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## CHAIRMAN'S CHAT

Alan Simpson

The Jan Kjellstrom Festival of Orienteering took place as usual over the Easter weekend. Of the 2400 competitors, 20 Devon members had made the long trip north to Northumbria, to take on the varied challenges of:

The sprint race in the streets and parks of central Newcastle,  
Two individual races 50 miles to the north in the Kyloe hills,  
The relays at Dipton back near Hexham on the river Tyne

Pride of places on the podium went to Jill Green, 1st place in W65L sprint race. Well done Jill. Matt Ryder was second in the JK M18L class over days 2 and 3, and only a minute behind the leader. After only a few years in the sport, this was an excellent result. Well done indeed, Matt.

In the relays, the club's best result was in M165. Veterans Tom Lillicrap (club captain), John Pearce, and Steve Edmonds put in a spirited effort to come 4<sup>th</sup> out of a field of 50.

This year, the event was blessed by beautiful weather throughout, as you can see in the photo over the page of Matt on the podium.

On another note, I want to mention the training courses proposed by British Orienteering for future committee members. This is sponsored by the SW Skills Active agency. They initially had in mind the roles of chairman, secretary, and treasurer. But clubs are coming up with ideas for other roles, eg web-site manager. If you feel you might have the time to lend a hand in running the club, but feel you need a bit of training please contact our secretary Graham Dugdale.

So, what's next on the fixture list?

Well, have a look over the page.

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**Matt Ryder on the podium**

## **JK 2010**

Next year, as you may know, the JK comes to the south-west, and will be hosted by the South West Orienteering Association. Actually, all four event days are in Devon

SprintO	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2010	Bicton Park
Individual	Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Cookworthy
Individual	Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Braunton Burrows
Relays	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> April	Braunton Burrows

Please put these dates in your diary, and, if you have never attended a JK before make this a first.

The event co-ordinator, Erik Peckett, has already put in months of work checking and choosing the venues, organising the necessary re-mapping, twisting arms to fill the major roles of planners, day organisers, equipment manager, and many more. As you may imagine, lots of on-the-day helpers will be needed. So my second plea is that you make a contribution on one or more days to enable this event to be a fantastic success. There is a four-hour start window on the first three days. So all helpers can also have a run. As the event planning proceeds, requests for help will be coming your way.

Whatever the weather, the JK is a special event with a celebratory air. As well as the age classes, there are entry-on-the-day colour-coded courses, the unique flavour of Trail-O, intended for the disabled and suitable for wheelchairs, and commentary each day.

**Alan Simpson**

## JK2009 by Jack Baker

I started the four days with my first ever sprint O around Newcastle city centre (just outside). After swamping Matt Ryder and Duncan Taylor with questions about these events, I found myself listening to the long beep and setting off - for once with tarmac under my feet. There were certainly some interesting route choices, involving dual carriageway crossroads and a multitude of subways. Despite some hesitation at times, and a few mistakes, I was pleased with how it went and found myself getting into 'sprint mode' as Matt and Duncan called it, relatively quickly. Running through a city with an orienteering map and lycra was certainly a new experience for me!

The second day I found alot more taxing though, and the sprint was no walk in the park; it was a run! It was through technical forests very different from the homely Devonshire woods I was used to. There were very few handrail features, or paths for that matter; its these things I've tended to rely upon in the past. I'd also never quite come across the concept of a large crag in the middle of a forest before! So about 2 hours and many mistakes later, I dibbed in, and took second... last. I had some serious analysing to do that afternoon. After a swim in the North sea of course!

The second day again I found quite difficult; however I feel my analysis did pay dividends! Also the scenery, particularly on this day, was absolutely spectacular! Parts reminded me of the South of France, this image was also topped off by the terrific weather we had for that day. Infact it was so hot, I decided to follow the stream gulley instead of the convenient red tape marking the way; going waist deep in bog at points.

Unfortunately Adrian Taylor who took us up, had a worsening eye problem; so we couldnt do the relay. However the three days were enough of an experience to make me realise I definitely want to do it again! I not only enjoyed my first sprint, but the event made me realise just how diverse Britain's terrain actually is. All I can say is, many thanks to the Taylors for inviting me on such a great trip!



