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Thoughts from the Chair

I would bet that there are very few organisations which always work strictly to the letter of their constitution. There will always be circumstances that could not be envisaged, events outside their control or simply a changing need. These difficulties are temporally solved by adopting a pragmatic approach until either the difficulty is overcome or until it is apparent that the constitution should change. DVO is no different to any other body in this respect and over the years our needs have changed and we have drifted to the point where our constitution needs to be re-visited.

By now you will have read the first paragraph and realised that the word "constitution" appears three times which is usually the queue to jump to the "Fixtures List" or "Captains Jog" as a discussion of the constitution sounds dull and boring, with no real relevance to a good Sunday morning run. So what's the point of the constitution? Does it have any relevance to the average orienteer? And is that all the committee does, debate what should go in and stay out of the constitution?

Lets pick up on that last point first. The committee spends most of its time: sorting out fixtures; finding planners, organisers and controllers; providing, maintaining, organising, borrowing and lending equipment; ensuring that the Club is financially sound; mapping and developing new areas; training, and introducing new members; publicity and publishing Newstrack (which is largely down to Graham); co-ordinating activities with other clubs, EMOA and BOF; etc; etc. There's always lots to do so with the AGM coming up - now is the time to volunteer - just give me a call.

But back to the constitution. It's a formal statement that requires the Club to set out its aims, objects and values which then provide a framework for all the Club's activities. It is used as a reference document to help guide us through tricky problems. It clarifies who does what within the Club, avoiding gaps and duplication. It is a statement to the outside world showing that we are a responsible organisation and is used to support our grant applications, banking arrangements, etc. But perhaps most importantly it sets out how the committee and others acting on behalf of the Club are accountable to the membership and how the membership controls DVO's destiny.

The constitution is more than just a bit of paper, it is an integral part of all the Club's activities (you make it sound almost exciting, Robert - Ed) so it has to be right but not excessively rigid otherwise it needs updating every other year. So it is proposed to address the current problems and introduce a degree of flexibility in anticipation of future changes.

These changes will be put to the AGM on September 24th. Because the committee values the members' views, they will be presented as two separate proposals which can be adopted either independently or together. The background to each of these proposals is set out below:

Background to Proposal 1

There are five general aspects of the constitution which do not align with our current needs.

- a) Our current need for appointed officer roles do not align with those mandated within in the constitution. Clearly some of the appointed roles come and go, for example it's been 10 years since we needed a DVO Diarist and it's likely to be a long time before we need one again. Similarly, there are advantages for the Club to have development officers, which requires a constitutional change. And who knows what the future may require; earlier last year we came close to needing 5 DVO-appointed EMOA representatives; or we could adopt a "volunteer co-ordinator" to show synergy with the "Volunteer Investment Programme", maybe?

Consequently we need a more flexible approach to these appointed roles. The committee therefore suggests that the constitution is changed so we do not mandate any specific appointed role but rather require the committee to present its proposals for the appointed roles / officers at the AGM. The rules for elected officers remain unchanged except that the "club member" position on the Fixtures Sub-committee has been dropped.

- b) A similar position occurs with regard sub-committees. A new sub-committee requires the constitution to be updated. It would be better and simpler allow the committee to decide what sub-committees are required to support the running of the Club and again just advise the Club at the AGM. The sub-committee Terms of Reference would be defined outside the constitution but would be bound by it.
- c) The Club's constitution is written in terms of the intent to produce a "Code of Ethics" but this is now an established document. It is therefore appropriate to recognise this change.
- d) Closing the financial year on the 31st of August does not allow sufficient time to prepare the Club accounts for presentation at the AGM in September. It is therefore proposed to hold the AGM in October. As a consequence the three annual open meetings are similarly moved by a month.
Note, consideration has been given to closing the financial year in July but this would not alleviate the problem as holidays influence people's availability during July and August.
- e) It is not practical for the Club Treasurer to agree a detailed budget for all events so this constitutional requirement is now limited to Badge Events and above, with only guidance given to Club and lower events.

Background to Proposal 2

Most clubs and organisations have their accounts independently examined every year but to describe this as an "Audit" has legal connotations which may

incur significant fees. It is therefore proposed to replace the term "Audit" by "Independent Financial Examination" which achieves the same aim and allows professional examiners to review our accounts for nothing. This wording is the same as that adopted within the EMOA constitution and is unlikely to affect the running of the Club in any way.

