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Thames Valley Orienteering Club Newsletter January 2006

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TVOC at Green Park

Training and Conference Centre



New Year Resolution Run!!

LIMITED COLOUR-CODED EVENT (C5 Local)

Sunday 8th January 2006

Using Manual Punching

Stablebridge Road, Aston Clinton, Bucks Map Ref. SP 888 115

Car Parking Tarmac car park, signposted from the B4009 (was A4011) between Wendover and Aston Clinton, and from the old A41 (not the by-pass) between Aston Clinton and Tring.

Map: 1:5,000, surveyed 2005. Maps pre-marked and bagged.

Terrain: Attractive, mature parkland with mixed wooded areas and water features.

Courses: White, Yellow, Orange, Light Green, Green & String.

Longer courses will have 2 or 3 loops.

Entry Fees: Seniors £3.50, Juniors £1.00, String Course free

Facilities: Toilets 400m from car park, next to colour-coded start.

Dogs: Bucks CC insist that NO DOGS are allowed anywhere in Green Park.

Registration: 10.30 - 11.40

Starts: 11.00 - 12.00

Officials: Planner: James Cunnane TVOC

Controller: Andrew Chalmers TVOC

Organiser: Liz Chalmers, TVOC, Tel: 01494 726928, Email: liz@a-chalmers.fsnet.co.uk

All competitors take part at their own risk and are responsible for their own and their children's safety.

BOC2006 and JK2006 Relays

The BOC Relay on Sunday 2nd April is being held just north of Midhurst, so is easily accessible from the TVOC area, and the JK Relay is at Bramham Park near Leeds on Easter Monday as usual. The websites are:

http://www.lifesci.susx.ac.uk/home/Neil_Crickmore/BOC2006

<http://www.jk2006.org.uk>

The closing dates for both Relays are in mid-March. If you want to run, please contact me before then.

Neville Baker, Club Captain, tel. 01865 771923 or. baker@physchem.ox.ac.uk

West Woods, Marlborough 15 January 2006 –

Local Event by new club North Wilts (NWOC)

Those who have run at West Woods before will remember very fast areas of mature beech. Recent selective felling has given the planner problems in avoiding areas where the runnability has been most affected - but I can assure you that his courses will provide the experienced with much fast off-track orienteering. An event suitable for all abilities - not to be missed!

Roger Baker, Controller

TVOC Champions 2005

These are based on the event at Ash Ranges on 13th November

W Super Junior	Hannah Thetford
M Super Junior	Martin Thetford
M Junior	Alastair Mogford
M Intermediate	Matthew Standell
M Open	Julian Birkinshaw
W Open	Alison Smith
W Veteran	Allyson Foord
M Veteran	Jim Prowting

W Super Veteran	Beryl Williams
M Super Veteran	Trefor Williams

Neville Baker

Although there was no official TVOC Intermediate Woman Champion at Ash Ranges, intermediate Anne Edwards won W21L by a substantial margin. Anne has been selected as one of the five-strong select team for the ISF World Schools Championships 2006 to be held in Pezinok, SLOVAKIA. Double congratulations, Anne!"

Roger Baker

Dearth of Volunteers

Do you, as a member of TVOC, ever pause to consider how events at which you compete come to be put on?

Each event needs an Organiser, a Planner and a Controller before it can even be registered. In addition, all sections of the event are taken care of by permanent Team Leaders who have members of the club assigned to them as helpers.

It is my task to find the main three officials. To be a controller takes time and requires a lot of commitment so I cannot pick a name haphazardly from the membership list. Being a planner needs some knowledge of orienteering courses but we have a group of seasoned planners who are willing to give advice and help to novice planners. To be an organiser requires some co-ordinating skills. Because TVOC operates a Team Leader system, there is not much pre-event work for the organiser. The event will have had the date fixed, the venue chosen and permission sought

already. Car Parking and the provision of loos are possibly the main 'in advance' arrangements for the organiser to make - quite a number of our venues have car parking and/or loos in situ. I always put an organiser in touch with the member who organised the previous event at a venue so they can discuss things.

I am becoming increasingly depressed at the unwillingness of members to have a go at organising an event. Why should I, or you, expect the same people to always volunteer especially if they live at some distance from the venue? The Team Leaders too are experiencing difficulties in getting different faces to help at events.

This is very much a sport run by volunteers. **If you haven't volunteered recently, maybe you'll soon find there are no local events in which to compete.**

Lyn Blackie

TVOC Champs again

An analysis of TVOC participation in the Ash Ranges Regional Event, which we used for our Championships.

Champ. class	Course	Number on Champ Course	Number on other courses
MEN			
Super Juniors [12-]	JM3 Orange	3	Nil
Juniors [14-]	JM4	3	Nil
	Lt Green	1	
Intermediates	JM5M:[18-]	1	Nil
Open M:	M35L (9.6)	1	3 M21L (11.2)
	M40L (9.6)	4	
Vet M:[45+]	M55L (6.5)	5 (+1)	3 M45L (7.7) 2 M 50S (5.3) 4 (+1) M50L (7.7)
	M60L (6.5)	1	
Super Vet [60+]	M65 (5.3)	6 (+3)	
WOMEN			
Super Juniors [12-]	JW3: Orange	2 1	Nil
	JW4: Lt Green	Nil	
Intermediate [18-]	JW5S:	Nil	1 W21L (7.7)
Open:	W35L (6.5)	Nil	2 W21 L (7.7) 1 W21S (5.3)
	W40L (6.5)	2	
Veteran: [45+]	W55L (4.4)	3	1 W45L (5.3) 2 W 50L (5.3)
	W60L (4.4)		
Super vet [60+]:	W65L (3.6)	4	Nil
	W70L (3.6)		

Course length in km given in brackets after each class

Number given as (+1) means entered but did not start

Conclusions:

