

NEWSTRACK

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NEWSTRACK

The observant among you will see that this is a July Newstrack not, as scheduled, a June one. This is because, if Newstrack had run to schedule, the next one would have fallen slap bang in the middle of August and my summer holidays. The mental scars of getting last August's Newstrack out in the week between returning from the Scottish and going on a proper holiday whilst catching up a week off work still remain. Since summer is the least active part of the season, the logical thing to do is to re-jig the Newstrack schedule and drop down to five issues this year at least, which is what is happening. The next Newstrack will be in September and the one after that December. This does mean that there will be a slight clash with EMEWS next issue before normal service returns but that can't be helped.

DVO Club Champs – Carsington Pastures and Harborough Rocks - JUNE 28 1998

Seniors

1	Liz Godfree	Medium	44.29
2	Hilary Johnson	Medium	56.46
3	Judy Buckley	Medium	49.35
4	Viv Macdonald	Medium	55.26
5	Tony Berwick	Medium	61.38
6	Kim Buckley	Long	44.24
7	Dave Walker	Medium	47.28
8	Andrew Kempton	Long	60.35
9	Helen Finlayson	Medium	54.46
10	Michelle Mackervoy	Long	59.49
n/c	Lucy Wilson	Medium	58.53
11	Rex Bleakman	Long	58.28
12	Paul Wright	Long	64.34
13	Jennifer Gale	Medium	65.38
14	Terry Peach	Medium	51.47
15	David McGivern	Long	66.21
16	Dave Bennett	Long	68.02
17	Ruth Johnson	Medium	63.16
18	Ann-Marie Priston	Long	64.17
19	Tony Seaston	Medium	57.18
20	Dave Tryner	Long	66.31
21	Dave Clough	Long	52.08
22	Steve Buckley	Long	49.13
23	Steve Kimberley	Long	44.16
24	John Duckworth	Long	39.58
25	Derek Gale	Long	69.14

26	Sal Chaffey	Long	56.28
27	John Hurley	Long	47.58
28	Dave Brodie	Long	53.02
29	Val Johnson	Long	60.18
30	Rob Shooter	Long	59.04
31	Tom Kempton	Medium	79.20
32	Clare Gale	Medium	74.12
33	John Hopper	Long	64.26
34	Andy Mackervoy	Long	70.09
35	Mary Finlayson	Short	45.09
36	Andrea Simms	Short	40.29
37	Mike Gardner	Long	Started Late
Retd	Graham Johnson	Long	

Juniors

1	Kate Johnson	Short	21:11
2	Daniel Kimberley	Short	51.54
3	Erin Malley	Short	52.59

Congratulations to Liz Godfree and Kate Johnson for winning the senior and junior championships respectively. Our commiserations to Mike. Perhaps we need a change in the rules, like once you've won the championship both you and your partner are given extremely poor handicaps for the next five years!

John and Jayne Malley

A Champion's View from the Medium Course.

I'm not in the mood for orienteering today – no bushes to hide behind, only the tiddlers' 1st pit - quite an apt description ! Clay pigeons and kids on motorbikes are not conducive to good mental preparation. But I'm off a minute after Viv Macdonald so we can do it together ! And no mispunch !!

I'm off ! And then I freeze as a kid zooms past in front of me. What do I do ? Where do I go ? Right around the pond, then left a bit , over a hump and I spot Viv emerging from what must be our first pit. Run in, punch and take a bearing on the next control. Viv is spot on line. Forget the compass, just follow Viv and keep an eye on the contours. Viv punches first and we head off together for control 3 which I find. Viv rectifies the slight error at 4 which I find (well, we were in a pair of pits) and we head for the stile.

As Viv drops low I proceed up the smooth grassy re-entrant between the broken ground where I'd noticed others earlier. I head for the pylon (thank goodness the power lines are on the map !) recognising Ruth ahead of me. Tony B emerges from behind the knoll which I now head for. A string of folks ahead of me makes

navigation to be easy. Forget compass and pacing just run ! Hilary and I are together as ankle-deep in sharn (there's a good Scots word for you) (yes – but what does it mean ? – Ed) I decide to clamber over the wooden fence.

