



# HALO NEWS

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## From the Chair

A question for those of you who like quizzes; when was the last time (or the first !) a British Prime Minister mentioned Orienteering in a public statement? If you know the answer, you were probably listening to Radio 5 Live on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July, when, in an interview, Gordon Brown quoted Orienteering as one of the 'wider range' of sports currently being offered to school children.

In general, some sports (if not most) get very little publicity in the media as a whole. This does not necessarily prevent them from being popular, as fishing would testify. Others, like sailing, get publicity once every four years when they boost our Olympic medal table standings, thus compensating for the lack of success in higher profile sports. I'm not convinced that a short term 'blaze' of publicity has any lasting effect on any sport – remember the bronze medal winning men's hockey team all those years ago in Seoul, 1988 – or perhaps you don't.

So what was the significance for Orienteering of Gordon Brown's interview? It is highly unlikely that we will be inundated with youngsters wanting to take part in future events. What it does signal is that the efforts being made around the country to encourage youngsters to take part in the sport through schools, has been recognised at the highest level of Government. So the work of Mike & Dorothy Smith and Mike Cope in providing schools with the maps essential for a high quality Orienteering experience and their coaching support, in conjunction with our Regional Development Coordinator, Colin Best, is not going unnoticed. However, as we are acutely aware, 'taking horses to water does not necessarily make them drink' and there is much to be done to get young people actively involved in orienteering at Club and District level.

This is not just an issue for our club, YHOA is devoting its first Development Conference to the subject on 22<sup>nd</sup> September. (See page 8 - ed.) Representatives from all the clubs in our region will devote the day to tackling the question of how to get young people into our sport and keeping them there. We will be there and will, I anticipate, learn from current practice in our region and the country as a whole. Without juniors, orienteering has a very limited future. Our junior membership is pitifully small and getting older!!

The problem is a simple one but the solution is considerably more complex and is unlikely to reside solely in schools. Your thoughts, suggestions and help will always be welcome and appreciated.

However, it is not all doom and gloom, read on .....(see next page)

## Humber & Wolds Network

The Humber and Wolds local area network fund have given HALO a grant of £3762.00

This is to be spent on SI equipment **AND** on putting on events for young people **BEFORE** December 31st 2007.

I have indicated that our work will be ongoing but we clearly need to put on a number of events in the next 3 months so that this funding is not withdrawn.

Mike and I have some ideas but hope that there will be support from club members to provide these activities. Preferably it needs to be in Scunthorpe or north of the River, although I think that something in the Caistor area would be acceptable. All activities have to be out of school hours.

I have to submit a report on 31st Dec. and I'd like to be able to include the names of a lot of volunteers so that they can see we are actively doing what I said in order to get the funding!

Dorothy Smith



**DISTRICT ORIENTEERING EVENT**  
**DRIFFIELD AIRFIELD**



**Sunday 30 September 2007**

**TERRAIN** Mostly flat rough open land with some small wooded sections.  
Some man-made hills!

**COURSES** White to Blue plus string. MAP 1:10000

**FEES** Senior £6.50\* Junior £1.50 (\*£2 reduction for senior BO & HALO members)

SI card hire £1 seniors / 50p juniors

Car parking £1 per vehicle

**TIMES** Registration 10.00 - 12.00

Starts 10.30 - 12.30

Courses close 14.30

**GENERAL** Car park, registration and toilets will be on the airfield and close to the start and finish.

Turn north into airfield at TA/001560 on the A163 3km SW of Driffield.

No dogs allowed.

**NEWCOMERS** are always welcome at HALO events. Ask at registration for assistance.

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**\*SI ELECTRONIC PUNCHING WILL BE USED AT THIS EVENT\***

**\*COMPETITORS TAKE PART AT THEIR OWN RISK\***

# HUMBERSIDE AND LINCOLNSHIRE ORIENTEERS

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This Meeting will be held

on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2007

At Driffield

At 2.30 pm [or earlier]

Following the Event at Driffield

It will include the HALO Championships

open to all HALO Members

### Agenda

1. Minutes of the Meeting held on October 7th 2006
2. Matters Arising
3. Chairman's Report
4. Presentation of Trophies
5. Treasurer's Report
6. Election of Officers

# Yorkshire and Humberside Orienteering Association

## Planning Course

Nell Bank Centre, Ilkley and Middleton Woods

13 October 2007, 10am – 4pm



**Are you new to planning or would like to plan in the future – then this is the course for you! Have you planned for years and would like to brush up on your technique for district events – then this course is also for you!**

The aims of the course are;

- to provide necessary knowledge to be able to plan a *district event*
- to make first time planning easier through useful techniques and raising awareness of any pitfalls
- to improve planning standards

The course will look at the following;

- role of the planner
- technical difficulty of courses and legs
- mechanisms of planning
- start/finish layouts
- taping control sites
- description sheets
- control hanging
- roles of the controller and organiser

The course is a mixture of theory and practice. Techniques discussed in the classroom will be tried out in Middleton Woods in the afternoon. Please bring appropriate clothing/equipment (map bags, water proof pen, compass, cagoule etc.)