**DEVON OC JK RESULTS**  
**Days 2 & 3**  
**Saturday 11 April & Sunday 12 April**

		Day 2		Day 3		Total Time
<b>M16A</b>						
28/63	Duncan Taylor	67:04	(28)	60:53	(29)	127:57
<b>M18L</b>						
2/25	Matt Ryder	62:43	(2)	72:42	(3)	135:25
22/25	Jack Baker	109:53	(95)	95:53	(19)	205:56
<b>M35S</b>						
5/19	Olivier Boucher	76:28	(6)	64:33	(4)	141:01
<b>M50L</b>						
36/110	Steve Edmonds	82:37	(50)	69:23	(27)	152:00
	Adrian Taylor	103:06	(87)			
<b>M55L</b>						
57/96	Chris Virgo	92:21	(54)	83:43	(66)	176:04
69/96	Nicholas Maxwell	111:57	(78)	89:06	(72)	201:03
<b>M60L</b>						
12/96	Tom Lillicrap	68:12	(15)	62:39	(12)	130:51
40/96	Roger Hargreaves	85:41	(49)	73:54	(36)	159:35
<b>M60S</b>						
27/30	Mike Hughes	112:13	(30)	75:22	(22)	187:35
<b>M65L</b>						
11/66	John Pearce	57:45	(5)	64:27	(25)	122:12
39/66	Alan Simpson	72:56	(34)	74:58	(43)	147:54
55/66	Roger Hateley	116:25	(64)	84:13	(53)	200:38
	John Dyson	99:36	(61)			
<b>M70L</b>						
1/40	Arthur Boyt	43:42	(1)	44:45	(1)	88:27
<b>W14B</b>						
2/9	Le'A Boucher	37:02	(4)	27:34	(2)	64:36
<b>W40S</b>						
25/31	Marie Boucher	105:21	(28)	66:45	(19)	172:06
<b>W50S</b>						
10/32	Sue Boyt 58:20	(5)	67:50	(15)	126:10	
<b>W55L</b>						
47/51	Vivienne Maxwell	146:55	(49)	100:19	(49)	247:14
<b>W60L</b>						
9/55	Carol Pearce	52:46	(3)	65:13	(20)	117:59
	Elsie Hargreaves	66:50	(25)			
<b>W60S</b>						
6/22	Susan Hateley	73:09	(10)	63:57	(4)	137:06
<b>W65L</b>						
5/34	Ann Hughes	68:11	(8)	59:17	(4)	127:28
6/34	Jill Green 70:39	(10)	57:54	(2)	128:33	
<b>W70L</b>						
5/21	Val Livsey	71:22	(9)	69:17	(7)	140:39

## JK Sprint – Friday 10 April

<b>M16</b>	Duncan Taylor	mp	17:44
<b>M18</b>	Matt Ryder	18/63	21:23
	Jack Baker	34/63	24:29
<b>M35</b>	Olivier Boucher	9/22	21:12
	James Head	19/22	31:15
<b>M50</b>	Adrian Taylor	31/105	21:04
	Steve Edmonds	32/105	21:10
<b>M55</b>	Chris Virgo	45/70	22:14
<b>M60</b>	Tom Lillicrap	25/56	19:25
	Roger Hargreaves	26/56	19:30
<b>M65</b>	John Pearce	4/33	15:54
	John Dyson	11/33	18:33
	Alan Simpson	26/33	22:18
	Roger Hateley	29/33	23:49
	Roger Green	30/33	24:00
<b>M70</b>	Arthur Boyt	2/11	18:01
<b>W12</b>	Eulalie Boucher	14/14	60:29
<b>W14</b>	Le'A Boucher	26/31	31:37
<b>W40</b>	Marie Boucher	29/34	24:56
<b>W60</b>	Carol Pearce	6/30	19:47
	Elsie Hargreaves	12/30	21:56
	Susan Hateley	24/30	26:31
<b>W65</b>	<b>Jill Green</b>	<b>1/16</b>	<b>14:56</b>

## JK Relays – Monday 13 April

### M165+

Devon Moor	4/66	92:29	Tom Lillicrap, John Pearce, Steve Edmonds
Devon Lane	43/66	131:35	John Dyson, Nicholas Maxwell, Alan Simpson

### W165+

Devon Deers	9/21	99:23	Jill Green, Carol Pearce, Ann Hughes
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# Advice to Club Controllers

by Brian Parker



One word – prioritise.

