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EDITORIAL

Well I'm afraid this is a sorry state of affairs as far as editorials are concerned. As you can see the Campbells are well and truly out of it! The idea is to come back in September when the season starts again so you better watch out cause the "Campbells are coming" (maybe!).

Please send in your articles/results from events. I'm sure you all like to see your name in lights when you've had a good run but we don't have any results as we are not competing at present. Hope to see you all in the Autumn!

Ed.

Deadline For August Newstrack Is 9th August

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DEAR ED

Dear Ed.

My apologies to John Hawkins in advance - this is a boring letter about putting on orienteering events, prompted by 2 things:

attending too many committees, where people seemed determined to make our sport even more complex for competitors and even more time-consuming for officials.

attending SYO and NOC events this year where they are trying to make life simpler.

You can guess which approach I prefer, so how can DVO reduce the effort required to put on an event? If we can find ways of doing this, could we put on more events?

Some quick ideas on this-:

fewer event officials who don't run. I prefer not to run at an event if I'm helping - as long as my turn doesn't come round too often.

continue to hold events through July and August while the weather's good.

exploit the wonders of OCAD for course-planning and controlling. All maps could be on disk. When needed the planner loads up the map and plots on the control sites, to produce the 'master event file'. From this the planner derives a master control description sheet, with descriptions related to map symbols. Courses are produced by linking together the relevant course sites. Master maps are produced directly from these courses, and control description sheets produced directly from the 'master event file', eliminating a lot of error-prone manual checking. Before you ask, no I couldn't write this system, and I know most people don't have PC's - now back to reality. (a digression - do the Ordnance Survey produce digitised map-extracts to use as base-maps? If not, why not?)

no on-the-day-results. I think many don't care about these if final results are sent quickly.

start when you are ready (= quicker registration). Don't get a start time at registration, just map and control card. The card and stub have a number (e.g. 246). When you are ready, go to the start where there is a 'holding area' where the start official gives you the next available start (e.g. 246 - 10.55 on blue), and writes this on the stub. Then go through the 'start mechanism' at -1 minute as normal. (I suppose the disadvantages is that an extra start official is required standing outside - not very enjoyable in bad weather).

minimise planning effort on crossing points, taped routes etc., even at the expense of course quality.

None of this is an implied criticism of DVO. For a club its size, I think DVO has always put events on very regularly, and of a high quality. I'm only indicating the direction I think we should go for local and colour coded events. Now John, I have this really exciting way of preserving shoe-laces so they don't rot. Take them out, soak them in lemon juice and baking powder for 3 hours then....what? Not interested?

Pete Jones.

Dear Ed.

Please pass on our congratulations to the Armstrong family on the birth of their son Robert on 17th April 1994.

Dear Ed.

The annual footpath relay around the Peak District was held on 18th June 1994. DVO submitted a team of 9 women and 11 men (including 3 juniors) and came 8th out of 12. Not bad against some very good top notch running clubs. A full report will appear in the next issue.

Paul

Dear Ed.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO ALL MEMBERS.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Derwent Valley orienteering club will be held at 8pm on the 28th of September at the Belper Sports Centre, Kilburn Road, Belper, Derbyshire.

Items for inclusion on the agenda are now required and should be submitted to the chairman.

All members of DVO are expected to attend.

The committee.

DVO SOCIAL DIARY

Friday 17th June

Treasure Hunt round Wirksworth

Starting between 6.30pm and 7.30pm from the Market Place

Kindly organised by Alan Morrison

Free (except for the pub afterwards!)

Friday 1st July

Club Championships on Stanton Moor followed by **social** at the Birchover Reading Room (opposite the Druid). Bring your own food and drink - it can be alcoholic providing we are discreet!!

Sunday 28th August

White Rose Weekend

Club Barbeque - details nearer the time

Friday 23rd September

An evening at **Derby Super Bowl** Foresters Leisure Park, Sinfen Lane, Derby (Tel 0332 270057):-

6.45pm - 7.15pm - arrive and prepare!
7.15pm - 8.15pm - game of ten pin bowling
8.30pm - 8.50pm - game of Quasar
9.00pm - ??? - meal in the restaurant

Total cost is £8.50 per person, which includes bowling, Quasar, shoe hire, admission, basket meal plus a glass of bubbly for adults or a small cola for children.

