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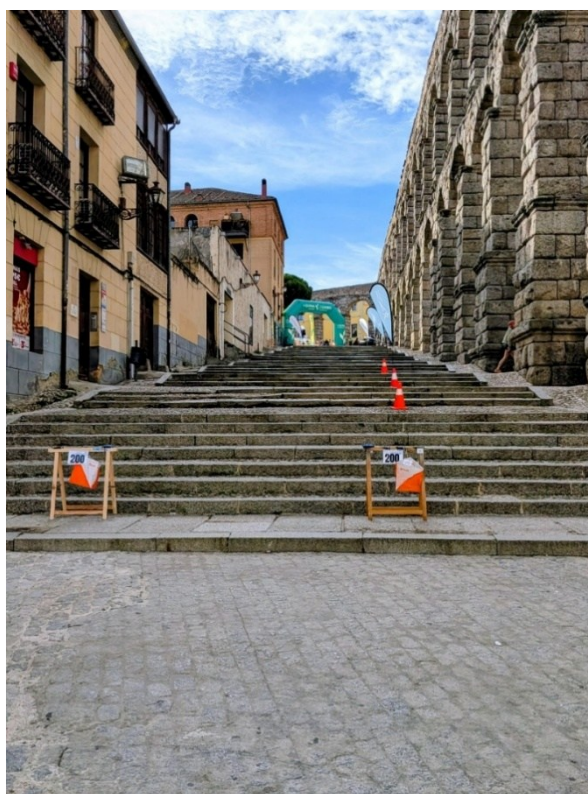
Date	Event	More Info
Sat 7 Nov 26 10:00 - 12:45	Wardown Park Newcomers and Beginners welcome.	Event Details Location
Sat 21 Nov 26 10:00 - 12:00	Club Training, Wardown Park Newcomers and Beginners welcome.	Event Details Location
Sat 5 Dec 26 10:00 - 12:45	Haberdashers, Elstree Newcomers and Beginners welcome.	Event Details Location
Sun 6 Dec 26 10:30 - 14:00	HH Club Championships, Epping NW	Event Details Location TBC

EDITOR'S SPUR

Alan Rosen

Do you ever grumble about uphill finishes?

(Segovia, Spain, next to the 2000-year-old Roman Aqueduct)



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 **December** edition it is by the end of **Friday 27 November**.



CHAIR'S CHAT

Ben Bardsley

COMPASS SPORT CUP FINAL

Thank you to all who came out to run for the club in the Compass Sport Final on 18 October.

It was great to see so many HH tops out on the course and 6th place in this competition, which had an extremely strong field with some of the UK's top orienteers, was a very creditable performance.

Next year, there is a real incentive to win our heat again since the final is being hosted by TVOC at Wendover Woods on Sunday 17 October 2027.

Hopefully we have given ourselves the best chance of winning that heat by hosting at Ashridge North.

This will hopefully maximise HH turnout and give us as good a chance as we can have of winning the South-East heat. Sunday 7 February 2027 – post the date in your diary now...

HH URBAN – WELWYN GARDEN CITY

A big thank you to Adam Leaf, Dan Hodson, Mike Bennett and the rest of the team of helpers for putting on and running the HH Level C Urban event in Welwyn Garden City on 25 October.

As always, it's a team effort to put on our races, and Urbans pose a few different challenges. Fortunately, on a weekend of wild weather, the Welwyn weather came good to help tempt a few last-minute entries.

Thank you all.

OMM

I'm afraid I missed the urban due to being up in Galloway, Scotland for this year's Original Mountain Marathon (OMM), which I completed with Oliver in the teeth of Storm Boelo.

This was an extreme and wild event due to the storm but very satisfying to finish, albeit with a neutralised, but still challenging Day 2 due to the Amber weather warning and 90 mph winds at the top of the hills where the courses were due to go!

More of this next month by which time I may have fully dried out...

Best wishes

Ben



COMPASSSPORT FINAL, PIPPINGFORD PARK, 18 OCTOBER

Well done to everyone who went to the CSC Final (and didn't we do well?)

Compass Sport Cup

Pos	Club	Scorers	Score	Course 1	Course 2	Course 3	Course 4	Course 5	Course 6	Course 7	Course 8	Course 9M	Course 9W	Course 10M	Course 10W
1st	FVO	25	2385	484 (5)	469 (5)	283 (3)	188 (2)	195 (2)	0 (0)	196 (2)	0 (0)	188 (2)	0 (0)	188 (2)	194 (2)
2nd	SYQ	25	2366	288 (3)	281 (3)	195 (2)	183 (2)	280 (3)	100 (1)	95 (1)	0 (0)	276 (3)	198 (2)	190 (2)	280 (3)
3rd	SN	25	2244	266 (3)	180 (2)	446 (5)	182 (2)	181 (2)	184 (2)	353 (4)	88 (1)	96 (1)	186 (2)	0 (0)	82 (1)
4th	SO	25	2184	256 (3)	257 (3)	250 (3)	269 (3)	275 (3)	456 (5)	81 (1)	92 (1)	0 (0)	90 (1)	158 (2)	0 (0)
5th	BOK	25	2150	384 (5)	222 (3)	85 (1)	245 (3)	177 (2)	185 (2)	462 (5)	198 (2)	0 (0)	96 (1)	0 (0)	96 (1)
6th	HH	25	2127	248 (3)	163 (2)	420 (5)	181 (2)	175 (2)	265 (3)	159 (2)	94 (1)	162 (2)	0 (0)	174 (2)	86 (1)
7th	DVQ	25	1995	58 (1)	0 (0)	361 (4)	331 (4)	61 (1)	295 (4)	405 (5)	308 (4)	0 (0)	88 (1)	0 (0)	88 (1)
8th	HOC	25	1951	212 (3)	373 (5)	75 (1)	208 (3)	137 (2)	0 (0)	168 (2)	0 (0)	340 (4)	0 (0)	274 (3)	164 (2)
9th	OD	25	1947	187 (3)	186 (2)	0 (0)	306 (4)	280 (3)	399 (5)	213 (3)	224 (3)	152 (2)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
10th	SROC	21	1568	266 (4)	0 (0)	0 (0)	239 (3)	80 (1)	388 (5)	207 (3)	242 (3)	146 (2)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
11th	AIRE	7	510	83 (1)	170 (2)	0 (0)	98 (2)	79 (1)	0 (0)	80 (1)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)

The event (as is traditional at the CSC Final) had a Golden Boot award for the fastest times on the run-in; they were 31 seconds for the Men and 34 seconds for the Women. So how did HH fare? Here's everyone who came in under a minute. In bold means fastest in class.

