

# HALO NEWS

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Becoming "Orienteer of the year" proved a hair raising experience

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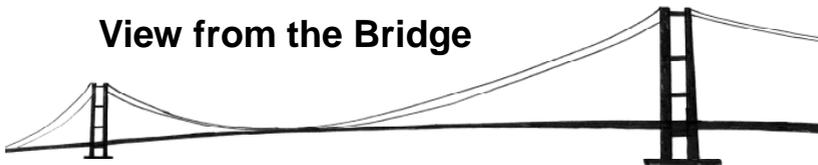
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## View from the Bridge



### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO 2010 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

I am pleased to report on yet another successful year for the Club.

On the competition side we organised a record 24 events in the 12 months to the end of August catering for all levels of orienteers, including local, regional, short, urban, and night events. Thanks to everyone involved but especially to Neil Harvatt, Pete Kullick, Ken Hutson, as well as the individual planners, controllers and organisers.

The Club also organised the final of the East Riding Schools Orienteering Championships at Longcroft School in Beverley which was attended by 170 children from 27 schools. Members also helped to run the 12 heats where over 700 children from 57 schools took part.

A number of our members supported the Humber Night Challenge – organised by Humberside Police and the Fire and Rescue Service - on a very cold night in March where 100 youngsters tackled a 12 mile course at night in Elsham and the surrounding area.

Another new event this last year was the Lincolnshire Challenge Shield, organised by LOG at Lincoln University in the summer where I am delighted to say that HALO were the first winners.

Of course if we did not have a steady supply of new maps we could not put on all these events and for that we must thank Mike Smith for four new maps this year – Sewerby Park, Beverley Town Centre, Sledmere and Hull University.

Fran Humphrey, our Permanent Orienteering Courses Co-ordinator, has made a start on updating the permanent courses in our area with a view to putting them on the website.

Club Members have continued to orienteer far and wide, both in this country and abroad, with some excellent results especially by the juniors. For example –

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- Charlotte represented England in the Interland Competition in Holland and in the Junior Home International in Scotland. She won the British Sprint Championship and the British Schools Championship, as well as Humberside Schools Cross Country Championship and the City of Hull AC's Champagne League.
- Zac won the British Middle Distance Championship.
- Yasmine won the East Riding Schools Orienteering Championship.
- Joe was 2<sup>nd</sup> in the British Middle Distance Championship, 2<sup>nd</sup> in the JK and 2<sup>nd</sup> in the British Championships.
- In the British Schools Score Championships, Jake and Yasmine were 2<sup>nd</sup> and Joe was 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- In the YHOA Schools Championships, George, Zac and Charlotte all got gold medals, Yasmine silver and Joe bronze.
- In the National Urban League, Charlotte was 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Women's Open Class.
- In the YHOA Urban League, Charlotte was 1<sup>st</sup>, Helen Smith 2<sup>ND</sup>, Pat O'Grady 2<sup>nd</sup> and Neil 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Charlotte, Zac, Jake and Yasmine were all selected to represent the YHOA in the Junior Inter Regional Championships.
- Charlotte and Zac were selected to attend the BOF Talent Coaching Camp.

On the coaching front we have established two regular club nights during the school term – Beverley on Mondays and Grimsby on Wednesdays which have attracted some new members – not as many as we would have liked but the existing members who attend are finding them very beneficial. A huge vote of thanks to Neil Harvatt and Brian Slater for all their time and effort. Brian and Neil also organised a coaching day in the Lake District which was attended by a number of members who found it very worthwhile.

Brian Slater also organised a coaching course which resulted in four new level 1 club coaches – Brian Ward, Mary Carrick, Sam and Ben Offler. We now have 12 qualified coaches in the Club including Brian Slater who is now a level 2.

HALO is one of only six clubs to have been selected by BO as a “2010 Participation Club”. This enabled us to attract grants and support which otherwise would not have been available. At the same time we achieved local accreditation from ERCAS (East Riding Club Accreditation Scheme) and nationally from Clubmark.

Special thanks to John Fulwood for continuing to edit our very successful Club magazine which was acknowledged by Compass Sport as one of the top 10 newsletters in the country – and for maintaining our membership records. Thanks also to Pete Shew who re-vamped the website during the year to make sure that it continues to be a valuable source of information to both Club members and others.

On the social side, Ingrid Slater has continued to organise a number of events, including the Xmas Dinner, the Lakes 5 Dinner and the Summer BBQ – thanks very much.

We could not have achieved all that we have without adequate funding. Thanks in part to the grants that we have obtained we have been able to update a lot of our equipment and still maintain the Club’s finances on a sound footing.

Finally, I must express my thanks to all the Committee members who do a tremendous amount of work on your behalf, much of it behind the scenes, to ensure that the Club continues to be the success it undoubtedly is.

