



Control Card Chaos Champs

Consternation has spread through the normally secretive and cloistered world of orienteering as it came to light today that a major scandal has befallen it. Grave concerns have been aired about the organisation of the recently held North American Championships at Penicuik Estate (West) - Florida. Failure of the newly introduced electronic punching system meant that competitors were forced to resort to manually punching their control cards. This seems to have placed an intolerable strain on the organising club, ESOC who, according to one unnamed member, were understaffed and ill-equipped to cope with the steadily worsening situation on the day. A senior official of the Scottish Orienteering Association has suggested to them that they may wish to contact the Scottish Qualifications Agency for advice before they hold their next event. The main scandal surrounds the M50 age group where

poorly punched cards have resulted in this class being voided. Initial results put N.W. Thicket (FO) in the lead but concerns over the accuracy of the start clocks and the narrow margin of his win led the second placed A Gorse Bush (DEMO) to appeal to the Technical Committee. Scrutiny of the control cards then brought to light suspicions that Thicket hadn't actually visited all of the controls and being heard muttering major league a**hole to event officials did not help his case much. Suspicions were further fuelled when it was discovered that Thicket's second club was ESOC, his brother was Controller of the event and his father was a former president of ESOC. As yet no decision has been made on the result but with allegations of wrong maps being issued, control cards being lost and confusing control descriptions this is one race which could run and run!

***The I Can't
Believe It's Out
Before Christmas***

Issue

Poetry In Motion

***Not many events but
loads of closing dates
and results from way
back when***

KIMM on, KIMM on

***No Great ESOC
Control***

***And don't forget the
Christmas Party,
the Club Champs
and your BOF
Renewal***



A member of the Technical Committee checks a control card

In the Club !

Welcome to Tamas Toth ! A visiting Hungarian student at Heriot Watt. I'm sorry Tamas - I don't know what you're studying. Some club members will already have seen you at the Meadows and at a few events also. Enjoy your stay in Scotland. I know you were staying in Currie but looking for somewhere more central. Unfortunately, I haven't got an address for you, so I don't know if you've succeeded,

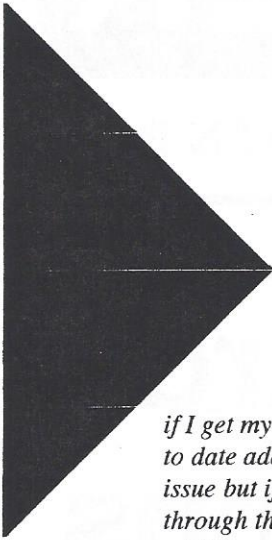
A familiar face to some will be an Interløper as soon as January 1st comes. Hello to Janine Hensman, another ex-EUOC renegade, and also a member of the CLARO team that beat us in the CompassSport Cup Final a few years ago but we don't bear any grudges, do we ? Getting tired of looking for thickets and also being near neighbours of the Haleys has forced the Lardner family (Clare, Ronny, Tina and Demi) to forsake ESOC for Interløpers. Have you made the right choice folks ?

Back in the club again is Graeme Ambler and according to his dad, married too ! Congratulations, Graeme.

Janine Hensman (W21), 2F3, 10 Leven Street, EH3 9LG, (0131-229-6044).

Claire and Ronnie Lardner (M/W40), 20 Galachlawside, EH10 7JG, (0131-445-5842)

Graeme Ambler (M21) 3 Southernhay Crescent, Clifton Wood, Bristol, BS8 4TT (0117-923-0346)



if I get my act together you should have an up to date address list and e-mail list with this issue but if you can't be bothered wading through them all, here are the changes and additions as far as I can remember.

On the Move

Gordon Riemersma is wandering again You can get in touch with him at Horsensgatan 194, v4, 654 58 Karlstad, Sweden (Tel. +46 (0)54 83 52 16).

Charlie, Janet, Heather and James Walton can now be found at 3 Napier Loan, EH10 5BG, (0131-228-4550) or more likely can't be found, as they don't have a street sign yet, but it is off Napier Road in Merchiston.

Kim Buckley is still an Interløper but now back south at 253 Duffield Road, Allestree, Derby, DE22 1ET (01332-552664).

and Peter Dymoke is on the move, (see elsewhere in this issue).

Wired !

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Wired up or just rewired, here's where you can contact them.



Interløpers Christmas Party

Saturday 16th December

7.30pm onwards

**62 Montpelier Park
Top Flat Right**

**Phone Fiona
(0131-229-3942)
for more details**



poetry in motion

what's all this culture tosh, I hear you ask ? fear not loyal reader for as you progress you will find it is just tosh and nothing else or some of the 'interløperhaikus' composed at the Hallowe'en Party for you perusal and amusement.

Inverarity
now
tells
Eades;
reduce
lust,
or
parenthood
extends
relentlessly,
surprisingly

Ice
nuts
total
eejit
rapidly,
leaving
orienteer
purple
eyed,
requiring
stitches

Inspired,
now
together,
everyone
runs,
leaping
over
parched
earth,
rejoicing
salud!!!