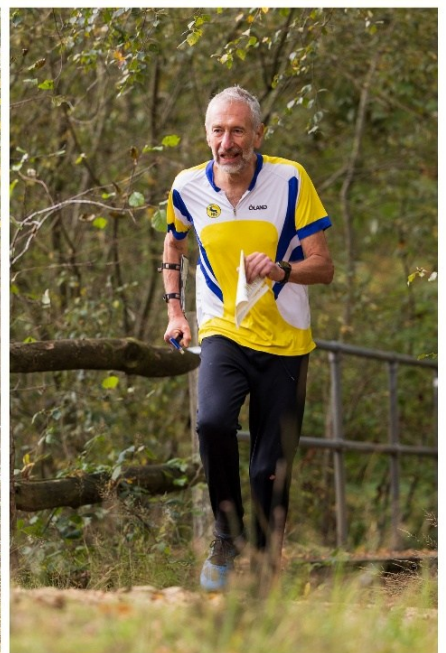
HH position	Name	Class	Run-in	Position in class
1	Kieran Dedman	M14	00:38	1st=
2	Csongor Farago	M16	00:42	10th=
2	Alexander Lines	M21	00:42	9th=
2	Daniel Hodson	M21	00:42	9th=
5	Theo Marsden	M14	00:43	6th
6	Tom Raftery	M45	00:44	11th
7	Darrio Muk Yiu Tam	M14	00:45	8th=
8	Samuel Fielding	M21	00:46	19th=
8	Tom Cochrane	M40	00:46	19th=
10	Bors Farago	M18	00:48	15th=
10	James Errington	M21	00:48	27th=
10	David Hodson	M60	00:48	6th=
13	Nigel Quinton	M65	00:49	1st
13	David Allard	M40	00:49	29th=
13	Becky Raftery	W40	00:49	6th
16	Ian Marsden	M50	00:50	23rd=
17	David Dixon	M50	00:51	26th=
17	Simon Errington	M60	00:51	16th=
19	Isabelle Raftery	W12	00:52	7th=
20	Daniel Hitch	M21	00:53	36th=
20	Niamh Mitchell	W14	00:53	12th
22	Kevin Fielding	M55	00:54	21st=
22	Alex Lane	M45	00:54	33rd=
24	Tunde Farago	W12	00:55	13th=
24	Alex Fielding	M21	00:55	39th=
24	Mike Trotman	M55	00:55	25th=
24	Kerria Lines	W21	00:55	12th
28	Steve Naunton	M50	00:56	36th
29	Mark Adams	M60	00:57	33rd=
30	Mick Smith	M75	00:58	4th=





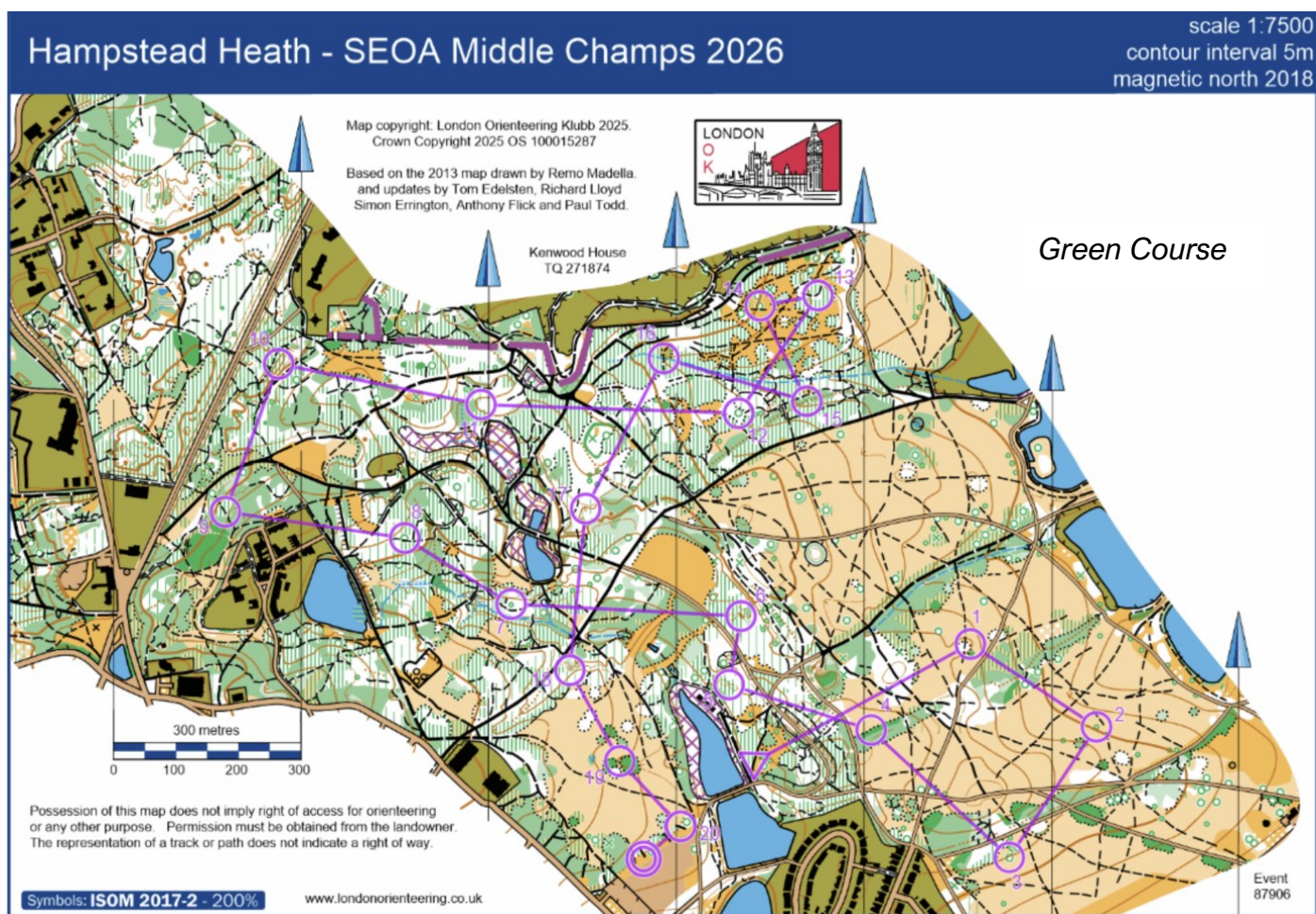
Thanks to [Rob and Ed Lines](#) for the photos