1. In many classes the participation is so low that the kudos, which rightly accrues to a Champion, is devalued.
2. In the Open and Veteran classes folk do not like running a shorter course than their age group's, and so do not enter the Championship Course. There were just 17 competitors in these four Championship Courses, while 19 who were eligible ran on other courses.
3. Holding the Champs at a Regional event is therefore not a good idea. A colour-coded event is better as there is less choice.
4. Full participation can be achieved if a score event is used - everyone runs the same course and the best in any category is obvious. The trouble is that such events do not provide the most challenging orienteering.
5. Therefore I have been toying with the idea of a championship course which would combine normal fixed course orienteering within the time element of a score event: -
 - a. There would be a number of loops, each of 3 - 5 controls. The controls in any loop would have to be visited in a set order. Each loop would either start or finish in a central area where there would be additional controls.
 - b. These 'end controls' could, of course, be visited without having to 'do the loop'.
 - c. On the map, each leg of a loop would have an arrow on the line joining the controls. Missing out a control on a loop would result in disqualification. Punching at an additional control when 'on a loop' would not score points for that control.
 - d. There would be time penalties as is usual in score events.
 - e. The Start and Finish would not have to be in the 'central area'.
 - f. I expect that a modification of the Emit system would be required.

Is it worth exploring this idea further?

Roger Baker

TVOC tops - price slashed!

At the AGM, our treasurer announced that he had revalued our stock of TVOC tops, so the existing ones have had their price slashed by 50% and are now being offered at £8, with or without pockets.

Tops are available from "Information" at TVOC events, as are TVOC car stickers @50p, and various free handouts for you to use to try to persuade others to try our sport.

Roger Baker

Score events

Score events make a pleasant change from district and regional events, as they require additional skills in route planning, timing and, most importantly, knowing your own capabilities. It is our opinion, however, that the standard of planning is generally lower on score events than for normal cross-country events. We believe this is a result of the lack of adequate planner's guidelines. We have discussed what we think constitutes a good score event, and offer some suggestions.

1) Competitors should be informed at the event before starting of the total distance and height gain based on the planner's optimal route visiting all the controls, to enable them to estimate how many controls they can visit inside the time limit. Obviously, all other race information should also be available in advance (control values, descriptions, codes, and time penalties).

2) The values of controls need to be clearly explained on the description sheet and **instantly** recognisable, through self-identifying control numbers (e.g., Controls 10-19 get 10 points, Controls 20-29 get 20 points etc). Ideally, control codes and numbers should be the same.

3) The larger the number of different control sequences available, the better the score event is likely to be.

A start and finish location close together and near the centre of the competition area will increase the first and last control options, and control clustering, the choices throughout the course.

4) If the event involves a mass start, competitors should be allowed one minute before starting, to plan their route. Competitors heading off in multiple directions from the Start is indicative of a well-planned score event.

5) It should be **impossible** for anyone to visit all the controls within the allotted time. 80% for a

gold-standard M21 might be a good maximum; then, if Jamie Stevenson unexpectedly turns out, he still won't get them all! Perhaps the most important decisions on a well-planned score event are which controls to omit.

6) Technically very difficult or 'bingo' controls should be avoided. A 5-minute delay finding one control, where reasonably sound techniques have been used to locate it, can frustrate a finely judged route selection and ruin a competitor's run! If in doubt, hang 'em high!

7) And lastly, penalties should be such that it is impossible that a 'net gain' can be achieved by deliberately overrunning the time limit, e.g., 30 points per minute for a 10-30 score range.

We would welcome some feedback, as we would like to use the 'accumulated wisdom' to suggest to BOF a set of guidelines for score events, in order to encourage better planning.

We look forward to being delayed in the car park talking about route choice and the challenging nature of the event.

***Peter Riches, Mark Thompson
and Jim Prowting
with contributions from Roger Lott.***

An important advantage of score events is that they are easy to organise and plan and they can finish promptly. Most of the above is correct, if a little daunting to the organiser. One thing they got wrong is item 5. You can run a very good score event (e.g. the SCOA Score Championship, 2005), where many competitors visit all the controls. Comparison of the routes and times is then interesting. If you impose condition 5, then you need an unreasonably large area or a very short time period (e.g. Black Park, Summer Series), which spoils the event for slow runners.

John Last

Chiltern Challenge – 26 February 2006

In this issue you will find publicity for the upcoming Chiltern Challenge regional/ badge/ ranking event. It is TVOC's showpiece event and can draw up to 800 competitors. Last year with the inclusion of the 'Future Champions Cup' (national junior competition) and the 'UK Cup' the attendance topped 1200.

Mementos will be awarded to each class winner. The junior classes will be for 'A' courses. Additionally 'B' course M/W10, 12,14 will be included in the awards. The first TVOC junior to finish in an 'A' class who is not the winner will also receive a memento. Senior classes will count only the 'Long' courses.

It goes without saying that demands on helpers will be at a premium. Please note the date and keep it as clear as you possibly can. Nobody will

be excluded from having a run. Many of you reading this will already be members of set teams and you will be contacted in the New Year with regard to assisting. Anybody who is listed as a 'floater' or not yet allocated a team slot please don't feel left out. Just give me a call and I shall look after you.

The area has not been used for a major orienteering event over many years and some parts have never before been accessed. As parts of the area are listed SSSI we are indebted to the National Trust for steering the request through to English Nature for consent. The planner may impose restrictions or corridors in order to be considerate to the ecology.