Idle?
No,
tired!
Energetic
runners,
like
old
people
everywhere,
require
sleep

Me, Calum and Niall skipped on the NightPark-O arranged as a prelude to the evening's festivities but we did spy some lights flickering about on Arthur's Seat as we parked the car down by St. Margaret's Loch. We also came across Planner Daly on our way to Brad's flat. I think he was a bit concerned that no one had arrived back yet. In the warmth of Royal Park Terrace the party was beginning. Fears from Brad that he might not have enough food were dispelled when he began to run out of surfaces to put it on and the table started creaking under the weight. Before we could really get tore into it a motley band of bedraggled ne'er-do-wells began to appear telling tales of joy and woe in equal amounts. What was undeniable was that it had been a success. I forget who actually won. Perhaps someone could remind me. Brad's bijou flat was filling up with people in various states of undress or distress depending on how you looked at it and some close quarters manouevring was called for.. The wine flew, the beer swilled, the vegetarian options were many and a convivial atmosphere emanated throughout. The poetry composition certainly engaged everyone's attention and concentration. A merry time was being had by all and it wasn't Christmas. My two felt a bit out of it after a while with a lack of junior types there so we made our goodbyes and left it to the party animals, James Ackland and Callum McIntyre to amuse the assembled company. Many thanks to Ken for his imaginative just drawn half an hour ago on the back of an envelope paths only map of Holyrood Park and to our generous and convivial host for putting up with us all. Was there any food left over?

Illuminated
nerds
thrash
excitedly
round
lots
of
prickles -
ESOC
reigns
supreme

In
night
team
events,
real
Lothian
orienteers
prefer
extra
raunchy
sex

Idiots
now
think
every
Russian
likes
orienteering,
particularly
events
requiring
sanity

If
nine
thousand
elephants
randomly
leap
over
pigs
everyone
risks
surprises

I'm
now
thirty
eight,
regularly
lost,
or
perhaps
"exhibiting
relocation
skills"

Impatient
navigators
take
exception
readily;
lives
of
planners
end
rather
suddenly

I
never
tire,
ever
running,
leaping,
orienteering
perfectly!
(Except
rainy
seasons)

This issue's competition requires you to match the poem to the poet. I can't remember everybody who was there but I seem to recollect being present as well as Niall, Calum, Brad, Ken, Gillian, Dave, John B, Graham And Morag, Graeme and Jane, Hilary, Paul, Tamas, Rob, Colin and Lorna, Ben and Heather, Alistair, Darina, Dimmo, Alison, Tim and apologies to anyone left out. Also a counterfeit Compass Point voucher if you can guess the one deemed the best.

Incredibly
now
thirty
eight,
Rob
Lee
obviously
possesses
extraordinary
running
speed

If
naughty
teacher
ever
returns
late,
orienteering
partner
expresses
real
surprise

"I
need
to
eat"
requested
Lorna.
"Oh
pumpkins"
exclaimed
Rob,
softly



Verbatim KIMM Report

Straight From The Competitor's Mouth



This was written onto our emergency paper whilst trying to waste time in the tent. I've not edited anything apart from some of the less delicate language.

Saturday 7.30 pm, in tent. Eaten as much as we can without Hilary exploding. Haven't had quite as much to drink as I'd like as going for a pee is not an attractive option at the moment. It's chucking it down as it has done for much of the day. Tent keeps slapping Hilary in the face. We were lucky though: it was dry for at least 30 minutes when we started and also when we pitched the tent (in the middle of a puddle). It's quite breezy at the moment, eliciting squeals from neighbouring tents. Got lost when I went out 'cos there are so many tents, all with lights on at the moment !

It's an amazing sight ! Very beautiful in a perverse way ! We're bored and want to stretch our legs. We've tried "I spy" but that didn't take long ("W"... "water"... "G"... "grass"). We've got another 12 hours of this to suffer before we restart at 8.49 am. Both blaming each other for deciding to do this. Seriously considering doing just enough to get the minimum 250 points tomorrow: we got 235 today but we were just over 25 min late and hence start Sunday on 183.

apparently I have to print this in the hope that it will stop me complaining that no one ever sends me anything to put in the newsletter ! when do I ever say such a thing ? read on and find out why I don't do mountain marathons. report courtesy of Alison Laws who gets my vote for Interlopers Sports Personality Of The Year !

Hilary tried to get to the results board but it was awash in a sea of mud. Probably the most ironic thing is that there's a bunkhouse with hot showers, kitchen, beds, etc. just 50 metres away ! Sincerely looking forward to getting finished, back to the car, back home to a hot bath and a bed with plenty of space !

Sunday, 6.00 am, in tent. Having just got back to sleep after a joint toilet break, some silly sod appears shouting into a megaphone and blowing a whistle... something about scouts....

6.40 am - Hilary's boiling water for our blackcurrant and ginseng tea. (I fear a recurrence of the Linford Christie scenario !) to have with muesli. Got a fair bit of sleep, although it sporadically lashed down with rain and the wind shook the tent like a large dog. We plan to do as little as possible to get the minimum 250 points required for a certificate as the weather continues to look and sound crap !

Sun pm Finished, and waiting in the tea-soup-and-would-you-like-cheese-ham-or-tuna-roll-I-don't-care-just-give-me-one-queue. Not nearly as tired as I thought I would be but my heel is looking a bit mashed. Both agreed that we don't intend to do this again (Unlike Steve Redgrave, I refrained from mentioning "never" and "shoot me")! It was however fun in a very strange sort of way.

Alison Laws, News At Ten, Some bog in the Lake District, cold, wet, miserable, peed-off, (you've heard it all before !)

Dear All,



I am in the process of moving to St Andrews (41 Braid Crescent, St Andrews, Fife, KY 16 8JU; (01334-475557) - peter.motiv8@btinternet.com) and my flat has been on sale since July but there has been relatively little interest (i.e. bugger all) since then. I have attached an advert for notice boards, staff magazines etc to try and target some people. If you can think of any suitable outlets for this (besides the waste paper basket) and can publicise it for me, I would send camels bearing apes, ivory and peacocks to your addresses.