WELL DONE TO THE 2026 HH MEDALLISTS AT THE SOUTH EAST MIDDLE CHAMPS



Orange W12 - SEOA MC 2.2km 50m

1st	Tunde Farago	W12	28:32
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Light Green M14 - SEOA MC 2.3km 60m

1st	Darrio Mukyiu Tam	M14	17:53
2nd	Kieran Dedman	M14	18:00
3rd	Theodore Marsden	M14	20:22

Short Green W65-75 - SEOA MC 2.7km 70m

1st	Janet Rosen	W70	42:16
2nd	Sue Hooper	W70	44:31
3rd	Alison Saunders	W65	58:46

Blue W45-50 - SEOA MC 4.6km 115m

1st	Helen Marsden	W50	42:30
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Brown W20-40 - SEOA MC 5km 140m

1st	Kerria Lines	W21	39:35
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Brown M45-50 - SEOA MC 5km 140m

1st	Ian Marsden	M50	37:15
2nd	David Dixon	M50	38:41



Thanks to Catherine Galvin (LOK) for the photos





50 YEARS AGO...

GREATER LONDON COUNCIL ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS
in conjunction with
HAPPY HERTS ORIENTEERING CLUB'S 'COME-AND-TRY-IT' & INFORMAL EVENT

DATE: Sunday 26th September 1976.

VENUE: Hampstead Heath. Car Park and Registration in East Heath Road, near Downshire Hill and Willow Road, 600 metres East of Hampstead Underground Station, and 300 metres North West of Hampstead Heath Station (Broad Street Line). Map reference 271859.

MAP: 1:10,000 drawn by Mark Blackstone.

COURSES:	<u>A 9kms</u>	<u>B 6kms</u>	<u>C 4.5kms</u>	<u>D 3kms</u>
men aged	19-34	35-49 17-18	50 & over 14-16	Under 14
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women aged		19-42	15-18 43 & over	Under 15

ENTRIES: On the day. Fees 19 and over 30p. Under 19 15p. Payable at Registration.

REGISTRATION: 9.a.m. to 11a.m. Start times 9.30a.m. to 12 noon. Courses close at 2.30p.m.

TERRAIN: Mainly open parkland, slightly rolling with very little undergrowth.

PLAQUES AND CERTIFICATES
will be awarded to winners and runners-up in the championships

What's the same as now and what is different?

The 30p entry fee in 1976 is equivalent to about £3 today, so the £11 we paid in 2026 is significantly more, but we received a pre-printed map, electronic entries and timing, and the land access fees and levies to SEOA and BOF are probably a lot higher than in 1976. Juniors were half price, as now.

No need to pre-enter in 1976 as, when you paid your fee on the day, you were given a blank map and loose control descriptions. When you started, you ran a few metres to master map boards from which you copied your course onto your map as quickly as possible. Not easy under time pressure but if it was raining then even harder as your map would disintegrate as you tried to make your pen/pencil work. This event had second and third master maps on some courses, the equivalent of a double (triple?)-sided map these days.



Orange and white flags were the same but you punched a control card with a pin punch (and that's why we still talk about punching at a control).



The one aspect that is virtually unchanged is the actual orienteering!



In 1976 'live' results were shown by displaying the 'stub' of your control card, filled in with your time on a 'washing line'. The stub was handed in at the start so that we knew who was out on the course – when all of the cards and stubs had been reunited you knew everyone was back.

To get the final results, after they had been typed up (with a typewriter of course), you put your address on an envelope and eagerly awaited the post every day until they arrived, sometimes a week or so later. A First Class stamp cost 8½p and a Second Class stamp cost 6½p. Today it's £1.80 for First Class and 91p for Second Class.

In 1976 there were 244 finishers, in 2026 it was 214. There are about a dozen people from the 1976 results who are still running today!