I hope that you will all agree with me that it has been an incredibly successful year and I see no reason why, with your help, the next 12 months should not be just as successful.

**John Butler**

## **XMAS PRESENTS**

### **CAN'T THINK WHAT TO GET YOUR LOVED ONE FOR CHRISTMAS?**

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Place your orders with John Butler.



# HUMBERSIDE AND LINCOLNSHIRE ORIENTEERS

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

SUNDAY, 7 NOVEMBER 2010

Held at Primrose Warren following the Cub Championships

**Present:** John Butler, Mary Carrick, John Fulwood, Harriet Gillman, Amber Harris, Isoldt Harris, Pete Harris, Neil Harvatt, Fran Humphrey, Malcolm Humphrey, Ken Hutson, Pete Kullick, Ann O'Grady, Pat O'Grady, Pete Shew, Brian Slater, Ingrid Slater, Dorothy Smith, Mike Smith.

**Apologies:** John Chaney, Sue Chaney, Helena Crutchley, Margaret Fulwood, Paddy Neligan Mark Tyszka, Amanda Ward, Brian Ward, Charlotte Ward.

### **Minutes of the AGM, 1 November 2009**

Accepted as a true and correct record, proposed by Dorothy Smith, seconded by Ann O'Grady.

### **Matters Arising**

- 3.1 Item 7 – HALO Second Claim Members was considered by the Committee during the year who agreed that there should be no change to the current arrangements.

### **Chairman's Annual Report**

- 4.1 (See December 2010 HALO News, page 3)

### **Presentation of Trophies**

- 5.1 The HALO League Trophies for 2009/10 were presented (see December 2009 HALO News, page 9 )
- 5.2 The HALO Club Championship Trophy for 2010 was presented to Mike Smith. The runner up was Pete Kullick and third was Pat O'Grady.
- 5.3 The HALO Orienteer of the Year Trophy for 2010, decided by the Club Chairman, was awarded to John Fulwood.



Mike Smith -  
Club Champion

## **Treasurer's Report and Accounts for 2009/10**

6.1 In the absence of the Treasurer, the Chairman (John Butler) and the Auditor (Mary Carrick) presented the accounts for 2009/10 which showed that the Club continues to be financially sound. The Accounts were approved, proposed by Brian Slater, seconded by Pete Shew.

### **7. Membership Fees 2011**

7.1 In view of the current economic climate and the Club's healthy financial position, it was agreed that subscriptions for 2011 should remain at the present level. Proposed by Pete Shew, seconded by Brian Slater.

### **8. Amendments to the Constitution**

8.1 The proposed amendments which were set out in the September 2010 edition of HALO News were agreed. Proposed by Mary Carrick, seconded by Pete Shew.

### **9. Election of Officers**

9.1 In the absence of any other nominations, the following were elected to the positions indicated

John Butler	-	Chairman
Vacant	-	Secretary
Brian Ward	-	Treasurer

### **10. Election of Other Committee Members**

10.1 In the absence of any other nominations, the following were elected to the Committee –

Mary Carrick, John Fulwood, Neil Harvatt, Ken Hutson, Pete Shew, Brian Slater, Ingrid Slater, Charlotte Ward.

10.2 The Committee was authorised to fill the remaining vacancy.

10.3 Thanks were expressed to Dorothy Smith, who had decided not to stand, for all her hard work over many years.

### **11. Election of Auditor**

11.1 Mary Carrick was elected for the ensuing year.

### **12. Election of Honorary Life Member**

12.1 In view of his outstanding service, especially in creating and organising the Lincolnshire Poacher Series for the past 13 years, Pete Kullich was

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elected as an Honorary Life Member of the Club. Proposed by John Butler, seconded by Brian Slater.

13. **Any Other Business**

- 13.1 **HALO News** – Following a discussion the majority present preferred a printed copy as opposed to an e-mail or website version. However, it was agreed that the latter would be put on the public part of the website, proposed by Pete Harris, seconded by Brian Slater.

## **PETE KULLICH Hon Life member**

In 1997 Pete Kullich organised eleven events on Wednesday evenings from April to June on the South Bank, which he called the Lincolnshire Poacher Series. At the end of the series trophies were awarded for the Long, Short, Masters and Ladies Champions based on the highest points scored from eight out of the eleven events. In 1999 a Junior Champion category was established, followed in 2003 by Super Vets, in 2008 Ultra Vets and in 2010 Women's Champions.

Apart from 2001, which was the year of foot and mouth, Pete has organised the series every year since 1997 but he announced at the final event this year that the time had come to hand over to someone else.

