

Chairman – Linda Pakuls



Ahh, the start of the new orienteering season and what a lot of opportunity it holds for us. With no alternatives on the day, I have slipped into the Chairman's role for another year, and very happy to do so.

As ever I aspire for great success for us and to build on the manifesto set out last year.

We successfully held our AGM yesterday, and enjoyed a very good lunch in Frimley Green, so we may decide to use that venue again for club meetings. Our next social will again be linked to the club event in February, at Verdley Woods. We have already booked the excellent cottage we hired 2 years ago, and hope that you will all put this in your calendar now for a club get together, meal and quiz night.

Last year we had some very strong results: James Crawford M50 Sprint Champion at the World Masters, and also for the British Middle Distance, Our M50 men's relay took the trophy at the British Championships, Christine Kiddier's amazing form and many placed results throughout the season.

My thanks go to several people who regularly make events happen for us, with roles for organiser, planner, controller, parking, download, mapping etc this is a large responsibility and we welcome anyone who would like to learn more about helping with events so we can continue to support them.

The season ended on a Go Away event where a rather large group of us attended the Scottish 6 Day event near Perth. A truly remarkable event with many intricate and challenging areas, and again some very good results (see table below).

We have already shaped up several Go Away events for the coming season – where a group of us attend events a little further afield than the SE. Next month we will attend the Venice Street O and join in the 30th Anniversary celebrations of that event. If you are interested in joining any of those events, please ask any member of the committee for more info or drop me an email.



GO events

Club meeting, TBD, Nov

Southern Night Champs, 28th
Nov, Blackheath and Farley
Wood

Club Champs Events

15 Nov 09 : SN Regional,
Mytchett

20 Dec 09: SLOW Regional,
Bramshott

03 Jan 10: DFOK Regional,
Chelwood Vachery, Ashdown
Forest

17 Jan 10: MV Regional,
Sheepleas and Effingham

31 Jan 10: BKO Regional, Upper
Star Posts

28 Feb 10: HH Regional,
Burnham Beeches

23 May 10: SO Regional, Arundel
and 2 schools events:

14 Nov 09: Wisley

16 Jan 10: Long Valley

Annual Club Social: 6 Feb
2010; Venue: Woolbedding NT
Cottages **PUT THIS IN YOUR
DIARY NOW!**

Verdley Wood 7 Feb (regional)

Web links

[Guildford Orienteers](#)

[British Orienteering](#)

[SEOA](#); [SE email service](#)

[Nopesport news](#)

Online entries: [Fabian4](#)

[nTrees](#)

Manifesto 2009/10

1. Club Development

Many approaches to development have been tried, and during last year we have been giving individual help to organisations who want to take their members orienteering. We believe that this will help develop the sport and also allow us some alliances to increase our membership. We will continue to provide help for scout groups, running clubs and new orienteers through small introductory events – both specifically for the groups concerned and with come and try it events like our very successful summer series at the end of last season.

We will continue to support individuals who strive for excellence through small grants for international participation, training events and the small but growing Go Away group who not only have a great time, but are ambassadors for Guildford Orienteers.

2. Financial Management

We aim to maintain a cautious approach on our finances.

We had recently upgraded our SI equipment and have re-instigate a fund to replace this in a few years time.

We will budget all out events to to make a small profit so we have greater ability to invest for improvement. We manage the cycle of areas used within our area to make best use of funds spent on mapping. Where new maps are required, we will consider collaborating with neighbouring clubs to maximise the usefulness of the area to both clubs and minimise the cost to us.

3. Communications

This remains a challenging area for us. We want to keep members informed of what is going on in the sport and news of achievements within the club.

We have an excellent resource in our club website – so please look there for any information you may need.

We aim to:

- Celebrate internally
- Publish locally
- Communicate regularly
- Set a variety of club meets

So look out for a variety of communications from your committee following the very successful format of the newsletters published by Keith. Please email any committee member with news or views – we will be VERY happy to publish these.

4. Collaboration

We will continue to join forces with neighbouring clubs to stage events, fund mapping projects, create relay teams and generate interest in the sport.

So we will continue to work with SN on the Saturday schools series for example. Please show your support for this by offering help on the day.

It doesn't feel like a year since I first set this out. I am very interested in all views, comments, and proposals. All volunteers to take the role of publicity officer, please email me or phone me to discuss further.

Regards,

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Guildford Orienteers 2009/10

Scottish 6 Day 2009

Results

This was an awesome event with challenging terrain and courses. Guildford members put in some very worthy performances and gained many top 10 places, indicated on the chart:

Scottish 6 Day Results								
Class	Club Member	Overall	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6
M14A	George Simmons	53	59	47	52	44	47	40
M40S	Jon Darley	55	48	48	46	40	46	51
M45L	Gary Simons	112	90	99	95	87	90	93
M50L	James Crawford	10	50	22	19	5	14	3
	Keith Tonkin	13	20	25	8	6	18	16
	Mark Smith	49	45	51	36	34	50	113
M55L	Alastair Doyle	10	11	38	10	5	16	15
	Gareth Davis	68	29	77	89	65	72	64
M55S	Neil Harwood	27	21	47	29	21	18	36
M70L	Iain Cairns	8	5	41	52	11	19	4
W16B	Natalie Smith	5	5	7	6	3	4	19
W35S	Angela Darley	7	10	3	21	5	6	13
W50L	Linda Pakuls	29	12	35	injured	17	40	54
W55L	Christine Kiddier	11	10	5	22	16	13	7



The club spirit was especially strong, particularly after the running. Many of us partook of excessive beverage and remarkable cuisine, courtesy of James Crawford who served up some scrumptious fare.