Fred Ashford

TVOC Membership Report for 2005

Membership numbers are as follows:

No. of units

	Full Senior	Full Family	Full Group	Full Junior	Local Senior	Local Family	Local Group	Local Junior	Total
2005	81	48	-	6	2	10	10	1	158
Compared with previous years									
2004	78	58	-	7	8	11	10	2	174
2003	89	68	-	8	6	10	5	1	187
2002	94	63	4	9	7	8	1	0	186
2001	93	63	5	9	9	8	1	0	188
2000	91	66	7	15	11	15	1	1	207
1999	94	66	7	15	13	17	3	1	216
1998	90	71	4	20	20	20	3	1	229

No. of individuals - 2005

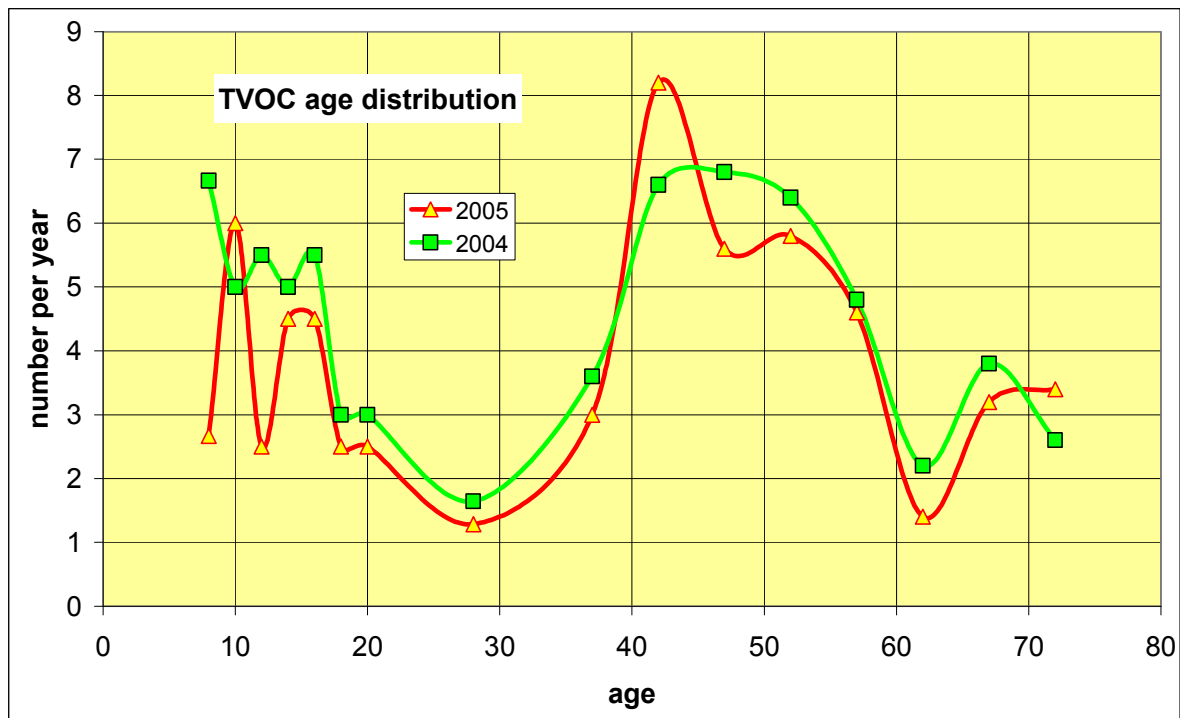
	9-	9+	11+	13+	15+	17+	19+	21+	35+	40+	45+	50+	55+	60+	65+	70+	Total
Men	4	5	1	6	3	3	3	10	9	26	16	19	18	6	10	13	152
Women	4	7	4	3	6	2	2	8	6	15	12	10	5	1	6	4	95
Total																	247
Compared with 2004																	
Men	8	3	6	6	3	4	3	11	12	26	17	19	16	9	12	10	165
Women	12	7	5	4	8	2	3	12	6	7	17	13	8	2	7	3	113
Total																	278
Earlier years	2003		2002		2001		2000		1999		1998		1997				
Membership	333		328		306		357		368		397		424				

As can be seen from the figures, membership has continued its downward creep this year. Combining full and local membership, we have lost 11 families, 3 seniors and 2 juniors (not part of family units).

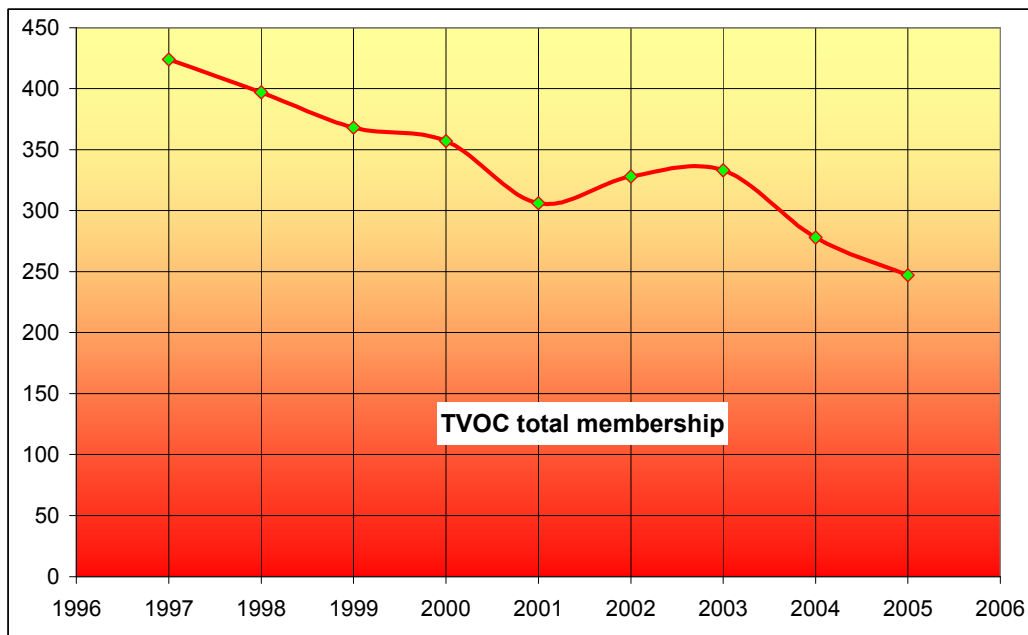
The number of individuals is down by 31 - 5 senior men, 5 senior women and 21 juniors (none of whom have moved up to senior).

We have to face up to the reality that we are not recruiting and/or keeping members.