Numbers taking part in the first few years were quite small but by 2002 the total number in the series had reached 36 on the long course and 58 on the short. Numbers have steadily increased since then and by 2010 there were 52 on the long, 56 on the short and 22 on the newcomers (a recent addition to the courses on offer).

Within a few years, bagged pre-marked maps became the norm as OCAD became more common, followed more recently by electronic punching. Pete would be the first to admit that part of the Poacher's success was due to the "volunteers" who agreed to plan the individual events but it was Pete who pulled it together every year, found new areas, persuaded the landowners to allow their use, got them mapped and produced the results with his masterful commentary each week.

The social side has always been an important aspect with many of the competitors adjourning to a nearby hostelry for discussion of routes taken,

mistakes made etc, a drink and a meal - usually in that order! The high spot is the prize giving on the last evening of the series which again Pete organised with his usual flair.

Many people, who were persuaded by Pete to have their first taste of orienteering at the Poacher, went on to become members of the Club.

In acknowledgement of Pete's significant contribution to HALO, the Committee had no hesitation in recommending that he be awarded Honorary Life Membership of the Club, a recommendation that was heartily endorsed at the Annual General Meeting last month.

**John Butler**

## **HALO League 2009-2010**

The HALO league trophies were presented at the AGM.

### **HALO League Champion - ZAC Field**

#### **Veterans: Champion - Neil Harvatt**

2nd John Butler: 3rd Pat O'Grady

#### **Junior Champion - Jake Field**

2nd Yasmin Field 3rd Joe Field

#### **Senior: Champion - Rosie Field**

2nd Dean Field: 3rd Helena Crutchley



Neil receiving his trophy

Below- Rosie; Yasmin & Joe receiving their plaques



## A True Gentleman - Harry Milton

The recent sad news led me to reflect on the loss for Orienteering brought about by Harry's death.

Harry began orienteering in Grizedale in 1973 at a West Cumbria OC event and was immediately hooked.

Coming into Orienteering from 1985, I remember Harry for competing - indeed for two years my aim was to beat him! Other memories were his writing, coaching and mapping, but I could not recall detail or sequence, so out came the Halo magazine archive. Here I discovered the depth of involvement of Harry with Viking/Halo and O in general.

Halo News of October 1987 listed Harry as Publicity Officer and forthcoming Organiser of The Ermine Street Badge Event in Feb 1988. This was a big success on the newly 'joined up' Broughton Woods area, with 551 competitors - I believe a Halo record still.

Publicity remained a key point throughout Harry's O career, utilising local papers, radio and posters distributed across our area.

He also contributed regularly to the magazine on many wide-ranging subjects such as wildlife (keeping us up to date humourously on hares, rabbits, foxes, deer and herons as he ran or mapped in the forest), scoring systems for leagues - being a formidable mathematician - and help for beginners (remember the Hare and the Tortoise story). Other articles focussed on the merits of taping control sites, legends on maps, relays, compasses, a fight symbol *a la Milton*, equipment and that old perennial Twigmoor. Most of these formed part of an occasional series entitled 'Got a View?' - seeking to stimulate debate.

One article particularly expresses his dry humour .....

*Dear Diary, Today I read another of Brian Ward's secret entries and feel totally depressed. Even he has noticed a slowing down as he gets older and a terrible thought has struck me. I am now exactly twice his age. Does this mean that I am virtually stationary??! I have often thought this when he has come past. Worse still, is there a possibility that one day the whistle will blow and I shall actually find myself going backwards? These are*

*worrying times Diary - remember I woke up the other day dead beat, after dreaming I had done a 10k. Now I am worried about going to sleep in case I tire myself out.*

September 1995

Harry took on the Halo Chairman's role from 1989 to 1992 and instigated production of a Forward Plan to invigorate the club. This led to a beginning of the club working with and in schools and employing a Development Officer.

Throughout this time and over the next ten years, Harry was also busy with mapping, expanding the number of the club's mapped areas. Originally with pen and ink drawing on five separate coloured sheets and ultimately taking on board the new technology of OCAD. He ran courses for map making and received approbation from the BOF Mapping Committee as '*leading development of map making in Britain*'.

In 1999, at the club AGM, he was awarded the 'Orienteer of the Year', notably for arranging permissions for access to Laughton Forest and pioneering the production of overprinted Ocad maps for small Badge events.

This was the only year since 1973 that Harry had missed the AGM; the prior commitment was to his second (or was it first) love - Scunthorpe United!!

Harry continued to officiate up to 2006 and in May planned the Normanby event for Poacher at the age of 79 !!

At the AGM in October 2006, the club officially recognised an outstanding contribution to orienteering by making both Harry and Peggy Honorary Life Members.

We offer our condolences to Peggy and family and thanks for much hard work and many happy memories.

