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FORTHCOMING HH EVENTS

Date	Event	More Info
Sat 3 Oct 26 10:30 - 13:15	Jersey Farm Newcomers and Beginners welcome.	Event Details Location
Sat 17 Oct 26 10:30 - 12:30	Club Training, Jersey Farm Newcomers and Beginners welcome.	Event Details Location
Sun 18 Oct 26 10:00 - 12:00	CompassSport Final Entries closed	Event Details Location
Sun 25 Oct 26 10:00 - 13:00	WGC Urban Urban event Newcomers and Beginners welcome.	Event Details Location
Sat 7 Nov 26 10:00 - 12:45	Wardown Park Newcomers and Beginners welcome.	Event Details Location
Sat 21 Nov 26 10:00 - 12:00	Club Training, Wardown Park Newcomers and Beginners welcome.	Event Details Location
Sat 5 Dec 26 10:00 - 12:45	Haberdashers' Newcomers and Beginners welcome.	Event Details Location

EDITOR'S SPUR

When was the last time you had to de-mud your O-shoes after a SE event? Can you even remember the last wet and muddy event in this part of the country? There are a number of both forest and urban events this month and hopefully we'll have a bit good quantity of rain to soften the ground for us, but preferably not while we're out running.

October has a lot of attractive events coming up: HH @ Jersey Farm next Saturday, the SE Middle Champs on the 11th at Hampstead Heath, the CompassSport Cup Final on the 18th, HH @ Welwyn Garden City Urban on the 25th and the month ends with an urban race in Oxford on the 31st (going through up to seven colleges). And the next day (1st), the 57th November Classic in the New Forest between Lyndhurst and Brockenhurst is well worth going to for the autumn colours, the lovely landscape...oh, and the orienteering!

Alan Rosen

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES WANTED

We are always on the look-out for contributions to this newsletter. Please consider submitting anything orienteering-related, for example reports from events you've attended, orienteering tips & tricks, photos, equipment reviews, and even non-orienteering activities that might be of interest.

Please send material to Alan newsletter@herts-orienteering.club. Copy dates are typically a few days before the end of the month; for the **November** edition it is by the end of **Wednesday 28 October**.

Cover photo: Ian at Oaklands Thanks to David Dixon for the photo



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Hedley Calderbank

28 members attended the club's AGM online on 15 September.

The Club Report, describing the year's activities, was presented.

The Treasurer's Report was also delivered, showing a deficit on the year, but healthy financial reserves. The meeting agreed to leave club membership fees unchanged for 2027, although the British Orienteering element of the annual membership fee will be higher.

All current members of the committee were elected unopposed, though some new faces will need to be elected next year because most of the five principal officers of the club reach the end of their three-year 'typical' term (or the six-year maximum). If you are interested in taking on any of the five principal roles in a year's time (or joining the committee in any capacity at any time), please talk to Ben at chair@herts-orienteeing.club or any member of the current committee.

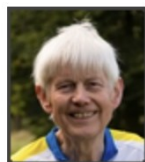
The AGM minutes and the two reports appear on the [HH website](#).

CLUB COMMITTEE 2026-7



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See

<https://www.herts-orienteeing.club/contact/>

where you can also find details of the thirteen other HH post holders



CHAIR'S CHAT

Ben Bardsley

SOUTH-EAST LEAGUE

As you may know, the South-East League runs two separate competitions, Club and Individual. The Club competition runs through the standard orienteering season from Autumn through to Summer, whilst the individual competition runs through the calendar year.



The new 2026-27 Club season gets underway soon with events on 3 consecutive weekends at the end of 2026, with 6 further events currently pencilled in for 2027 (although there could be changes to some of these so check on club/BOF websites). You will see that HH are not hosting an SEL event this season since our National event, the Ace of Herts in February, will instead be a heat of the Compass Sport Cup.

22 November 2026	Mytchett	SN [doubles as SN Trophy]
29 November 2026	Bedgebury	SAX [doubles as SE Long Championships]
6 December 2026	Epping Forest North-West	CHIG
3 January 2027	South Ashdown	DFOK
17 January 2027	Holmbury	LOK
21 February 2027	Waggoners Wells	GO
28 February 2027	Holmbush	MV
24 April 2027	Leith Hill Place	SLOW
9 May 2027	Oldhouse and Cowdrey	SO

For the individual competition, those last three 2026 events represent your last chance to secure a good finishing position.