Deposit of £5 per person needed by **Monday 15th August**, with the balance payable on the night. Please see form enclosed with Newstrack.

Friday 28th - Sunday 30th October

Weekend in Amsterdam - a seriously social and non-orienteeing weekend.

Flying from East Midlands airport at 10.35am on Friday and returning at 7.55pm on Sunday (one hour flight).

Price includes - flight, rail fare from airport to city centre, three star hotel (bed and Dutch breakfast) and a free Floating Welcome Party (an evening canal cruise with cheese and wine).

Cost - with Amsterdam Travel Service - about £217 per person (excluding insurance). For every 16th passenger, one free place.

I now need to make firm bookings to guarantee places. Please could you let me have the form in Newstrack and deposit by **Friday 1st July** (the date of the Club Champs). The deposit is £25 per person plus insurance of £7 per person (this covers the usual baggage and medical insurance as well as loss of deposit or cancellation charges up to the total holiday invoice cost due as a result of cancellation because of illness or injury).

Sorry about all the form filling but I am a local government officer!

Viv Macdonald (0629 734307)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT TRAINING

7pm, All Welcome, Runs to cater for all abilities.

Venues

The Buckleys
253 Duffield Road
Allestree
Derby

The Wilkinsons
20 Castle Hill
Duffield
Derby

The Dates

The Buckleys : 2nd, 4th and 5th Wednesday of the month

The Wilkinsons : 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month

RECENT EVENTS

Wastwater 1st May

A lovely sunny morning saw the Gilligans heading towards a grid ref on the shores of Wastwater where Compass Sport had promised a colour coded event. It was a beautiful, if tortuous drive from Ulverston, especially towards the end where the sun sparkling on the steely waters of the lake made a wonderful contrast to the forbidding looking scree which were in deep shadow. There was no sign of an event at the given grid ref, but we spotted a few kites on the fellside so knew we were in roughly the right area. Eventually we turned round and went up another road, and there were a few cars parked and that was it!

There was one car for registration and map sales, manned (or personned - we must be politically correct!) by one official. Registration consisted of buying a map, stating which course you wanted and being given a control descriptions and a card. The card was the same for every course and had a stub at each end, one for results and one for safety, and it also had a question asking if you travelled alone to the event. On arrival at the start you wrote your own time on the card and one more helper checked and collected the stubs. There were about 3 people helping at the finish (no tent) and that seemed to be it. The results arrived promptly showing there were 204 starters on the Brown to Yellow courses.

Chris returned from registration grinning hugely; the lady had tried to charge him full price, assuming he was over 21, and when he said he was 16 the middle-aged man behind him (who was much shorter) said he was 15!

We have obviously been spoilt by East Midlands events, so didn't "go" en route and there were no loos. Worse than that, there were no trees, bushes, large rocks or walls near the start!! As I can't run with my legs crossed I walked the green course (4.1K) and was not much slower than when I run a similar distance.

Chris did the Blue - 5.0K with 265 m of climb. He was very pleased with his time of 63.23, but the Cumbrian opposition was too much and he just scraped a certificate time (28 out of 53), the winning time being 42.21.

The area was a narrow one by the side of the lake, sloping upwards, with lots of rocky bits and marshes. It was really pleasant after the tussocks of Crowden the previous week. All in all a very enjoyable event, run very efficiently with very few helpers and a minimum of equipment. (shame about the lack of loos though)

Lynette Gilligan

DVO Open Meeting 8th June

The DVO Open Meeting was held at Belper Sports Centre on 8th June. The following are some of the topics discussed:

1. Due to the Chatsworth badge event doing better than planned it now looks as if the club will make a profit of around £1,500 this year. However, there are a number of mapping projects underway which will need to be financed shortly.
2. DVO plan to host a Silver Anniversary event based on Alderwasley Hall and Shining Cliff Woods on 18th September. The event will consist of White to Light Green courses along with a special Silver Anniversary course based on the 1:25,000 map and course as used at the 1969 event. It is hoped to provide some form of mementos to winners and spot prizes.
3. It is hoped to organise the DVO summer relays at Drum Hill this year, rather than Cromford (as everyone was getting to know the routes). This event is very informal with teams picked based on those who turn up on the day with the aim being to have all of the teams finishing close together. The date has yet to be arranged but keep your eyes open and everyone is welcome.
4. The meeting discussed the future events program until 1997 when DVO are scheduled to host part of the British Relays weekend. The discussion centred around whether DVO should try and host 1 or 2 badge events a year and what standard those events should be. The consensus seemed to be that we should try and manage about 3 badge events every 2 years and that they should be of a good quality.