The other day at a club event I was struck by how much the out-of-forest organization of orienteering has changed over recent years. Not just changed but improved almost beyond measure. The efficient registration, the reliable SI system with its print out of splits, the quiet generator, the maps with courses pre-printed, the web site riches and more.

However, in one respect orienteering has not changed at all since I was a new club controller back in the 1970's. This is planning and checking the control sites and the courses. Many years ago Erik and I attended a Controllers' Conference in which someone had computed how many chances there were for something to go wrong and upset at least one competitor's enjoyment of the event. The number was 2000 or 20,000 or some other figure equally enormous. The realistic position is that there are a small number of exceedingly important elements of the competition which have to be correct at all costs, a rather larger number where quality of planning is important to get right so as not to turn participants off the sport and a huge number of lesser elements which amount to niggles, if wrong.

Since there is an awful lot to check in and out of the forest, the possibility of an oversight or mistake is quite high. Controllers and planners are only human. What controllers must do is to ensure that the mistakes they do make are in the niggles category and not higher. They need to look at the tasks associated with the event and prioritise so that most of their energy and attention is applied to where it is most needed.

New and aspiring club controllers may find the priorities that I have used over the years worth adopting. They are:

Priority **GOLD**. To be correct at all costs.

- The control feature at the centre of the circle on the map to be correctly identified in the terrain and flagged with the correct code.

*Just the one bullet point. If this requirement is not achieved, the course is invalid and a bad experience for all concerned. Some competitors will search around in the hope that the flag is slightly misplaced. Some will decide quite quickly that they are absolutely at the centre of the circle on the map, that the course is dead but they might as well press on to treat the outing as a training run. Others will arrive at the same conclusion but try and find the errant flag, even if it takes all day.*

Priority **SILVER**. To get right as far as reasonably possible.

- For each course the overall length, technical difficulty and physical difficulty to be broadly in accord with the guidelines. Competitors can be tolerant of quite a margin but courses very much shorter or very much longer than is usual will attract derogatory comment.

- Excessive climb to be avoided. In particular, do not allow one-off 'Duke of York' controls in which competitors are taken to one control at the top of a substantial climb only to be brought all the way back down again. If you really have to include the climb, ensure there are at least two controls up there, to make the climb worthwhile. The same advice, naturally, applies to going down and having to climb back up again.
- In-out legs to be avoided on all the more technical courses. Good practice discourages narrow angle dogleg controls but the in-out, zero-angle variety, where the route out is the reverse of the route in, is the worst example and indicative of bad planning.
- Make sure each leg of a course is valid. If there is an uncrossable linear feature straddling the leg, it is necessary for a mapped crossing point (either on the base map or added as a course overprint) to be on line or not too far to the side. Tapes in the terrain may assist.
- Beware of bingo controls. The base principle is that competitors locate controls by navigation and not by pure chance. Features, such as pits, in the middle of nowhere can be particularly unfair, especially if they are surrounded by slightly smaller, unmapped similar features. The first competitor to arrive at such a control may take ages to find it but then attracts all the later arrivals.

All these points seriously affect the quality of an event and a significant shortfall in any of them can bear on the opinion of a competitor about the ability of the Club to put on proper orienteering and whether it is worth coming to future events.

Priority **BRONZE**.

- Everything else.

*By all means attend to the myriad items which fall into this category but do not allow them to make you miss a trick on the much more important gold and silver requirements.*

I hope that new and aspiring controllers (and planners) find these recommendations useful. They are intended for club events, for which there is a great deal of tolerance by competitors. For more competitive events, the requirements are stricter and many of the items move up the categories.