If you'd like to know your current position, Ben Brown from ESOC, a student with an interest in computing, has constructed a new website for SEOA which displays the individual league positions (link below).

This is a great new website that you may want to bookmark if you wish to know how you're doing in the League:

South East Individual League 2026

Points from File Re-ranked by Points (100 Max) | Your best 5 scores from all 9 events count

Subscribe to calendar | <https://www.seoa.org.uk/>

LATEST RESULTS

Friston
11/05/2026 | Organised by SO

NEXT EVENT

Mytchett
22/11/2026 | Organised by SN

League Results

M10	M12	M14	M16	M18	M20	M21	M35	M40
M45	M50	M55	M60	M65	M70	M75	M80	M85
W10	W12	W14	W16	W18	W20	W21	W35	W40
W45	W50	W55	W60	W65	W70	W75	W80	W85

<https://munroleagues.com/leagues/South%20East%20Individual%20League%202026>



COACHING COURSE



Carol Lovegrove, who runs the South-East Junior Squad (SEJS), is running an online Coaching training course for those who wish to obtain an orienteering coaching qualification. The course runs across 4x online sessions during October-December. If you are interested in coaching, obtaining a formal qualification and attending this course, it is recommended to review the full course details and contact Carol Lovegrove to find out more (there is a course fee). Full details of the training course can be found on the BOF website at this link:

<https://www.britishorienteering.org.uk/trainingcourses?details=314&back=314>

JK2027



A brief update on JK2027 which is very much taking shape.

Planning continues apace with the budget in the process of being set so that entries can open on 1st December.



Anyone who has budgeted an orienteering event before will know that even for a one-off HH Level B event, the budget setting can be a tight balance between costs and income based on entry number projections. That is very much magnified for the JK, with 4 events, a much bigger entry and high land costs. However, this process, expertly managed by HH's very own David Saunders as SEOA Treasurer, is progressing well and nearing completion.

As you can also see, there is a dynamic new 60th anniversary logo to accompany the event, and the event website, at the usual JK web address, is very well advanced, providing further information: <https://www.thejk.org.uk/>

Finally, thank you for re-electing me as Chair of HH for a third and final year at the AGM. I hope very much for continued prosperity and success for the club again in 2026-27. (and if you're interested in taking on the Chair role next year, please do get in touch 😊)

Best wishes

Ben



SE CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026

SE SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIPS were at the University of Kent, 24 May 2026

SE MIDDLE CHAMPIONSHIPS



Hampstead Heath Orienteering Event
Sunday 11th October 2026
incorporating the SE Middle Distance Championships
It is a Regional (Level C) event

VENUE North side of East Heath Road fairground. Postcode [NW3 1TH](#) What3Words: [hoping.privately.unique](#)

COURSES All distances are indicative pending final planning and controlling.

Course	Technical Difficulty	Length	SEOA Championship Age Classes	Course	Technical Difficulty	Length	SEOA Championship Age Classes
Black	5	6 km	M18 M20-40	Light Green	4	2.5 km	M14 W14
Brown	5	5 km	M16 M45-50 W18 W20-40	Orange	3	2 km	M12 W12
Blue	5	4.5 km	M55-60 W45-50	Yellow	2	1.5 km	M10 W10
Green	5	3.5 km	M65-75 W16 W55-60	White	1	1.2 km	
Short Green	5	2.5 km	W65-75 W80+ M80+				

Medals will be awarded to the first three SEOA members in each of the following age groups:
M/W 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20-40, 45-50, 55-60, 65-75, 80+

Hampstead Heath is a well-contoured mix of woodland and open space with great views over London. It is easily accessible by public transport and there is free parking in nearby streets on a Sunday.

Entries can be made via [Fabian4](#) and are cheapest before midnight on Sunday 4th October.

SE NIGHT CHAMPIONSHIPS

SE Night Championships
Tilgate Forest
Sat 14 November, 2026

Event on Sunday in Tilgate if you want to make a weekend of it.



SE LONG DISTANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Bedgebury Pinetum
Sun 29 Nov

SE Long Distance Championships and SE League



Near: Tunbridge Wells
Lat,Lng: 51.0722,0.4469
OS Grid Ref: TQ715331
What3Words:
[chest.harmonica.shocks](#)



Course details will be on the website (link above) in due course



And it's not too late to be a Southern Champion in 2026!