It would be interesting to know what peoples views are on whether badge events must have pre-marked maps, top quality areas, etc.? Would you prefer a lower quality badge event or a high quality club event (maybe with a Black course)? Write to Newstrack with your views or let any of the committee members know what you think.

5. The meeting also identified the need for new officials at this years AGM, as both the secretary and treasurer have to step down. Obviously all posts are open to re-election anyway, but these posts must find recruits. Anyone interested, please contact committee members.

The DVO AGM is scheduled for the 2nd Wednesday in September. Keep your eyes open for further details of date, time and venue in the next Newstrack.

6. The meeting discussed whether it was feasible to purchase a computer to assist DVO members in jobs such as Newstrack editor, treasurer, secretary, mapping with OCAD and for use at the finish of major events. It was decided that the amount of movement required and relative costs did not support the need to purchase a computer at this time. However, the meeting did agree to purchase software for a new version of the OCAD mapping software and a control description software for planners.
7. The meeting discussed the problem of the Wednesday night group being considered a clique and how we could get others involved in the club. It was agreed that we did need to improve communication to members through better use of Newstrack and the Notice Board. It was also felt that we need to replace the stolen DVO banner to provide a focal point at events for DVO members.

Other suggestions included having a committee member on registration at events who can introduce new members to others at events, having some form of 'mentoring' where a new member is allocated to an existing member who can provide them with information, introductions, support, etc.. if the new members want this sort of information. It has been suggested that some people don't like the idea of turning up at someone's house for the Wednesday runs. We have therefore scheduled a number of runs this summer from carparks around the area.

We would be interested in any feedback from members on what they require from the club and how we can help them get more involved (if they wish to). Let one of the committee members know or write to Newstrack with any suggestions that you have.

SUMMER LEAGUE

The six events so far have been very successful and overleaf are the results to date with Graham Johnson desperately trying to catch up with Steve Kimberley and lead the table like the rest of his family!

There are still five events to go and the aggressive handicapping will continue to keep the league close right until the last event. The following are the remaining events to keep your skills honed. (Starts will be between about 6:30pm and 7:30pm).

FRIDAY	VENUE	ORGANISER	TELEPHONE
24 June	Alfreton Park; a map so new that the ink is still wet (at least it actually exists now!)	Dave Clough	0773-520229
1 July	Stanton Moor; this is the Club Champs and those entering at least one other Summer League event will have points included from these Champs in the Summer League totals.	The Johnsons	0773-824754
8 July	Robin Wood; a wooded area south of Derby (although I believe it is being chopped down so fast that colour-blindness in reading maps will not be a problem!) which we have not used for some time.	John Hopper	0332-703830
15 July	Shining Cliff; Venue of many recent high quality events - get to know it a bit more before trying to use the black and white map later this year!	Roger and Margaret Keeling and Nick Sibley	0773-852991
22 July	Allestree Park; the culmination of the league. The final nail-biting decider before taking off for the summer holidays.	Christina Wright	0773-856387

Each evening will have an adult event and a junior event. Entries will be 50p for adults and 25p for juniors. The event scoring continues to be such that running speed and orienteering skill sometimes have little (or no) significance on the final results! I reserve the right to adjust the scoring mechanism at any time to ensure a close competition right to the last event.

There is still plenty of scope for use of your Joker to upset the results. Each runner can play a joker at any, BUT ONLY ONE, event in the league. Use of the joker must be declared BEFORE the start and will double the points received.