Yvonne Hodson, Membership Secretary



Note: The number/year is (number in age group)/(years in age group). The area under the graph is the total membership



Note: This graph is better in colour, as it shows TVOC descending into the fiery depths

Burford School

Christmas 'Night Orienteering' and Party – Tuesday 13th December

It's what we all dream of doing at sometime within the club - a party night wrapped around our favourite pastime of orienteering. Merlyn brought this dream to reality at his school by organising a 'Night Orienteering' course around the school grounds followed by a Christmas Party for pupils and parents between ages 8 to 11 (pupils) and parents of uncertain ages (but decidedly younger than me).

Night orienteering is not to be recommended to young children of 8 to 11 years old unless well trained in what they should be doing and confident that their leader has everything under control. To witness Merlyn harness the enthusiasm of pupils and parents was a lesson in people management. I did not actually see him do anything but merely organise the resources he had brought together.

TVOC provided EMIT timing staffed by Yvonne and Barrie. Andrew, Liz, and myself controlled the flow of the start and finish aided by Tim Capron who is a past member of the school and now at Oxford University. All this was set in the school hall. Matt Standell, another ex-Burford pupil, proof read the courses and control picked later. Other helping TVOC families at the party were the Capron's and Salmon's. Jackie Pearson cajoled her offspring to produce the photos for the magazine.

The format used six circuits of the school grounds. Each circuit would exit the school hall through a door 'stage right' and return to collect the map for the next circuit through door 'stage left'. All the maps were overprinted. The best time was just over 12 minutes with others closing in within 25 minutes.

The end product was many enthusiastic and excited pupils eager to move on the next stage - food and crackers. Quite a few perspiring parents were still able to lend a hand with the party.

It is without question a way to involve younger children in the basics of orienteering and it is no surprise to us that Burford School has been the British Schools Orienteering Champions in their age group for the past 6 or more years.

On behalf of TVOC and the five of us present, I would like to thank Merlyn for the kind words he said about the club and of our involvement on the night and appreciate the gifts he gave us.



TVOC's new O suit is modelled at Burford party

Fred Ashford

Minutes of Club Meeting on 13th December 2005

Present: Colin Duckworth (in the Chair), Steve Stone, Neville Baker, John Last, Yvonne Hodson, Barrie Walmsley, Paul Greenough, Fred Ashford

Apologies: Lyn Blackie, Richard Sharp, Peter Riches, John Farren, and Mikhail Gryaznevich

1. Minutes of the Meeting

held on 11th October were agreed

2. Matters arising: None

3. Past Events

Kingswood Oct 05 – Went well, made a surplus of about £140.

Club Championships – Neville reported that it went OK, although a CC event is preferable. Open Champion is Julian Birkenshaw.

4. Future Events

General Reminders:

- **Organisers' Manual is on the web**
- **Organisers to update information on the TVOC, BOF and SCOA websites as required**
- **Flyers to be ready and distributed during preceding 3 months**
- **See that details of events are on the Home page of the Web site**
- **State clearly whether "SI dibbers" or "Emit bricks" are being used**
- **EOD notes should be given to cars on arrival**
- **Map size to be added to any flyer information**

Wendover 18th Dec 05 – Planner Brian Palmer, Controller Pete Riches, Organiser Gary Mills. No problems reported.

Green Park 8th Jan 06 – Organiser Liz Chalmers, Planner James Cunnane, Controller Andrew Chalmers. No problems reported.

Chiltern Challenge 26th February 06 – Bradenham & Parkwood. Planner Steve Long, Organiser Fred Ashford, Controller David May (SLOW). No problems reported.

Shotover District event 12th March 06 – Organiser Luke McNeil. Now only a day event, permission for a night event has been refused.

Compass Sport Cup 1st Round – Black Park 9th April. An organiser is desperately needed for this event. Barrie and Yvonne will handle entries.

Brill Common Jan 07. John Spence offered to hold an event on Brill Common, probably in Jan 07. Probable date now 14th Jan.

5. Officers' Reports

- **MAPPERS' REMINDER to tell Neville Baker BEFORE they start so that the area is registered with BOF and insurance cover**

provided.

- **Chairman** – Colin is still pursuing Clubmark, although it was noted that a BOF club coach is required.
- **Treasurer** – Not present
- **Club Captain** - NTR
- **Secretary** – NTR
- **Membership** – NTR
- **Fixture** – Paul discussed numerous dates for the next two years.

Possibilities are: (All provisional)

Coombe Hill – 4th June 06

Wycombe Abbey/Deangarden – September 06

Chalfont – 22nd October 06

Wendover – 17th December 06

Brill – 14th January 07

CC07– 4th February 07 Area to be decided.

Shotover – 1st April 07

Great Hampden – 3rd June 07

Hughenden Manor – 23rd September 07

Kingswood – 21st October 07

Wendover – 16th December 07

- **Registration** – Barrie reported that he is looking at buying a second hand generator.

6. Mapping -

Mark Thompson will start mapping Hughenden Park in December.

7. AOB.

Barrie, Fred, and Yvonne attended a junior event at Burford School. This was a success with 60+ children of varying ages taking part.

The meeting agreed with the purchase of a new tent.

Richard Sharp is still looking for a volunteer to take over the running of the club ranking list.

A possible date for next years Club Championship was discussed. This could be at BKO's CC event on 21st May.

8. Next Club Meeting,

21st February, then 28th March

Meetings are held at 8 pm at the Merry Bells, Wheatley.

Steve Stone

Highlights of SCOA committee meeting 13/12/05

The English Orienteering Council (EOC) is responsible for the home internationals when they are held in England. Each English region has a representative under the chairmanship of Jon Wheatcroft. It has recently become apparent that SCOA has not been represented for many years and so Allan Farrington is following this up.

SCOA has decided that its year of choice for organising the British Champs/British Relays is 2010 and so the search for suitable areas has begun.