Course leaders are Ian McMillan (EPOC) and Tony Thornley **(AIRE)**

Lunch will be provided, along with tea and coffee throughout the day. And the best bit is the course is FREE!

Places are limited, so please book now – email Lisa Broadest on [lisa@broadest.org.uk](mailto:lisa@broadest.org.uk)

If you would like further information, please ring (0113) 232 8982 (7-9pm)

# Yorkshire and Humberside Orienteering Association

## Development Conference



22nd Sept 2007

9.15am - 4pm

National Coal Mining Museum, Overton, Nr Wakefield

This is an opportunity for clubs within the Yorkshire and Humberside region to share and consider new ideas for club development. Areas for discussion may include:-

- § Attracting and retaining new members
- § Publicity
- § Creative use of small areas for local events
- § Attracting and Developing Volunteers
- § Attaining Clubmark status
- § Use of JK Funds
- § Making the most of Schools Orienteering - The Club and Coach initiative
- § Development Planning - a vision for your Association and club

To give some coherence to the discussions there will be three main workshops which will focus on the broad areas of Marketing, Volunteering and Making Orienteering More Attractive.

Hopefully in the last session of the day - Development Planning - ideas that have surfaced during the day can be turned into positive plans to secure a positive and vibrant future for orienteering in Yorkshire and the Humber

This conference is free and is subsidised by the Yorkshire and Humberside Orienteering Association (and from the BOF Development Budget)

For more information please contact Colin Best, Tel: 0114 2302621 or email [colin@britishorienteering.org.uk](mailto:colin@britishorienteering.org.uk)

For booking please contact Lisa Broadest, Tel: 0113 2328982 or email [lisa@broadest.org.uk](mailto:lisa@broadest.org.uk)

Please note that an early reply is essential for the organisers.

## Never Trust the West Wind

In a deep depression, by a vegetation boundary,  
Lurks a control marker gleaming red and white.  
Hopefully I search for it, desperately, despairingly,  
But with furtive cunning it stays slyly out of sight.

So I ask the West Wind, cracking twigs among the branches,  
'Could you give me just a hint of what you plainly see?  
Where, amid the pine trees, the sitkas and the sycamores,  
Where, oh where, please tell me, is number forty-three?'

The West Wind sighs and ponders why (very understandably)  
Someone so incompetent is on this course at all.  
Then it softens, spirals downwards and whispers very kindly,  
'The cure to all your troubles lies along the broken wall.

Follow it north-easterly to the crossing with that winding streamlet.  
Take a bearing for the pit. Be careful how you go.  
Beyond the pit then you will see the vegetation boundary.  
I am really certain that is all you need to know.

So off I go along the wall and find the crossing with the streamlet,  
Take the bearing carefully and break into a run.  
Yes, here's the pit and over there a vegetation boundary.  
I don't need convincing now that orienteering's fun!

In a deep depression number forty-three is waiting.  
It's so very near now and I'm really not that late.  
A kite swings gently sideways in the West Wind's mocking laughter –  
Alas it's labelled seventy-nine and hanging on a gate!