Note: Brian is a former BOF Grade 1 Controller and IOF Event Adviser in Foot-O and a current IOF Event Adviser in Trail-O.

## CONTROLLERS COURSE

DEVON members with experience of planning and organising events are invited to attend a Level 3 Controllers Course. This will take place on Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> July at Killerton House running from 9.00 am to 5.30pm. We will be using the school room and practical work will take place in the grounds. will be provided The course is free and includes lunch and drinks.

If you are interested in coming please contact Jill Green on 01392 278512 or e-mail [jill-green@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:jill-green@blueyonder.co.uk)

# TAMAR LEAGUE 2008 TO 2009

from Roger Hargreaves

To keep the report to manageable proportions the table below has been compiled from 12 events from September 2008 up to the double Galoppen weekend of the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> April 2009. There have been 7 KERNO events to the 5 held by DEVON which is possibly why KERNO competitors are more numerous in the tables – at the moment. Only Phil Newall and Sandy Cowan have been to all twelve events! Now 11 people have completed at least 3 events from the other club than their own and are shown in bold in the table.

The number of events entered is also shown along with the average score for all events. To appear in the final tables competitors from one club must complete at least three events from their neighbouring club. While the whole number of events from the two clubs is estimated at 16 it will then be the best 9 scores that count in the final table.

	<b>Club</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Best 9 qual'fy</b>	<b>Raw Total</b>	<b>Devon Events</b>	<b>Kerno Events</b>	<b>Av'ge</b>
<b>BROWN</b>							
Phil Newall	KERNO	M45	7906	10186	5	7	849
Will Hancock	KERNO	M21		6766	3	5	846
Graham Pring	KERNO	M50		6425	1	7	803
Kevin Hagley	DEVON	M45		6393	3	4	913
Steve Edmonds	DEVON	M45		5523	4	2	921
Arthur Boyt	KERNO	M70		5216	1	6	745
Peter Morton	KERNO	M55		3776	1	7	472
Jon Hurrell	DEVON	M40		3386	2	3	677
<b>BLUE</b>							
Ken George	KERNO	M55		7781	2	7	865
Barry Olds	KERNO	M50		7483	2	6	935
Roger Hargreaves	KERNO	M60		7051	3	5	881
Nick Maxwell	DEVON	M50		5332	4	3	762
Adele Newall	KERNO	W45		5024	3	5	628
Mark Lockett	KERNO	M35		4746	2	3	949
Derek Parkin	DEVON	M40		4588	4	2	765
Duncan Taylor	DEVON	M16		3810	3	1	953
Alan Simpson	DEVON	M65		3654	4	1	731
Adrian Taylor	DEVON	M50		3423	3	1	856
Jacob Shah	DEVON	M16		3156	2	2	789
Rob Sneyd	KERNO	M45		3122	1	3	781



	Club	Class	Best 9 qual'fy	Raw Total	Devon Events	Kerno Events	Av'ge
<b>GREEN</b>							
Dick Smith	KERNO	M60	7836	7836	3	6	871
Roger Hateley	DEVON	M60		6031	5	3	754
Elsie Hargreaves	KERNO	W60		6011	2	6	751
Annabel Pring	KERNO	W45		5562	1	7	695
Sandy Cowan	KERNO	M65	4979	6230	5	7	519
Graham Dugdale	DEVON	M50		3920	3	3	653
Will Fordyce	DEVON	M16		3610	2	2	903
Ann Hughes	DEVON	W65		3597	4	1	719
Jill Green	DEVON	W50		3080	3	1	770
Pauline Olds	KERNO	W50		3000	1	5	500
Lesley Ratcliffe	DEVON	W35		2923	2	2	731
Vivienne Maxwell	DEVON	W55		2608	2	3	522
Brian Parker	DEVON	M70		1851	2	2	463
<b>LIGHT GREEN</b>							
Susan Hateley	DEVON	W60		5848	5	3	731
Oliver Reynolds	DEVON	M14		4668	3	2	934
Harry Morse	DEVON	M15		3011	2	2	753
Helen Taylor	DEVON	W50		2218	3	1	555
Simon Hayward	DEVON	M14		2140	2	2	535
Will Fordyce	DEVON	M16		1879	2		940

I have pruned even further the table that appears on the web to those people who still have a chance at gaining three runs from the neighbouring club – can you get to one of those events and join that small group of eleven who have already done so?

