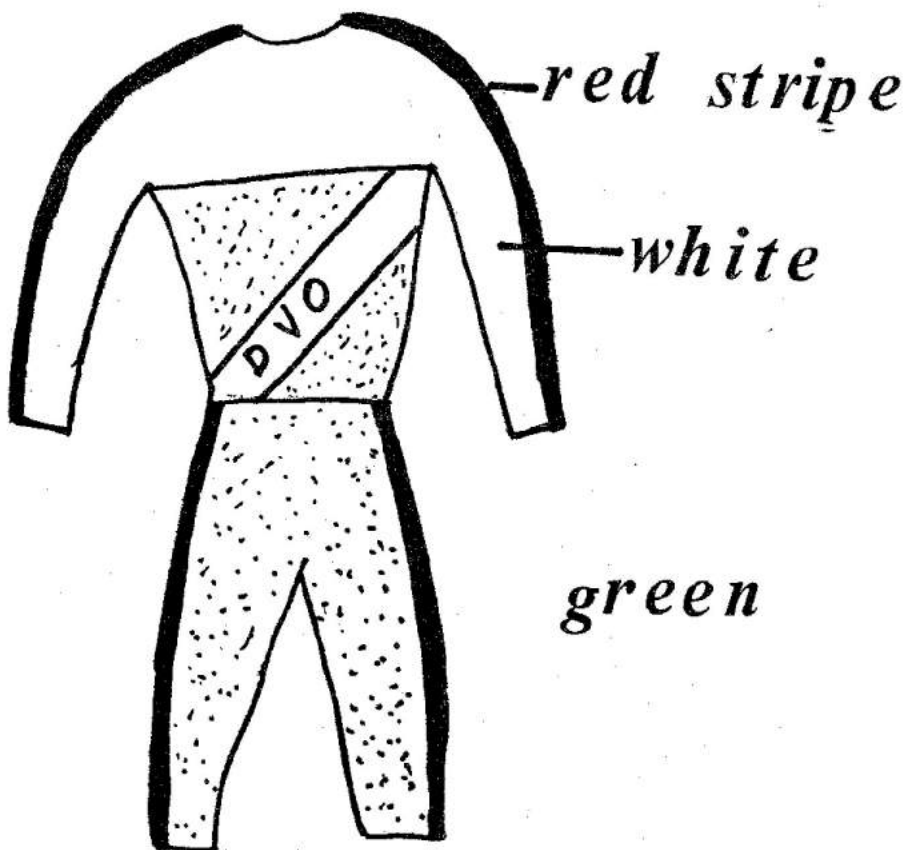
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