## YHOA Galloppen

Fname	Sname	Club	LSJ	Class	scar dale	marasd en	baild on	heator	wr1	wr2	Total
1 Zachary	Field	EBOR	JM	M12	1072	676	1046	1065	904	988	5751
1 Yasmin	Field	EBOR	JW	W8	1049	881	1049	929	968	966	5842
2 Charlotte	Ward	HALO	JW	W16	790		902	985	662	798	4137
1 Tom	Crowther	AIRE	ML	M70	910	842	899	848	637	865	5001
2 Neil	Harvatt	HALO	ML	M50	807	948	836	909	778	688	4966
22 Brian	Ward	HALO	ML	M45	1039		1030	952			3021
56 Mike	Cope	HALO	ML	M60	680		643	616			1939
71 Mark	Tyszka	HALO	ML	M70	914				669		1583
109 David	Siddle	HALO	ML	M50	745						745
111 John	Chaney	HALO	ML	M65	724						724
121 John	Fulwood	HALO	ML	M55		675					675
122 Brian	Slater	HALO	ML	M60	660						660
123 Vernon	Davis	HALO	ML	M65	650						650
125 Paddy	Neligan	HALO	ML	M55						608	608
129 Rod	Williams	HALO	ML	M60					545		545
130 Phil	Gray	HALO	ML	M45	538						538
131 Peter	Harris	HALO	ML	M45				529			529
134 Kenneth	Hutson	HALO	ML	M55	500						500
1 Dave	Brown	EBOR	MS	M50	1005	915	966	934	793	809	5422
2 Alistair	Tinto	EPOC	MS	M40	923	942	902	873	775	648	5063
20 Michael	Smith	HALO	MS	M60					958	987	1945
22 Brian	Ward	HALO	MS	M45					962	973	1935
32 Alan	Robinson	HALO	MS	M60				865	658		1523
39 Peter	Harris	HALO	MS	M45					689	692	1381
51 Martin	Smith	HALO	MS	M21						873	873
55 Rod	Williams	HALO	MS	M60						823	823
56 Martin	Kulich	HALO	MS	M21	822						822
59 Matt	Richards	HALO	MS	M21				797			797
64 Nick	A -Smith	HALO	MS	M50	684						684
67 Andrew	Houlden	HALO	MS	M35	638						638
1 Helen	Gardner	EBOR	WL	W55	948	882	881		998	824	4533
2 Ruth	Ker	AIRE	WL	W40	889			930	951	777	3547
5 Mary	Carrick	HALO	WL	W55	686	596		515	631	580	3008
49 Fiona	Forrest	HALO	WL	W21				814			814
55 Helena	Crutchley	HALO	WL	W40	717						717
1 Linda	Whitehead	EBOR	WS	W55	772	864	832	1001	872	500	4841
2 Janet	Leake	EBOR	WS	W45	954		851	995	707	673	4180
8 Amanda	Ward	HALO	WS	W40	500		596	521	500	500	2617
14 Dorothy	Smith	HALO	WS	W55	772				624	729	2125
18 Helen	Smith	HALO	WS	W21	618				704	613	1935
30 Isoldt	Harris	HALO	WS	W45				588	500		1088
50 Sue	Chaney	HALO	WS	W65	664						664

## White Rose weekend

### *Let's do ( the Timewarp ) again*

By the terrain description you would think Pickering Forest, featuring the plateau of Stoney Moor, was going to be a treat, ooops, first mistake. We (myself, Amanda and Charlotte) decided fairly early that we would only be doing the 2 Regional Events on Saturday and Sunday (over the August Bank Holiday weekend) as we would be travelling each day.

Saturday - too long and not nice! The flat, bilberry infested plateau of Stoney Moor, was "vague". If there isn't much contour detail then it's always going to be a bit of a lottery if you can't even hit a control from an attack point within a couple of hundred metres of the flag. The semi-open nature of the terrain did not help, and to try to convey vegetation as such was perhaps a mistake on the mapper's part. After the initial flailing around on the moor we then proceeded to battle against the slopes of the surrounding woodland which flanked the moor on 3 sides.

Just when you thought it was safe - i.e. finish in sight, a number of courses were cruelly sent back into the woodland with even steeper slopes, to complete an extra loop to finish. One control at the end was only reachable by pulling yourself up the slope on any available tree as you tried to avoid slipping back down to the previous control due to the steepness and consistency ( wet + mud ) of the slope.

What a grand time we had (not!)

With this in mind, Sunday could only get better, and, fortunately, it did! Although we started straight into the the steep slopes, they were generally more runnable and so more pleasant to attempt to navigate through. We hit the moor at the finish of the courses this time and so, remembering lessons from Saturday, careful navigation was the order of the day.

There was also a Night Score ( Saturday ), traditional Relay ( Monday a.m. ) and Bike-O ( Monday p.m. ). The weather was very, very good, which helped. Somehow it felt like going back in time, when the White Rose was a lottery - early starters battering through the forest and late starters benefiting from the elephant tracks, but then again, what else can you expect from North Yorkshire in August!