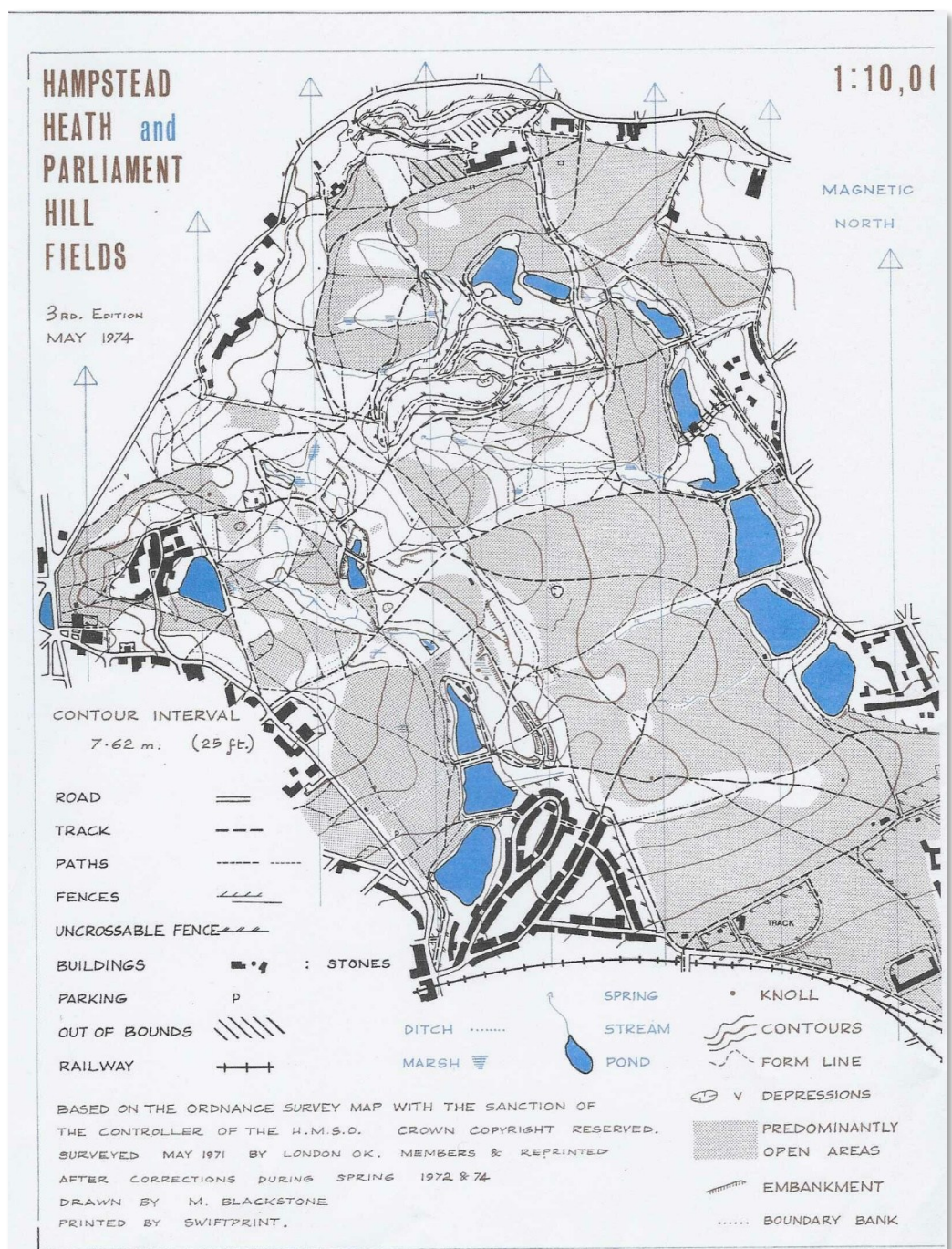
The 1976 map was drawn by Mark Blackstone (then of LOK, now BOK).

Fortunately, Mark still has his map and kindly sent it across for the newsletter – thanks Mark!

It uses 3 colours (black, brown and blue), compared with a modern 5-colour map (add yellow and green), so the open areas are shown with a grey screen.

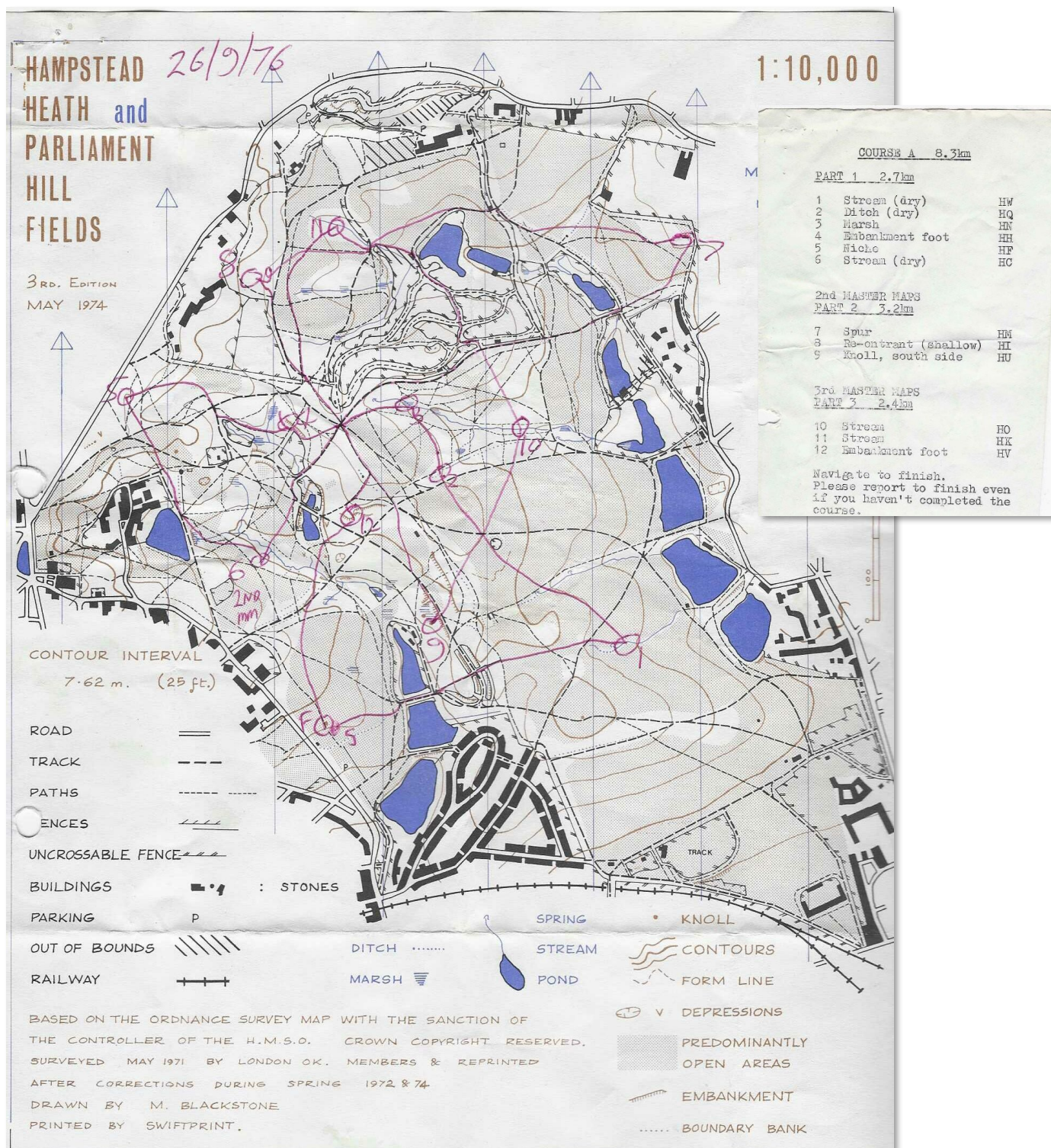
Of course, we then add a 6th colour – purple for overprinting the course.