I set off along the road fully expecting Hilary to overtake me. Turn right up the track and then I spot a possible way through the rocks, thereby avoiding the clay pigeons. I count the layers of rock to the summit plateau (sounds impressive !) and can just make out the top of a trestle, spot on my bearing. Nip in and punch, then follow sheep track, keeping an eye on high ground and trig point (not on legend) to my left. Head through thistles (did John Hurley come this way ?) for niche (I can never find niches) but there it is. Keep on same contour and head for crag foot. No, don't drop, it's the middle one and there's the kite. Head back for the trail now. Drop down to track and hope to meet no-one through thick vegetation. Overshoot trail, practically colliding with Helen F.

Return to trail and head along in the first of the rain. A family of cyclists stares at me in amazement. Don't look back, just keep running. It's a long way. Where do I turn off ? Spot a footpath sign and a couple of ramblers climbing a stile. That's the way and there's someone punching there. No, not my control and it's only a green barrel ! up and over into control 11, and then head for the track, the stile and yet another pit. Only one more to go. Across the main track, only one minor one, where's the pit ? It's lower down. Stop, look around and there it is. Drop down and punch and then hell for leather for the Finish. No need for map or compass now, the yellow tent is clearly visible.

Avoid the remaining motor cyclists and their vehicles and rush into the tent apologising to John, Mike et al. As I seek shelter from the now pouring rain. Only when I offer them my control card do they realise that I'm not retiring but have completed the course !

And then the long wait. Where is everyone ? Was there really no-one on my heels ? Will a Godfree ever be able to run the Club Champs again ? (Will Mike ever speak to Liz again ? – Ed)

An Also-Ran-but-Didn't-Quite-Manage-to-Finisher's View from the Long Course.

I arrive at the car park and, obeying the time-honoured ritual observed at every club champs since they began in primordial swamps of Derbyshire, I head straight for the Start List to see what assessment of my abilities has been made by this year's planner and handicapper. My studious attempt at carefully cultivating a series of appalling runs seems to have paid off and there I am only two minutes after Val, thirty seconds after Robert Shooter and well before Dave Brodie (I have had a bad year).

This year we are baptising (an apt verb given the amount of water on the ground and in the air) a brand new area, an ingenious use of open but surprisingly complex terrain in old lead-mining country. This means that there is no hiding place for advance runners and plenty of scope for those of us who couldn't navigate our way out of a telephone box to latch on to those with ingenerate homing devices and hold on to our hats. Although the first control is not visible, the route to it is. Robert tries to throw me off trail by deliberately going round the intervening lagoon the opposite way to everyone else but it doesn't work and I have caught him up by Number 1. One down and twenty-five odd to go. The course heads south and unusually so do I. Number 2 is a pit hidden in the hillside, and it is here that my reliable knack of finding every other pit within 500 metres of the right one comes into play so that by the time I've found the right one, Robert has already found it first.

On the way to the next one I pass Val and, exhilarated by the experience, I celebrate by running into the out of bounds. Control 4 is a long slog up a hillside followed by a contour round the hill and a descent to a pit (if you've got an allergy to pits, stay away from Carsington). I manage to put some distance between me and the chasing pack but by the time that I've become intimately acquainted with every pit in this section of the map, they've caught me up again. The search party is joined by Rex Bleakman and Sal Chaffey and we keep each other company as we complete our tour of Carsington Pastures and depart for Harborough Rocks, gratefully echoing Liz Godfree's thanks to the mapper for leaving the pylons on.

On the long leg to the Trail which connects the two areas the weather deteriorates almost as quickly as my slim chances of winning the club champs for the sixteenth time of asking. By the time we reach the path, we are talking horizontal stair-roads which sting like, well, horizontal stair-roads really. I am faced with the familiar dilemma which sooner or later presents itself to every optically challenged orienteer – to discard or not to discard. The choice is a simple one, there's no point wearing spectacles the view from which resembles that from the interior of a car wash. The problem is, without them, I can't now actually see where I am going any more than when I was wearing glasses.