TTFN

Dimmo



Spring Cup 2001



Fancy going to Denmark ? Come to the Spring Cup next year

Friday 30th March	Night Sprint
Saturday 31st March	Classic
Sunday 1st April	Night Sprint

Flights are available direct from Edinburgh to Copenhagen and back on Friday afternoon and Sunday evening.

Accommodation is still to be sorted, but could well be in a local school or youth hostel.


If you want to go, please let me know as soon as possible.


Gillian Godfree (0131-667-9747)




Events


Saturday 16th December
Interløpers Christmas Party
 Information from
 Fiona Weir,
 TFR, 62 Montpelier Park,
 (0131-229-3942)
 Starts: From 7.30pm onwards



Sunday 17th December
Interløpers Club Championships
Kinneil Wood, Bo'ness
 Information from
 Paul Caban (0131-445-3098)
 Starts 10.30am-12.30pm



Tuesday 26th December
MAROC Pudding Shaker
Sluie Woods, Aboyne
(NO 608974)
 Information from
 Evelyn Hall (013398-84332)
 theoldbyre@aol.com



Tuesday 26th December
NN Xmas Score Event
Chopwell Wood, Gateshead
(NZ 137584)
 Enquiries to
 Rob McKenna (0191-4219659)
 robmckenn@aol.com
 Starts 11.00am
 Seniors £3 / Juniors £2



Saturday 30th December
Festive Frolic (ELO)
Yellowcraigs, Dirlerton
(NT 515855)
 Information from
 Sheila Strain (01875-611014)
 Mass Start 11.00am
 Seniors £1.50 / Juniors £1






Sunday 31st December
NATO Hogmanay Hooley
Bolam Lake, Morpeth
(NZ 083816)
 Information from
 John Crosby (0191-2685449)
 john@nsoa.freeserve.co.uk



Sunday 14th January
ESOL4 (ESOC)
Dalkeith Park, Dalkeith
(NT 335677)
 Information from
 John McLaren (0131-667-3988)
 dm009@post.almac.co.uk



Saturday 27th January
JK 2001 Forest of Dean
 First Closing Date



Wednesday 31st January
Scottish Six Days Lochaber 2001
 First Closing Date
 Entry Forms from
 Lochaber 2001
 PO Box 2001
 Hamilton ML3 7WE
 or the web site
www.scottish-orienteering.org/lochaber2001



Sunday 4th February
ESOL5 (EUOC)
Holyrood Park, Edinburgh
 No information available


Saturday 10th February
British Orienteering Champs
Northern Ireland
 First Closing Date



Sunday 18th February
ESOC Sprint-O
Kinneil Wood, Bo'ness
(NS 983805)
 Pre-entry only
 Phone / Fax / E-mail Entries
 Do not send fees or SAE
 Entries to
 Douglas Gray (01506-630216)
sprinto@agamik.co.uk
 First Starts 10.30am - 11.30am
 Entry Long £4.50 / Short £2
 Closing Date Friday 16th February



Saturday 3rd March
JK 2001 Forest of Dean
 Second / Final Closing Date

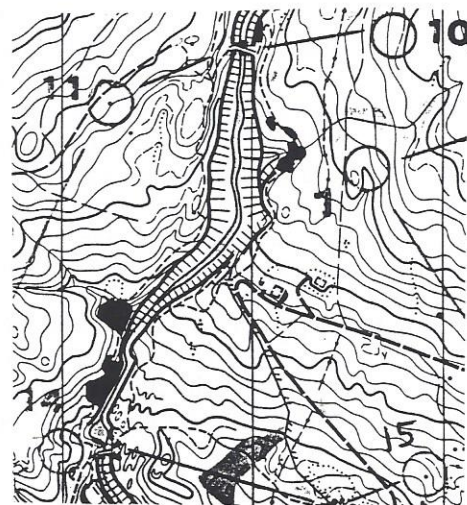

Sunday 4th March
ESOL6 (RR)
Eildon Hills, Melrose
 No information available


Sunday 11th March
Scotlands galoppen 1
Aberfoyle ? (CLYDE)
 No information available


Sunday 18th March
CompassSport Cup (ESOC)
Cadmuir, Peebles
(NT 252390)
 Information from
 Anne Stevenson (0131-332-3045)
stevews@compuserve.com


Saturday 24th March
ESOL7 (INT)
Archerfield, Gullane
 No information available

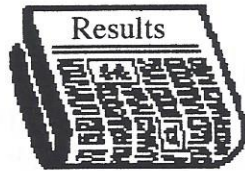

Sunday 25th March
Scotlands galoppen 2
North Achray, Trossachs (FVO)
(NN 805615)
 Organiser: Beccy Osborn
 (01786-471270)
beccy.osborn@tinyworld.co.uk
 Details tba



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as well as standing for did not finish, on this page it means **do not forget !**