No White Rose next year - but a National Event in May followed by a Chasing Start Regional Event the day after ( or so I believe ) - so you too can savour the experience of grotty North Yorkshire forests at their best - well they won't be any better as the undergrowth should be at it's lowest! Look out M45 Short, here I come again..... some people never learn!!!

b.t.w. Charlotte finished 3rd overall ( JW5s ) and had her "official" welcome to the YHOA Junior Squad - training starts in September, Brian finish 1st overall ( M45s ), and Amanda ( W40s ) would rather not talk about it, at least not until next year when she moves up into W45!

# HALO League

			Beverley	Dalby	N&R **	P/rose	Walesby **	Strensall	Calverley
Brian Ward	M40	Senior	120	110		117	132	106	86
Dean Field	M40	Senior	131	110	(101)	113	112	114	86
Neil Harvatt	M50	Vet	132	109		112	132	106	
Zac Field	M12	Junior	124	122	120		(119)	114	103
Jake Field	M10	Junior	105	104	(96)		100	83	94
Mike Smith	M60	Vet	109	105		102	108		
John Fulwood	M55	Vet	109			95	117		
Charlotte Ward	W14	Junior		105			103	95	62
Joe Field	M10	Junior	98	103	100	97		93	98
Yasmin Field	W10	Junior	92	104	101	97	(98)	95	98
Mary Carrick	W55	Vet	111		98			95	
Pete Harris	M45	Senior	103	89		101	103		
Pat O'Grady	M70	Vet	105			87	103	93	74
Fiona Forest	W21	Senior	129				118		
Rosie Field	W40	Senior	90	92	100	87			77
Brian Slater	M55	Vet	106			92		83	
Mike Cope	M55	Vet			91			88	70
Ann O'Grady	W70	Vet				88	84	75	79
Dorothy Smith	W55	Vet	104	60		80	108		
Dinah Tyszka	W65	Vet	89			85	100		63
Helen Smith	W21	Senior	93			102	100		
Amanda Ward	W40	Senior					92	81	54
John Butler	M60	Vet			(96)	100	99	91	84
Ken Hutson	M50	Vet			(81)	82	83	80	
Tom Crowston	M75	Vet				94		89	93
Vernon Davis	M65	Senior						85	
Tracey Blackburn	W21	Senior	86			59	81		73
Christine Cope	W60	Vet			77			80	51
Mark Tyszka	M65	Vet	120			105	107		
Geoff Smith	M50	Vet				63	86		71
Helena Crutchley	W40	Senior				100			
Pete Kullich	M65	Vet	128			113			
Amber Harris	W14	Junior		85		83			
Paddy Neligan	M55	Vet	115			99			
Andrew Houlden	M35	Senior						69	
Isoldt Harris	W45	Senior		74		57			
Geraldine Davis	W55	Senior						58	
Martin Smith	M21	Senior		102		98			
Steve Marin	M45	Senior		107				86	
John Chaney	M65	Vet	111						
Rod Williams	M60	Senior							
Matt Richards	M21	Senior			79	90			
Fran Humphrey	W55	Vet	96						
Phil Gray	M45	Senior	79					77	
Alan Robinson	M55	Vet				71		77	
Malcolm Humphrey	M55	Vet	71			66			

Bishop Wood	Wombwell	White** Horse	Stanton** Moor	Harlow**	Bramham	Hollin** Head	Elsham	Beeley	Best six	Events
91	129	117		117	102		117	115	732	13
97	125	100		(103)	107	119	111	119	721	14
		109					117	117	719	8
94					106	110		119	709	9
97	108				100	102		112	631	10
91						94	100	105	629	8
75				(92)	90	102	98		613	8
94	74	85		95	85		104	100	602	11
95	100	98	(88)	100	100		99		602	12
98	99	100	(100)	98	92	(83)	71		600	13
96	103						89		592	6
72				92			99	85	587	8
	89				81	85	98	77	575	10
93	108					123			571	5
82	101	73		(88)	80	92	91	89	566	13
					85	97	93		556	6
					90	92	104		535	6
79	90	59		(53)	86	91	79	85	524	12
64						71	79	75	517	8
77							79		493	6
							97	85	477	5
73		62		73	75		83		477	8
	99								473	5
78					69	70	80		473	7
							95	81	452	5
83	101			85			85		439	5
	67			51	50		71		437	8
					84	82	56		430	6
							94		426	4
	78			60	50		62		420	7
76		88		100					364	4
							112		353	3
85							73		326	4
							101		315	3
	77			77			79		302	4
				67			73		271	4
74	50						79		261	4
									200	2
									193	2
							74		185	2
86							97		183	2
									169	2
							60		156	2
									156	2
									148	2
									137	2

## The Scottish Six Days

A tremendous weeks' Orienteering. The Scottish Six days is noted for the extremely technical courses combined with tough going underfoot. Quite a challenge, and this year was no exception.

