

GO News Sheet ... 25th June 2007

This update contains news on the club AGM, North Downs Way Relay, British Relays, Club Champs, Scottish 6 days.... And anything else I think of as I draft this out!

AGM

This was held at the National Rifle Association, Bisley yesterday (Saturday 23rd June). Official proceedings were preceded by a short sprint-style orienteering course around what can only be described as an eclectic mix of colonial style club house properties and camping/caravan areas. It is a very strange area but actually provided an excellent short orienteering course. So for those you who didn't make it along, I believe SN are planning a short race there on 5th September and it could be worth giving it a try.

Official proceedings saw little change over last year with the main posts remaining as:

Chairman – Keith Tonkin

Secretary – Linda Pakuls

Treasurer – James Crawford

Captain – Christine Kiddier

Membership – Louise Cocks

Fixtures – Jeremy Wilde (assisted by Gary Strowbridge)

Mapping – Neil Harwood

allGO/SEOA rep – Jon Darley

Other committee members include Barbara Lugton, Iain Cairns.

GO membership fees for 2008 were agreed to remain unchanged yet again.

We plan to send out a copy of the AGM minutes and audited club accounts to all members as soon as the minutes are available.

M50 British Relay Champions

At the British Relays in May the M50 team of Peter Nicholls, Alastair Doyle and James Crawford came away victorious. Held on tricky open terrain full of old workings the “old boys” managed to finish over 2 minutes in front of second place. Alastair and Peter have probably now completed relay team wins together at M35, 40, 45 and 50!

In other classes, the W50 ladies team finished in 3rd place and on the Open course GO/SN came home in 13th place overall after a very good first leg run from David Abrams.

North Downs Way Relay

A mixed team of GO members plus a few “helpers” from Sandhurst Joggers, SO and MV held on to an early lead to win the 120+ mile, 16 hour 33 minutes event by just 40 seconds from SLOW. Well done to all those who ran legs in the team. There is currently a picture on the [GO home page](#) showing some of the team having just received the trophy.

2007 Club Championships

Our club champs are based on the best 4 point-scoring results from 9 qualifying events selected at the beginning of the season. Club champions for this year are almost as last year. Congratulations to them all.

Men – Alastair Doyle

Ladies – Linda Pakuls

Junior Men – David Abrams

Junior Ladies – Sarah Abrams

David is developing both his technique and speed and was only a few points away from securing an overall points win from Alastair.

A full list of the points scored should be available on the GO website shortly. 2007/8 events will be nominated once the seasons fixtures become firmer.

Guildford Boundary Walk/Run

Earlier than last year (and hopefully a bit drier) is the Guildford Boundary walk (or run) on Sunday July 8th. It is a 20 mile circumnavigation of Guildford starting and finishing at the University of Surrey. See [Surrey LDWA](#) for further details. Entry fees are only £2.50/£3.50, working out at about 10p per km! Including tea and biscuits, how about that for value for money?!

Scottish 6 Days

A number of Gophers are heading up to the Highlands to compete in Speyside 2007 based around Grantown on Spey and Aviemore in early August. Team GO may attempt a club BBQ sometime during the week if the weather looks promising. An attempt on a Munro or two is hopefully also on the cards, perhaps on the "rest" day.

David Abrams off to Sweden

David has been selected for a 2 week junior tour to Uppsala in Sweden!

SN training events

A number of SN Wednesday training events are close to Guildford/Woking. Start times are generally 6.30-7pm. See details on the [SN website](#) if interested.

News distribution

If anyone has any GO news let me know and I can consider for communication around the club membership.

Enjoy the summer break!