The actual modification to the constitution, sub-committee Terms of Reference and code of ethics to incorporate the above points has involved a significant re-write, running to more pages than can be presented here. They are however available (with a comparison to the existing version) on the DVO web site, and are essentially the same as those presented at the June open meeting. If anyone wishes to obtain a copy in advance of the AGM then contact me on 0115 9322945.

Robert Shooter, Chair DVO

Captain's Jog

As discussed at the June Open meeting, we entered two teams in the B class of the Harvester, and these teams finished 4th and 5th out of the 30 entries. The Hamsters, who I believe were Pauline Ward, Val Johnson, Steve Buckley, Mike Gardner and Ian Whitehead, won the B handicap trophy. Thanks especially to Mike Gardner for team managing in my absence.

Another good performance in the Footpath Relay saw DVO finish fourth out of 12 entries. We were beaten by a strong NOC team who were second, but we beat WCH and MDOC. Individual leg third places were achieved by Helen Armstrong and John Hopper, and fourth places by Paul Robinson, Robert Armstrong, Graham Johnson, Val Johnson and Steve Cann.

I should also like to congratulate NOC on their win in the CompassSport Cup Final, which puts some context around their victory over us in the regional round. It is unfortunate that the current organisation of the CompassSport Cup seems always to match the same teams in the regional round. Still, we must keep up the training and recruit a few more members, and maybe next year we can catch NOC up on the day.

The High Peak Relay this year clashes with our Stanton Moor event so I am not intending to enter any DVO teams in this event.

John Hurley

Quote of the Month

'Quick, follow that sheep!' – Val to Hilary during the Capricorn.

Congrats to Ann-Marie and John Duckworth on the arrival of Rachael, 3.9 kilos (8lbs 9oz for the metrically challenged) on 1st September.

Derwent Valley Orienteers 2003 Annual General Meeting

This will take place in the execrably named 'Sammy's Bar' (formerly the Amber Suite) at the (newly refurbished) Belper Sports, oops, Leisure Centre, Kilbourne Road on **Wednesday, 24th September 2003**, from 8.15 pm onwards. Please don't turn up much earlier, otherwise you'll be caught up in Women's Keep Fit which immediately precedes it.

Those who wish can still have a run, or a swim, from 7.00 pm onwards, using the separate changing facilities for swimming.

What on earth will we find to talk about?:

Agenda

1. Apologies for absence
2. Approval of Previous Year's Minutes
3. Chair's Report
4. Secretary's Report
5. Treasurer's Report
6. Amendments to the constitution

An explanation of the two proposed changes to the constitution is presented within the September Newstrack. The proposed constitution, sub-committee terms of reference and ethics policy (including a comparison with the existing versions) is available in advance of the AGM from either the Chair or DVO Web site. The proposals are largely as presented for discussion at the June open meeting.

Proposal 1 - The adoption of the proposed changes into the constitution including those identified as option 1 in paragraphs 5.5.2 and 6.2.3.

Proposal 2 - The adoption of the proposed changes into the constitution identified as option 2 in paragraphs 5.5.2 and 6.2.3.

7. Election of Officers
 - Chair
 - Vice Chair
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
 - Club Captain
 - Fixtures
 - Committee Member
 - Fixtures Member (if appropriate)
8. Presentation of Appointed officers
9. Agreement of Budget
10. Any other business

HIGH NOON AT HIGH DAM – Sal Chaffey

It's always a good idea to start articles for Newstrack with excuses, so I'll throw in a couple. Firstly, I had to run with my glasses down my Lycras, as the mist had coalesced into rain before I got to the start. Secondly, having read aloud to Dave the note about the two compulsory crossing points on the way to #1, I completely forgot this, and started to look for the control after just one, matching the veg and contours in my block perfectly to those in the block with the control! After a couple of minutes I relocated on an N-S fence and decided to attack #1 from a definite feature – the corner of Boretree Tarn. Winsplits tells me I lost 4 mins here, but that's relative to Stella Lewsley. I think 3 mins would be more realistic!

#2 was aided by the tarn and convenient wall, but #3 was a cliff on a hand-like series of reentrants. I chose to look on the index finger spur rather than the ring finger, losing another 2 mins. #4 in the open was OK as you could extrapolate the line of a wall and track to find the control circle – which shows I'd not been paying too much attention to the spaghetti on the ground!