There have been problems obtaining details of Southern Champions for 2004 and 2005 and many of the trophies now appear to be missing. This is a common theme every year that SCOA organises the event and suggestions are invited for removing this burden. One option is to have

new trophies each year that are retained by the winners, removing the need to trace and retrieve the current, permanent trophies. A list of previous winners could be held on the SCOA web site for those who wish to see who won the title before.

BKO have produced a record card for SCOA colour coded awards for individuals to track their success in progressing through the various colours. There was support at the meeting from club reps to produce a regional version for all clubs to use. Denise Harper is progressing this.

The SCOA AGM will be at 19:30 on 15/6/06 at Worthy Down, Winchester. There is likely to be the opportunity to run the permanent course on the Army base there beforehand.

Richard Sharp, SCOA fixtures secretary

Officials for forthcoming events

Green Park 08/01/06	Organiser	Liz Chalmers
	Planner	James Cunnane
	Controller	Andrew Chalmers
Bradenham 26/02/06	Organiser	Fred Ashford
	Planner	Steve Long
	Controller	David May

Shotover	Organiser	Luke McNeill
	Planner	Mikhail Gryaznevich
	Controller	Geoff Geere
Black Park	Organiser	NOT YET FOUND
	Planner	James Head
	Controller	Mike Pemberton

Lyn Blackie

TVOC 2005 Office Holders

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String	Lyn Blackie & family	01235 850795	jrdeblackie@supanet.com
Control Picking	Mark Thompson	01753 893590	thompson2@bp.com

Fixtures			This information is not guaranteed to be correct. Please check on web site or phone numbers given or answer-phones 0118 946 4354 (SCOA) or 0181 948 6056 (SEOA) before travelling. If no phone number is given, consider the event as doubtful
Key: C5 = Local, C4 = District, C3 = Regional, C2 = National, C1 = International, N = night, Sc = Score, Ox HW = distance from Oxford and High Wycombe in miles ("quickest" not "shortest" route)			
December 2005			
26th	SW S5	81 83	WIM Boxing Day Canter. Moors Valley Country Park, Ringwood. SU/124064. Kirsty Staunton, 01425-653629. £3.00/£1.00. EPS-SI. 11 am mass start. 1 hour score event. Registration from 10 am. http://www.wimborne-orienteers.org.uk/
26th	SE S5	72 45	LOK Boxing Day Score event. Trent Park, North London, London. TQ/289969. John Hardy, 020 8368 7182. £4.00/£2.00. EPS-SI. Entry Fee includes mulled wine. SI hire 75p. Car Park - Snakes Lane (opposite Oakwood Tube). http://www.londonorienteeing.co.uk/
27th	SE S4	94 70	SO Xmas Score Event. Sheffield Forest, Nutley. TQ/429269. Mike Baron, 01273 472824. £5.00/£2.00. EPS-SI. Parking £1.00. SO 24-hr Ansaphone - recorded event information 01903-239186. http://www.southdowns-orienteers.org.uk/
January 2006			
1st	SC S5	50 20	BKO, Score Event, Upper Star Posts, Reg. From 0945, punching start 1100, no facilities, £4/£1 + £1 Emit, Reg and Anne Parker 0118 9471344, www.bko.org.uk
1st	EA C5	123 97	SOS New Year's Day Novelty Event. Fordham Hall Estate, Colchester. TL/928286. Andrew Cordle, 07968 567529. £5.00/£2.00. EPS-SI. stragglers.info
1st	SW S5	73 89	NGOC New Years Day Score Event. Standish, Stroud. SO/838087. Alan Brown, 01242 580096. £3.00/£1.00. Mass Start 11.00. 1 Hour Score event. http://www.ngoc.org.uk/
1st	SW S5	71 78	SARUM New Years Day Score Event. Vernditch, Salisbury. SU/036200. Clive Masson, 01722 780995. £3.00/£1.00. EPS-Emit. Mass start 13:15. £1 Emit hire.. Dogs on lead in car park only. http://www.sarumo.org.uk/
2nd	SC	57 39	BAOC Aldershot long 'O' & MTBO, foot O 30k & 15k, MTBO 30k & 15k, EMIT, No EOD, Entry online at www.ntrees.co.uk , CD 22/12/05. £10 Senior, £4 Junior (incl EMIT hire). Organiser:Allan Farrington 0773 4455838 E-mail:allan@baoc.org.uk, details at http://www.baoc.org.uk/
7th	SW S5N	70 87	BOK Local Night Score Event & Western Night League. Silk Wood, Westonbirt, Tetbury. ST/855895. Ifor Powell, 0117 947 0229. £4.00/£1.00. EPS-SI. Start 1 hour after nightfall.
7th	SE C5	57 39	SN Limited District Event & AMS Ltd Junior League. Long Valley South, Aldershot. SU/830510. Paul Keeble, 01483 489868. £4.00/£1.50. EPS-SI. Y, O, LG & G. Dogs on leads in car park only. Starts 1000-1130. www.geocities.com/southern_nav
8th	SE C3	101 74	SAX Regional Event. Eridge, Tunbridge Wells. GR/370360. Organiser: Sarah Howes & Anita Kingdon, 01892 723327. Entries: Ian Wilson, 16 Haig Avenue, Rochester, Kent, ME1 2RZ, 01634 406876. CD: 19/12/05. £8.00/£4.00. Lim EOD +£1.00. Chq: Saxons OC. EPS-SI. Lim CC courses. Saxons 24 hour infoline on 01303 813344. http://www.saxons-oc.org/
8th	SC C5	31 14	TVOC Local Event. Green Park, Aston Clinton. SP/885115. Liz Chalmers, 01494 726928. £3.50/£1.00. String course. White, Yellow, Orange, Light Green, and Green courses only. Maps pre-marked and bagged. Starts 11.00 - 12.00hrs. No dogs allowed anywhere in Green Park. www.tvoc.org.uk/
14th	SE C4N	94 67	SO District Night Event & SENiLe. Tilgate Park, Crawley. TQ/277346. Anna Chapman, 01293 511288. £4.50/£2.00. EPS-SI. SO 24-hr Ansaphone - recorded event information 01903-239186. http://www.southdowns-orienteers.org.uk/
14th	SE C5	78 51	CHIG Local Event & South West Essex Local League (SWELL). Hainault Forest, Epping. TQ/480920. Alan Bearn, 020 8504 2105. £3.50/£1.50. EPS-SI. Dogs to be kept under control. http://www.chig.org.uk/
15th	WM C4	74 90	OD District Event & WML. Arley Wood, Nuneaton, Warks. SP/285908. Don Locke, 01926 423940. £4.00/£2.00. EPS-Emit. Parking £1.00. Emit Card Hire £1. http://www.octavian-droobers.org/
15th	SW C4	44 60	NWO District Event & SWOA Galoppen. West Woods, Marlborough. SU/166667. Louise Phelps, 01793 430010. Fees TBA. EPS-Emit. String course. Dogs on lead. http://www.northwilts.org.uk/
15th	SE C4	87 61	SO District Event. Tilgate Park & Forest, Crawley. TQ/277346. Anna Chapman, 01293 511288. £4.00/£2.00. EPS-SI. Parking £2.00. SO 24-hr Ansaphone - recorded event information 01903-239186. http://www.southdowns-orienteers.org.uk/
22nd	SC C4	56 60	BADO District Event & SCOA League. Chawton Park, Alton. SU/670373. Mike Broderick, 01256 351624. £4.00/£1.50. EPS-Emit. String course. Parking £1.00. There will be a punching start. http://www.bado.org.uk/
22nd	SE O4	72 46	SLOW Dorking Loop Races. The Nower, Dorking. TQ/156487. Organiser: Abi Weeds, 07962 402962. Entries: Loop Race Entries, Tayles Cottage, 35 West Street, Ewell Village, SURREY, KT17 1XD, 020 8393 1672. CD: 12/01/06. £6.00/£2.00, £2/£1 extra non-BOF members. Lim EOD + £1.00/50p. Chq: S.L.O.W. EPS-SI. 3 loop races. A- 7.5k (4loops), B-5.6km (3 loops), C- 3.8km (2 loops) plus one or two short junior CC courses and "naughty numbers" instead of a string course. Parking £1.00. http://www.sloweb.org.uk/
28th	SC C2N	57 31	BKO British Night Championships & Army Night Champs. Hawley & Hornley, Camberley. SU/827585. Organiser: Andy Mac-Gregor, 0118 981 2598 (before 9pm). Entries: Tim Booth, BNOC06, 12 Jerrymoor Hill, Wokingham, Berkshire, RG40 4UG, 0118 973 4662. CD: 07/01/06. £7.00/£3.50 + £1.00 Emit hire. No EOD. Chq: BKO. EPS-Emit. Entries online preferred: via BKO website. Late entries online only up to 20.01.06. No dogs. http://www.bko.org.uk/