Jeremy Court

DERWENT VALLEY ORIENTEERS - 1994 SUMMER LEAGUE

	ONE			TWO			THREE			FOUR			FIVE			SIX			SEVEN			EIGHT			NINE			TEN			ELEVEN			TOTAL
(Jokers Played)	Oakwood			Drum Hill			Matlock West			Chesterfield			Sinfen Moor			Matlock East			Alfreton Park			Stanton Moor			Robin Wood			Shining Cliff			Allestree Park			
Points from 20 to 1	Posn	Pnts		Hcap	Posn	Pnts	Hcap	Posn	Pnts	Hcap	Posn	Pnts	Hcap	Posn	Pnts	Hcap	Posn	Pnts	Hcap	Posn	Pnts	Hcap	Posn	Pnts	Hcap	Posn	Pnts	Hcap	Posn	Pnts				
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Steve Kimberley	3	18	45%	1	11		27%	5	12	29%	Org	14	36%	3	12	29%	3	13	32%												78			
John Hopper	5	16	40%		11	6	15%	15	5	13%	6	13	33%	6	11	27%	4	25	31%												76			
Graham Johnson	2	19	46%	6	8		20%	6	12	30%	3	13	31%	11	7	17%	7	12	29%												76			
Mike Gardner	Org	20	50%	2	10		24%	4	13	32%				1	14	34%	1	13	33%												69			
Jeremy Court	1	20	50%	Org	10		25%	1	15	38%				2	12	30%	7	10	25%												67			
Robert Shooter	11	20	25%	9	9		23%	14	6	14%				6	13	32%	9	8	20%												56			
Mike Godfree	4	17	43%	4	10		24%	11	8	19%				Org	16	41%	14	4	10%												55			
Ian Whitehead							3	18	45%	2	10	26%					5	24	30%												52			
Chris Godfree							2	38	48%				Org	11	26%																49			
Ray Dickinson	5	16	40%	15	4	9%	16	5	11%	8	12	29%				11	7	18%													43			
Chris Johnson	7	14	35%	5	10		26%			7	10	26%	14	5	13%																40			
Peter Jones							7	14	35%	1	13	33%				12	12	15%													39			
Ronald Macdonald				7	14	35%				4	11	28%	9	9	22%																34			
Derek Gale							10	11	28%	11	7	18%	10	9	23%	15	5	12%													32			
Roger Keeling	12	9	23%	10	2	4%	13	8	19%	9	10	24%				16	4	9%													32			
Paul Wright	9	12	30%				12	6	16%				7	12	26%																30			
David Hobbs	10	11	28%	18	4	5%							13	8	16%	13	6														29			
Russel Buxton	13	8	20%	16	4	10%	17	4	9%	12	8	20%	15	5	12%																29			
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Dave Clough	8	13	33%				9	8	20%																						21			
Tony Seaton				17	4	10%				10	10	25%	12	7	17%																21			
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Dave McGivern				10	11	28%	17	3	7%							17	4														18			
Mike Smithard																5	16														16			
Phillip Sands				8	13	33%																									13			
Martyn Hodgson							8	13	33%																						13			
Nick Sibley							17	4	10%	12	8	20%																			12			
Simon Ford																9	12														12			
Mike Luxton				11	10	25%																									10			
Kevin Price				13	8	20%																									8			
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	6 May	13 May	20 May	27 May	3 June	10 June	24 June	1 July	8 July	15 July	22 July	
<i>Val Johnson</i>	3 36 45%	2 10	26% 5 12	30% 1 14 35%	3 12 29%	2 13 34%						97
Kim Buxton	1 20 50%	3 9	23% 1 16	39% 4 10 26%	1 15 37%	5 10 25%						80
Margaret Keeling	2 18 48%	8 7	17% 3 15	37% 2 12 30%		10 8 19%						60
<i>Ann-Marie Priston</i>		9 12	30% Org 14	35%	2 12 31%	6 21 26%						59
Viv Macdonald		7 14	25% 4 11	28% 5 12 29%	4 12 30%	9 8 21%						57
<i>Christina Wright</i>	4 17 43%	1 12	29%	6 11 27%		12 13 16%						52
Emily Hopper		5 16	40% 6 9	23% 8 10 25%	6 11 28%	14 5 13%						51
Jenny Hopper		6 15	38% 6 9	23% 8 10 25%	6 11 28%	14 5 13%						51
Liz Godfree		4 17	43% 5 9	23% Org 15	39%	7 9 22%						50
Kath Whitehead			2 19	48% 3 9	24%	1 15 38%						44
Jennifer Gale				7 14	35%	5 10 26%	11 7 19%					32
Helen Finlayson						3 18 45%						18
Claire Gale						3 18 45%						18
Helen James						8 13 33%						18
Judy Buckley		10 11	28%									11
Liz Taylor						13 8 20%						