This proves to be my final downfall (you didn't really expect this to be a tale of triumph and success over insuperable odds, did you?). The circumnavigation of Harborough is a loop starting where it finishes. Unable to make out the control numbers on the map, I have a choice of clockwise or anti-. I choose the former. Unfortunately John Malley has chosen the latter, and since he is the planner, he is supported by all of the orienteers from DVO who now pass me going in the opposite direction. I am soaked to the skin and unless I wish to take the trouble to run round Harborough again in the opposite direction – I don't – I will be disqualified anyway. For the first time that day, I make the right decision and surrender to the inevitable, ignominious retreat.

This does at least enable me to witness at first hand the strangely satisfying spectacle of people searching on the horizon for the last control, and bedraggled orienteer after rain-sodden orienteer dashing for the shelter of the finish line and club tent.

Thanks to Mike Godfree for his controlling and John Malley – who had to cope with re-planning his courses on the day of the event due to the sudden appearance of a twice-a-year shooting tenant – for his planning and organising. After all, how many organisers bring their own electric fence to keep the cows at bay. Anyone who missed this event can rectify this incomprehensible error by coming to the local C5 event on 20th September.

1998 DVO BOF Ranking Positions up to May

W21		M35		
3	Kim Buckley	3982	81 Dave Chaffey	3100
29	Sal Chaffey	3338	89 John Malley	3036
76=	Ann Marie Priston	2975	101 Steve Kimberley	2967
97	Michelle Mackervoy	2776	M40	
W35		29 Paul Addison		3481
8	Val Johnson	3726	45 Ian Whitehead	3330
58	Sue Russell	2946	54 Paul Armstrong	3248
76	Kath Whitehead	2712	72 John Hurley	3125
W40		88 Steve Kimberley		3048
77	Jayne Malley	2840	95 Graham Johnson	3020
W45		210 Robert Shooter		2511
42	Viv Macdonald	3214	M45	
52	Liz Godfree	3083	20 Paul Armstrong	3679
65	Ann Armistead	2970	51 John Hopper	3375
76	Judy Buckley	2862	98= Mike Godfree	3137
W50		140= Neil Cameron		2968
1	Judy Buckley	4096	192 Stuart Swallow	2799
14	Helen Finlayson	3686	194= Randal Macdonald	2793
35	Liz Godfree	3348	M50	
68	Jennifer Gale	2930	3 Steve Buckley	4041
69	Margaret Keeling	2929	44 Doug Dickinson	3428
M21		119 Rex Bleakman		2962
13	Al Buckley SHUOC	3853	160 Andy Hawkins	2829
31	John Duckworth	3584	203 Dave Skidmore	2670
47	David Godfree EUOC	2597	206 Derek Gale	2664
95=	Chris Bourne	3173	228 Neil Forrest	2597
126	Dave Chaffey	3079	M55	
164	Dougie Dickinson	2949	29 Ted Smith	3394
267	Dave Clough	2643	39= Dave Walker	3269
270	Mike Jubb	2632	75 Dave Tryner	3021
112	Barrie Stephens	2801	126 Keith Langhorn	2660

Long Distance Footpath Relay – 20th June

DVO Performances.

DVO Kites listed before DVO Kestrels even where the latter did a faster time than the former. The number following the time shows the overall position of the team following that leg of the race. Anyone wanting a copy of the full results, contact Newstrack Editor.