As you can see, it is literally drawn by hand.





And here's Mark's map when he ran course A – at controls 6 and 9 there were further master maps to copy down the next few controls. Worth noting that all of the controls are on brown or blue features.



Course A in 1976 was 8.3k and won by Mike Murray (OK Nuts, now SLOW) in 41:01, so just under 5mins/k (not including climb of about 220m)

The Black Course in 2026 was 6km (and 150m of climb) and won by Michael Crone (SLOW) in 37:43, so just over 6 mins/k (but there's a lot of legs in 1976 that could be run straight which would now need a much more wiggly and longer route)



THE HAMPSTEAD HEATH EVENT.

Sunday 26 September 1976

GREATER LONDON COUNCIL ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS

in conjunction with

HAPPY HERTS ORIENTEERING CLUB'S 'COME-AND-TRY-IT' AND INFORMAL EVENT

Organiser's remarks

A 'Championship' on Hampstead Heath is of necessity a somewhat informal affair, the terrain presenting few vegetable or mineral hazards, but offering a fine assortment of animal unpredictables.....friendly dogs, less friendly dogs, curious humans, and the twin menaces of the dreaded control shredder and pin-punch snatcher. For a club with the limited man-power of Happy Herts to offer such a project displays either foolhardiness or touching faith in the power of inter-club friendship. In the event our LOK friends provided assistance of such magnitude as to render the venture a positive pleasure. Our sincere thanks to all of them and to some members of other clubs for undertaking the thankless task of long hours of supervision of remote controls. One very satisfactory sight was that of actual queues at the information table, indicating that the C-A-T-I part of the event was having the desired effect.

We appreciate the help of Greater London Council officials, and the charm with which Councillor Mrs Rose Hacker presented the plaques and certificates.

ALEC FARMER
MONTY ROSEN

Course Planner's comments

If course A runners thought that some of their controls were only put in to make up the distance they were absolutely right. I trust that they enjoyed the rest of the course.

Hampstead Heath is neither thickly wooded enough or large enough to be ideal orienteering terrain, but there are plenty of control sites to be found without the need for recourse to path junctions or fence corners. If some of those new to orienteering found course D tricky, this was because I tried to give you an orienteering course rather than a stroll on the Heath. I hope that you found the successful completion worthwhile and that we'll see you again.

My particular thanks to all those patient people who spent hours watching over our controls. The event could not have taken place without your help.

DESMOND WAITE

Controllers comments

Hampstead Heath is probably one of the hardest areas in the South-East to plan courses on, because of the abundance of tracks, and the out of bounds area in the north. A leg of any real length always has a path as an alternative to the straight line route. The paths were generally quicker than the straight route because of the smaller amount of map reading required. The objective of the longer courses is therefore to keep the competitor making decisions. Judging by the comments received Des was successful in this, as many people made small errors which, because of the very fast terrain, lost them a lot of time.

I felt that course D was rather hard for beginners, yet for the championship entrants it was perhaps too easy. Two separate courses would have been better. The winning times on all courses were meant to be shorter than usual, but in every case the slower times were still too long.

Information on forthcoming orienteering events can be obtained by telephoning 09273 70108 or 01-954 3299.

ALAN ROSEN

The Greater London Council would like to thank everyone who supported this event and trust that you all enjoyed it. In particular the Council's thanks are due to all those members of the Happy Herts and London O.K. whose hard work made this event possible.

L. FRANKLIN
Features Manager
G.L.C. Parks Department



BANFF MOUNTAIN FILM FESTIVAL WORLD TOUR 2027



It's not orienteering, but HH members have been spotted at previous shows – it's an annual tour going round the UK with two programmes, Red and Blue, and they visit the Albans Arena and many other venues twice through the year.

<https://www.banff-uk.com/>

“The World's Best Mountain Films

The Banff Mountain Film Festival brings to life the spirit of extreme adventure and the world's last great wild places - all through the big screen. The UK & Ireland Tour features extraordinary collections of inspiring short films from the world's most prestigious mountain film festival!”