**Please let your club members know**

**LARGE ACCOMMODATION IN CONISTON  
FOR THE LAKES 5 DAY ORIENTEERING**

**22-27 August 2010**

**Sleeps up to 40 Self Catering**

**Activity days available**

The 5th Lakes 5 event will take place in the English Lake District, home of some of the country's most beloved scenery and finest orienteering areas. The event will incorporate five individual events between Sunday 22 and Friday 27 August 2010 with one rest / activity day. For those who want even more orienteering the annual White Rose three day event will follow in North Yorkshire (approx 100 miles) starting Saturday 28 August.

**Location**

The focus of the event will be the small town of Coniston at the north of Coniston Water. Camping will be at the Coniston Hall campsite on the lakeside and two of the events will be within a cycle ride. We are a small outdoor centre which your club could rent for accommodation during the Lakes event. We also offer instructors for activity days for children and adults.

**See [www.laneheadcentre.co.uk](http://www.laneheadcentre.co.uk) for more details or contact 015394 41293**

## British Orienteering Ranking List

Class	pos	Name	points	events
M21L	341	Michael Smith	704	1
M35L	46	Emmit Andrews	2799	3
M35L	98	Olivier Boucher	1023	1
M35S	6	Olivier Boucher	6627	6
M35S	71	Matthew Atkins	0	1
M40L	48	Andrew Reynolds	5872	7
M40L	77	Stuart Robertson	4258	8
M40L	239	Jonathan Hurrell	891	1
M40S	133	Stuart Robertson	879	1
M45L	23	Kevin Hagley	7079	9
M50L	46	Adrian Taylor	6799	10
M50L	47	Steve Edmonds	6778	6
M50L	115	Ian Bowles	5491	10
M50L	124	Nigel Bateman	5217	5
M50L	174	Rob Parkinson	3480	3
M50L	211	Rob Kohler	2177	2
M55L	54	Christopher Virgo	6530	14
M55L	110	Nicholas Maxwell	4968	6
M55L	150	Bryan Smith	3430	4
M55L	191	Wilfrid Taylor	2162	2
M55L	199	Michael Cullen (M60)	2073	2
M55S	54	Graham Dugdale	3879	5
M60L	9	Tom Lillicrap	7586	11
M60L	30	Mike Wimpenny	7129	6
M60L	120	Peter Brett	5368	8
M60L	229	Nick Hockey	1117	1
M60L	280	Michael Hughes	621	1
M60S	41	Michael Hughes	4939	9
M60S	100	John Pearce (M65)	1152	1
M65L	18	John Pearce	7065	6
M65L	51	Alan Simpson	6328	13
M65L	74	Roger Hateley	5405	15
M65L	103	John Dyson	3512	4
M65L	109	David Livsey (M70)	3110	4
M65L	162	Roger Green	845	1
M65S	51	Roger Green	936	1
M70L	72	Erik Peckett (M75)	3309	4
M70L	100	Brian Parker	1495	2
M70L	113	David Livsey	884	1

## British Orienteering Ranking List (continued)

Class	pos	Name	points	events
W35S	34	Marie Boucher (W40)	1378	2
W40L	31	Alison Reynolds	6020	6
W40L	138	Marie Boucher	701	1
W40S	40	Lynda Robertson (W45)	3745	6
W40S	50	Deb Hazell (W45)	2961	3
W40S	67	Marie Boucher	1670	2
W45L	117	Eleanor Taylor (W50)	1640	2
W45S	58	Helen Taylor (W50)	1910	3
W45S	96	Lynda Robertson	642	1
W50L	7	Ella Bowles	7514	11
W50L	167	Ann Hughes (W65)	926	1
W50S	45	Victoria Wimpenny	2318	3
W55L	110	Vivienne Maxwell	1422	4
W60L	7	Carol Pearce	7417	10
W60L	21	Jill Green (W65)	6875	7
W60L	93	Ann Hughes (W65)	2168	2
W60L	97	Susan Hateley	1683	2
W60S	2	Susan Hateley	7417	15
W65L	1	Ann Hughes	7686	10
W65L	33	Jill Green	6102	5
W65L	40	Valerie Livsey (W70)	5229	5
W70L	26	Valerie Livsey	3429	3

## WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Blasdale  
Chris (M50)

L 572628

Skuckova  
Hana (W45)

L 199158

## CLUB MEMBERSHIP LIST

Normally at this time of year Peter Flick and I produce the annual club membership list. Unfortunately, this year BOF is experiencing considerable difficulties in providing membership secretaries with updated membership details (a new computer system?), making it difficult to follow up lapsed members.

## Plymouth Schools Panathlon – Plymouth Herald 25<sup>th</sup> Nov 2008

School pupils from across Plymouth have completed the first part of the Plymouth Schools' Panathlon.

The event took place in Mount Edgcombe park last Thursday, and saw 10 representatives from 15 secondary schools in the city competing against each other in a combined orienteering training and competition day.

The Plymouth Schools' Panathlon is now in its fourth year and was designed to encourage pupils from years 7-11 to participate in a wide range of sports.

Alan Simpson, chairman of the Devon Orienteering Club, said: "Orienteering provides the competitive challenge of navigating around a course using an accurate map and Mount Edgcombe has been carefully mapped for this purpose."

The day was led by outdoor education staff and students from Marjon, supported by members of Devon Orienteering Club.

The next round of sports will take place over three days at Marjons in December.



RIGHT ROUTE: Ashley Smith and Jess Mardle of Notre Dame School clip their progress cards



DIRECTION FINDERS: Hannah Monks, Josh King and Callum Brew study their map during the Plymouth Schools' Pentathlon competition which was held at Mount Edgcombe last Thursday



HELPING HAND: Marjons instructor Tom Riley gives some advice to a competitor

### **Editor's Note**

***Plymouth Herald clearly used the wrong captions for the photos. I tried correcting, but, without the actual photos, this proved difficult. I'm sure my readers will sort them out***

## **Club Meeting held on Friday 17 April 2009 at Wilf & Eleanor Taylor's, 74 Fore St., Chudleigh**

### **Present**

Alan Simpson, Graham Dugdale, John Dyson, Lew Bean, Wilf Taylor, Anthony Dew, Celia Watkinson, Roger Green.

### **Apologies**

Peter Flick, Jill Green, Ella Bowles, Tom Lillicrap and Mike Hosford.

### **Club Stickers**

Lew Bean has now received the stickers. These will be distributed to members by Mike Hosford with the next edition of the club magazine. The remainder will be passed on to Peter Flick to sell at club events.

### **Treasurer's Report**

John Dyson reported that at the BOF AGM, held in conjunction with the JK2009, the voting on the BOF levy for the coming year resulted in a narrow win for Option A (Option B a close second). Although this is favourable to Devon OC in terms of overall cost, the closeness of the vote suggests changes are likely in the future.

Alan Simpson has purchased a small generator at a cost of £300. Subsequently this provided the electricity at the Smallhanger Galoppen.

John pointed out that expenditure agreed or confirmed at the committee meeting had totalled £900.

### **Secretary's Report**

The club has joined the Torbay Sports Council for a fee of £3. Tom Lillicrap is to be the club's contact.

Graham Dugdale attended the SWOA committee meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> April and has circulated the minutes of the meeting to the committee. He drew attention to the grants which SWOA are prepared to make to help fund the training of coaches in the south-west.

Celia Watkinson, BOF's south west regional develop officer, had notified the club that the S.W Skills Active agency is offering access to funds to train senior committee members in SW sports clubs. This money could not be spent on a formal qualification, but applications would be considered for a range of training needs and could be used to train up officials to succeed the current committee. Other clubs in the South West had applied for help in setting up computerised club accounts and accountancy training. Alan Simpson will circulate details in the next club newsletter.