*May he run in sunlit forests*

Mike Smith

Harry's funeral will now be at 10.30am on 20th December at Woodlands crematorium Scunthorpe, having been postponed from Dec 1st due to snow.



**Welcome to new club members: Chris and  
Dominic Simmonds from Wootton, Ulceby -  
(near Humberside airport)**

I hope all club members will introduce themselves and make them feel welcome.

**HALO ORIENTEER OF THE YEAR**

**Orienteer of the Year for 2010 was John Fulwood** who was presented with the cup at the AGM on 7 November. John is a long-standing member of the Club and has occupied most of the official posts at one time or another. He is currently a committee member as well as being the Membership Officer and the Editor of HALO News which was acknowledged by Compass Sport as being one of the top ten orienteering newsletters in the country. A considerable achievement indeed, one which John must take much of the credit for.

There are no guidelines as to who might qualify as the recipient – it is for the Club Chairman to decide each year. The criteria I adopted this year were that the person selected had made a significant contribution to the Club and had not received the cup previously. I had no hesitation in selecting John Fulwood to join the other illustrious names that appear on the cup.

**John Butler**

**Editorial - John Fulwood**

I would like to thank John for awarding me the Orienteer of the Year Trophy, even though I accepted it with some embarrassment.

This year in particular have seen some outstanding performances at International level from Charlotte; some outstanding contributions to the club development from Neil Harvatt and Brian Slater. I somehow do not feel worthy to be recognised in such company, but anyway, thank you John.

**Copy Date for the next Newsletter - 20th January 2011**

# HALO - Junior Page

Me Finishing the JHI Relay



Hello :)

Hope everyone is well, and keeping fit of course!

In this issue, I'd like to write about my experiences whilst competing for England in the Junior Home Internationals. The competition between the home nations is held annually, and was this year hosted by the Scottish junior squad. The weekend always comprises of two races, a relay and an individual race, although this year, there was an opportunity to race in the Park World Tour Final qualification race.

The area for the PWT, Scone Palace, provided very challenging courses, with even the best orienteers getting confused by the many tree's! Five of the mighty England team had great runs to secure a place in Saturday's Park World Tour final; a race that was held in Perth town centre. However, before the five had a chance to run in the final, the JHI relays took place, on Saturday morning, at Kinnoull Hill.

A cold morning with heavy rain greeted us as we woke in Stirling Youth Hostel, but this didn't dampen the spirits or motivation in the team! The relays took the traditional form; the first leg led by M/W 16's, with the M/W 14's on second, and the glory left to the M/W 18's on the third leg. The woodland terrain was relatively fast, but focus was required at all times due to the many small paths covering the area. After going out in joint fourth, with two other people, I had a fairly good run, but some small mistakes cost me a few minutes, meaning a 5th place finish. The overall points score was very close between England and Scotland, with England only just leading the total going into Sunday's individual race.

Before we could relax after a tough race, it was straight to Perth for those who were fortunate to be running in the PWT final. Although I was disappointed not to have made the cut, the atmosphere was amazing and spectating was definitely less nerve-racking than having to sit in quarantine for 2 hours, before running against some of the world's best sprint orienteers! After everyone had finished, it was back to the Youth Hostel for showers and then down to the local village hall for tea, and a ceilidh. The traditional dancing was great fun, with everyone, including the coaches, joining in for a go! Although the night ended at a lights out for 11pm, it was definitely not to be forgotten!

Sunday's individual race was held in DeVilla forest, a very physically demanding area that provided a very different challenge to the previous day! The course initially took us into the nicest part of the wood, meaning that the first few controls were easy to flow through.

However, by control 3, the terrain had become heavy-going, about 60% of my steps resulted in a stumble! The terrain and complexity of the area definitely did not suit me well, and I finished as the 4th English runner, and 8th overall. Although I hadn't had a great run, I had learnt a lot, and was able to take many things from the area!

The prize-giving was brilliant, with each podium hosting at least one England orienteer! In the end, we won by a clear margin over the ScotJos team. Ireland also triumphed over the weekend by beating Wales for the first time in many years. After we had celebrated the win, it was time to get on the mini-buses to travel back home. After a long and tiring weekend, the journey back went very slowly, but enabled me to get some well deserved sleep!

The experience of competing for England has taught me many things. I have realised how nervous I can become before a race, and so it is important to socialise beforehand to remain relaxed, and only have 5-10 minutes before call-up of completely focused time. I have also had the experience of a very physically and mentally demanding competition area, and learnt that it was important to slow down and concentrate on navigating before trying to run as fast as possible! Finally, I've learnt to

## The Individual Day Run-In



not let a set-back ruin your race completely; no one has the 'perfect' run!

Many thanks to HALO for funding my trip, it was certainly an amazing week-end!