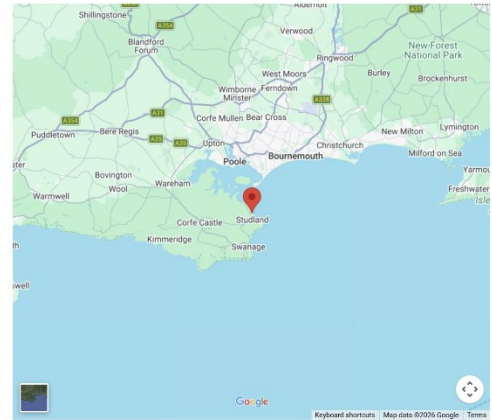


Southern Night Champs – Studland Dunes (Wessex Region Night League (WRNL) 2026–2027)

Saturday, 5
December

@ 17:00 - 18:00

with an SOC event
in the New Forest
near Lyndhurst on
the 6th.



Location: Studland

Date: December 5, 2026

Time: 6:00pm – 9:00pm

What3Words: ///flushed.reception.method

THE SPORT I LOVE...AND HATE!

by Stu Levene

NATIONAL POETRY DAY
THURS 1 OCT 2026

I sometimes wonder why I try this orienteering lark
If I don't run in glorious sun, I do so in the dark.

Those stupid trees obscure my view and stop me finding things
But when I finally find the kite, I find that my heart sings.

I often run in crowded streets with buses whizzing past
But even when I'm in the woods I try not to be last.

I may not be the finest athlete but I know one fact
It certainly is not enthusiasm that I've lacked.

It's true to say that I am so addicted to this sport
I've tried my best at this damn quest and boldly have I fought.

So, if you see me in the forest, heath or glen or dale
You'll know I'm trying very hard so that I do not fail.

I will get 'round this wretched course that one thing is so true
But by the time I finish it I may be black and blue!



INCENTIVE AWARDS

Congratulations to the following club members who have recently gained new British Orienteering Incentive Awards.

Member	Certificates	Awarded
Alan Elder	Racing Challenge: Silver Award ★★★★★	13/09/2026
Alex Panton	Racing Challenge: Gold Award ★★★	08/09/2026
Cobie Wong	Racing Challenge: Gold Award ★★★	08/09/2026
	Racing Challenge: Silver Award ★★★	08/09/2026
	Racing Challenge: Bronze Award ★★★	08/09/2026
	Navigation Challenge ★★★	08/09/2026
Gary Jenkins	Racing Challenge: Bronze Award ★★★★★★	10/09/2026
George Panton	Racing Challenge: Silver Award ★★★	08/09/2026
	Racing Challenge: Bronze Award ★★★	08/09/2026
Ian Panton	Racing Challenge: Silver Award ★★★★★	08/09/2026
	Racing Challenge: Bronze Award ★★★★★	08/09/2026
	Navigation Challenge ★★★★★	08/09/2026
Jolie Wong	Racing Challenge: Bronze Award ★★★	08/09/2026
Matthew Reeve	Racing Challenge: Gold Award ★★★★★★	08/09/2026
	Racing Challenge: Silver Award ★★★★★★	08/09/2026
	Racing Challenge: Bronze Award ★★★★★★	08/09/2026
	Navigation Challenge ★★★★★★	08/09/2026
Ruth Panton	Racing Challenge: Bronze Award ★★★★★	08/09/2026
	Navigation Challenge ★★★★★	08/09/2026
Tom Moreton	Racing Challenge: Bronze Award ★★★★★	13/09/2026
	Navigation Challenge ★★★★★	13/09/2026
Zoe Langley	Racing Challenge: Silver Award ★★★★★	13/09/2026

The Navigation Challenge

Members are eligible for a Navigation Challenge certificate after successfully completing 3 colour coded courses at the same Technical Difficulty (TD) standard. The certificates are 'star' based e.g. 1 star for TD 1 up to 5 Star for TD 5.

TD	Colour Coded Courses
1	White
2	Yellow
3	Orange, Long Orange
4	Light Green
5	Very Short Green, Short Green, Green, Short Blue, Blue, Short Brown, Brown, Black

The Racing Challenge

Members are eligible for a Racing Challenge certificate after successfully completing 3 colour coded courses (of the same TD) within the following times:

- Gold Award. Participants time < Course Length (KM) x 12.5mins
- Silver Award. Participants time < Course Length (KM) x 15mins
- Bronze Award. Participants time < Course Length (KM) x 20mins

These certificates are also 'star' based e.g. 1 star for TD 1 up to 5 Star for TD 5 as above.