- Just in case you don't already know - a date for your diary from Caban. The annual Club Champs will be taking place on Sunday December 17th at Kinneil, by Bo'ness. Starts will be from 10:30 - 12:00 -ish. There will be at least two senior courses of a green/blue and blue/brown standard. He will also put on an orange course for juniors/beginners (**if requested in advance (0131-445-3098)**). For those who have never been, Kinneil is a compact and bijou country park, with both open parkland, and runnable woodland with some contour detail. It also scores quite well on the lack-of-thicket index. Following on from last year, the Club Quaich will be awarded on a handicap basis, handicaps set by Paul and Ken Daly (used or unused notes accepted). The other main prize for winning is the opportunity to host next year's event. However, he would also like all competitors to bring a small wrapped present, so that there can be a lucky dip afterwards, with everyone winning something. The event is formally closed to Club members, although invited guests are welcome.
- Have you seen our trestles ? Some of them seem to have gone walkabout. We appear to be about 30 short. Rumours abound that they are lurking somewhere in Moravian territory. If you're at an event and you see trestles in the 91-150 range pick them up and bring them back with you. There might be a substantial reward for doing so. There again there might not !
- 30 new kites have been ordered to replace our rapidly diminishing supply of serviceable ones. Anyone fancy fixing them up to some bamboo canes ?
- Muttering continues about the fees for our SG4/BEOC extravaganza at Loch Vaa in the summer. Some people think the cost was a bit on the steep side. Our fees don't really seem all that bad compared with most similar events. Careful scrutiny by the treasurer has convinced him that we couldn't have done it any cheaper on costings of £5 a map and £2 a dump. The choice is yours, folks. Dig a hole or pay more ! It's not as if we made money out of it all. Underestimating the costs in organising BEOC certainly didn't help us. So who's going to hold it next time, then ?
- Hopes of us getting a hand at the Six Days from the Godfree family and the rest of DVO have fallen through as they're all heading off on a club jaunt somewhere in Europe at the time. Maybe Lakeland could supply some manpower to assist us. Any chance, Carol ?
- Ken Daly is still interested in mapping this area around Bridge of Cally. If anyone is interested in running around the trees with him and assessing its viability give him a ring on (**0131-661-4089**).
- July, September, December. These are just some of the months when you could have gone training with some of your fellow club members in exotic locales somewhere up north. Keep your ear to the ground for further planned events unless you're on e-mail. Some of the big boys and girls are heading up to Boat of Garten December 27th - January 2ndish. If you fancy tagging along try phoning someone like Ben Hartman (**0131-447-9121**) and they might let you play too !
- As regards this e-mail lark. If you're feeling left out and don't have a computer or certainly aren't going to divulge your e-mail address to the likes of us, it has been suggested that you might like to cultivate a buddy who does have e-mail and can let you know of any socials, events, etc. which crop up in the increasingly longer gaps between publication of the newsletter.
- We're so keen to do a Scotlands galoppen in 2002 that we have planners (Godfrees) and organisers (Hartmans) but as yet no date as Terry O'Brien doesn't seem to have circulated a schedule yet. Come on lads, get your act together. It's pretty bad when we're better organised than you lot.
- Hilary recently succumbed to a salesman - but enough of that... No, seriously, she has just purchased a card which entitles the bearer to free main courses on a BOGOF basis ("buy one get one free" for the uninformed) at Lorenzo's on Johnston Terrace (near Lawnmarket) and Suruchi, which is opposite the Festival Theatre. The card can be used by anyone, on any day, and is valid until June 1st 2001. If you would like to use it, just give her a call on (**0131-664-1113**). If you're booking a table at either place, you are asked to mention you have a discount card. Apart from that, there is very little small print. And who said there was no such thing as a free lunch ?
- Who wants to host the Burn's Night / Supper ?
- Looking further forward, for some daft reason we've entered the CompassSport Cup this year. (March 18th at Cademuir). I'm assured we have the right age profile to do well again so how come at the last committee meeting there was much chortling about us being in the 'Group of Death'. If somehow we manage to overcome the might of CLYDE, INVOC and FVO our reward is a trip down to the Potteries at the end of the April. If that's not a reason for throwing the tie I don't know what is. Club Captain Ben Hartman has been handed the thankless task of trying to whip us up into a lean, mean, fighting machine. Volunteer now for club and country.
- Next committee meeting is at JB's. out in Roslin. Organise your lifts for Monday January 15th 2001.



Weekend 24th-25th June SG3/4 Highland Fling Saturday - Plodda

M21E	Dave Godfree	1st
	Anthony Squire	5th
	David Eades	9th
M21L	Ben Hartman	1st
	Brad Connor	4th
M21S	Chris Godfree	2nd
	Graeme Ross	dnf
M35L	Steve Conway	3rd
	Phil Smith	5th
	Ken Daly	6th
	Paul Caban	9th
	Ian McIntyre	11th
W21E	Kim Buckley	1st
	Lorna Eades	3rd
	Alison Laws	4th
	Gillian Godfree	7th
W21L	Heather Hartman	1st
	Darina Cunnane	5th
	Mary Ker	7th
W21S	Karen Dobbie	5th
	Hilary Quick	2nd
W35L	Jane McIntyre	4th

Sunday - West Guisechan

M21E	Anthony Squire	6th
	David Eades	7th
	Dave Godfree	8th
	Tim Lenton	dnf
M21L	Ben Hartman	1st
	Brad Connor	dnf
M21S	Graeme Ross	10th
	Chris Godfree	dnf
M35L	Ken Daly	2nd
	Phil Smith	6th
	Paul Caban	10th
	Steve Conway	dnf
	Ian McIntyre	dns
W21E	Kim Buckley	1st
	Lorna Eades	4th
	Alison Laws	7th
	Gillian Godfree	dns
W21L	Heather Hartman	1st
	Mary Ker	4th
	Darina Cunnane	dnf
W21S	Karen Dobbie	2nd
	Fiona Weir	dnf
W35L	Hilary Quick	2nd
	Jane McIntyre	mp