At the request of Jill Green, SWOA are to run a BOF grade 3 controllers course at Killerton on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July. At the moment Jill has 6 or 7 attendees from Devon.

Celia Watkinson has booked a room at the Holiday Inn at Taunton for the Club Development Conference on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November.

The next SWOA committee meeting will be held on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2009 at the Ruishton Inn near Taunton and we are looking for a volunteer to attend.

### **Club Development**

Alan Simpson welcomed Celia Watkinson, the South West's Regional Development Officer, to the meeting. Celia Watkinson gave the meeting a quick summary of the funding that was available to help with the costs of coaching. Awards for All provided grants for coaching which was open to the general public. Coaching sessions which ran for a defined number of weeks could

tap into Sport Unlimited Extended Activities by applying to Active Devon. The payments would be tied to performance indicators.

BOF funding is also available, although the details have not been finalised with Sport England yet. Since BOF are trying to encourage clubs to have a regular base for training activities, it is thought that this may be a requirement.

BOF provide bursaries towards the course fees for UKCC coaching courses and SWOA will pay up to £100 to top this up where necessary. SWOA will also pay up to 50% or £50 (whichever is the lesser) of travel expenses incurred attending these courses, and where necessary a further 50% or £50 towards the cost of accommodation.

Alan Simpson noted that WAOC were presented with their Clubmark award at the BOF AGM held in conjunction with the JK2009. He observed that it would be appropriate if Devon OC could be in a position to achieve Clubmark status at JK2010 in Devon. The committee agreed that the club should aspire to achieving Clubmark.

Celia Watkinson said that Hilary Palmer would send the documentation needed from BOF and that the club needed to set up a working party to pull together the required information. She said that the club would need to set up "codes of conduct" for participants and for parents/carers, along with a development action plan. Fortunately there are templates for these on the BOF website and Celia would be available to give advice on areas of difficulty. It was agreed that Anthony Dew, Alan Simpson and Lew Bean would assess the documentation supplied by BOF.

### **Publicity**

Anthony Dew, on behalf of the club, thanked the Kelly family for manning a stand at the Exmouth Community College open day on 1<sup>st</sup> April.

Anthony Dew proposed that we should produce a flier for every event we stage. He showed the committee examples of two types of flier: for events aimed at experienced orienteers he proposed a pro forma flier with a website link to Multimap, whilst for events aimed at newcomers such as CATIs Anthony proposed using the BOF online system to produce fliers and posters.

Anthony will speak to Jill Green to discuss who should prepare the fliers and whether changes were needed to the club's guidance given to event organisers.

Celia Watkinson suggested that the pro forma flier include a statement to the effect that newcomers were welcome. It was also suggested that the club should try to provide coaching at some events.

The committee agreed to fund 100 A5 single-sided fliers and 10 A3 posters from the BOF online system at a cost of £70 for each of the summer CATIs at Lypstone and Parke.

### **Fixtures**

The sprint event for JK2010 has been moved to Bicton and John Rye is to be the race day manager. Arrangements for the Caddihoe Chase in September are beginning to fall into place. Fabian 4 will once again be taking entries and local caterers, the Hound of the Basketwheels, have been contacted.

### **Mapping**

Mapping at Hound Tor and Haytor is almost complete and Roger needs to merge the maps produced by Erik Peckett and Rod Postlethwaite.

John Pearce is helping Erik Peckett with mapping.

Having obtained a final version of the Core Copse map from Simon Beck, it was agreed that Roger Green should draw up a contract for Simon to map River Dart in time for a club event there in December 2009.

Roger reported that the club printer may need to be replaced, as it is failing to print in colour. He proposed replacing it with an A3 inkjet at a cost of £200, which the committee authorised.