## HALO AWARDED CLUBMARK

HALO is the 37<sup>th</sup> orienteering club to achieve Clubmark accreditation and was formally presented with the certificate by Ed Nicholas, BOF's Development Officer, at the White Rose bank holiday weekend.

Clubmark is the only national cross sports quality accreditation scheme for clubs with junior sections. It is built around a set of core criteria which ensure that accredited clubs operate to a set of consistent, accepted and adopted minimum operating standards. Clubmark is endorsed by all the main sporting, youth and education agencies involved in delivery of sporting opportunity for young people as the accreditation scheme for clubs with quality assured junior sections. As a single, national standard, Clubmark gives sports clubs of all types structure and direction. Clubs awarded Clubmark have seen many tangible benefits, such as:

- **Increased membership** - Addressing issues like equity and child protection gives parents confidence when choosing a club for their children.
- **Retaining members** - Clubmark stimulates real thought about how clubs cater for junior and all members. The culture it promotes boosts the morale of players and ensures that volunteers are recognised for their contributions.
- **Continuous improvement** - Accreditation encourages a club to adopt better, more organised systems and structures, thus helping them to run more effectively and efficiently.
- **Funding** - Many funding bodies state that applicants must be Clubmark accredited or working towards.
- **Facilities** - More and more local authorities and other leisure operators give priority-booking slots to Clubmark accredited clubs. Some also offer discounted rates for facility hire.
- **Developing coaches** - As part of Clubmark, clubs are entitled to receive help to develop the skills of coaches. This, in turn leads to better quality provision and improved player performance. Parents can be confident that appropriately qualified coaches are deployed.
- **Volunteers** - Clubmark promotes a volunteer culture where hard work and dedication is recognised. Once accredited, clubs find more people are keen to get involved, especially parents.
- **Links with schools** - Increasingly, schools are looking for guarantees of quality and the presence of child-friendly systems and procedures. Clubmark clubs are normally the first invited to work with local schools and schools are being encouraged to signpost pupils to Clubmark clubs.
- **Raised profile** - Clubmark is a highly valued accreditation. As well as raising the profile with local authorities, NGBs and other sporting and community bodies, all accredited clubs are listed on a national data-

base and in other directories, to help them to publicise what they do, attract new members and grow.

- **Marketing and communication** - Clubmark gives clubs the confidence to promote themselves. All Clubmark clubs can access the Clubmark member's area, utilise the Clubmark logo and take advantage of other brand resources as well as bespoke information to help generate more publicity. The universal brand, recognising quality clubs across more than 30 sports is a really valuable marketing tool.
- **Club development** - The foundation for any club is its youth structure. The Clubmark accreditation process is designed to assist clubs to attract and cater for young members, and build a strong future.
- **Not forgetting the most important reason of all - the positive impact Clubmark has on the way in which clubs think about and provide for young people!!**

John Butler

## The Best and The Worst.....

Following the last issue of HALO News, where I named the best YHOA areas, I thought I'd try to wrap things up in time for Christmas with a list of areas I would go to time and again and a list of those I'd try to avoid at all costs! Let's start with the "worst" – from a purely personal point of view.

In no particular order (been watching FAR too much X-Factor!)

**Bishop Wood, EBOR** – basically a flat overgrown wood with nasty undergrowth almost everywhere

**Sherwood Pines, NOC** – well past it's sell by date, leave it for the Mountain Bikers!

**Attemire, AIRE** – rougher underfoot than expected with loads of wall crossings and some vague bits

**Houghton Woods, HALO** – no, no, no.....

**Wakerley Great Woods, LEI** – nothing great here, navigate through the grot into some big holes, repeat

**Gilling Woods, EBOR** – another "well past it's sell by date" area, I'm afraid L

**Silverstone North, SMOC** – slog through the ankle deep mud, repeat

**Kyloe, NN** – very rough and mostly vague, but that could be due to the mapping!

**Belvoir Castle Estate, LEI** – never, ever, under any circumstances, go there, ever again!

**Trossachs, FVO** – rough, steep, rocky and typically vague Scottish mapping, don't like it!

And now for a little light relief:

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The “best” areas (YHOA areas were covered in the previous HALO News)

**Sherbrook, WCH** – and basically most of Cannock Chase. Generally runnable and well contoured wooded hillsides, although the open heath can be a bit of a tester physically, and not too keen on Beaudesert, but that’s just me!

**Forest of Dean, NGOC** – in particular Sallowvallets and New Beachenhurst, pretty similar to Cannock Chase woodlands in character. Mostly hilly, but mostly runnable with a good deal of old mine workings to add complexity

**Carewent, Welsh Wales** – as used for JK Relays a few year’s ago. Mixed open, rough open and an army training camp making fast and furious orienteering fun!