HH CLUB TROPHIES

HARDING TROPHY

The Sylvia Harding Trophy was presented to the club by Stan Harding in memory of his wife Sylvia, who was a long-standing member of the club. It is awarded each year for service to the club.

The 2026 Winner is: Roger Moulding

Roger is a worthy winner of the 2026 Harding Trophy. Over many decades, Roger has given just about every type of support and help needed to support the club in its activities. Thank you and congratulations Roger!



Roger is pictured here receiving the trophy from Events Coordinator Neil Gostick at our recent Oaklands College Saturday Series event.

MARSDEN TROPHY

The Marsden Trophy is awarded for outstanding support by a junior to the junior squad.

The 2025 Winner is: Alice Soulsby

Alice a deserved winner of the 2025 Marsden Trophy with support and contributions to the Junior squad over many years, contributing to coaching, competition success and more recently, updates to the website. Congratulations Alice!

Alice is pictured here receiving the trophy from Junior Squad Coordinator Jennie Soulsby.





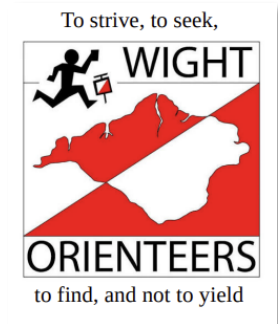
NEEDLES AND KNOLLS

David Saunders



To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the founding of Wight-O, the club held a two-day event on the first weekend of September.

For many of those who attended, it was their first experience of orienteering on the island; our only previous venture across the



Solent was in 1986, in the days of master maps and pin punching. The anniversary weekend featured pre-marked maps and SportIdent punching, although it transpired that this is the first time electronic punching has been used on the island, with SI kit lent on this occasion by Southampton Orienteers.

The “needles and knolls” of the event title nicely described the terrain on the second and first days respectively. Day One featured back-to-back sprint races on an area of rough open terrain with a few scattered patches of woodland and a great deal of dense undergrowth threaded with a network of – sometimes rather indistinct – paths. The ‘knolls’ might more properly be described as hills, with the tops of two featuring as control sites on the approach to the finish on some courses (see 14 and 15 on the map section).

The parking was some distance from the assembly area but the route (along the Isle of Wight coast path) featured fantastic views south from the plateau before a precipitous descent of the upper cliffs. The assembly area was a great location to gather between runs, with views out to the Chale Bay to the west and down to the lighthouse at St Catherine’s Point.



View from the cliff path of the Day 1 Assembly area



Start for Day 1



The view down across the area to the lighthouse



The format for Saturday comprised two short races (A and B) in four classes (Junior, Open, Vet and Supervet); half the runners tackled A first then B exactly 90 minutes later, while the remainder ran B then A. The times were then combined to give the overall results.

Although described as sprint races, with average leg lengths of around 100 m, there were parts which defied sprinting, as most courses featured at least one stiff climb and steep downhill section. Many lost time trying to decipher the path network through the dense vegetation or looking for the 'correct' boulder or crag – not problems normally associated with a sprint.

After two hilly races, the prospect of the steep climb back up the cliff to return to the car park was a little daunting, but once back on the coastal path, the views were again terrific.