Legs 5 and 7 had a fence across them two-thirds of the way to the control, although in each case I lost time by hitting these too far to the east. Because #8 was a cliff in some nasty-looking green, I decided to employ some damage limitation by veering from the line to run down a slice of open that penetrated the green 100m south of the control, and this paid off as it was one of the two splits I was first on.

There were 600m of green and bog to cross en route to #9 and I was relieved to finally hit the fence with open to the east, as I was a bit worried I'd gone off bearing as it took so long. Fortunately the control was easy to find but #10, just 200m away, took 5 minutes due to 2 sets of impassable cliffs. The next 3 legs had plenty of handrails, which is what you need after an hour and a quarter in the forest! However, they were quite tiring, as there weren't many excuses to stop and look at the map!

I finished – drenched – in an hour and three-quarters, a mere 20 mins down on Stella, but I was cheered to find that this got me 2nd place, more from persistence than skill! We thawed out at an (indoor) barbeque at my niece's house, which turned out to be to announce her engagement. I don't know what her fiancé's family thought, as we looked like extras from Walking with Cavemen, a similarity emphasized by our enthusiastic attack on the food!

Overheard

On BBC Radio 4, "I'm sorry I haven't a Clue"

Humph: What connects Boy Scouts, Butchers, Farmers and syphilis?

Tim Brooke-Taylor: They are all hazards of orienteering!

(The true answer is that they all have St George as a patron saint)

(Thanks to Paul Wright)

The Scottish 6 Days – A Commemoration

This time last year I returned from the Czech 5 Days, enthusiastically extolling the quality of the areas and courses I'd just had the privilege, without exception, of enjoying. How I wish I could write in similar terms about Moray 2003. The week was a bit like the girl with the curl in the nursery rhyme, when it was good, it was very very good, but when it was bad, it was bloomin' diabolical. There are some superb areas in Scotland and, one day, I shall return, having run on six of them. Until then I shall have to remember and savour the quality of Roseisle and Dallaschyle whilst doing my best to expunge the distinctly average experiences of Phorp and Ciunas.

Let's start out and try to be positive. Although there's still a good bit of orienteering to go before the end of the year, I know that nothing will be as good as Roseisle. This area comprised densely packed sandy humps and hollows almost entirely forested, but slap bang next to the sea, leaving the beach option as a viable alternative on at least three of our legs. There were 24 closely placed legs in 7.5 km on our course, so they kept coming at you like three rounds with Henry Cooper, no room for error or you'd end up on the canvas, gasping for breath, head reeling. Great. Dallaschyle was the very first day, and some complained at the physicality of it, but not me. Dallaschyle is for what Scottish orienteering is all about. Yes, it's tough, but it's complex too. If you lose touch with the map it can take you an aeon to relocate so the trick is never to lose concentration and try to ignore those exploding lungs as you haul yourself through dense though always runnable vegetation.

These two were the first two days, but then it all started to go wrong. Previous experience told me that they'd throw in a couple of substandard areas hoping you'd forget them before the week closed. This year, I was hoping they'd delay this for as long as possible, and Loch Vaa sounded promising. It even bore the tantalising teaser of 'as used for the World Championship Relays'. Well, I'm sure that some part of it may have been, but I'm equally sure it wasn't the bit I wasted the majority of my time on.

Virtually two-thirds of my course took place in knee-high heather. It was like running through the kiddies' end of a swimming pool, like orienteering through treacle, like (yes, we get the picture), and, in temperatures in the mid-thirties, it was NOT FUN. I recently spent a whole day agonising over whether it was feasible to join Farley to Bottom Moor before abandoning the idea as inhuman: the linking area would have had the event picketed by Amnesty International. Well, not only was the connecting moorland a tenth of the size of Loch Vaa, it was like Allestree Park in comparison. So to travel so far and find myself forced for an hour and a half to endure the orienteering equivalent of white noise, presented as an enjoyable holiday experience, was galling to say the least.

As if this were not bad enough, the ocean of heather had the effect of smoothing the contours and features so they merged together in one indecipherable gloop of mucky brown. The searing heat made this the closest

to orienteering in the Sahara, north of Timbuktu. My struggles with the map made Derby County's forlorn efforts this season look heroic. It was as though somebody'd given me a different map altogether, it was like listening to a conversation in Swahili, reading a book on quantum mechanics or (yes, we get the picture). I returned hot, bothered and bewildered.