Jings ! Can you remember this far back ! The report for Loch Vaa has fallen by the wayside. After the epic weekend up there earlier on in the month the head of the Inverarity household thought it was a bit much to drag the family back up again after such a short space of time and with the usual end of term chaos at school. Looking at the participants it seems as if only the hard-core went. It's a lovely area but I found it tough going during the Six Days and the suggestions were it wasn't going to be any easier. Long courses and challenging terrain in Glen Affric appealed to lots of our elite runners. Some impressive running on the Saturday though with wins for Dave, Ben, Kim and Heather and generally good performances all round. Some of their exertions seemed to take their toll, however, with a few dns's and dnf's on the Sunday. Ben, Kim and Heather continued their excellent form but Dave couldn't keep up the pace. A big hand to Graeme Ross for determination to finish on Day 2, even though it took him over 200 minutes. Well done, Graeme - a man like me who wants to get his money's worth when he's orienteering. There seemed a few tired limbs at the Meadows on the Tuesday afterwards if I remember.

OK ! I've been running all summer and am now raring to go. Let's see how we get on today. It's a fearsome sight with 4 Inveraritys all lined up in the start box at the same time and in the same gear. Be cautious at the start now ! Unfortunately I'm dragged off by Niall and Ruaridh and end up plooting about in the wrong bit. I see Grant Carstairs heading purposefully up the hill so I deduce it must be down there somewhere. 8 Minutes for the first control. Bummer ! After that I'm on a roll. I've caught up with Grant by 4 and passed him by 6 and leaving him trailing by 8. I'm flying now ! I'm chasing after Ben Bate. Alas, I waste a bit of time at 14 and too much at 15 but beat him back to the Finish. Unfortunately Grant comes in 1 minute and 32 seconds later instead of 2 minutes and 1 second. I really enjoyed my run. 5 fastest and 2 second fastest legs out of 17. Even the winner only managed 4 and 1. If only I hadn't lost those 5 minutes at No.1, I could have been a contender ! That's the trick though, isn't it ?

Sunday 3rd September Scotlandsgaloppen 5 (ESOC) Baluaun and Banvie Wood

M10A	Stephen Haley	3rd
M12A	Calum Inverarity	mp
M14A	Ruaridh Inverarity	7th
M16A	Niall Inverarity	6th
M21E	Tim Lenton	2nd
	Graeme Ackland	3rd
	Rob Lee	5th
	David Eades	6th
	Dave Godfree	7th
M21L	Chris Godfree	1st
	Brad Connor	5th
M35L	Ken Daly	4th
	Paul Caban	9th
M35S	Graham Haley	3rd
M40L	Bob Cherry	4th
	Rob Bloor	5th
M40S	Gordon Ross	mp
M45L	Colin Inverarity	7th
M50L	Steve Ambler	17th
M70L	Ray Heyworth	1st
W21E	Gillian Godfree	1st
	Alison Laws	5th
	Jane Ackland	6th
W21L	Heather Hartman	1st
W21S	Karen Dobbie	2nd
	Fiona Weir	4th
W35L	Ann Haley	3rd

But enough of me you cry. What about the other bold Interlopers ? Most people I saw afterwards seemed to have enjoyed their runs. An almost unheard of experience in an ESOC event.... There seemed to be some teething problems with the Sportident and Calum was very definite that he had punched at the control which the computer said he hadn't. I think he was dismissed a bit abruptly by the finish officials which isn't very considerate for a wee boy wanting to improve. Needless to say he was fastest on the course that day. I should have let him take me to the control because it wasn't far from the finish but didn't think to at the time. Ruaridh had his first run for many a day and Niall was unlucky to have 'virtually indiscernible thicket' for one of his controls. The big boys had a very close race but none of them won. Chris was still running under EUOC colours. Graham had a good run and Rob abandoned parenthood for a short while. Ray continues to run strongly on M70 and good victories for Gillian and Heather as well. I'll come back and run here again !

Sunday 24th September
Scotlandsgaloppen 6 (STAG)
Leachdann Tom na Croich

M10A	Stephen Haley	2nd
M16A	Niall Inverarity	3rd
M21L	Brad Connor	1st
M21S	Ben Hartman	1st
M35L	Phil Smith	2nd
	Paul Caban	4th
	Ken Daly	7th
M40L	Bob Cherry	6th
M45L	Colin Inverarity	8th
M50L	Steve Ambler	14th
M70L	Ray Heyworth	2nd
W21E	Gillian Godfree	4th
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W35L	Hilary Quick	2nd
	Ann Haley	3rd

We're heading along Loch Tummel. We're almost there and then we're stuck behind a queue of cars. A tree has fallen on the road - Excellent ! That'll mean a few missed starts. We're there in enough time but the leisurely mental preparation has to go out of the window. It's a bit of a bleak day as well. I remember the last time I was here spending a considerable amount of time up in the northeast corner looking for a boulder. I'll be careful if I'm up that way again. 6kms and 9 controls sounds fine. It's over 2kms to No.1, I polish that off no problem and then I'm in the northeast sector and you can guess what happened 16 minutes for 650m. The thicket was of course near to my friend the boulder but silly me, I was looking in the wrong part of the forest for them. 9 minutes wasted. Peter Halling had caught up with me by 3 and he was 15 minutes behind. I consoled myself by surging away from him until I overshot another control. The rest of the run was fairly good but the damage had been done. I had a quick run instead of a very fast one like everyone else. Nearing the tail end of the season, league positions fairly well sewn up in many cases and people with other things to do sees a low turn out from Interløpers and orienteers in general. Success for Brad and also for Ben again. Fiona was dead chuffed that she completed an orienteering course in under an hour. Niall helps out on Darina's stall while she has a run. It's cold, it's wet - Come back, Darina, please !