See [here](#) for the Red and Blue films for 2026 – they will give you a flavour of the range of adventures you might expect to see.



Film

Banff Mountain Film Festival Red Film Programme

Experience an unforgettable evening of thrilling adventure – up on the big screen! The Banff Mountain Film Festival features a brand-new collection of short films filled...

📍 The Alban Arena

Sunday 7 Feb

HH Compass Sport Cup regional heat at Ashridge



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Banff Mountain Film Festival Blue Film Programme

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📍 The Alban Arena

30 & 31 October

Veteran Home Internationals, N Wales (ERYRI)

OMM 2027, South Wales

31 October

Urbans at Godalming (GO) and Stratford upon Avon (OD)



MEET YOUR HH OFFICERS

Jacob Sharpe

Youth League Co-ordinator

Like others at the club I started Orienteering at St Albans School, with my first event being a come and try it in Whippendell Wood in September 1985. So it was fun to organise the club's somewhat aborted return to Whippendell in November 2024!

I orienteered throughout my time at the school and always enjoyed the Schools' League then on Wednesday evenings in the Summer Term, which I now know were organised by HH with SMOC and WAOC. These would attract a reasonable number of schools.

I then orienteered throughout my time at University at both OUOC and ULOC. With OUOC I went on tours of Norway in 1993 and Lithuania and Estonia in 1994. The latter was quite an experience just a few years after independence. To my disbelief now, we caught the (overnight) coach both ways and on missing the coach back from Warsaw, just booked into a youth hostel for 3 nights until the next one.

I was captain of ULOC and whilst not big we were a surviving club and with events like the CUOC sprint O and the BUSA [British Universities] championship had a good programme. I remember we organised an event in Victoria Park and having made a profit spent it in the pub. No one told us about the BOF levy!



I joined HH in 1999 and with the more regimented nature of working life started attending Sunday events very regularly. I joined the committee as publicity officer in 2001. The Saturday Series started around this time and when John Currie indicated that the Wednesday evening Schools' League was no longer viable, I volunteered to run a Youth League on the back of the Saturday Series. The league started with a good number of keen schools (Orley Park, St Albans, Wood End). In the early years the problem was keeping track of the

competitors who seemed to morph name and age class very effectively. This made scoring the league quite a job. This became a lot easier when Dave Tookey managed a more automated process and is very easy now it is run with the Saturday League.



In terms of my own Orienteering then in the early 2000's I was at my most keen, running most Sundays. Going frequently to the Scottish 6 days, JKs and on overseas trips to France and other European destinations (including a somewhat more developed Lithuania). I also started Mountain Marathons particularly the KIMM / OMM. I really enjoyed these, even Borrowdale 2008. We had reached the overnight camp when the event was cancelled and after a biblical walk back up the Honister pass to try to get to the car, we very fortunately got on a bus to Keswick. Here Mike Edward's credit card was greatly



appreciated and we spent the night at a B&B. So definitely “unaccounted for” but maybe not in too much discomfort or danger and not “huddling in a barn”. In the end we gravitated to the Medium Score and in 2013 managed a top 10 finish. From around this time my attendance at multiday events became a lot less. I still though Orienteer regularly at weekends, when not injured and try to organise one event a year. I have never really got into urban Orienteering. For me a large part of the motivation is being in a remoter place, on terrain with fewer people around and to some extent exploring.



The Youth League did not keep up the health of the early years; new schools did appear (St Albans High School, Beachwood Park School) but not really at a rate to replace the ones we were losing. Sadly, over lockdown we lost the last of the organisational attendees and now have just an individual league. It is a shame and when you look at the number of people in the club who started through the league, either directly or as a parent, then it is clearly a big thing to lose. I know the club is working more directly with Schools and Scout Groups and hopefully over time we will find a recipe to restore the team competition. Hope to see you all at an event soon.

PUBLICITY

Hedley Calderbank

Do you have any ideas about publicising the club and its activities to expand participation and membership? Are you prepared to share some of the publicity workload with Brad Smith? If so, please contact Brad to discuss at bradman1981@gmail.com.

We have a really good story to tell with nearly 50 events and activities during a typical year and over 2500 participants - far more than most other clubs.



SATURDAY SERIES AND MAJOR FIXTURES

Neil Gostick

Since last month we have had two very good events, the first at Jersey Farm on a pleasant Autumn morning and then last weekend, on in the end just a 'very blustery day' with our almost annual urban event, this time in Welwyn Garden City.

Next month we are using Wardown Park and Popes Meadow in Luton for the first time. So please join us for what should be a good mix of urban and woodland orienteering.

We still though need event officials for subsequent events, especially an organiser for Habs (permission is agreed with the schools)

So if you can help out please contact Neil on jngostick@gmail.com or via phone / WhatsApp on 07834 205376

Then in the New Year, we have surprisingly been unable to get permission for Haileybury so have shuffled events and will put Sherrards on using Templewood School as the base at the end of Jan (not Feb as the first w/e is Ashridge) and plan to use one of our best areas Mardley for a New Year event which should get a good turnout. Plus, nudge Norton Common back a month which gives more time for permission on a new area.