Then there was Phorp which to call ordinary is to demean the meaning of the word; needless to say I had my best run here. Lossie should have been as illuminating a highlight as Roseisle with which it had much in common, but whereas my course at the latter stuck rigidly and consistently to the quality stuff throughout, the planner at Lossie felt the need, after a few controls in the dunes, to force us into long boring treks over undistinguished, featureless tundra looking for nebulous form lines in 2.5 metre contours. It was as narcoleptic as an Ingmar Bergman epic.

And so to Clunie. Rather than going out on a high, leaving the punters to go home happy and looking forward to a return in two years time, they gave us an area of which, being charitable, only the final third was of badge standard. The horror of the rest was compounded by planning which delighted in perversity. No fight was too impenetrable that you could not be sent through it. This was highlighted for me by Ruth's W21S course which due to its length limitations could quite easily have confined itself to the pleasurable and runnable section referred to earlier. Instead it deliberately and literally went out of its way to frogmarch its victims south into the grot, delivering its piece de resistance, a clearing surrounded by Dark Green. My disaffection was compounded by the penultimate control through which virtually everyone had to pass being sited next to a nest of wasps, one of which stung me.

When I first started going to Scottish Six Days, one of the novelties was the welcome presence of so many Scandinavians at a British event but the number of these has now dwindled so that whilst they are still a novelty, it is by reason of their scarcity rather than their profusion. The organisers may care to ask themselves what the reason for this might be.

I often get the feeling that rather than the S6D doing its best to offer us real value for our ten quid a day, it is we who are providing a service for Scottish orienteering, setting it up for another few years with a set of fantastic maps, lasting long enough before the wheel revolves again. Once there was a time when the Scottish followed a fairly regular pattern you could set the decades by (no, I'm not that old); the Trossachs would be followed by Galloway, Deeside, Speyside, and Highland with the regularity of a Bond film on ITV. But the last few years we have been stuck in a Groundhog Day time warp where we endlessly revolve round an Aviemore/Inverness axis - and I'm getting dizzy. So much so that the first Moray 2003 area seemed very much like the last Highland '99 area - in fact it was exactly the same! Just because you call a Marathon bar Snickers doesn't stop it being a Marathon.

I'm probably in a minority. People still turn up in their thousands to this event, most from south of the border. Let's face it, for those of us who survive on a

weekly diet of East Midlands forests, even Phorp represents an improvement. It's just that, after a two year wait for this festival of orienteering, it comes as a bitter disappointment of Phantom Menace proportions when the realisation that it could have been so much better dawns.

Meanwhile DVO competition on M45L was fierce, with five of us within the same 40 minute time block, often separated by a mere four minutes. Well, at least it was fierce at the beginning of the week before proceedings kicked off. It quickly separated like the layers of a sherry trifle. Somewhere near the top was the custard represented by Steve Kimberley and John Malley (I am not going to dignify them with comparisons with the cream, let alone the cherry on top). Somewhere near the bottom were the soggy sponge fingers represented by me and John Hurley – but at least sponge fingers are soaked in alcohol. I think that, in this rather contorted analogy, that makes Ian Whitehead a layer of raspberry jelly.

There was a new scoring system this year too. I didn't really understand it any more than the last one, even when it was explained to me. At least previously I knew that the winner would be awarded 1000 points and I would be awarded less than half of that, but this summer's scores were apparently based on an average. This meant the winner received much more than 1000 points, and I usually didn't. Even so I still can't get my head round how John Hurley can have thrashed me on four days out of six, but I can still finish two places above him in the final results. Since you jettison your worst two results, surely this means that if John would give the boot to the two days when I did manage to beat him, leaving him with the four when he reciprocated the favour? So how can he finish below me when, based on his four best results, he beat me every time? I'm confused. Perhaps I shouldn't complain – although this would be a much shorter article if I didn't. John did offer to explain by donating an in-depth, i.e. long, comparative analysis of the maths involved. You'll be pleased to hear that I hurriedly declined the offer.

One thing that travel to a foreign country does is to broaden your horizons and introduce you to new experiences. I was particularly intrigued by the innovations introduced into Scottish portalooos. I identified no less than three new variations, one an apparent English variety, of which more later. As a result of extensive consumer-testing, I found the foot-operated power-jet far preferable to the usual hand-operated lever, and was frankly charmed by the idea of the tiny bar of soap left by the side of the handbasin in the campsite model, just as in all the best hotels (or so I'm told). However I am still left wondering in what circumstances you might want to use the mirror inside the entrance door. If that's progress, count me out thank you. Ablutions are an activity which may be heard but should not be seen.