Leg 1 - Peak Forest – Mam Nick

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| 2. Paul Armstrong | 22.27 - 2 |
| 11. Stuart Swalwell | 29.02 - 11 |

Leg 2 – Mam Nick – Rushup Edge

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|--------------------|------------|
| 3. Paul Armstrong | 13.31 - 1 |
| 11. Katie Swalwell | 20.55 - 11 |

Leg 3 -Rushup Edge–Bowden Bridge

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| 4. Steve Buckley | 36.35 - 4 |
| 9. Val Johnson | 43.31 - 11 |

Leg 4 Bowden Bridge – Snake Pass

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| 6. Neil Addison | 46.07 - 4 |
| 10. Graham Johnson | 51.35 - 10 |

Leg 5 – Snake Pass – Alport Bridge

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|-----------------|-----------|
| 6. Andy Jackson | 60.51 - 4 |
| 8. John Hopper | 64.08 - 8 |

Leg 6 – Alport Bridge – Edale

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|-------------------|-----------|
| 5. Andy Mackervoy | 44.09 - 4 |
| 9. Dave Brodie | 48.56 - 9 |

Leg 7 – Edale – Townhead

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|------------------|-----------|
| 2. John Hurley | 39.46 - 4 |
| 11. Judy Buckley | 55.25 - 9 |

Leg 8 – Townhead – Castleton

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|--------------------|-----------|
| 2. Steve Kimberley | 30.14 - 4 |
| 11. Judy Buckley | 55.25 - 9 |

Leg 9 – Castleton – Peak Forest

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|-----------------------|-----------|
| 6. Michelle Mackervoy | 34.26 - 4 |
| 8. Stuart Humphris | 36.16 - 9 |

Leg 10 – Peak Forest- Dalehead

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|---------------------|------------|
| 9. Daniel Kimberley | 20.28 - 4 |
| 11. Fern Malley | 29.59 - 10 |

Leg 11 – Dalehead – Wyedale

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|------------------|-----------|
| 8. Paul Addison | 39.46 - 4 |
| 4. Brian Denness | 35.57 - 9 |

Leg 12 – Wyedale – Sterndale Moor

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|-------------------|-----------|
| 5. Paul Addison | 29.34 - 4 |
| 11. Viv Macdonald | 37.39 - 9 |

Leg 13 – Sterndale – Earl Sterndale

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|---------------------|-----------|
| 10. Emma Whitehead | 19.59 - 4 |
| 2. Ranald Macdonald | 13.54 - 9 |

Leg 14 – E. Sterndale - Hollinsclough

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| 10. Teige Malley | 19.23 - 4 |
| 11. Erin Malley | 27.54 - 10 |

Leg 15 – Hollinsclough – Axe Edge

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| 4. Rex Bleakman | 28.58 - 3 |
| 11. Jayne Malley | 61.32 - 11 |

Leg 16 – Axe Edge – Goytsclough Q

- | | |
|------------------|------------|
| 7. Dave McGivern | 26.07 - 3 |
| 6. Paul Wright | 25.34 - 11 |

Leg 17 – Goytsclough - Lamaload

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| 7. John Malley | 35.57 - 5 |
| 10. Kath Whitehead | 41.58 - 11 |

Leg 18 – Lamaload - Taxal

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| 10. Steve Mead | 42.14 - 6 |
| 8. James Allen | 41.27 - 11 |

Leg 19 – Taxal – Chapel Station

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| 6. Sian Meads | 35.23 - 6 |
| 8. Liz Godfree | 37.16 - 11 |

Leg 20 – Chapel – Peak Forest

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| 8. Ian Whitehead | 41.46 - 6 |
| 10. Mike Godfree | 49.35 - 11 |

Finishing Teams

1. Holme Pierrepont RC - A	9 hours 45 minutes 47 seconds
2. Hallamshire	10 hours 18 minutes 17 seconds
3. NOC - A	10 hours 45 minutes 32 seconds
4. WCH	11 hours 04 minutes 55 seconds
5. SYO	11 hours 06 minutes 18 seconds
6. DVO Kites	11 hours 07 minutes 31 seconds
7. South Wolds School	11 hours 46 minutes 47 seconds
8. NOC - B	11 hours 58 minutes 47 seconds
9. Holme Pierrepont - B	12 hours 10 minutes 45 seconds
10. Sandhurst Joggers	12 hours 58 minutes 59 seconds
11. DVO Kestrels	13 hours 16 minutes 23 seconds