Date	Level	Type	Venue	Organiser	Planner	Controller
07-Nov	D	Saturday	Wardown Park	Stu Levene	Ian Byford	Tom Cochrane
05-Dec	D	Saturday	Habs School	TBC	Daniel Hitch	Hedley Calderbank
26-Dec	D	Boxing Day Score	Trent Park	Catherin Galvin (LOK)	Ian Byford	Ronan & Julie Cleary (LOK)
02-Jan	D	Saturday	Mardley Heath	Jacob Sharpe	Alex & Kerria Lines	TBC
30-Jan	D	Saturday	SherrardsPark Wood	TBC	Stu Levene & Seb Flesch	TBC
07-Feb	B	Compass Sport Cup Heat	Ashridge North	Nigel Quinton	Becky & Dave Kingdon	TBC (non HH)
06-Mar	D	Saturday	Norton Common / (Chipperfield back up)	Dave Allard TBC	Ian Byford	Laura Parkes
02-Apr	D	Saturday	Panshanger	TBC	TBC	TBC
01-May	D	Saturday	Cassiobury	TBC	Beatrix Li	TBC
05-Jun	D	Saturday	Nomansland	TBC	Nigel Quinton	Ben Bardsley
03-Jul	D	Saturday & GLOSS	Croxley GLOSS	TBC	Tim BL	TBC
11-Sep	A	SHI Individual	Epping CHIG	TBC	TBC	TBC
12-Sep	A	SHI Relays / Jack of Herts	Northaw		Kevin / Laura Parkes	



HERTS ORIENTEERING SATURDAY SERIES

WARDOWN PARK & POPES MEADOW



Please join us at Wardown for our Orienteering event on 7th November. It's one of our monthly series

What you will enjoy :

The challenge and satisfaction of running, navigating and racing around the complexities and pleasant surroundings of the Park and up the hill to Popes Meadow

Courses: Beginners through to Experienced

Event Centre : Next to main car park

Starts : 10:30-12:00. To allow Park Run to finish.

More Info : <https://www.herts-orienteeing.club/events/event/wardown-park-7th-november-2026/>

Entry :

<https://www.sientries.co.uk/event/hh-wardown-park-2026>

Or from 10:00 at event centre
Juniors £4 Adults £7

Full leg cover not mandatory



A Great Introduction To Orienteering



JIRCS

Written by Emese, told by Csongi

What is JIRCS?

It is stands for Junior Interregional Champs. There are 12 regions across the UK and every year they try to decide which region is the best. JIRCS is usually on the last weekend of September and the regions takes turn to organise it. Saturday is for the individuals but you score for your region as well and there is a relay on Sunday W 14-16-18 and M 14-16-18s.

Junior Squads invite the best runners from their region and provide regular training, training camps (sometimes abroad), and the JIRCS every year. Juniors are usually invited when they are about to be able to run a Light Green course on their own.

This year East Anglia was the host for JIRCS which meant very little travel for those who live the Eastern part of Hertfordshire. The individual races were held near Chelmsford at Writtle Forest and rules allowed parents, coaches and even HH members to run before the JIRCS started. Due to the vicinity to us many HH members made the trip to Writtle Forest which provided interesting navigation challenge with area of dense bits of depressions. I met a stag right next to the start which was so confused that almost jumped on me. Poor animal.

JIRCS used the same controls but different courses half an hour later than we finished. We strictly were not allowed to share any information to squad members. I just told Csongi, I loved my course. So far JIRCS for us parents and HH coaches were just a weekend when our kids were away and this was a rare opportunity to have a glimpse into its operation.

As the terrain was nice runnable forest with plenty of details it was easy to make a mistake. Csongi was not particularly happy with his run in M16. He made plenty of mistakes. Issy on the contrary hit the podium, 3rd place in W18, and Niamh was 6th in W14.

The squads gathered after the races at Essex Outdoors Event Centre for the traditional evening social and a lively Ceilidh and for the prize giving. South East Junior Squad was 3rd! 1st Scotland, 2nd Yorkshire, 3rd South East!

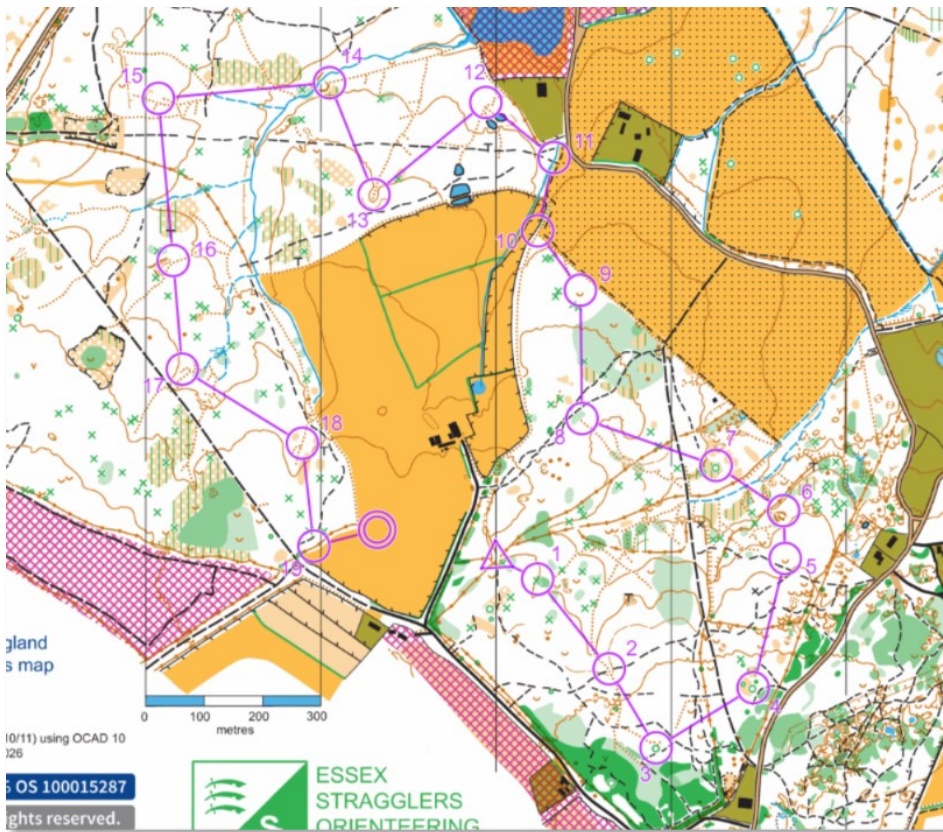
The action moved to Hatfield Forest near Bishop's Stortford on Sunday 27 September for the relays. The fast, open, and technical areas of the ancient royal hunting forest required high-speed decision-making and whilst on paper the area didn't look too tricky, the pressure of relay racing led to quite a few mistakes.