29th	SC C2	25 43	BKO NATIONAL EVENT, Concorde Chase & Southern Championships & FCC. Cold Ash, Hermitage, Newbury. SU/521734. Organiser: Liz Turbin, 0118 934 5412. Entries: Tim Booth, NE Concorde Chase, 12 Jerrymoor Hill, Wokingham, Berkshire, RG40 4UG, 0118 973 4662. <i>CD: 07/01/06 (postal & online).</i> £10.50/£4.50 + Emit hire Sen £1.00/Jun free. Chq: BKO. EPS-Emit. String course. Lim CC courses - W, Y, O & LG - EOD £4.00/£2.00. Entries on-line (preferred) via BKO website. Late entries on-line only £12.50/£5.50 until 20/01/06. Dogs on lead. Parking £1.00. http://www.bko.org.uk/
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4th	SE C5	76 49	SN Limited District Event & AMS Ltd Junior League. Witley, Guildford. SU/932406. Paul Keeble, 01483 489868. £4.00/£1.50. EPS-SI. Y, O, LG & G only. Dogs on lead in car park only. Starts 1000-1130. www.geocities.com/southern_nav
5th	SW C3	87 89	WIM Regional Event. Godshill & Millersford, Fordingbridge. SU/170146. Organiser: Kirsty Staunton, 01425-653629. Entries: Cris Tween, Blackthorn Cottage, Fiddleford, Sturminster Newton, Dorset, DT10 2BX, 01258 861804. <i>CD: 20/01/06.</i> £7.50/£3.00. Lim EOD +£1.00/50p. Chq: Wimborne Orienteers. EPS-SI. String course. Lim CC courses - White to Lt Green - EOD £5.00/£2.50. Dogs on lead in car park only. http://www.wimborne-orienteers.org.uk/
11th	SE C5	74 47	Local Night Event & SENiLe Race 5 11th - Local Event & Southern Express - Race 1. Hankley Common, Milford. SU/882392. Organiser: Andy Robinson, 020 8255 7176. Entries: Southern Express Entries, 85 Deacon Road Kingston Surrey KT2 6LS, 020 8255 7176. <i>CD: 05/02/06.</i> £4.00/£1.50, £1/50p extra non-BOF members. Lim EOD + £1.00/50p. Chq: S.L.O.W. EPS-SI. 3 short race courses - long (c4km) short (c3km) and junior (a yellow course). http://www.sloweb.org.uk/
11th	C5N	74 47	11th - Local Night Event & SENiLe Race 5. Hankley Common, Milford. SU/882392. Andy Robinson, 020 8255 7176. £4.00/£1.50, £1/50p extra non-BOF members. EPS-SI. 3 night courses - navy (c5.5km), olive (c3.8km) and ochre (a yellow course). http://www.sloweb.org.uk/
12	WM C3	62 78	OD Regional Event & Midlands Championships. Ragley Hall Estate, Alcester, Warks. SP/079562. Organiser: Bob Brandon, 024-7650 5050. Entries: Lesley Ross, Four Elms Farm, The Slough, Studley, Warks, B80 7EG, 01527 857646. <i>CD: 29/01/06.</i> £8.00/£4.00 + £1.00 Emit hire. Lim EOD + £1.00/£1.00. Chq: OD. EPS-Emit. Parking £1.00. EOD Colour-coded courses: White, Yellow, Orange and Light Green. £5.00/£2.50 + £1 Emit hire. http://www.octavian-droobers.org/
19th	SE C3	38 11	HH Regional Event. Burnham Beeches and Egypt Woods, Beaconsfield. SU/942866. Organiser: Eric/Lesley Brown, 01923 242673. Entries: addressee TBA. <i>CD: unknown.</i> Fees TBA. EPS-SI. Lim CC courses. http://www.happyherts.org.uk/
25th	SE C5N	60 33	LOK Local Night Event & SENiLe. Trent Park, North London, London. TQ/289969. Neil Brooks, 01494 872578. £4.00/£2.00. EPS-SI. Car Park at Snakes Lane. http://www.londonorienteering.co.uk/
26th	SC C3	30 2	TVOC Chiltern Challenge Regional Event. Bradenham, High Wycombe. SU/975835. Organiser: Fred Ashford, 01494 534972. Entries: CC 06, 15, Manor Green, Harwell, Didcot, Oxon, OX11 0DQ. CD: 11/02/06. £8.50/£4.00 Late Entry (CD: 19/02/05) +£1.50/£1.00. EOD +£2.50. Chq: TVOC. EPS-Emit. String course (free). Car Park SU826976. Emit Hire £1. Colour Coded Courses - White, Yellow, Orange, Light Green, Red - EOD £5.00/£2.50. hire £1. On line entries at http://www.ntrees.co.uk/. Late information on ntrees site. http://www.tvoc.org.uk/
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5th	SE C3	90 64	DFOK Regional Event. Westerham, Near Sevenoaks. TQ/455515. Organiser: Andrew Evans, 01959 522759. Entries: Philip Craven, 67 Daneby Road, Catford, London, SE6 2QF, 0208 697 7008. <i>CD: 17/02/06.</i> £8.00/£4.00 + £1.00 SI hire. EOD + £2.00/£1.00. Late pre-entry +£1.00/50p. Chq: DFOK. EPS-SI. String course. Lim CC courses EOD £5.00/£3.00. Parking £1.00. Dogs in car park area only. SE Orienteering Answerphone: 020 8948 6056. http://www.dfok.co.uk/
5th	SC C4	80 82	SOC District Event, SCOA League Event & Long O. Burley (West), New Forest. SU/230060. Jes Dickin, 023 92410164. Fees TBA. EPS-Emit. Entry limited to 600. http://www.southampton-orienteers.org.uk/
11 th 12 th	EA C3 C3	156 129	NOR Double Dumpling Weekend 11th - Day 1 Regional Event. Cockley Cley, Swaffham. TF/800055. Organiser: Julia Paul, 01485 541031. 12th - Day 2 Regional Event. Sandringham, Kings Lynn. TF/690290. Organiser: Alan W Bedder, 01603 424598. Entries: Pam Jermy, 84 Bush Road, Hellesdon, Norwich, NR6 6HD, 01603 482773 (7 - 9PM). <i>CD: 28/02/06.</i> £7.00/£2.00. Lim EOD + £1.00/50p. Chq: Norfolk 'O' Event. EPS-SI. Lim CC courses - Yellow/Orange/Red, String course. Dogs on Lead. Combined entry fee for Days 1 & 2: £12-00/£3-00, Family of 2 Senior and 2+ children £27-00. www.norfolkoc.co.uk/
12th	SE C3	105 82	SO Regional Event & SE League Event. Selhurst Park, Arundel. SU/919139. Organiser: Michael Merritt, 01243 789949. Entries: addressee TBA. <i>CD: unknown.</i> Fees TBA. EPS-SI. String course. Parking TBA. SO 24-hr Ansaphone-recorded event information 01903-239186. http://www.southdowns-orienteers.org.uk/ <i>Full registration pending</i>