Summer League

Allestree Park - 5th June 1998

		Total	Time Taken		
Line Event - Men				Light Green Course	
1. James Allen	70	44:02	1. Adrian Boyes	36:40	
2. Steve Kimberley	70	43:20	2. James Allen	43:29	
3. Adrian Boyes	65	46:25	3. Tony Seaston	44:37	
4. Paul Wright	60	40:34	4. Ruth Johnson	48:15	
5. Andy Mackervoy	45	45:30	5. Kate Johnson	51:33	
6. Mike Godfree	40	41:24	6. Hilary Johnson	53:33	
7. Andy Kempton	30	42:44	7. Janice Allen	72:15	
8. Graham Johnson	0	41:22	(couple missing)		
9. Rob Shooter	-70	58:00	White Course		
Line Event - Women				1. Thomas Wright	14:42
1. Val Johnson	30	44:10	2. Simon Wright	15:42	
2. Liz Godfree	20	35:00	3. Daniel Kimberley	16:44	
3. Michelle Mackervoy	-30	52:00			

Sorry about the rain. Hope you enjoyed your first Map Memory/Line/Score event. The controls that caught people out by being just off line were on line 1 placed in the niche on the small knoll near the lake and going back up the hill the control was in the middle of the vegetation while the line went down the edge. Nearly everybody was caught out on line 2 by the control on the path near the knoll. The route went to the knoll, so you should not have been on the path, and the other false control was on a stream junction which you should have just missed.

Mike Gardner

Drum Hill - 12th June

Line Event 3.9Km

1. Mike Godfree	52-17+ 15 = 67-17
2. Mark Thomson	54-50+ 15 = 69-50
3. Val. Johnson	63-12+ 10 = 73-12 (1)
4. John Hopper	63-18+ 10 = 73-18
5. Steve Kimberley	59-08+ 15 = 74-15
6. Michelle Mackervoy	61-43+ 15 = 76-43 (2)
7. Liz. Godfree	65-29+ 15 = 80-29 (3)
8. Andy Kempton	67-19+ 15 = 82-19
9. Rob. Shooter	72-41+ 10 = 82-41
10. Christina Wright	71-29+ 15 = 86-29 (4)
11. Tony Seaston	85-42 + 15 = 100-42
12. Debby Wilkinson	87-15+ 15 = 102-15 (5)
13. Brian Denness	92-31 + 20 = 112-31
14. Dave Bennett	80-31 + 35 = 115-31

Yellow Course 2Km

1. Simon Wright	26-32
2. Thomas Wright	28-45
3. Daniel Kimberley	47-34
4. Amy Kimberley	50-33
5. Freya/Linda Boyes	51-55

Light Green Course 3.2Km

1. John Hurley	30-24
2. A. Boyes	38-53
3. Margaret Keeling	51-16
4. Roger Keeling	51-27
5. Ruth Johnson	56-59
6. Hilary Johnson	57-28
7. Kate Johnson	62-30
8. T. Kempton	68-58

Thanks to everyone who supported this event on the best evening of the week weather-wise. It makes it all worthwhile when you hear pleasant remarks about the courses. I'm sorry about the confusion as to which way round the line course went but I rather think it added to the competition, as there was less chance of catching someone up and being unable to pass them quickly and because of the high standard of navigation sorting the results was fairly straight forward. My apologies too for the high vegetation and very wet marshes. Having taped the controls in mid May, we've had a little rain since then.

The times on the line event were calculated as follows. Real time + 5 mins. for every omission and/or error.