**Day 1 Alvie:** The week started with a vengeance. The greatest climb of the week was coupled with typical Scottish terrain. Steep hillsides with heather moorland on the top. Lots of squiggly contours and a good scattering of boulders & crags in the forest. The car park provided the spectators with views of the competitors trying to navigate across complex rock features on the open slope down to the finish.

**Day 2: Balavil:** Essentially two hills with a river in a deep gorge in between. The river required a lot of care when crossing. One feature of the week was the use of waterproof maps which did not need bags. These proved very effective when John Chaney lost his footing and his map was swept downstream. He retrieved it 15m downstream when it came lodged underwater in some rocks. Still in perfectly good condition. (the map that is, not necessarily JC). Although the hill tops were open, the courses mainly stuck to the lower slopes where traversing the complex contours in limited visibility made the navigation particularly challenging. Especially as the dense network of old tracks, narrow rides and extraction lanes were not mapped.

**Day 3: Inshriach West:** A name that has become synonymous with technical difficulty from previous years. The start for the longer courses was in an area of light green so low visibility meant that care had to be taken. This was particularly the case as mapped rides and unmapped extraction lanes could be easily misinterpreted. Once out of this area, the forest was much more open, and as in previous days navigation by contours rather than rides was the technique to use.

**Day 4: Culbin:** A totally different area and experience to the other days. The wooded sand dunes of the Moray Firth. The forest is essentially flat with a ridge of complex sand dunes running along the shore line. Behind these hillocks and mounds with complex contours rise from the flat forest floor. Although there is a path network, relocation could be difficult as one area looks very much like another, with no big features to home in on.

**Day 5 : Camerory:** A pair of wooded hills in an area of moorland, Contouring around the hillsides meant a lot of care was needed with the now familiar difficulty of deciding which patch of open / crag / boulder was which and if it was on the map. Hard going under foot through the forest for the less fit. On the moor, navigation was easier with the big features evident, The going through the heather was tough however, and those with several legs on the moor found it a bit of a slog.

**Day 6 L Anagach West :** A series of detailed moraine ridges finished the week off with another hard days competition. There were no big hills, but the total climb was still significant up and down the 25m high ridges. Although there was an extensive path network, the well planned courses meant the paths could not be used very much. The one disappointment was the need for a remote finish on some courses, about 1 Km from the assembly area. There was a total lack of atmosphere at this finish which was a bit of a let down on the last day.

**Overall thoughts:** Another excellent Scottish Six days in some of the best bits of Scotland. Although the orienteering was challenging, the planning was generally very good with quite reasonable finishing times. Days 5 & 6 were within walking distance of the campsite & Event centre. and all the other days were within reasonable travelling distance. The organisation was again impressive with only one or two minor glitches. It was great that the finish was in the assembly area each day (apart from some courses in day 6). It really led to a good atmosphere. A special mention to the ladies servicing the loos. They were there every day and all day with a pleasant smile with a mission to keep the loos clean. The best loos ever! The weather was kind most days. A little rain at the start of the week, and only one day when the car parking field looked a little desperate, so a typical Scottish week.

What about the results? Trophies collected throughout the week were few and far between. They did include however 3<sup>rd</sup> place for Mike Smith on Day 4 in M60S and for Mark Tyszka on both days 3 & 4 in M70S well done Mike & Mark.

Scottish Six Days continued

To get some idea about relative performances the following table of positions by points may be of interest: The totals are the best of four days. Unfortunately Sue Chaney only did the four days, and one bad run knocked her score down.

An award for perseverance to Pat O'Grady for the longest time to find a control at 27.08 mins for Number 7 on Day 3. Honourable mentions for over 25 mins to Sue Chaney and particularly Mike Cope who took just over 25 minutes to find the first control on Day 6. I might just have been tempted to give up at that stage of the week, but not Mike who battled through to the finish. I was hoping to record the competition for fastest from the last control to the finish line, but Martin Kullich was fastest every day so no one else got a look in.