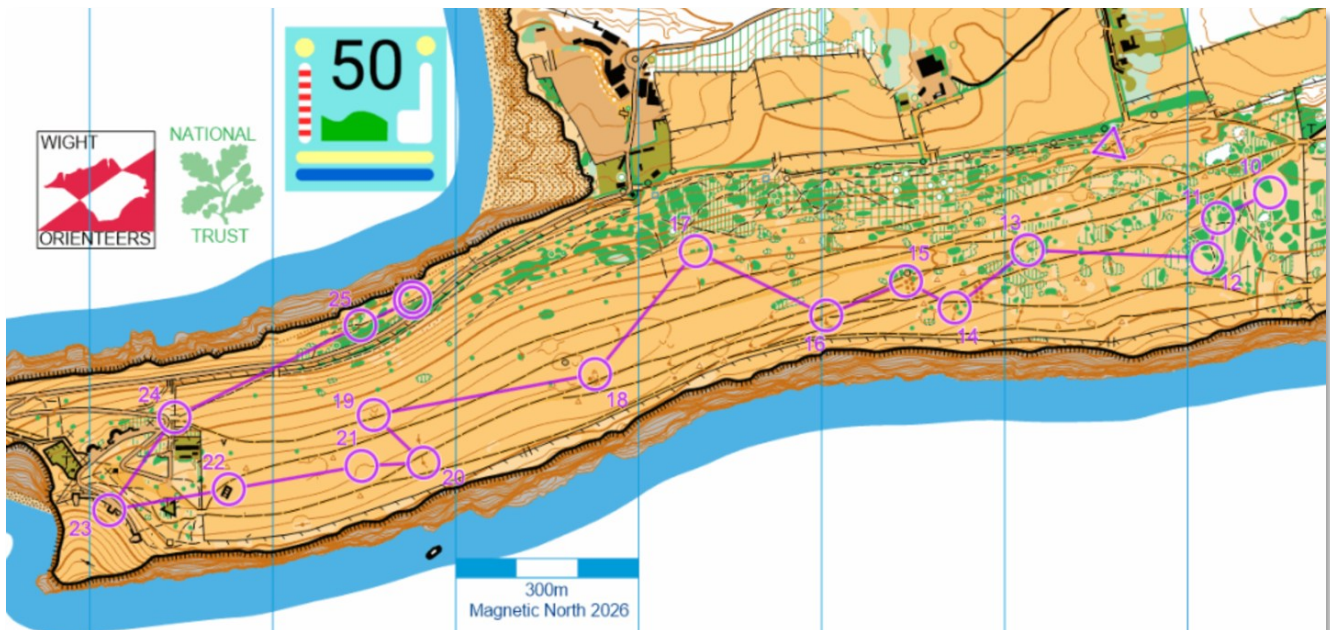


Day 1 Supervets Course A



Sunday's event was on Tennyson Down, the headland at the far west of the island that leads to the famous chalk stacks known as the Needles. This race was part of the SCOA league, so a few more runners from SC clubs were entered.

Only the longest courses got to visit a small patch of woodland, and the rest of the area comprised open downland with many scattered thickets. The courses zig-zagged across the spine of the down along the length of a thin map, with most having a map flip to make best use of the area.



Part 2 of Sunday's Green course

The longer courses visited the New Battery near the tip of the peninsula, including a subterranean control down the steps of a former bunker (No. 22 on the map section), before dropping off the north side of the promontory to what must be one of the most picturesque finishes, with views over Alum Bay. A long line of sitting finishers gathered at the side of the path, discussing their runs and admiring the view over the bay.



The finish on Day 2 with a view over Alum Bay (Image from SARUM website)



All-in-all an excellent weekend, greatly helped by the fabulous weather and views on both days. The maps were very good and the planning made best use of these relatively small areas.

For the future, Wight-O have, apparently, been given some EMIT kit recently (by one of the mainland clubs that has switched to SportIdent). This is timely as they are running out of the Tyvek control cards they have used at events to date.

Finishers on Day 2 (Image from Wight-O Facebook page)

PURPLE PEN 4

Purple Pen is one of the three main course-planning pieces of software in common use; it's probably the easiest to use and it's free!

For those of us who use it from time to time, it's just had a major re-write and a Beta version (Purple Pen 4) is available to download. The look and feel of PP is unchanged.

<https://purple-pen.org/>



Simple, versatile, and free course setting software for orienteering



JUNIORS

Jennie Soulsby juniors@herts-orienteeing.club

This year's **Peter Palmer Relays** took place on Sunday 13th September at Broadstone Warren in North Ashdown and was organised by Southdown Orienteers. A huge thank you to them for this as it is no small thing to put on an event of this size and complexity.

Unfortunately, due to clashes we did not have enough people to field a team however due to the keenness of Theo and with a great effort from Helen Marsden we managed to field a joint team with two runners from Sarum and so our juniors got to compete.

The competitors arrived on the Saturday evening in time to join the planned Volleyball activity. Our team took a football which got put to good use during the socialising. Some juniors hung out with other runners that they had met up with before either through SEJS or other competitions. This is one of the key points of this event as it is a lovely chance for Juniors to feel part of a wider community. The parents also get to know a few more people and everyone has an opportunity to play, run and talk with others.

All team members checked out the arena before it got dark so that they would have a clearer picture about the terrain and the changeover area ahead of the very early start. Due to the early start most of the juniors headed to bed for 9pm although some chatting may have happened! Around 4 am, the first runners got up and started to get ready. Tunde managed to stay in bed dozing until 5am. Which was a miracle in an 8-bed room.