Steve Buckley

Eckington - 19th June

Window Course

1	Ian Whitehead	37.00
2	Mike Godfree	41.15
3	Dave McGivern	41.58
4	John Hopper	42.47
5	Steve Buckley	43.56

Paul Wright 81.59 missing No. 9
Jennifer Gale 65.19 missing No. 4 and 11

Yellow Course

1.	Daniel Kimberley	22.21
2.	Jody Faulkner	24.00
3.	Joanne Brentnall	26.06
4.	Simon Wright	37.20
5.	Thomas Wright	39.28

Light Green

1.	Kath Whitehead	44.12
2.	Emma Whitehead	46.14

Shining Cliff – 26th June

Men

1. Steve Kimberley	45.22
2. Rob Shooter	69.55
3. Mike Godfree	71.15
4. Paul Nutall (POTOC) X 2	89.24
5. Derek Gale X 2	127.00
6. John Heppell X2	142.00

Graham Johnson, Steve Buckley

John Hopper all retired

Women

1= Val Johnson	47.30
1= Roz Clayton	47.30
3. Judy Buckley	57.27
4. Michelle Mackervoy	54.30
5. Jennifer Gale X 2	123.00
6. Liz Godfree X 2	136.48

Christina Wright retired.

Light Green

1. John Hurley	28.40
2. Ruth Johnson	37.00
3. Kate Johnson	45.00
Rtd. Hilary Johnson	

White

1. Simon Humphris	14.10
2. Ben Humphris	15.10
3. Daniel Kimberley	19.50
4. Simon Wright	20.10
5. Thomas Wright	22.00

This was a contour-only event. Those who opted to run the same course but with the substantial advantage of a 5-colour map had their times doubled. I thought as I struggled to find anything remotely resembling a kite deprived of paths, streams, rock features that this was too generous a penalty but the results proved me wrong. Some of us had good excuse for not concentrating. It's not easy to find controls when your body's in Shining Cliff but your mind's three miles away sunk in an armchair waiting for England -v- Columbia. When the rain set in some of us – well me and Hilary - took the easy option and hared it back to the Finish in time to make it back home just in time to see Anderton smash the first goal into the roof of the net.

Thanks to the Chaffey's for this event, to which Roz Clayton travelled over 12000 miles, some sort of record I'd've thought.

Darley Park – 3rd July

Norwegian/Map Memory.

Men

1. Steve Kimberley	38.15
2. Mike Godfree	42.33
3. Brian Denness	43.17
4. John Hopper	48.27
5. Rob Shooter	52.08
6. Andy Kempton	53.43

Light Green Course

1. Dave Walker	31.01
2. Ruth Johnson	43.11
3. Hilary Johnson	46.00
4. A West	48.01
Ret'd: Thomas Kempton	
Kate Johnson	

7. Dave Bennett	71.01
8. Derek Gale	77.17
Paul Wright – missing 16	
Dave Tryner – missing 14 & 15	

Women

1. Liz Godfree	47.22
2. Val Johnson	53.29
3. Judy Buckley	62.41
Jennifer Gale - missing 15 & 16	
Liz Tryner – missing 16	
Helen Finlayson – retired	

White/Yellow

1. Matthew Villiers	13.57
2. Robert	14.48
3. Chris & Peter	16.33
4. Colin & Harpreet	18.47
5. Joy Hopper	21.37
6. Simon Wright	25.51
7. Thomas Wright	26.51
8. Daniel Kimberley	27.45
9. Sam & James	41.55

For remaining Summer League Events, please see the details in the centre page fixture spread.

Summer Wednesday evening runs

As every summer, we give our usual hosts a break and explore some old favourites and new ground. Why not come along, there is usually someone to run with, a natter, a cup of tea and a pub to visit afterwards. For more detailed directions ring the host or me, Mike Godfree on 01332-515862. Meet 7 p.m. except 15th July at 7.30 p.m.

July 15 th	Malleys, Croft Cottage Ilam (turn in in front of the school). NOTE 7.30
July 22 nd	Johnsons, 12 Chevin Road, Belper (back road from Milford). Alport Heights or bust.
July 29 th	Rex Bleakman, Etwall, Scout Hut at end of Lawn Avenue, take old road into village, 1 st left by speed limit, 1 st right, left and right (?) at far end.
August 5 th	Robert Shooter, Rose Cottage, Cat & Fiddle Lane, West Hallam
August 12 th	John & Ann-Marie's, Crich. Park in Market Place please. Ring for more details.
August 19 th	Karen & Andy Jackson, Home Farm Close, off Green Lane, Ockbrook (01332 - 668571)
August 26 th	Keelings, New Road Farm, Whatstandwell. Going north on A6, after crossing river, turn sharp left up the hill. On left where gradient eases.
September 2 nd	Open to offers
September 9 th	Normal service resumes at Buckleys (committee meeting, again!)