John Fulwood

<b>Name</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Total</b>
1 Zac Field	M12A	5158
2 Mike Smith	M60S	4799
3 Mark Tyszka	M70S	4675 Gold
4 Yasmin Field	W10B	4391
5 Martin Kullich	M21S	4333
6 Dean Field	M40L	4270
7 Neil Harvatt	M50L	4267
8 Roseanne Field	W40S	4218 Silver
9 Helen Smith	W21S	4080
10 Margaret Fulwood	W55S	3995
11 Joe Field	M10B	3994
12 Emma Fulwood	W21S	3973
13 Mike Cope	M60L	3888
14 Paddy Neligan	M55L	3757
15 Dorothy Smith	W55L	3733 Bronze
16 Pat O'Grady	M70L	3443
17 John Fulwood	M55L	3385
18 Brian Slater	M60L	3365
19 John Chaney	M65L	3310
20 Sue Chaney	W65S	2830

## Expedition Braeriach

On the 8th August (the rest day from orienteering!) an expedition was undertaken by 5 old guys and 1 young lady. The aim was to reach the summit of Braeriach at 1296m (4252ft), the UK's third highest peak.

With the expedition party consisting of 6 members one would believe that we would only need a map and compass, but oh no. The party actually had 5 GPS, 6 mobile phones, and a pair of poles. I'm not sure a map and compass even made it out of the bag!

The weather conditions could not have been better with little cloud and plenty of sun. On the summit there was a light breeze. The party made exceptional time to the summit despite the challenge of the Chalamain Gap and the numerous stops to see which member of the party had the correct altitude on their GPS. *(As well as altitude, there were regular reports of barometric pressure, temperature, latitude & longitude, and one or two other key indicators. John's combined wristwatch / compass was essential in identifying the co-ordinates of Aviemore & surrounding peaks. – Ed)*

Once at the summit it was time for lunch and for Paddy to hand round half a fruit cake that he'd carried up. (Was this a strategy to slow him down?) Following lunch the party split into 3 with John and Emma Fulwood going onto the next top. Mike and Neil followed on and then to several more tops to find a view of Loch Einich. John Chaney and Paddy took a different route down and found an aeroplane wreck from 1945, which was just up John's street.

We all met up again half way down the mountain. The walk felt much longer on the way back but I'm sure after 27km and 8 and a half hours anyone would be feeling tired. The sun remained out for the rest of the day for it to be enjoyed by all.

As your Expedition leader I would personally like to thank all the members of the party for an excellent walk with good humour and breathtaking views. I look forward to next year!

Emma Fulwood



At the summit L - R : Mike : John F : Neil : John C : Paddy

## ***Congratulations !!!!!***

During the Scottish Six Days it was Mark & Dinah Tyszka's Sapphire Wedding Anniversary ( 45 years).

Congratulations to both on reaching this milestone. HALO members presented the celebratory couple with a gift of a pot of Gentians. Hope they survived the journey home!



HALO members and friends enjoyed their usual club meal at the Scottish Six days . 23 enjoyed an excellent meal at the Rowan Tree Restaurant. Thanks to Ingrid & Brian for arranging the do.



## A HALO Anthem (continued)

*You may remember in the last Newsletter that Dinah Tyszka initiated the HALO Anthem, to be sung to the tune of the Lincolnshire Poacher. It went like this:*

When I, quite in the prime of life, began to orienteer,  
There was no better place to be than famous Lincolnshire,  
For there are woods of high renown, as you shall quickly hear.  
Oh! tis our delight on a Wednesday night, in the summer of the year.

Now an open wood is Brompton Dale, a planner's sheer delight,  
For tripods grow like mushrooms there, appearing overnight,  
And logs do pile themselves on high waiting for a kite.  
Oh! tis our delight on a Wednesday night, if only we get it right!

No, it cannot be said we all enjoy the thought of Normanbee,  
To sort the map and find controls calls for thought continuouslee,  
The search for depressions, knolls and pits gives headaches constantlee.  
To succeed in here? The only way: follow Neil, Mike or Dorothee!

*Following the happenings since then, Mike Smith has continued with a few more verses:*

Mark and Dinah graced our meal, at the Rowan Tree  
They poured the wine to celebrate their 'anniversar-ee'  
'Twas 45 years joined now, so sapphire 'jeweller-ee'  
Oh, 'twas our delight on a special night, at the Scottish 'O' 'revellr-ee'

When I was O-ing in Brocklesby in Poacher countr-ee,  
I came across a gamekeeper, a friend of Henr-ee,  
He said "is your control up there, around the old oak tree?"  
Oh, 'tis our delight of a Wednesday night, to find the kite with glee

Our Poaching on a summer night is jolly nearly free,  
But come the end and the race is on to reach the pub and feed,  
The pair to beat is legend now, Geoff Smith with Trac-ee  
Oh, 'tis our delight at a table white, with chips and scamp-ee

A HALO anthem continued - continued

The man behind the Poacher is good old Peter K ....  
"Best value in the land" he says and who's to gainsay  
Landowners many he has charmed, so we can find the way  
Oh! 'tis our delight on a sunny night and even when its grey!