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TECHNIQUE TRAINING DAY AT CROMFORD 21st May 1994

It was on an early summer's day, Saturday the 21st May, I recall, that we brave, brave few gathered at Black Rocks - prompt at 10am - to further hone our already razor sharp orienteering skills.

Having successfully located the first control, Black Rocks Car Park, visitors centre and toilets (closed), we set about unloading the necessary gear from Ranaid and Viv's mobile four star hotel and tea shoppe under the strict supervision of our two skilled tutors - Ranaid himself and Mike Godfree - and several assorted dogs.

Carrying the equipment, we hiked for several hours to our base camp high in the foothills. By this time, the steady drizzle of the earlier morning, which we had enjoyed so much, had turned itself into monsoon proportions, having all the appearance of lasting for the next couple of weeks. However, the DVO tent was quickly erected ("slot blue pole A into red pole B taking care not to dislodge the self locating automatic sprocket flange.....") and protected us whilst we studied the four courses which had been developed to both test and develop our advanced orienteering skills such as running on a compass bearing through an Amazonian rainforest, aiming off and running backwards between controls (because if you ran forwards you couldn't see a thing since the rain persisted in coming down in stairrods).

Despite the weather, which you may have gathered was a trifle inclement, we both enjoyed ourselves and learned a good deal. The four courses were skilfully laid out to demonstrate particular techniques and were reinforced by the tutors "shadowing" their nervous pupils.

Nick Sibley, having bravely disappeared into the downpour to test his "aiming off" skills to the limit, had difficulty finding any controls on Course 3; mainly because he did not realise that they had, by that time, already been collected up. Blaming his technique and a suspect compass, he arrived back at the car park in the early hours of Sunday morning, tired but happy and under the belief that 10 hours 23 minutes was still a pretty good personal best for a 2.6km course.

Many thanks to Mike and Ranaid for their efforts for what turned out to be a very enjoyable and instructive - albeit slightly damp - morning

Margaret & Roger Keeling

DVO SUMMER LEAGUE

THE SUMMER LEAGUE 1994 - A RUNNING COMMENTARY

EVENT 1 - OAKWOOD - 6th May

If three years can be called a tradition, then the Summer League started with its traditional opening venue and organiser: Oakwood and Mike Gardner. What do you do when you've already had two events on the same street map to enliven the proceedings? You introduce one or two novelty features. Most people would have satisfied themselves with producing a mirror image of the previous map, but Mike, not satisfied that this would prove challenging enough, decided to go further.

In order to justify the mental contortions to be inflicted on each competitor, Mike claimed that control marking techniques were based on rallying. I never quite got to grips with the terminology, but there was something called "tuliping" (or was it dandelions) and something called herring-boning. This second technique was so beyond me that I had to delay my start by half an hour so I could hear Mike explain it four times as each new batch of unsuspecting innocents arrived. It seemed to involve following a line with other lines set at right angles on either side. If there was a line on the right hand side you went left or straight on and if there was one on the left hand side you went right or straight on (I think). However since we were running on a back to front map right was left and left was right anyway. Are you keeping up at the back? No? Well it was hardly surprising that some of us with no degree in Mental Gymnastics found this a little difficult to grasp after a hard week at work.

A novel feature of this year's summer league was the introduction of a Jeux Sans Frontieres Joker, although no-one has yet successfully explained to me how it works. One or two were foolhardy enough to try their luck on this first event and by coincidence spectacularly failed to capitalise on this gamble - didn't you Val and Robert?