DVO ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – Wednesday, 30th September 1998

After a couple of meetings at the King's Head, we revert to a more formal venue for the AGM, i.e. Belper Sports Centre. The AGM will start at 8.15 pm to allow for a run or swim, and getting changed, beforehand. If you dig back in your archives to Newstrack October 1997 (what do you mean, you throw them away), you will find a copy of last year's minutes, but I dare say there will be copies available on the night. As ever, all members welcome and, indeed expected.

DVO Coaching Weekend Away

17th and 18th October 1998

BOF are organising a coaching weekend in the Southern Lakes this weekend, which is open to all BOF members but which caters for all ages. A BOF coach will organise training both days which will be on the Twin Peak areas of Simpson Ground and High Dam. I don't have any info about cost yet. Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Accommodation may be organised for a DVO group. Anyone interested should get in touch with Ann Marie Priston on 01773 856824 as soon as possible.

VAL'S BIT

White Rose Campsite

As mentioned by Graham (at some length) in the last Newstrack there will be no official campsite at this year's event so at the open meeting it was decided that we would try to find an alternative DVO site so that some of the spirit of this holiday event could be retained. I have contacted a site at Rosedale Abbey which is about 5 miles north of Cropton and seems to be suitable having showers and toilets among a number of other symbols. Please contact the site direct to book your place and mention my name if you want to camp with the rest of DVO.

The address is : Rosedale Caravan and Camping Park,
Rosedale Abbey, nr Pickering.
Tel. 01751 417272

LAKE DISTRICT 5 DAYS

I have the offer from WCH to share floor space at Coniston Village Hall, they are struggling to find enough takers from their own members. Facilities include a kitchen with fridge, toilets and a shower. If you are interested please contact Gary Longston on 01889 5833944.

SCOTTISH 6 DAYS/ WORLD CHAMPS 1999

The accommodation booked is now full.

3 TRIGS 1998

I cannot imagine who came up with the idea of an extended training run that would visit the trig points at Alport, Crich and Black Rocks, but you do seem to like it and so it is with great delight that I am pleased to announce that the 3rd Annual 3 Trigs Run will take place on Sunday 6th September.

We will start, as in previous years from The Bear at Alderwasly, in groups of similar ability with the slower runners starting at about 8.30am and subsequent groups thereafter at 15 /30 minute intervals depending on demand. The aim is to finish at around mid-day so that we can recover sufficiently before eating.

Maps will be available for anyone not familiar with the footpaths between the trig points but don't be worried if you are not sure where to go as the groups tend to stick together.

The Pub has kindly agreed to us using their campsite facilities – toilets and showers. Food is also available after the run – Sunday Lunch was particularly good last time, but bar meals can be ordered.

Give Val a ring if you want to run and need a group otherwise just turn up about 8.30 and fit in with whoever else turns up – see you there.

P.S. Volunteers are needed to take drinks to Crich and Black Rocks to save us carrying them around – any offers?

DVO Schools Event @ Shipley Park – Saturday, 3rd October

DVO are staging an orienteering event especially for school groups on Saturday 3rd October at Shipley Country Park, Heanor. Start times from 10.30 – 12.30. There will be 3 courses ranging from White to Orange aimed primarily at children aged from 8 upwards. Children may attempt as many courses as they like for a single fee of £1 which includes the map. In addition to the formal courses there will be a map walk for those who need an introduction to the skills of map reading. Advice will be available from qualified coaches and other experienced orienteers.

Anyone who has a connection to a Derbyshire school and can raise an interest in this event, please give an indication of likely numbers to the organiser, Val Johnson on 01773 824754 (evenings) or at 12 Chevin Road Belper, Derbyshire.