12th	SC C4	1 30	TVOC District Event & SCOA League. Shotover, Oxford. SP/565063. Luke McNeill, 01865 768196. Fees TBA. EPS-Emit. String course. www.tvoc.org.uk/
19th	EA C4	95 68	SOS District Event & ESSOL. Hatfield Forest, Bishop's Stortford. Jack Isbester, 01621 815501. £4.00/£2.00. EPS-SI. White to Brown. stragglers.info <i>Full registration pending</i>
25th	SE C5	57 31	SN Limited District Event & AMS Ltd Junior League. Frith Hill, Camberley. SU/905580. Paul Keeble, 01483 489868. £4.00/£1.50. EPS-SI. Y, O, LG & G only. Dogs allowed on lead in car park only. Starts 1030-1200. www.geocities.com/southern_nav
26th	SW C3	86 89	WSX 18th Dorset Delight Regional Event. Holmsley and Dur Hill, Bransgore. SU/199000. Organiser: Charlie Morton, 01202 673890. Entries: Alan Brown, 43 Kings Avenue, Christchurch, Dorset, BH23 1NA, 01202 473714. CD: 16/03/06. £8.00/£2.50. Lim EOD + £1.00/50p. Chq: Wessex Orienteering Club. EPS-SI. Lim CC courses - White to Lt-Green, String course. Dogs on lead in car park areas only. http://www.wessex-oc.org.uk/
26th	SE C4	78 51	CHIG District Event. Epping South, Epping. TQ/394892. Paul Corney, 020 8504 1836. £4.50/£2.00. EPS-SI. Dogs under control. http://www.chig.org.uk/
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1st 2nd	SE C1 R1	90 63	BRITISH ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS & UK CUP & FCC 1st - BRITISH ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS & BEOC (L), UK CUP & FCC. Furnace Wood & Woolbeding, Midhurst. SU/880265. Organiser: Gary Strowbridge, 01730 812011. Entries: addressee TBA. CD: <i>unknown</i> . Fees TBA. EPS-SI. String course. Dogs in car park only. <i>Full registration pending</i> 2nd - British Relay Championships. Furnace Wood & Woolbeding, Midhurst. SU/880265. Gary Strowbridge, 01730 812011. Fees TBA. EPS-SI. String course. Dogs in car park only. tba <i>Full registration pending</i>
9th	SC O3	47 20	TVOC Compass Sport Cup - SCOA Round. Black Park, Slough. TQ/005232. Paul Greenough, 01494 674766. Fees TBA. EPS-Emit. www.tvoc.org.uk/ <i>Full registration pending</i>
9th	SE O3	61 34	SN Compass Sport Cup - 1st Round. Wisley, Guildford. TQ/077577. Paul Keeble, 01483 489868. Fees TBA. EPS-SI. Dogs on lead in car park only. www.geocities.com/southern_nav <i>Full registration pending</i>
15 th 17 th	YH C1 C1 R1	199 215	JAN KJELLSTROM ORIENTEERING FESTIVAL 15th - AIRE Day 1. Ilkley Moor, Ilkley. SE/114453. Organiser: Guy Patterson, 0113 252 1489. 16th - EBOR Day 2. Keldy, Cropton, nr Pickering. SE/778900. Organiser: Peter Bean, 01904 488409. 17th - AIRE Relays. Bramham Park, Bramham. SE/409417. Tom Crowther, 01943 877491. Entries: addressee TBA. CD: 31/03/06. Fees TBA. No EOD. Chq: JK2006. EPS-SI. String course. Trail O on Day 1. Lim CC courses - W, Y & O. Dogs in Car Park and Assembly only. Internet entries will be available via website. Relay entries via clubs only on the official entry form sent to all BOF Clubs in Autumn '05, and can also be downloaded from the website. www.jk2006.org.uk/ <i>Full registration pending</i>
29 th Apr 1 st May	SW C2 C2 R3	81 88	TRIPLE O SEVERN WEEKEND & UK CUP & BEOC - MIDDLE RACE 29th - SARUM Day 1 & Elite Championships - Middle Distance Race. Fonthill, Hindon. GR/910310. Organiser: Catherine Howlett, 01985 219776. 30th - BOK NATIONAL EVENT & UK Cup. Stourhead, Maiden Bradley. ST/750330. Organiser: Charles Daniel, 0117 962 8588. 1st - BOK Day 3 - Harris Relay. Gaer hill, Maiden Bradley. Organiser: Robin and Tricia Walker, 01275 462879. Entries: Peter Foster, 8 Winsor Road, St Andrews, Bristol, BS6 5BP, 0117 942 1572. CD: 02/04/06. Day 1: £7.00/£2.50, Day 2: £10.00/£4.00, Day 3: £8.00/£3.00 (Total £25.00/£9.50). Entry for all 3 days: £22.00/£8.00. Non-BOF & late entries, each: £2/£1 per day extra charge. Chq: Bristol OK. EPS-SI. String course. Lim CC courses. For Day 3 Entries are as individuals, runners can declare a team, or we will place runners into teams. Internet entries preferred, CD: 16/04/06. www.sarumo.org.uk/triple-o-severn