After the relays, they combine regional individual and relay results and they announce the podium: 1st Scotland, 2nd Yorkshire and 3rd South East! We were told that this was the best ever position for South East in the last 19 years since the JIRCS run! Well done, squad!

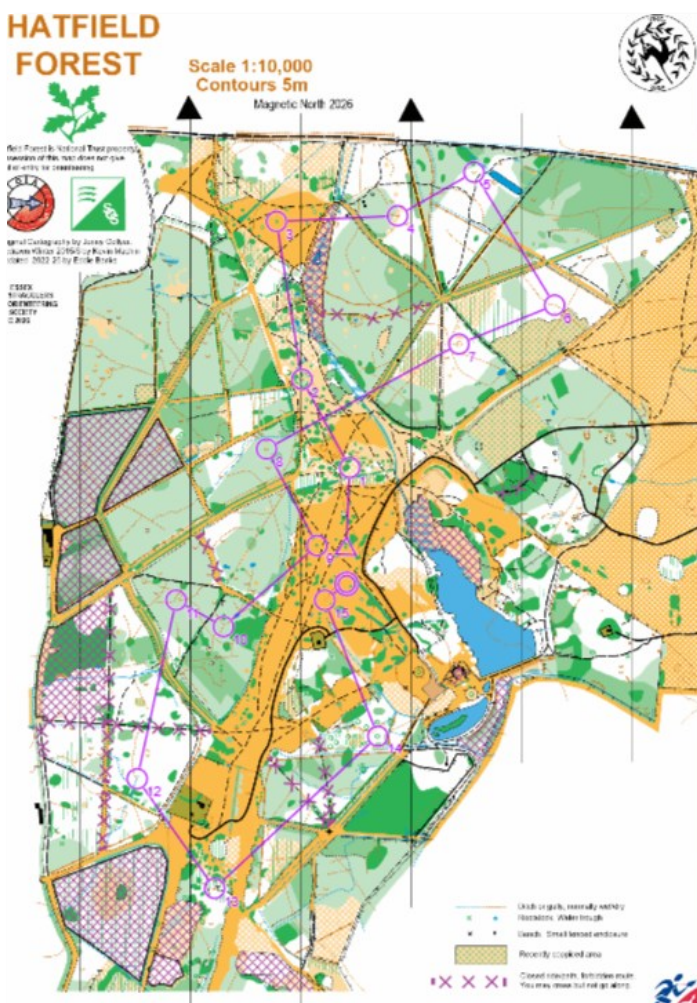


Issy on the podium of W18

HH juniors involved: Issy, Poppy, Kieran, Rory, Csongi, Darrio



Short Green course



Csongi's relay course, first leg (M16)



SATURDAY SERIES: JERSEY FARM, 3 OCTOBER

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 may be of interest.

Date	Event	Area	Club	Level
Sun 01 November	November Classic (UKOL)	Hollands Wood	SOC	National
Sun 01 November	EAOA Championships and EAL	Santon Downham	WAOC	Regional
Tue 03 November	SLOW Night Series	Wimbledon Common	SLOW	Local
Sat 07 November	HH Saturday Series	Wardown Park and Popes Meadow	HH	Local
Sun 08 November	GO Local event	St Martha's & the Chancies	GO	Regional
Tue 10 November	SLOW Street-O Series	Kennington/Oval	SLOW	Local
Sat 14 November	SO South East Night Champs	Tilgate Park & Forest, Crawley	SO	Regional
Sun 15 November	SO Regional Event	Tilgate Park & Forest, Crawley	SO	Regional
Sun 15 November	Urban Race	Witney	TVOC	Regional
Sat 21 November	TVOC Saturday Series	Brill Common	TVOC	Local
Sat 21 November	Park-O and score	Cherry Hinton Hall Park	WAOC	Local
Sun 22 November	HAVOC Regional & SWELL	Bedfords Park	HAVOC	Regional
Sun 22 November	SN Trophy	Mytchett	SN	National
Tue 24 November	SLOW Night Series	Wandsworth Common	SLOW	Local
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
Sat 05 December	HH Saturday Series	Haberdashers	HH	Local
Sun 06 December	HH Club Championships	Epping NW	CHIG	National
Tue 08 December	SLOW / DFOK Street-O Series	tbc	SLOW	Local
Sat 12 December	TVOC Saturday Series	Hill End	TVOC	Local
Sun 13 December	MV 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
Sat 02 January	HH Saturday Series	Haileybury	HH	Local
Sun 03 January	DFOK SE League National	South Ashdown	DFOK	Regional
Sat 09 January	Park-O and score	Milton Country Park	WAOC	Local
Sun 10 January	SLOW Regional	Belmont School	SLOW	Regional
Tue 12 January	SLOW / DFOK Street-O Series	tbc	SLOW	Local
Sat 16 January	TVOC Saturday Series	Kings Wood	TVOC	Local
Sun 17 January	LOK National	Holmbury	LOK	National
Sun 24 January	HAVOC Regional & SWELL	Hadleigh Park, Hadleigh, Essex	HAVOC	Regional
Tue 26 January	SLOW Night Series	Esher Common	SLOW	Local
Sat 30 January	Concorde Chase Urban 2027	Arborfield Green	BKO	Regional
Sun 31 January	Concorde Chase Forest 2027	Hawley	BKO	National
Sun 31 January	East Midlands Championships & Robin Hood Trophy 2027	Sherwood Forest	NOC	National



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