This would be an ideal training opportunity for the British Schools Orienteering Championships, which this year is being held on Cannock Chase, Staffordshire on 15th November. No qualification is needed to enter this event other than having previously attended recognised orienteering events. For more details about the British Schools contact the Entry Secretary, David Schofield on 01785 604472.

Sports Personality of the Month

The changeover between Leg 19 and 20 of the Long Distance Footpath Run was at Chapel en le Frith South station. This station, miles from Chapel itself sees the occasional train to and from Buxton so an award must go to **Sian Mead** who timed her run to such perfection that not just one but two trains were in the station, one drawing out and one very slowly pulling in. This left Ian Whitehead having to mark time for almost a minute before he could cross the line and start his leg. It is understood that Ian will be writing to the Rail Regulator in due course.

Junior Section. **Alex Whitehead**, having got lost on his M10 course at the British Champs, stopped and asked his way from someone whom he described as being a man on a bike with some maps. Well, if you are lost, there's one person who ought to know where you are, and he's the event controller !

Honourable Mentions.

One control at the Darley Park Summer league event required a decision whether to run 1km. round the river to the south or 1km. round the river to the north. **Helen Finlayson** chose the north route, which coincidentally ran past her house where she decided to retire.

Kath Whitehead mistook Great Gable for a cloud – or was it the other way round? – whilst on the Saunders. Could happen to anyone.

DVO in the Media Part 1

Viv Macdonald found fame suddenly thrust upon her as some cranky pressure group objected to Chesterfield Borough Council hiring a Punch and Judy Show on the grounds that it promoted wife-battering. (No doubt they also object to Santa Claus on the grounds that a pensioner should be allowed time off at Christmas and it's cruel to make reindeers travel such long distances). Suddenly the usual Chesterfield spokespersons could not be found and it fell to Viv to defend the Council's actions. The story even reaches the heady heights of Radio 2.

DVO Not-Quite-in-the-Media Part 2

Yours Truly attended the recently broadcast edition of 'Any Questions' from Allestree and was surprised/horrified to find that the question he'd scribbled for consideration was selected for broadcast. Thrust into the front row to await the thoughts of Ken Livingstone and Anne Widdecombe on the minimum wage, I sweated for 45 minutes before the producer realised his mistake and cut the programme thankfully short on seven questions before the eighth could be reached. Thus was fame's chalice struck cruelly from my lips and the BBC saved a massive public campaign for a lower licence fee.

The Kim Buckley Congratulations Spot. We say well done again to Kim who firmly re-established her No. 2 spot in the GB Women's Squad with second place at both Twin Peak World Cup Events in the Lake District at Spring Bank Holiday.

CompassSport Cup 1999. There will be a change of format this year with the first round being decided between several competing clubs at an event in the region, our region being the east of the country and the event in question being organised on 10th January in East Anglia. DVO is considering hiring (at least one) coach to take members to the event, the fare being subsidised. No details of the precise venue of the event at present.

Local Members. The cost of local membership is going up to £5.00. Local members are encouraged to join BOF; it is intended as an introduction to orienteering, a stepping stone, not a permanent status. A new category of membership is being introduced for those who leave the area, remain BOF members but who still wish to receive Newstrack. It is a fairly exclusive club at the moment – we can only think of the Shaws!

4th October 1998 – Strawberry Hill - will see the start of a new competition for juniors, an inter-club competition for the East Midlands with the winning club going through to a national final, so, if you're a DVO junior, make sure DVO has at least a sporting chance with a respectable turnout.

DVO hopes to map Catton, part of the National Forest. Where, I hear you ask. Well, it will be DVO's most southerly area, south even of Swadlincote.

New Year's Day Event. Despite the absence of a mention in the fixtures List, there will be a traditional New Year's Day event organised by Dave Walker, with Elvaston pencilled in.

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Summer League – Robin Wood Cancelled – 24th July. No access for Robin wood has been agreed so this is likely to be replaced by an event at Cromford using the permanent controls. Please check at Elvaston the week before or with the organiser, Tony Seaston.