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Thames Valley Orienteering Club's

2006 Chiltern Challenge

Regional Event

Sunday 26th February

Park Wood, Bradenham & Naphill Common,
(High Wycombe)



Emit Electronic Punching

Location: The woods are situated in the Chiltern Hills just 5 km NW of High Wycombe. Chiltern Line trains serve Saunderton, 2 km from the assembly area.

Directions: The car park is at GR SU825975 on sheet 165 It will be signed on the High Wycombe to Princes Risborough road (A4010) at Bradenham. Parking is in a firm field approached along a wide hard bridle-track.

Terrain: Chalk land with mainly deciduous forestry, undulating and well served with tracks and footpaths. Though it is hilly, there are no mountainous climbs with which to contend and running should be fast. This area has not been used for a major event for the past 15 years or more.

Entries: *Online:* at www.ntrees.co.uk

£8.50 senior/£4.00 junior submitted **by Sun. 12 Feb.**

Late entry: £10.00 senior/£5.00 junior **until 12 noon Sat. 25 Feb.**

Note: Numbers of course maps will be set on Mon 20 Feb. Entrants after 19 Feb. may find their desired course full. To avoid disappointment BOOK EARLY!

Postal: to CC06, 15 Manor Green, Harwell, DIDCOT, Oxon, OX11 0DQ.

£8.50 senior/£4.00 junior/students if postmarked by **Sat 11 Feb**

Enquiries to cc06@tvoc.org.uk. Cheques payable to TVOC. Use Standard Entry Form available from <http://www.britishorienteering.org.uk/asp/makepage.asp?PID=FORMS>

Late entry postmarked **by 19 Feb:** £10.00 senior/£5.00 junior.

Entries on the day will be accepted if maps are still available. *Late information on 'ntrees' site.*

EMIT punching. Add £1.00 for Emit card hire per competitor if required.

Add £3.00 (senior) or £1.00 (junior) for each non-member of BOF.

Colour coded: Entry on the day only, at £5.00 senior and £2.50 junior.

Registration for EOD will be from 09.30

Courses will be White, Yellow, Orange, Light Green, Red plus free string course.

Start times: 10.00 to 13.00.

Details: Start times and final details will be online at www.tvoc.org.uk. For paper versions please send stamped, addressed envelopes to cover postage. Two sets of results will need 47p postage.

Officials: Organiser; Fred Ashford 01494 534972: Planner; Steve Long: Controller; David May (SLOW).

Map: 1:10,000 drawn winter 2005/2006 by Andrew Chalmers (TVOC) and Andy Kilner (RAFO).

Facilities: Ultrasport & Wilf's invited; St John Ambulance; Toilets by MT loos; Squash at finish.

Dogs: Dogs may be walked in the woods and car park but please keep under control.