Top Three Men at Event:

1. Jeremy Court
2. Graham Johnson
3. Steve Kimberley

Top Three Women at Event:

1. Kim Buxton
2. Margaret Keeling
3. Val Johnson

Top Three Juniors at Event:

1. Hilary Johnson
2. Adam Buxton
3. Ruth Johnson

EVENT 2 - DRUM HILL - 13th May

All Summer League events have their own individual twist to them, as do the minds of many of the organisers. The particular quirk is at least usually apparent before you actually start. The difference at this event was that no-one knew what handicap Jeremy Court had built in, only that there were two courses of identical length, 1, 2 or 3 k each.

Not wishing to settle for the easy option of just getting round each course as fast as I could without thought for the consequences, I spent most of my two courses trying to work out the connection. It seemed to me that I had a straight choice of either making the difference between my two times as great as possible or as little as possible. Since one option would involve me in a lot of sweat in flogging myself round Drum Hill as fast as poss., I opted for the easier second option.

My attention to these details may go some way to explaining why instead of copying down the 3k course, I unsuspectingly copied down the 2k. The two courses were identical for the first few controls so it was not until the third or fourth control and I'd spent several minutes looking for a depression where a gully was that the penny dropped. I eventually mugged a passing 3k competitor but even so it was still thirty minutes before I finished a course that should have taken twenty.

Nevertheless I kept to my plan and by dint of hiding behind a vegetation boundary managed to complete the second lap in - surprise, surprise - the same time as the first.

All this deviousness you will be pleased to hear was to no avail as Jeremy decided to base positions on the proximity to the average gap between the courses (I think). If only I'd thought of that.

First Three Men at Event:

1. Steve Kimberley
2. Mike Gardner
3. Steve Buckley

Overall:

1. Jeremy Court
2. Mike Gardner
3. Steve Kimberley

First Three Women at Event:

1. Christina Wright
2. Val Johnson
3. Kim Buxton

Overall:

1. Val Johnson
- 2= Christina Wright
- 2= Kim Buxton

First Three Juniors at Event:

1. Ruth Johnson
2. Kate Johnson
3. Adam Buxton

Overall:

1. Ruth Johnson
- 2= Hilary Johnson
- 2= Adam Buxton

EVENT 3 - MATLOCK WEST - 20th May.

If anyone ever wanted proof that orienteers are masochists, they only had to turn out to this event which attracted no less than thirty four competitors - the most so far this summer - to what is officially DVO's Grottiest Area on a night that was cold, wet and downright miserable.

This event was pretty much your average multiple choice map-memory back-to front format that summer league junkies have come to expect, with one or two - intentional? - oddities thrown in by Anne-Marie Priston. Such as the question asking you to identify the following IOF symbol from the blank space provided. Now that is sly.

Halfway round, following the map memory section, three or four of us arrived to pick up the map for the rest of the course only to find that, due to the unprecedented numbers, all that remained of the maps was a rather bedraggled wet scrap of paper. Well someone had to opt for extending their map-memory techniques, and I don't know whether you've ever tried navigating from memory on a back-to-front black and white photocopy but I wouldn't if I were you.

First Three Men at Event:

1. Jeremy Court
2. Chris Godfree - joker, 38pts!
3. Ian Whitehead

Overall:

1. Jeremy Court
2. Mike Gardner
3. Steve Kimberley

First Three Women at Event:

1. Kim Buxton
2. Kath Whitehead
3. Margaret Keeling

Overall:

1. Val Johnson
2. Kim Buxton
3. Margaret Keeling

First Three Juniors at Event:

1. Ruth Johnson
2. Hilary Johnson
3. Charlotte Langhorn

Overall:

1. Ruth Johnson
2. Hilary Johnson
3. Kate Johnson

EVENT 4 - BOLEHILL - 27th May.

This event was so mysterious that no-one actually knew where it was beforehand! All that we were given was a map reference leading inevitably to a pub - now it's not often that we visit a pub before the event - and a route map. Those who thought that this was simply an act of laziness on the part of a planner who wanted to leave things late in case he didn't get round to mapping the area were pleasantly surprised by Steve Kimberley's black and white OCAD-generated map of a beautifully runnable area perfect for evening events such as these.

My map memory techniques so finely honed after Matlock East were once again called into play. A tip for anyone intending to take part in a map memory event on a new area is to make sure you're the last off. That way you can pick off the controls as you catch up everyone else wandering blindly and haphazardly in search of dimly remembered features.