## **Coaching**

Wilf Taylor reported on his plans to initiate coaching sessions. There will be a weekly session from 1700 to 1900 at Buller's Hill starting on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April. Although aimed at the Torbay Scouts, two members of the Buller's Hill staff have been invited; all club members are welcome to attend. Wilf will provide orienteering coaching to the junior section of Sidmouth AC (where Tessa Stone is an athletics coach) on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of every month and a monthly coaching session with Teignbridge Trotters. He is also planning a one-off event at Honiton AC in the form of a 3 mile running race followed by a 3km orienteering event.

Wilf reported that Erik Peckett is to organise a skills development day for 8-12 year olds at Bicton in September in conjunction with SSCOs. It was noted that those involved would be embargoed from competing at the JK2010 sprint event. Wilf is due to be assessed for the level 2 UKCC award by John Seers. Celia Watkinson pointed out that the training events should be registered as an activity with BOF in order benefit from BOF's insurance cover.

The club agreed to fund the cost of Alan Simpson obtaining the First Aid qualification needed to complete his UKCC level 1 coaching. Subsequent to the meeting, the Plymouth Schools Sports Partnership offered to cover the cost. Alan will attend a training course organised by the Sports Coach at Eggbuckland School, Plymouth.

## **Permanent Courses**

Lew Bean reported that a new permanent orienteering course has just opened at the National Trust property at Parke near Bovey Tracey. The National Trust is also keen to set up a course at Plym Bridge but have no funding. Lew has markers and maps and proposed that the club sponsor the posts (at a cost of £200). The venue could be used for a CATI and may be used for the Plymouth Schools Orienteering league in the future. The committee agreed to sponsor the posts.

## **Scottish 6 Day Event**

Wilf and Eleanor are attending the Scottish 6 Day event in the summer. Wilf offered to co-ordinate club entries for members who wished to attend and will prepare a flier for the website.

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## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

date	rgstn times	event	venue	grid ref.	information
<b>Sunday 17 May</b>	<b>1000 1300</b>	<b>District Event</b>	<b>Cardinham Moor</b>	<b>KERNO</b>	<b>Peter Morton</b>
Saturday 6 June	1000 1230	CATI & Sprint Event	Lympstone Exmouth	SX 990 841	Olivier Boucher 01395 270360
Sunday 14 June	1000 1300	District Event	Trelissick	KERNO	Rod Allday
Saturday 20 June	1000 1230	Devon League 6 & BBQ	Woodbury Common	SY 047 836	Roger Hateley 01237 475146
<b>Note date change for the League 6 event and BBQ</b>					
Saturday 4 July	1000 1230	CATI & Sprint O	Parke Bovey Tracey	SX 805 785	Lew Bean 01752 249043
Sunday 19 July	1000 1045	Devon Relays	Five Tors Princetown	SX 531 752	Susan Hateley 01237 475146
Sunday 26 July	1000 1300	District Event	Dunmere	KERNO	
Saturday 12 Sept	1100 Mass start	AGM & Score	Whitchurch Common Tavistock	SX 524 729	Alan Simpson 01752 311367
<b>AGM and lunch at Walkhampton Village Hall after the score event</b>					
Saturday 19 Sept	Pre- entry	Caddihoe Chase Day 1	Haytor/Houndtor Bovey Tracey	SX 740 793	Jill Green 01392 278512
Sunday 20 Sept	Pre- entry	Caddihoe Chase Day 2	Haytor/Houndtor Bovey Tracey	SX 740 793	Jill Green 01392 278512
Sunday 27 Sept	1000 1300	District Event	Boconnoc	KERNO	
Saturday 3 Oct	0900 1200	Dartmoor LongO DEVON OC	Meldon Reservoir	SX 561 917	Roger Green 01392 278512
Sunday 4 Oct		Exmoor Long O QUANTOCK OC	Exmoor Simonsbath	SS 774 395	tba
Saturday 7 Nov	1800 1900	Night Event	Norsworthy Bridge	SX 568 694	Paul Glanville 01822 617713

***Orienteering takes place over terrain that is sometimes rough and may be overgrown with vegetation. Weather conditions may be adverse. Competitors take part at their own risk.***

**All Devon League events have courses suitable for novices: most have string courses.**