The event planners had warned everyone about forecast rain but to everyone's relief it turned out to be just an intermittent light drizzle.

The relay team comprised of SARUM and HH with 4 HH members and 2 Sarum boys. The team was classed as noncompetitive as the two clubs are not neighbouring and you need to have 2 girls for the Relay team. However, it is always a great experience and challenging orienteering so worth running even if you cannot get a trophy.

Theo (HH) ran first and this is a tough leg as it is very dark and long. Theo did very well and got every control. James (SARUM) went second but unfortunately missed a control. Csongi enjoyed his run and managed to get each control. Darrio went next and was 4th on his leg and then Tunde also had a good run coming 3rd on her leg. Rhodes completed the last leg with no mistakes.

The winning team was SYO Killer Bees for the Peter Palmer and for the Daybreak Relay it was SYO Bee Dazzled.

Once again, we should send our thanks to Southdown Orienteers for putting on a very well organised event. We also need to thank the runners and the adults who made this happen. Thanks to Emese for taking a van full of juniors and to Helen for her determination and finding a joint team.

Huge thanks to Theo, Csogni, Tunde and Darrio and to James and Rhodes from SARUM.

From [here](#) you can reach results, photos, maps.



VOLUNTEER INCENTIVES

Mike Bennett, Volunteer Coordinator



Longer-standing members will remember that we are encouraging people to volunteer by rewarding those who help at many events with a club jacket or equivalent kit - I like the running vest for urban/sprint events.

In 2026 another 10 people have passed the threshold, making 44 in total:



Mark Adams
Jane Breed
Barry Breed
Charlotte Coles

Adam Leaf
Beatrix Li
Alan Rosen
Alison Saunders

Mick Smith
Richard Todd

Well done all! Please let Stu kit@herts-orienteeing.club know your preferred size (see <https://www.herts-orienteeing.club/members-section/club-kit/> for sizing). He will be doing an order soon, so don't leave it too long to contact him.

Some of those names will be a surprise - haven't they done enough before now? But it's very specific to helping at HH events, not about what people do to support orienteeing at area or national level, which is one of the many things HH are good at.

What is encouraging is that more people are getting involved in volunteering; there are quite a few who are close to the somewhat arbitrary threshold, which means they are getting on with it and helping frequently. Thank you! If you haven't helped at an event yet, don't be afraid to come forward. We'll find something that suits your skills and give you help in [how to do the job](#).

A reminder of the scoring. 12 points earns a piece of HH kit:

- 3 for taking a named role: Organiser, Planner or Controlling
- 1 for helping at an event or activity
- 0 for 2nd and subsequent jobs you do at the same event
- 0 for things that are part of your committee "job" - issuing kit, setting up entries ...

I'll give an update every few months.



STREET O

David Dixon

STREET-O PRIZES

We reported last month on the winners of the various 2026 Street-O competitions.

Here's Kerria Lines receiving her Street-O mug from the Street-O Coordinator at the Thamesmead sprint event recently:



TUESDAY TRAINING BEGINS

Now that Street-O has finished we have restarted our informal Tuesday evening training sessions at Campus West, Welwyn Garden City. All adults (and accompanied juniors) welcome; turn up ready to run for 7 pm (free parking after 6 pm), in high vis, and with a torch for the Street-O events.

At the end of each session we'll have a debrief (OK, social) in the theatre bar. As last year, we'll alternate between ~30 min training runs, interval training and Street-O training courses.

The initial programme is:

6 Oct:	Training run
13 Oct:	Intervals
20 Oct:	Training run
27 Oct:	Halloween Street-O
3 Nov:	Training run
10 Nov:	Intervals
17 Nov:	Training run
24 Nov:	Stir-up Street-O
1 Dec:	Training run
8 Dec:	Intervals
15 Dec:	Training run
22 Dec:	Christmas Street-O

Please get in touch if you'd like more information.



SATURDAY SERIES AND MAJOR HH FIXTURES

Neil Gostick jngostick@gmail.com

The Saturday Series for this year started well, with an almost new area at Oaklands College with well-received, fun and a little bit mentally challenging courses round the college urban area combined with a switch to the wooded areas.

Then we had a good, almost impromptu, club sprint champs at Highfield

Next up is Jersey Farm which is always a pleasant run round a bigger and more involved area than you might imagine. So come along and enjoy what is forecast to be the early Autumn sunshine.