The British intruder, which is no less commodious (geddit?) than the US equivalent, came as something of a shock, raised as I have been on the ideal that all portable lavvies originate from but a single source, the quasi-mystical Whiting, Indiana, the Santiago de Compostela of the portaloo. (I have obviously never been to the place but have this wonderful vision in my mind of a whole town peopled by workers, whose single aim is the production, with

Oompa-Loompan single-mindedness, of artefacts dedicated to the disposal of effluent.) The idea that someone else might attempt to take on the megalith that is the US portaloos industry, let alone a plucky wannabe from dear old Blighty, was as unimaginable until a few weeks ago as zips made by someone other than YKK. Quite why the pretender to the throne (as it were) should be quite so shy and retiring is not clear, but the only clue to the challenger's identity was the initials PP (UK) embossed on the hand basin.

While I'm on the subject, I have always been intrigued by the sign inside portaloos which advises that the water is not potable. Is this the only known instance of the use of this word? Why will 'drinkable' not do? Can something but not potable but drinkable? Why would it occur to anyone to try to drink water from a portaloos anyway? And why is this notice repeated in Spanish immediately afterwards, but no other language? Perhaps I'm spending too long in there, and perhaps this explains why the queues are so long outside.

Moray Odds and Sods

Injuries of the Week

Joint first place goes to:

Dave Brodie, who sprained his ankle not in the forest but in the Assembly area, coming out of the toilets. At last Brodie meets his Portaloos.

Dave Chaffey, who was at least competing when he also sprained his ankle – tripping over a kid's sandcastle. (please insert your own punchline involving the phrase 'seven stone weakling').

Lost Property

What was it that Sarah Ross lost and found on the same day, Dave Brodie lost but never found at all - although those within earshot learnt many new words that I hope they never repeat in public - and I lost on one day but had them handed in two days later even though I'd already bought a replacement. The answer is a pair of spectacles. Not very interesting I know, but there you are.

Most Annoying Sign.

Seen on the way to the Start on Day 5: 'Elite Warm Up Area'. I'm sure they do it to annoy me. The implication from this is either that the rest of us don't need to trouble ourselves warming up or that the elite are so superior they have to have their own hermetically sealed section of forest so their precious concentration is not broken by the hoi polloi. I suppose we should be grateful we were allowed to compete in the same forest. No prizes for guessing where I took my customary warm-up pee that day.

Point to Ponder. 'If you take Prozac for depression, what do you take for a re-entrant?' The Strange World of John Hurley.

Map Printing at Home - Mike Godfree

A few issues ago (you do keep an archive of old Newstracks don't you?) Graham enthused about getting pre-marked maps at a colour-coded event at Timble Ings. He had made some enquiries and discovered that they had been printed on a £99 Epson ink-jet printer, and CLARO reckoned this was costing them about 20p a sheet. I was impressed as his map was just as sharp as a laser print and would not rub when we got it wet. Usually the problem with ink-jet prints is that they are not waterproof but this was a new range of printers from Epson that uses durable waterproof ink. American subscribers to the Yahoo O mapping group even suggested that the ink was tougher than the paper. In fact I was so impressed I went and bought a printer for myself.

We have now used the printer in two different ways at the low key events at Farley Moor and Shipley Park as well as a couple of street events. There are, as always, good and bad points. Ever since 5 colour (or 6 with purple) maps came on the scene nearly all orienteering maps have been offset printed with 5 or 6 specifically mixed inks. Given a printer like Hassall & Lucking or Stirling Surveys who understands the requirements, this has given excellent results. It requires that the ink is accurately mixed and the registration between the different colours is accurate. It is however expensive for small runs because of the cost of making a plate and changing the ink in the printing press. For instance printing the purple overprint for each course even if there are only a dozen runners costs in the order of £30.

So in recent years we have seen a number of laser printed maps. These are inevitably not as sharp even when using the same theoretical number of dots per inch because to achieve the exact colour they actually use dots of cyan, magenta and yellow. Take a look at a contour line under a magnifying glass. If it is a continuous brown line you are looking at an offset printed map but if it is a series of purple and yellow dots, then that is a laser printed map. But the laser printed map has the unique advantage that the map, the course and probably the control descriptions are all printed in one pass. This is quicker and cheaper for short print runs.