*Thanks Mike for the contribution : Anyone else up to penning a few more verses? Please email me : John Fulwood*

## Editorial

Thank you again to all those who have contributed. This Edition reflects where we are with the club. The Scottish Six days saw the usual suspects gathering in the glens but no new generation joining them. It would have been nice to have a birthday party for a teenager, rather than a 45th Wedding Anniversary! I also liked the sound of lets do the time warp again, - too many of us seem to remember that too well.

There are also features on the way forward: the Humber & Wolds Network - the Development Conference & Planning Course being run by YHOA. We must also not forget the clubmark activities covered in the last Newsletter which should also provide a framework for the way forward.

It would be great if there could be some new faces on the committee to generate new ideas. If you a relative newcomer to the club - please do not be put off. We are in desperate need of your talent and ideas to take the club forward. Please offer yourself for nomination to someone attending the AGM so we are not all sitting in silence before the inevitable - "lets elect the old committee en-bloc" again!

Keep the articles & pictures coming.

A reminder that HALO NEWS is On-line at [www.halo-orienteering.org.uk](http://www.halo-orienteering.org.uk)

If you are happy to view, or download / print from the website instead of receiving a hard copy by snail mail, then please let me know by e-mail.

Savings on printing, stationery, postage will all help the club funds!!!!

Copy date for next Newsletter: 10th November

John Fulwood

## HALO Fixtures & Officials to April 2009

Listed below are HALO events up to March 2008, together with the names of those members who have agreed to officiate. If you can help by volunteering to fill any of the other main posts, please contact our Fixture Secretary, Neil Harvatt ([neil@neilharvatt1.orangehome.co.uk](mailto:neil@neilharvatt1.orangehome.co.uk)). This help will be much appreciated and will also allow some of the regular officials to fully take part in our events.

If you can't fill an official role but are able to help on the day for any event, then please contact the organiser for that event. Even if you can't help during an event, you could still contribute by volunteering to collect some of the controls in. (This is a valuable way to improve your orienteering skills, finding controls with no time pressure – you should have to pay for the privilege!! )

DATE	VENUE	CONTROLLER	ORGANISER	PLANNER
<b>2007</b>	DISTRICT (& AGM)	John Butler	Ken Hutson	Mary Carrick
Sep 30	Driffield Airfield			
Dec 2	YBT FINAL & DISTRICT Normanby Hall			
Dec 8	NIGHT Normanby Hall	Dorothy Smith		Dean Field
<b>2008</b>	REGIONAL		John Fulwood	Brian Ward
Feb 3	Pillar Woods			
Apr 20	DISTRICT Houghton Woods			
May 17	SCHOOLS Burton Constable			
Dec 13	NIGHT			
Dec 14	DISTRICT			
<b>2009</b>	REGIONAL			
Apr 26	Londesborough Park			

## Yorkshire and Humberside Orienteering Association (YHOA) Colour coded Awards

How can you show other orienteers that you have achieved a certain standard in orienteering? Well, one possible way is to apply for a 'Colour-Coded Award' when you have completed three orienteering courses at a particular standard.

**A competitor qualifies for a Colour Coded Award by achieving the Colour Coded Standard for that colour course**

A White Colour Coded Standard is achieved by anyone who successfully completes the White course.

The Colour Coded Standard (for courses other than White) is calculated using whichever of the following two methods gives the larger number of qualifiers:

\* the time that is achieved by at least 50% of those who started the course

OR

\* 150% of the winner's time.

Pairs can qualify for Colour Coded Awards on the White, Yellow and Orange courses.

The Colour Coded Standard time for each course should be included in the final results.

When you have done this, you will be given (free of charge!) a YHOA fabric badge of your achieved colour, which can be sewn onto your O-top to show your improvement.

To apply for your badge you need to write to: **Dorothy Smith, 111A Westgate, Belton, Doncaster, DN9 1PY** supplying the following information:

- your full name and club (or school, if not a BOF member);
- the colour of badge being claimed;
- the date, name and venue of the three events on which the award will be based;
- a stamped self-addressed envelope.

# FIXTURES

## District Events

These are abbreviated. Please check with the Organiser / Club website for all details.