After that, the full list of Saturday Series and Major Events is listed below with officials as known to date. So, *if you would like to volunteer*, please contact me on jngostick@gmail.com or 07834 205376 mobile or WhatsApp

In particular we need a planner and organiser for Haberdashers School on 5th December and a planner for the traditional Boing Day score event with LOK at Trent Park

Date	Level	Day / Type of event	Location	Organiser	Planner	Controller
05-Sep-26	D	Saturday	Oaklands	Neil Gostick	Beatrix Li	Simon Errington
08-Sep-26	D	Club Sprint	Highfield	Simon Errington		
03-Oct-26	D	Saturday	Jersey Farm	Dave Tookey	Kate Hawkes	Mike Bennett
25-Oct-26	C	Sunday	Urban - Welwyn Garden City	Adam Leaf	Daniel Hodson	Mike Bennett
07-Nov-26	D	Saturday	Wardown Park	Stu Levene	Ian Byford	Tom Cochrane
05-Dec-26	D	Saturday	Habs School	TBC	TBC	Hedley Calderbank
26-Dec-26		Boxing Day Score	Trent Park	LOK (Clearys)	TBC	LOK (Clearys)
02-Jan-27	D	Saturday	Haileybury	Jacob Sharpe	Stu Levene	TBC
30-Jan-27	D	Saturday	Norton Common	Dave Allard	Ian Byford	Laura Parkes
07-Feb-27	B	Compass Sport Cup Heat	Ashridge North	Nigel Quinton	Becky Dave Kingdon	TBC
06-Mar-27	D	Saturday	Chipperfield	Tim BL		
02-Apr-27	D	Saturday	Panshanger			
01-May-27	D	Saturday	Cassiobury		Beatrix Li	
05-Jun-27	D	Saturday	Nomansland		Nigel Quinton	Ben Bardsley
03-Jul-27	D	Saturday / GLOSS	Croxley GLOSS		Tim BL - TBC	



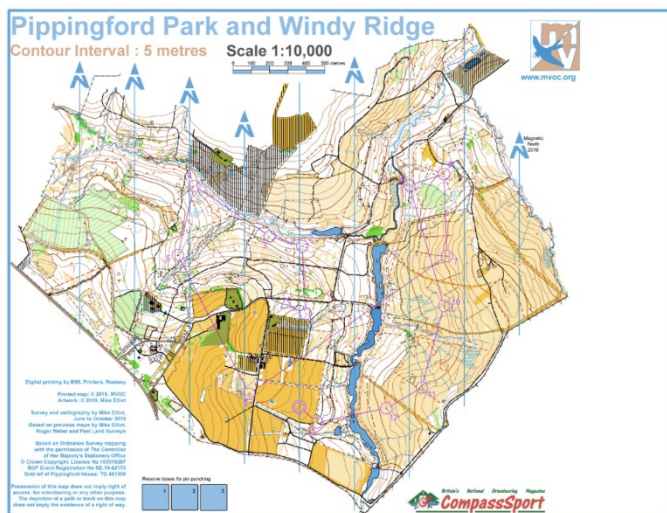
COMPASSSPORT FINAL AT PIPPINGFORD PARK

Sunday, 18 October @ 10:30 - 13:00

We have a brilliant 64 club members signed up for the Compass Sport Final – thank you!

A few more details:

- On Saturday 17 October, the day before the CompassSport final, DFOK are holding a [Middle Distance event on South Ashdown](#). This area is adjacent to Pippingford Park.
- You can view the map from the 2019 CompassSport Final on [Routegadget](#) (although it will be a new map and (obviously) new courses



Provisional course details are below and will be confirmed in the Final Details.

Course	Age category	Colour standard	Length	Climb	Controls
1	Open	Short Brown +9%	8.7 km	310 m	21
2	M18- M45+	Blue	6.4 km	240 m	19
3	Women Open	Blue	6.5 km	230 m	19
4	M55+	Short Blue	5.0 km	200m	15
5	W18- W45+	Green	4.6 km	160 m	12
6	M65+	Green	4.5 km	165 m	12
7	M75+ W60+	Short Green	3.6 km	140 m	10
8	M80+ W70+	Very Short Green	3.3 km	115 m	10
9M	M18-	Light Green +30%	4.4 km	160 m	13
9W	W18-	Light Green +30%	4.4 km	160 m	13
10M	M14-	Orange	2.9 km	115 m	13
10W	W14-	Orange	2.9 km	115 m	13
N/C	Any	Light Green	3.4 km	140 m	11
N/C	Any	Yellow	2.3 km	65 m	11

- **Facilities**

Toilets, drinking water, professional first aid cover, two caterers offering a range of fare and CompassPoint to fulfil all your O kit needs.