**Budby, NOC** – the very best of the Sherwood forests. Old oak woodlands of the very fastest runnability, especially in the spring months, an absolute delight

**Ashdown Forest, South East** (or possibly Central!) – pretty much like parts of Cannock and The Forest of Dean.....are you beginning to get the picture?

**Burnham Beeches, HH** – as above but flatter in nature.

**Graythwaite, LOC** – a masterpiece of English Lake District orienteering terrain, yes it’s technical and physical but generally it’s open woodland is so runnable you’ll forget the pain of those punishing climbs.....maybe!

**Touch Estate, FVO** – proving that a small wooded area with good contour detail and runnability can provide an excellent competition, even if it is in Scotland ;)

What I haven’t included here are the numerous Urban and Park / University Campus sites that are now very well employed to provide super-fast orienteering, where it’s generally speed of thought, as well as speed of foot, that’s required to negotiate courses successfully. I could quite easily have included the likes of Newcastle Town Centre, Nottingham University, etc, etc, but I would probably have found myself naming most of the areas we’ve visited since September 2006.

To be fair to the areas named in my “worst of” list, a lot of the time it’s down to poor planning, where a firmer controller would have stamped his (her) authority on proceedings and suggested improvements to the courses, or asked for the particular forest / wood to be felled before competition (! ) hence improving my perception of what the area is like. I’ll give an example; I know you’d like that! Having run in area “A” and found the course to be particularly poor, i.e. lots of slogging through crappy undergrowth, I set myself a challenge of arm-chair planning some, what I considered, good courses. It’s not difficult, if you know what you are doing, but I think it proves that planning is more of an art than a science, and you’ve either “got it”, or you haven’t. I have to admit that I do enjoy planning, even as much as actual competition and I think that I proved to myself that you can, in fact, make a silk purse out of a sow’s ear. Just need to know how to do it!

Brian Ward

## POSSIBLE SMILES SERIES IN SPRING 2011

I put some thoughts together (Oct 2008 onwards - this a revision) on how the Club could develop, This may now be applicable for a follow up to the Autumn Series of Coaching at Wintringham Oasis and the Saturday afternoon introductory event. There are several things to do before a decision is made.

- We need to know what the Committee's views are; at AGM Nov 2010 ??
- A review of the successes of the Autumn activities and any lessons to be learnt
- List of coaches and helpers available. (cf Poacher). Could others be approached ?
- List of venues in Grimsby/Cleethorpes area; See below
- Which areas are already mapped? If any mapping needs to be done – this would be the time to do it.
- Adding a suitable Legend and Date to each map used for these events should be a priority!
- The target group(s) needs to be clearly identified. How will each group be catered for? I feel this is essential, because the format of this Series will depend on it
- Is funding and equipment available from club or grant?
- A format for the Series is needed, based on who the Series is for ? LOG have some successful ideas.

I feel a NEW title is needed - one based on Orienteering not on money;

eg. N Lincs SMILE , N. Lincs Come And Try Orienteering ?

Here is a possible format:

1. Six SMILEs or CATOs on Saturdays, integrated with and leading up to the first 2 Poacher events, These intro event should be fortnightly to keep newcomers interested. (Easter Sunday is on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2011)

2. Possible venues:

Weelsby Woods (twice?)

Bradley & Dixon Woods

Cleethorpes CP

Peoples Park

Cleethorpes Sand Dunes

Humberstone Fitties

Freshney Parkway, any others ?

3. Two coaches and 4 helpers may be able to share putting on the Series; BS, NH, Sam, + ???

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4. Introductions, explanations and accompanied walk for 1<sup>st</sup> few controls by helpers
5. Equipment borrowed/hired from HALO or elsewhere? Funding from the HALO's Development Fund?
6. No pre-entry; fees = ££ 2-1-5 ? White, Yellow, Orange & Technical works well
7. Widespread publicity via sports clubs, libraries , the press, radio, flyers, posters

Some discussion of this may take place at the AGM. Nov 2010

But the thinking, planning and action need to start now ....or has it started already??

- Logically this should be a club effort – separate planner for each event with a team to help on the day, and an overall coordinator ?
- A lot to think about, Is there any mileage in all this ? I hope some of this makes sense.