Now with this Epson printer I can do much the same at home, at least for A4 maps. At Farley I took the existing maps and merely printed the courses on them in purple. That showed up two snags. Although the ink dries immediately on plain paper it doesn't dry well on existing areas of solid printed colour so for a couple of days our house was strewn with maps drying. The other is printing enough maps for each course without wasting too many. Although we got it wrong in this case, at least latecomers could mark up a blank map, but a good many maps were wasted. At Shipley, because it was a newly revised map, I printed the whole map complete with each course. This gave another unique advantage - I was able to enlarge the maps for the shorter courses to 1:7,500 so that they were much clearer. The snags turn out to be the time spent printing the maps, almost 2 minutes a copy for reasonable quality; the extortionate cost of genuine Epson cartridges (£29 for the black!) and the variable colour of cheaper non-Epson cartridges. The

printer also came in handy for printing extra bib numbers for the Harvester, although sweat must be a more powerful solvent than our tap water judging by the state some of them came back in.

So I have an excellent printer for doing small quantities of school maps and proofs of maps for planning but I won't be offering to print the maps for a full-scale colour-coded event in a hurry. We have always wasted a good proportion of the typical 2000 print run in the past but at least then we were talking about a marginal cost of 15p or so a copy.

Mike Godfree

Random Thoughts from Mike Godfree

The midges at the Harvester are hopefully just a distant memory but two thoughts to share:

From the guy collecting the toilets: "You've had value for money out of these"

The other abiding memory apart from the midges: Sue, our safety officer, balancing precariously on top of a tall dry stone wall trying to flip the cable off the tree!

New Scientist reports that the Department of Health and HSE are attempting to improve public awareness of E. coli O157 a particularly nasty form of food poisoning. The HSE advises anyone using animal pastures for recreational use:

- Keep farm animals off the fields for three weeks before recreational use.
 - Remove any visible droppings, ideally at the beginning of the 3 week period.
 - Mow the grass, keep it short and remove clippings before recreational use.
- Now that little lot would push up the cost of an assembly field!

DVO weekend abroad

Twelve of us have booked to go to Prague for the weekend of October 25th, flying from East Midlands on Saturday returning the following Tuesday. It is not too late to join us though by now BMI Baby and Easy Jet have probably worked out that these flights could be more popular than the Karrimor and priced them accordingly. Give me a call for details - Mike Godfree

Calling all novice and budding planners

A two evening course to introduce you to good practice in planning an event. Aimed at those who would like a go at planning or have planned once or twice and would like to know more. Scheduled for the evenings of Tuesday 7th and Tuesday 14th October chez Godfree but dates & venue could be flexible to suit those wishing to attend. I am expecting the second evening to concentrate more on the mechanics of the electronic equipment so would be of interest to experienced planners needing to learn more about this aspect. - Mike Godfree

FIXTURES

The following represents a selection of events of interest to DVO members, mostly within an hour's travelling distance. Check last-minute changes before travelling.

September 2003

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| 13th-14th | YH | AIRE Dales Weekend |
| | C2 | 13th - NATIONAL EVENT. Attermire Scar, Settle. SD/817641. |
| | C3 | 14th - Badge Event. Langstrothdale Chase, Skipton. SD/905786. |
| 21st | EM | LEI Colour Coded Event. Burbage Common & Woods, Hinkley. |
| | C4 | Andy Portsmouth, 0116 230 1337. andy.portsmouth@btinternet.com Fees TBA. String course. http://www.leioc.co.uk/ |
| 21st | EM | NOC Come and Try It Event. Sherwood Pines, Mansfield. SK/612645. |
| | C5 | David Cooke, 01773 770278. d.cooke4@ntlworld.com £2.00/£1.00. String course. Courses - W, Y, O + Score. Starts 1030 - 1130. Dogs on lead. |
| 21st | YH | SYO Colour Coded Event. Wombwell Woods, Barnsley. SE/367018. |
| | C4 | Arun Sahni, 0114 236 9854. abtenter@aol.com £4.00/£1.00. String course. White to Blue courses (no Red). http://www.southyorkshireorienteers.org.uk/ |
| 21st | WM | WCH Colour Coded Event. Ansons Bank, Cannock Chase. GR/979171. |
| | C4 | Jane Christopher, 01785 660133. £4.00/£2.00 + £1.00 SI hire. EPS-SI. String course. Dogs on lead. http://www.walton-chasers.co.uk/ |
| 28th | EM | DVO Local Event. Bottom Moor, Matlock. SK/323631. |
| | C5 | Ian & Tracey Grant, 01629 580781. tandi@grant200.fsnet.co.uk £2.00/£1.00. EPS-SI. String course. White to light green only plus longer challenge course. Dogs on lead. http://www.dvo.org.uk/ |

PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS A LOCAL EVENT, NOT, AS PREVIOUSLY ADVERTISED, A CLUB (C4) EVENT

October 2003

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| 5th | WM | WCH Colour Coded Event. Gentleshaw, Burntwood. GR/049122. |
| | C4 | Ianka Petrova Evans, 01782 788341. £4.00/£2.00 +£1.00. EPS-SI. String course. Parking £1.00. Dogs on lead. http://www.walton-chasers.co.uk/ |
| 5th | EM | NOC Come and Try It Event. Bramcote Hills, Nottingham. SK/500384. |
| | C5 | David Cooke, 01773 770278. d.cooke4@ntlworld.com £2.00/£1.00. W, Y, O & Score courses only. Dogs on lead. |
| 12th | EM | LEI Colour Coded Event & YBT Round. Bagworth Heath & Woods, Leicester. |
| | C4 | Andy Portsmouth, 0116 230 1337. andy.portsmouth@btinternet.com Fees TBA. EPS-SI. String course. Dogs on lead. http://www.leioc.co.uk/ |

- 19th YH EPOC Badge Event. Marsden Moor, Huddersfield. SE/029115.
C3 Organiser: Bill Hunter, 01484 361359.
Entries: Philip Martin, 16 Mullion Avenue, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 6GN, 01484 321741. CD: 30/09/03. £6.00/£2.00. Lim EOD +£1.00/50p. Chq: EPOC. EPS-SI. String course. Lim CC courses. Dogs on lead in car park and assembly only.
- 25th EM NOC Local Night Event & EM Night League (tbc). Thieves Wood, Mansfield. SK/543575.
C5N David Cooke, 01773 770278. d.cooke4@ntlworld.com Fees TBA.
- 26th WM OD Charity Score Event. Kingsbury Water Park, Kingsbury. SP/203958.
S4 Keith Greenall, 02476 419854. Free. <http://www.octavian-droobers.org/>
- 26th EM NOC Colour Coded Event. Byrons Walk, Nottingham. SK/512535.
C4 David Cooke, 01773 770278. d.cooke4@ntlworld.com Fees TBA. EPS-SI. String course. Dogs on lead.

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- 2nd SC SOC NATIONAL EVENT, November Classic & Southern Championships. Burley Lodge, New Forest. SU/226047.
C2 Organiser: Tim Holt, 023 8081 4003. tim.holt2@virgin.net
- 2nd YH SYO Colour Coded Event. Canklow, Rotherham. SK/437914.
C4 Keith Fletcher, 0114 2864951. £4.00/£1.00. String course. White to Blue courses only. Parking £1.00. <http://www.southyorkshireorienteers.org.uk/>
- 2nd WM WCH Colour Coded Event. Brindley, Cannock Chase. GR/004147.
C4 Mike Thompson, 01785 660716. mike.p.thompson@ukgateway.net £4.00/£2.00 + £1.00 SI hire. EPS-SI. String course. Dogs on lead. <http://www.walton-chasers.co.uk/>
- 8th EM LEI Local Night Event & EM Night League. Fosse Meadows, Bagworth.
C5N Andy Portsmouth, 0116 230 1337. andy.portsmouth@btinternet.com Fees TBA. *Full registration pending*
- 16th EM DVO Colour Coded Event. Stanton Moor, Matlock. SK/242623.
C4 David Bennett. davebderwent@aol.com Fees TBA. EPS-SI. String course. Parking £1.00. Dogs on lead in car park only. <http://www.dvo.org.uk/>
- 23rd EM LEI Badge Event. Wakerley Woods, Corby.
C3 Organiser: Chris Phillips, 0116 255 0330. oneccphillips@lineone.net
Entries: Thelma Spalton, 31 The Burrows, Narborough, Leicestershire, LE19 3WS, 0116 275 1255. gerry.spalton@btinternet.com CD: 08/11/03. £7.00/£2.50. Lim EOD +£1.00. Chq: Leicestershire Orienteering Club. EPS-SI. String course. CC courses. Dogs on lead. <http://www.leioc.co.uk/>