Bolehill may be brashing-free but it is not a large area and is entirely on a gradient, so any course of any length inevitably involves climbing that gradient several times in the course of an evening, especially if, like me, you have to keep going back to refresh your memory.

First Three Men at Event:

1. Pete Jones
2. Ian Whitehead
3. Graham Johnson

Overall:

1. Steve Kimberley
2. Graham Johnson
3. Jeremy Court

First Three Women at Event:

1. Val Johnson
2. Margaret Keeling
3. Kath Whitehead

Overall:

1. Val Johnson
2. Kim Buxton
3. Margaret Keeling

First Three Juniors at Event:

1. Ruth Johnson
2. Kate Johnson
3. Adam Buxton

Overall:

1. Ruth Johnson
- 2= Hilary Johnson
- 2= Adam Buxton

EVENT 5 - SINFIN MOOR PARK - 3rd June.

Another event, another new area. The Godfree went one better than Steve Kimberley with their full-colour OCAD-generated map, complete with individually mapped football pitches.

This event was billed as "Imperial O", but no further clues were given except that there would be a series of multiple choice questions. Perhaps this would be a test of our in-depth knowledge of mints or the last days of the Raj.

It turned out to be a test of our memories of imperial measurements and involved instant conversions of such quantities as £6 14s 3d into farthings. Well it's all right for walking computers like John Hurley but for mere mortals whose last contact with arithmetic without a calculator was in an O level exam twenty years ago, this was a case of taking pot luck with the two choices available.

By virtue of having turned up to every event I had by now crept into the top three following Bolehill, so the omens were not good. And lo, it came to pass that I plumbed even the subterranean depths of Drum Hill. In my attempts to find control 5, I came across

control 9 and, this being a Norwegian event, I (innocently) short-circuited the middle section of the course, arriving at the finish inside 18 minutes. Not bad for a 4k course. To avoid disqualification, I had to retrace my earlier steps until I found the correct fifth control and follow the course until I'd caught up with myself.

First Three Men at Event:

1. Mike Gardner
2. Jeremy Court
3. Steve Kimberley

Overall:

1. Steve Kimberley
2. Graham Johnson
3. Jeremy Court

First Three Women at Event:

1. Kim Buxton
2. Anne Marie Priston
3. Val Johnson

Overall:

1. Val Johnson
2. Kim Buxton
3. Margaret Keeling

First Three Juniors at Event:

1. Daniel Kimberley
2. Ruth Johnson
3. Adam Buxton

Overall:

1. Ruth Johnson
2. Hilary Johnson
3. Daniel Kimberley

There are still three events left in the Summer League after the Club Champs. So far over 50 DVO orienteers, men, women and juniors, have had a hugely enjoyable time on areas, old and new, throughout Derbyshire. There's still time to be one of them.

Graham Johnson

"QUOTES"

Quote of the Month 1

At the JK Relays, an elderly lady ventured into the DVO tent and enquired:

"Are you SLOW?"

"Yes!", we chorused as one.

Quote of the Month 2

Tony Berwick: "I'm off to the vet's in August".

Whatever did he mean?

Quote of the Month 3

Martyn Hodgson's verdict on Strines: "They've only mapped half the forest. The rest is on the floor."

Quote of the Month 4

An enquiry at Whitesprings: "Does "windblown area" mean that I'm going to get blown by the wind?"

Jobsworth of the Month

The POTO official who refused to reveal the whereabouts of the Swynnerton finish to Paul Wright, who only wanted to know so he could meet Christina and deposit the twins before his start.

Extracts from the Forthcoming Peak District National Park Bye- Laws Governing Behaviour on Access Land

To be borne in mind next time you're on Eyam Moor.

4. No person on the access land shall discharge a crossbow.
10. No person shall, without reasonable excuse, remove from...the access land any....dung.
13. No person on the access land shall, after being requested to desist by an Officer of the Board, cause to be made any noise so loud as to give reasonable cause for annoyance to any other person on the access land, by shouting, singing, playing on a musical instrument or by operating...a gramophone.

Don't say you haven't been warned.