Sunday 1st October
ESOL1 (FVO)
Airthrey Castle

White 2km 25m climb				
2nd	Mark Haley + 1	M5	26.21	
4th	Lardner Family		54.12	
Yellow 2.2km 35m climb				
10th	Stephen Haley	M10	28.49	
Light Green 3.2km 110m climb				
9th	Ray Heyworth	M70	56.16	
Green 4km 240m climb				
5th	Neil Turner	M21	52.08	
17th	John Barrow	M50	79.41	
Blue 6km 300m climb				
4th	Ann Haley	W35	70.28	
7th	Gordon Ross	M40	72.33	
10th	Niall Inverarity	M16	78.24	
12th	Karen Dobbie	W21	80.23	

Brown 7.5km 350m climb

6th	Ben Hartman	M21	76.36	
10th	Colin Inverarity	M45	87.57	

Last time we were here we had to walk miles up the road onto Sheriffmuir to the Start. This time we register in the Sports Pavilion in the University and start across the road by the lake. Route Choice to 1 - Head up the path in the opposite direction and double back along the crest of the ridge or run through the campus, pray you find a gap in the 10 foot high wall and claw your way by your fingernails up a precipitous slope through rhododendron central near landslide city and nettle corner. That I chose the latter might surprise you. Murray is 6 minutes behind me but he doesn't overtake me until 3 as we cross another gorge and fight through more rhododendrons and slog up another slope. At last we're out of the grounds and onto the moorland. Time for some serious running. En route to 5 I glance around and find Murray behind me. He's obviously not having a good run. I hang onto him until we head back into the forest and I make a mess of knoll somewhere near power lines. Again I choose the wrong way to get back onto the campus and lose time there. Not bad in the end though. Only 8 minutes behind Murray - but 29 behind Martin Dean. Where were all the Interløpers ?

Sunday 15th October
ESOA Championships
Penicuik Estate (ESOC)

M12A	Calum Inverarity	2nd
M16A	Niall Inverarity	1st
M21L	Ben Hartman	3rd
	Chris Godfree	5th
	Brad Connor	9th
M21S	Dave Godfree	1st
M35L	Paul Caban	3rd
M40L	Rob Bloor	2nd
M40S	Keith Dawson	1st
M45L	Colin Inverarity	7th
M50L	Steve Ambler	9th
M70L	Ray Heyworth	1st
W14A	Sarah Dawson	3rd
W21L	Gillian Godfree	1st
	Darina Cunnane	4th
	Heather Hartman	ret
W35L	Jane Ackland	1st
W40S	Jane Dawson	3rd
W45L	Hilary Quick	

Green 4.2km 175m climb

1st	Dave Jones	M35	70.28	
4th	Janine Hensman	W21	72.33	
8th	Ian McIntyre	M35	78.24	
14th	Lorna Eades	W21	80.23	

It had been a bit wet but it seemed OK to start with. But as the course went on, it went on and on through unrelenting kak and bog. Tripping over a fallen trunk and giving myself a dead leg en route to 4 didn't help. The very obvious thicket on the map turned out to be a corner of some stunted vegetation hidden in the bracken and nettles. It seemed as if it was never going to end. By the time I eventually found ditch junction amongst many I had had it. I was into treble figures for the first time in ages. Calum failed to retain his trophy by 10 seconds while Niall managed to bag his for the second year running. Ben became champion by default as did Caban. Dave was moonlighting on short. Keith enjoyed his run on home terrain. Although Ray was first there's still no trophy for him. Can't the club buy and donate one for M70 ? Gillian was a genuine champion and Heather had a serious altercation with a tree if I remember. Mrs. Ackland was devastating in a field of one. McIntyre hobbled round on Green before hobbling off to Chicago, just beating a getting-larger-by-the-minute Mrs. Eades !

Sunday 22nd October ESOL2 (TO) Kinnoull Hill

Light Green 3.2km 135m climb

5th Ray Heyworth M70 52.27

Green 4.3km 185m climb

1st Janine Hensman W21 44.47
5th Neil Turner M21 62.17
17th John Barrow M50 90.57

Brown 7.9km 405m climb

2nd Ben Hartman M21 66.55
5th Ken Daly M35 77.17
12th Hilary Quick W45 93.49
14th Paul Caban M35 94.45
Brad Connor M21 m2

I was feeling low with a sore throat so I decided to give this one a miss. As I wasn't there I can't say very much about it then. The climbs seemed a bit on the severe side but it must have been runnable judging by the times posted. Martin Dean went round in under an hour again. Much was made on the e-mail circuit at the time of the fact that Caban had been beaten by an older woman. He should be so lucky! It's a regular occurrence with me both at home and when orienteering.

Saturday 4th November Tinto Twin Night Badge Newcastleton

M16A Niall Inverarity 7th
M21L Rob Lee 5th
Colin Eades 6th
Ben Hartman 7th
M35L Paul Caban 1st
W21S Heather Hartman 1st
W35L Jane Ackland 1st

Niall and Calum are down here for the Junior Inter Regionals in the afternoon and Niall's daft enough to go for a run at night also. His time did seem a bit pedestrian. The trick with this NightO carry-on is to pick a class where hardly anyone enters and so barring a meteor strike or a run of Inverarityesque proportions during the day badge event become a Tinto Twin champion.