- Sep** YH CLARO District Event. Lindley Moor, Otley.  
9th C4 Mike Calvert, 01423 879153. michaelcalvert@ukgateway.net  
www.claro-orienteing.org
- 22nd YH EBOR Local - CATI. Allerthorpe, Pocklington.  
C5 Karen Heppenstall, 01904 332235. . www.eborienteers.org.uk
- 30th YH HALO District Event - see separate sheet for details  
C4
- Oct** NE CLOK District Event. Catterick, Catterick.
- 14th C4 Joe Trigg, 01642 279668. joe.trigg@ntlworld.com EPS-Emit. www.clok.org.uk
- 21st EM LOG District Event. Twyford Woods, Colsterworth.  
C4 Steve Bones, 01522 885933. info@logonline.org.uk www.logonline.org.uk
- 28th YH EBOR District Event. Oliver's Mount, Scarborough.  
C4 A Cooper & P O'Connell, 01904 766159. acc\_cm@hotmail.com  
www.eborienteers.org.uk
- Nov** EM NOC District Event. Byron's Walk, Nottingham.
- 11th C4 Catherine Hughes, 0115 8774089. catherinehughes@hotmail.com  
www.noc-uk.org
- 18th EM DVO District Event. Linacre, Chesterfield.  
C4 Dai Bedwell, 01509 260 751. daiandkaren@tesco.net
- 25th YH SYO District Event. Bentley Woodlands, Doncaster  
C4 Colin Best, 0114 230 2621. colinallanb@yahoo.co.uk  
www.southyorkshireorienteing.org.uk
- Dec** YH HALO District Event Normanby Hall - Details to be confirmed  
2nd C4
- 8th YH HALO Night Event. Normanby Hall - Details to be confirmed  
N4
- 16th EM NOC District Event. Walesby, Mansfield.  
C4 Catherine Hughes, 0115 8774089. catherinehughes@hotmail.com  
www.noc-uk.org

## National & Regional Events:

- SEP YH **Dales Weekend**
- 15th- C2 **15th - NATIONAL EVENT & Northern Champs.** Attermire, Settle.  
16th Organiser: Guy Patterson, 0113 252 1489. [guypatto@aie4.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:guypatto@aie4.fsnet.co.uk)
- C3 **16th - Regional Event.** Langstrothdale, Kettlewell.  
Neil Stevens, 0194 381 7326. [neil@nebstone.co.uk](mailto:neil@nebstone.co.uk)  
On-line entries preferred via website from 01/06/07. [www.aire.org.uk](http://www.aire.org.uk)
- Oct YH **EPOC Regional Event.** Langfield Common, Hebden Bridge.
- 21st C3 Organiser: Brian Mellor, 01422 378260. [joymellor@alderstonerise.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:joymellor@alderstonerise.fsnet.co.uk)  
Entries: Martyn Hodgson, Stonefield, Waters Road, Marsden, West Yorkshire, HD7 6NG, 01484 846889. CD: 10/10/07 (Postal), 17/10/07 (Online). £10.00/£3.00 Family £19.00. [www.eastpennineoc.org.uk](http://www.eastpennineoc.org.uk)
- Nov NW **MDOC Regional Event.** Piethorne, nr Rochdale. [SD962124](http://SD962124).
- 11th C3 Organiser: Paul Jarvis, 01625 285056. [paul.jarvis@thalesgroup.com](mailto:paul.jarvis@thalesgroup.com)  
Entries: Julie Brook, 14 Leygate View, New Mills, High Peak, SK22 3EF, 01663 745020. [piethorne07@mdoc.org.uk](mailto:piethorne07@mdoc.org.uk) CD: 29/10/07. On-line entry preferred, via website CD: 02/11/07. Parking fee to charity. [www.mdoc.org.uk](http://www.mdoc.org.uk)
- Dec EM **DVO NATIONAL EVENT & EMOA Championships.** Longshaw Estate, Sheffield. [SK273805](http://SK273805).
- 9th C2 Organiser: Viv Macdonald, 01629 734307. [r.macdonald@shu.ac.uk](mailto:r.macdonald@shu.ac.uk)  
Entries: Mike Godfree, Highfields, Mapleton Road, Ashbourne, DE6 2AA, 01335 346004. [Mike.Godfree@btinternet.com](mailto:Mike.Godfree@btinternet.com) CD: 25/11/07. Entries preferred on-line, via website. [www.dvo.org.uk](http://www.dvo.org.uk)