Graham Johnson

COMING EVENTS

CROMFORD RELAYS at DRUM HILL

All welcome

DVO

Cromford Relays
AT DRUM HILL
Sun 14 August 1994

Venue - Drum Hill Scout Camp off old A61 at Little Eaton

Starting at 14.30

This is an annual event with the emphasis on fun open to all members regardless of ability

Teams of 5 with

- i no more than 2 M19/21/35 per team
- ii At least one woman per team
- iii At least one <M/W15 per team
- iv No more than one family member per team

8 legs consisting of 2 long (6 km)
3 medium (4 km)
3 short (1 km)

NB The short course will remain in Drum Hill Scout Camp and will be suitable for younger runners (<M/W10)

After the race has finished a barbeque will be held. Bring your own food drink and a barbeque if you have one.

The teams will be made up on the day and will be fixed to ensure equal strength teams. The organisers reserve the right to alter the formation of teams on the day as they see fit

DVO Booze 'O'

This prestigious event is planned for 29th July. It will hopefully be at Darley Abbey at 6.30pm. Teams of 2 for the big boys & girls event with a fun run for the younger ones. Those old enough drinking beer, others drinking the fizziest pop available. Please check nearer the time to ensure still on and venue details. (Phone Alex 0773822572).

FIXTURES

DATE	REGION/ CLUB	TYPE	AREA/GR	DETAILS
JUNE				
25th	DVO	Colour coded	Allestree	Joanne Armistead 0629 584947 (SK 352409)
26th	YH	Colour Coded	Pickering Forest	Viv Roberts 8 Hilbra Ave Haxby, York (0904 762310)
JULY				
2nd/3rd		Junior Inter-Regional		
17th	OD	Colour Coded	Burton Dassett, Northend (SP394520)	Pam King 41 Cliffe Way, Warwick (0926 499498)
23/24th		Capricorn Mountain Orienteering Competition	Caldbeck Cumbria	Special Entry form 4 Peel Place, Barrowford, Nelson BB9 6BE
24th	SYO	Score event	Eccleshall Woods, Sheffield (SK319835)	Sara Bradley, 103 Hadfield Street, Walkley, Sheffield, S6 3RS (0742 339493)
AUG.				
1-5th	SOA	World Veteran Championships	Strathspey	SPECIAL ENTRY FORM PO box 1, VWC'94, Nairn, IV12 4UE Organiser: Ken Davidson (0463 239511)
14th	FVO	11 Person Relay Event	South Achray forest, Aberfoyle (NS518028)	Derek Allison, 56 East Stirling Street, Alva, FK12 5HA, (0259 761310) CD 07.8.94) (£25.00 per team) SEF No EOD.
20-24th	Lake District	Lakeland 5 Day event	Various Venues in Lakes, all badge events	Sue Birkinshaw, 221 Hale Rd, Hale, Altrincham, WA15 8DN (061 980 5068) SEF required.
27-29th		White Rose Weekend	Levisham Moor, Pickering SE826915	White Rose 94, 8 Hilbra Ave, York, YO3 3HD, (0904 762310) SEF required Organiser: Brian Jones (0904 625151) CD (?) Fees (?)

SEPT				
11th	BL	National Event 6	Swindale NW, Haweswater (NY512165)	J. Roelich, 33 Moorville Drive South, Carlisle, Cumbria, CA3 0AW. CD 6.8.94, Fees £6/£2.50, SEF, No EOD Organisers : C&H Lates (0228 33600
17/18th	SW	Caddihoe Chase Weekend	17th Devon Badge Event - Crazywell, Tavistock (SX568694) 18th- Chasing Start (SX568694)	PC Tadd, 35 Woodmere Way, Kingsleighton, Newton Abbott, Devon, TQ12 3SU (0626 55891) CD 24.8.94, Fees £11/£5 for both days, SEF, organiser: Ted Clark (0803 863521)
24/25th	MDOC	Twin Peaks badge event weekend	Macclesfield Forest, Macclesfield, (SJ952715)	Kath Speak, Oakfield House, Wood Lane North, Adlington, Macclesfield, SK10 4PF. CD 7.9.94, Fees £5/£2.50 per day, £8.50/3.50 both days, SEF, EOD available.