Mark Tyszka 1.11.2010

New O-areas not yet mapped:

# Nettleton Hill (from Ramblers' CP on Normanby-le-Wold road): grassland, pastures

# Parkland SW of Healing Manor, CP at the Manor: Grassland with copses, woodland strips, horse paddocks

## **HUMBERSIDE POLICE LIFESTYLE NIGHT CHALLENGE 2011**

**Earlier this year 11 HALO members gave up a Saturday evening (and the early hours of Sunday morning for some) to help organise the Humber Night Challenge where 94 youngsters in 20 teams successfully navigated their way round a 16 mile course, mainly off road, starting and finishing at Elsham Hall in temperatures well below freezing. Humberside Police has asked HALO to be one of the joint organisers of next year's event which will take place on Saturday/Sunday 12/13 March, which the Committee has readily agreed to.**

Next year we are aiming to have 30 mixed teams of five disadvantaged young people (aged between 13 and 17) who will be required to navigate a 12.8 mile course, mainly off road, using map references, starting and finishing at the Ionians Sports Ground at Brantingham in the East Riding. HALO has been asked to take charge of the five check points on route where the teams will have 15 minutes to complete a "challenge" which will be marked by HALO members. Each team will be

accompanied by an adult supervisor whose role is in part a safety one but does include, for example, questioning his/her team if they are heading totally in the wrong direction!

The latest thinking is that the event will commence at 5 p.m. on the Saturday with each team being briefed before partaking of a hot meal. The teams will set off from 5 p.m. at 12 minute intervals, the last one going off at 10.48 pm. The winning team will be the fastest one, having taken into account the marks from the challenges, and is expected back after about five hours. There will be medals for all finishers and prizes for the first three teams. This year HALO presented each of the members of the top five teams with a HALO Prize Voucher which entitled the bearer to free admission at any HALO club night or orienteering event for a year and we will probably do the same again next year.

Teams will be provided with head lights, rear lights, tabards, compasses, whistles, pens, pencils, maps (which will be ordnance survey based) and map holders. Competitors will not be allowed to take mobile phones with them but the supervisors, who will have attended a briefing and walked the route before the event, will have one. Safety is paramount and the organisers will provide appropriate vehicles, ambulances, helicopters, etc. at strategic locations.

The organisers/sponsors of the event are Humberside Police, Humberside Fire and Rescue, the High Sheriff's Trust and HALO, and Tesco is providing drinks and snacks for the competitors to take with them.

We have agreed that HALO will provide manpower and all the necessary SI and IT kit for registration, start, check points, finish, download and results, as well as start and finish banners, start clock, stakes, kites, etc. We have also been asked to provide some basic navigation training to the teams prior to the event. If you would like to support such a high profile and worthwhile event, please contact Neil Harvatt or John Butler. The organisers will be operating a shift system so you will not have to be out for the full 12 hours – unless you want to!

**John Butler**

## **COMPASS SPORT CUP/TROPHY 2011**

**The qualifying round** for the 2011 competition for the NEOA and the YHOA is being organised by CLOK on Sunday, 30 January at Silton near Northallerton. Entries are being co-ordinated by Neil Harvatt. Please keep the date free and come along and support your Club. Let us have a good turn-out and see if we can get into the final again.

# **EAST RIDING SCHOOLS ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2011**

**HALO has agreed to organise the Final of the East Riding Schools Orienteering Championships at 3.30 pm on Tuesday, 12 April at Burton Constable.**

Prior to that there will be at least 12 cluster competitions for years 5 and 6 at various schools in the East Riding which HALO has offered to have a presence at and to give a hand if required. (This year there were over 700 children from 57 schools who took part in the cluster competitions.) The top 10 scorers from each of the cluster events will be invited to take part in the Final. Awards will be made to the first three and the best school in each year group.

This year there were 171 young people from 27 schools in the final, and next year there could be even more - so we will need Club members' help on the day. Please put the date in your diary now and keep it free if you can. In the meantime if you want any further information contact Neil Harvatt or John Butler.

**John Butler**

## **ERCAS RENEWED FOR ANOTHER YEAR**

**HALO maintains Level 1 ERCAS accreditation for another year.**

ERCAS stands for the East Riding Club Accreditation Scheme which enables clubs to set and meet standards, which will lead to better quality sports provision for young people in the East Riding. The benefits of accreditation include -

1. Highlighting good practice within HALO and improving the profile of HALO within the local community.
2. Providing evidence to future members that HALO has a child friendly, welcoming and safe environment.
3. Entitlement to apply for Sport and Play Development facilities/improvement grants and rate relief.
4. Receiving discounts on training opportunities for club members, e.g. child protection, first aid, equity etc.

John Butler



# South Cave



Urban "Fun" Score Orienteering  
New Year's Day  
January 1st, 2011

## **Humberside And Lincolnshire Orienteers - South Cave New Year's Day Event**

The Ward Family, on behalf of HALO, presents an Urban "Fun" Score Orienteering event to be held in South Cave on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2011.

Pre-Entry is essential to accommodate sufficient maps and to organise teams evenly.

Closing date midnight Friday 24<sup>th</sup> December - e-mail [brian@halo-orienteeing.org.uk](mailto:brian@halo-orienteeing.org.uk)

Please supply name/club/age class and Si card number (free Si card hire is available if required - please ask!) Entry is free.