Sunday 5th November Tinto Twin Day Badge Scotlandsgaloppen 7 Newcastleton

M12A Calum Inverarity 7th
M16A Niall Inverarity 7th
M21E Tim Lenton 1st
Rob Lee 3rd
Ben Hartman 4th
Colin Eades 6th
M21L Tamas Toth 5th
M21S Graeme Ross 9th
M35L Ken Daly 1st
Paul Caban 5th
M45L Colin Inverarity 4th
M70L Ray Heyworth 2nd
W21E Gillian Godfree 1st
W21L Mary Ker 3rd
W21S Heather Hartman 1st
W35L Jane Ackland 3rd
Hilary Quick 4th

Calum can't find his e-card. He left it in the minibus. Have to sprint down from Assembly to Registration to look for it. Wait ages. Back up to the car. Getting the boys ready disrupts my preparation. Cutting it fine for my start time. How far is the Start away? More than halfway there and I find I've left my compass in the car. Sprint back down the track and tear back up again. Somehow I make it in time - but just! The unbelievable happened here though. I was in the lead until number 5. It was one of those I'm running steadily but I don't actually realise how well days. I enjoyed my course a lot. The planner took me through some very nice runnable forest though this didn't seem to be a view shared by others. My mistakes this time were just small ones but ones which mounted up. My worst one was two from home going into a marsh in a block of green with lots of rides. I'd overtaken Dave Kershaw and bombed confidently along a ride I was sure was the right one doing the old eyes swivelling 180 degrees trick. I was bound to spot it. Of course I didn't and saw Dave tootling out of the green ahead of me. 2 minutes lost so close to the finish. Rats! I ran like the clappers to the last control and the finish and posted the fastest splits but still couldn't overhaul Dave. Fortunately he had started well after me. The galling thing was that mistake cost me about 18 points and left me 12 points short of the guy above in the SG Points Table. C'est la vie!

Sunday 19th November ESOL3 (ELO) Binning Wood

White 1km

12th Iona Turner + 1 W1 45.14

Yellow 1.6km

2nd Stephen Haley M10 23.17
4th Mark Haley M5 29.48

Light Green 3.5km

3rd Scott Fraser M14 38.01
5th Darina Cunnane W21 49.17
8th Ray Heyworth M70 54.37

Green 4.8km

10th Neil Turner M21 55.55
14th Janet Walton W35 61.51
24th Keith Turner M21 86.07

Blue 7.1km

9th Ann Haley W35 67.32
10th Tamas Toth M21 68.09
18th Niall Inverarity M16 79.42
Gordon Ross M40 ret'd

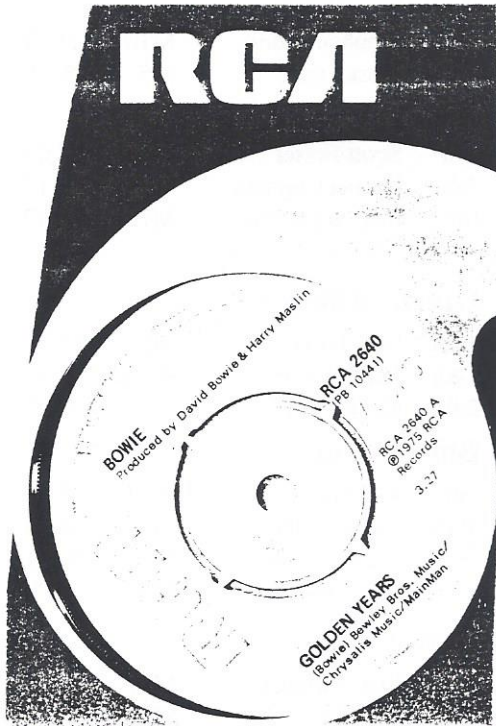
Brown 8km

1st Ben Hartman M21 64.52
2nd Ken Daly M35 66.26
3rd Paul Caban M35 70.50
4th Gillian Godfree W21 73.03
6th Al Matthewson M35 83.03
9th Heather Hartman W21 86.21
11th Hilary Quick W45 93.45
13th Colin Inverarity M45 107.07

I like this wood but it doesn't seem to like me. Control number 1 - Stream Bend. Get to the Fight. They wouldn't put it in there. Convince myself I'm too far along the stream. Come back. Try from the other end. It's just as thick. Is that a kite I can make out through those rhododendrons? Hack my way through. Yes it was just along from where I'd been initially. I exit the control and within 2 steps I'm on a motorway track. Very dubious positioning. I stick to the paths but inevitably I decided to cross country and end up doing the old making the ground fit the map routine. And as for the re-entrant two from home. Even ESOC wouldn't have called it that. Watch out for young Scott Fraser, a pupil at my school. Some of you may have been embarrassed by him already at the Meadows. He's a former national cross country champion but maybe we can cure him of that.

Golden Years (ooh-ba-ba-bah as the thin white duke might have said !)

another obscure musical reference for Anthony and Gillian to ponder over as we give the likes of Balfour, Barrow and Squire the opportunity to reminisce about their far-off youth when Interlopers were a power in the land as there were probably only two clubs in the whole of Scotland at the time. what were you doing 5, 10, 15, 20 or 25 years ago ?