There is ample car parking adjacent to the Assembly Area and hard standing for coaches a short walk away.

- **Prizegiving**

MVOC aim to hold prizegiving by 2.30pm as there are lots of prizes to award courtesy of CompassSport!



CLUB SPRINTS, HIGHFIELD, 8 SEPTEMBER 2026

Congratulations to our 2026 Sprint Championship winners, James Errington (Mens) & Kerria Lines (Ladies).





SATURDAY SERIES: OAKLANDS, 5 SEPTEMBER 2026

Thanks to David Dixon for the photos







FUTURE EVENTS

Here is a provisional list of events from HH and nearby clubs, plus some regional and national competitions that

Date	Event	Area	Club	Level
Sat 03 October	HH Saturday Series	Jersey Farm	HH	Local
Sun 04 October	Regional EAL & SWELL	Thorndon Park North	HAVOC	Regional
Sun 04 October	Urban	TBA	SN	Regional
Sat 10 October	British Schools Score Championships	Shipleigh Country Park	DVO	National
Sat 10 October	Saturday Series	Wittenham Clumps	TVOC	Local
Sun 11 October	SEOA Middle Champs	Hampstead	LOK	Regional
Tue 13 October	Street-O Series	Bow	SLOW	Local
Sat 17 October	Regional Middle Distance (pm)	South Ashdown	DFOK	Regional
Sat 17 October	Park-O and score, Coe Fen and Lammas Land	Near cafe, Lammas Land	WAOC	Local
Sun 18 October	CompassSport Cup Final	Pippingford Park	MV	Major
Sun 18 October	SMOC Keyne-O 4, Linford Wood	TBA	SMOC	Local
Sat 24 October	Caddihoe Day 1 (UKOL)	Hound Tor & Haytor, Dartmoor	DEVON	National
Sun 25 October	HH Urban 2026	Welwyn Garden City	HH	Regional
Sun 01 November	November Classic (UKOL)	Hollands Wood	SOC	National
Sun 01 November	EAOA Championships and EAL	Santon Downham	WAOC	Regional
Sat 07 November	HH Saturday Series	Wardown Park and Popes Meadow	HH	Local
Sun 08 November	Local event	St Martha's & the Chantries	GO	Regional
Tue 10 November	SLOW Street-O Series	Kennington/Oval	SLOW	Local
Sat 14 November	South East Night Champs	Tilgate Park & Forest, Crawley	SO	Regional
Sun 15 November	Regional Event	Tilgate Park & Forest, Crawley	SO	Regional
Sun 15 November	Urban Race	Witney	TVOC	Regional
Sat 21 November	Saturday Series	Brill Common	TVOC	Local
Sat 21 November	Park-O and score	Cherry Hinton Hall Park	WAOC	Local
Sun 22 November	Regional & SWELL	Bedfords Park, Havering Atte Bower, Essex	HAVOC	Regional
Sun 22 November	Trophy	Mytchett	SN	National
Sun 29 November	SE Long Championships	Bedgebury National Pinetum and Forest	SAX	National
Sun 29 November	SCOL 04 and BKO Autumn Regional Forest	Bucklebury Common	BKO	Regional
Sun 06 December	National Event and SEL	Epping NW	CHIG	National
Tue 08 December	Street-O Series	tbc	SLOW	Local
Sat 12 December	Saturday Series	Hill End	TVOC	Local
Sun 13 December	Festive Event & 60th anniversary	Nower	MV	Regional
Sat 26 December	LOK/HH Boxing Day Score	Trent Park	LOK	Local
Wed 30 December	SCOL 05 and SN Christmas Regional Event	Wellington College	SN	Regional



Confused by all the orienteering acronyms: SEOUL, UKOL, GLOSS etc? Go to Mole Valley's jargon buster at www.mvoc.org.

[fixture lists]

British Orienteering	you can filter by region and club
WorldofO	international fixtures
Mole Valley	user-friendly and includes local & international events
Racesignup	for Wednesday Military League South events
Ofixtures	filter in several ways
UK Urban League	
Southern England Orienteering Urban League	
UK Orienteering League	

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