Meet at The Ward's - 12 Southcote Close, South Cave (postcode HU15 2BQ) for 12 noon on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2011. There is a short walk (5 minutes) to the start in King George Fields where a briefing will be held. Actual kick-off is 12:15pm for the 45 minutes Score on a timed start - if you are late to the start you create yourself an additional handicap!!

New map at 1:7,500 surveyed and drawn by Brian Ward - please remember this is a "fun" event so don't expect professional standard mapping!!

Teams of three will be handicapped to provide as even a competition as possible. Runners will be seeded into categories by ability then pre-allocated to their respective team-mates.

There are 21 controls all of equal value (we are using SportIdent) however.....

Each control for the "A" runner has a value of 10 points per control and a penalty of 30 points per minute or part minute late. Each control for the "B" runner has a value of 20 points per control and a penalty of 20 points per minute or part minute late. Each control for the "C" runner has a value of 30 points per control and a penalty of 10 points per minute or part minute late.

Results and post-race refreshments will be held at The Ward's. Hot savoury food will be provided. Participants are requested to bring sweet/pudding/drinks on the day to share.

### **PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING BOF GUIDELINE**

Participants under 16 should not be competing on courses that tempt, or require them to run across roads that contain significant traffic.

As it is New Year's Day the traffic is likely to be minimal, there is only one significant main road through South Cave that runs north/south, and basically splits the village in half. As this is the case, HALO committee would like to leave the responsibility to parents of children under 16 years of age as to whether they run solo or are accompanied by a responsible adult. As always, you compete at your own risk and by registering for the activity you agree to this condition of entry.

# Fixtures

Links for more info: AIRE: [www.aire.org.uk](http://www.aire.org.uk) CLARO: [www.claro-orienteing.org](http://www.claro-orienteing.org)  
 CLOK: [www.clok.org.uk](http://www.clok.org.uk) DVO [www,dvo.org](http://www,dvo.org)  
 EBOR [www.eborienteers.org.uk](http://www.eborienteers.org.uk) EPOC [www.eastpennineoc.org.uk](http://www.eastpennineoc.org.uk)  
 LOG [www.logonline.org.uk](http://www.logonline.org.uk) NOC [www.noc-uk.org](http://www.noc-uk.org)  
 SYO [www.southyorkshireorienteers.org.uk](http://www.southyorkshireorienteers.org.uk)  
 SHUOC [www.shuoc.union.shef.ac.uk](http://www.shuoc.union.shef.ac.uk)

Please check Club websites, or fliers for details. Fees are a relative indication only and are as far as I can make out; assuming Senior BOF Regional member :

£= £0-3: ££= £3.01-6: £££= £6.01-8: ££££= £ 8.01-10: £££££ - over £10

Date	Type	Club	Courses	Info	Where	Fees
19th Dec	X-Country	EPOC	Score	Norland Moor	Halifax	TBC
19th Dec	X-Country	NOC	White-Brown	Walesby Forest	Ollerton	££
28th Dec	X-Country	EBOR	White-Brown	Skipwith Common	Selby	££
<b>2011</b>						
1st Jan	Urban	HALO	New Year's Day Event - South Cave			
2nd Jan	X-Country	SYO	TBC	Blacka Moor	Sheffield	TBC
8th Jan	X-Country	HALO	2-1-5 Series		Humber Bridge CP	£
8th Jan	X-Country	EPOC	Night Score	Elland Woods	Halifax	TBC
9th Jan	X-Country	AIRE	White-Brown	Temple Newsam	Leeds	££
9th Jan	X-Country	NOC	White-Brown	Silberhill Woods	Sutton in Ashfield	££
15th Jan	Urban	EBOR	White-Blue	Scarborough	Scarborough	££
15th Jan	X-Country	EBOR	White-Brown	Gilling	Helmsley	£££
22nd Jan	X-Country	HALO	2-1-5 Series		Cleethorpes CP	£
23rd Jan	X-Country	EPOC	White-Brown	Marsden Moor	Huddersfield	TBC
29th Jan	X-Country	EBOR	Night	Allerthorpe	Pocklington	TBC
30th Jan	X-Country	CLOK	TBC	Silton	CompassSport Cup	TBC
5th Feb	X-Country	HALO	2-1-5 Series		Beverley Westwood	£
6th Feb	X-Country	CLAROO	White - Black	Brimham Rocks	Pateley Bridge	TBC
6th Feb	X-Country	NOC	TBC	Rufford CP	Mansfield	TBC
12th Feb	X-Country	AIRE	Night	Chevin	Otley	££
13th Feb	X-Country	AIRE	TBC	Chevin	Otley	££