Issue No. 10 courtesy of Eileen Peck's typewriter. In these days the newsletter was a biannual, (pretty much the same as today), but the Pecks were at a slight disadvantage on catching up with the local gossip as they were resident in Norfolk at the time. Some well-known faces in Scottish orienteering were members of Interlopers at the time, Mike Smithard, Les Smithard and Robin Sloan, who wrote a thumbnail sketch of a new recruit, Donald Wallace. Carol McNeill was W19A British Champion and received lots of praise for her hard work and organisation of the SouthEast (and North) District Championships near Aviemore on the newly mapped (by Steve Terry) Alvie area. It was a typical June day with blizzards, driving wind and subzero temperatures. Hilary Smith had taken up post as an outdoor education instructor at Ardentenny and Liz Mills had moved to Fife and sown the seeds for WFO. Barrow was in Australia, briefly. The Karrimor was in its 2nd (?) year and was beginning to capture the attention of the lunatic fringe of orienteering circles. Evening training sessions in those days seemed to revolve around lifting heavy glasses or glasses of heavy in the World's End or Jenny Ha's. BOF subscriptions were £3.75 for individuals and £5.65 for families. Around this time I would be striving to make sure that Geog. Soc. football team were in contention for the Division 1 title of the Intra-Mural League. As long as we managed to beat the cheating Dentists I didn't really mind !

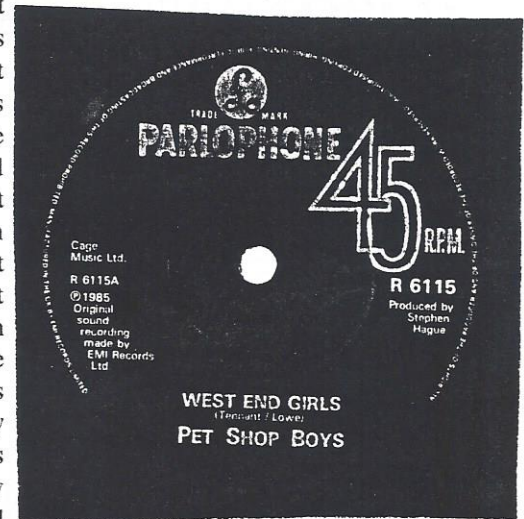


The tradition of the newsletter editor not being resident in Edinburgh continued as the mantle had been passed over to Hilary. On one of her forays back to Edinburgh she went for a run round Arthur's Seat and was still eliciting comments of "Crackers !" from bemused family as she sped down the Radical Road passed them. The leisure revolution had obviously not fully taken hold then. Were people out running not a commonsight by that time ? Scott Balfour was a H21B2 at the O-Ringen in Sweden. John Mitchell was trying to organise a volleyball match between EUOC and Interlopers. The late Jim Doig was doing well at the British Championships. Carol organised the Club Weekend at Findhorn. New members included Ian Hendrie, Pete Woolverton and Ken Ovens. Pakit won the S1/2 Boys title at the Lothian Schools Championships and Ann Haley won the S5/6 Girls title. The Lothian O League was inaugurated. The esteemed Martin Hyman came 16th on Yellow at Calder Wood at LOLI. The Karrimor was on Arran and Carol came home 9th in the A Class with Wendy Dodds, the first Womens' Team, needless to say, but also ahead of any Mixed Team too ! By Issue No. 35 I too was playing volleyball for Jets along with P.E. teacher and sometime Interloper, Conrad Johnston. This entailed us driving to places like Forres and Saltcoats and me sitting on the bench for much of the day. I knew how to have fun in those days !

It's Capital O - The Wilderness Years. Coeditor Charlie Walton decided that as he hadn't many articles he had better fill up the space with something controversial. He started on the West Area Champs at Ross Wood, organised by Clyde. Charlie didn't think that the event represented value for money compared with others he had been to recently. A list of things that could have been better was cited, the main one which seemed to be the lack of juice at the finish. Also noted was the harmful effects which the teachers' industrial action was having on junior participation at local events. There were very few school minibuses in the car parks. The winter lull was setting in with no Badge events between November and March. Bob Cherry was trying to organise the mapping of Ewe's Hill (Where the hell's that? - Ed.) for our LOL. Lorna Boyd was organising and Charlie planning. We must have been really efficient in those days because we had most of the organisation of our Badge Event at Drummond Hill the following October already sorted. There was still little news about the Archerfield re-map. The flour cake was an established Hallowe'en Party tradition even in these days. The treacle scones left a bit of a mess apparently. Steve Terry and Christine Whalley were showing slides of their trip down under to the World Orienteering Champs in Australia. We lost the SE Area Open Team Champs at Bowhill (on a new Steve Terry map). Some put it down to the weariness following the Two Breweries Race on the previous day. Others put it down to over-enthusiastic celebrations afterwards. Some suggested Andy Spenceley cut off the final section to get started on the beer earlier. The KIMM was around Helvellyn. Pakit and partner were 4th on B. Andy Spenceley and Andy Curtis had a top 20 placing on Elite. Cliff White was the chairman of the SouthEast Area. Andy Spenceley moved to Rankeillor Street. Ann Haley, Fiona Hendrie and Graham McIntyre were Interlopers in the victorious Scottish team in their annual challenge match against the Irish. I was now in Dalkeith Road, a parent, running Marathons and the Seven Hills and not taking any cross-country or volleyball teams.

Newsletter 74 was a bit late because the Editor, Ishbel Mollison, had had her appendix taken out. I've never thought of that excuse! Apparently, it was immediately after the club weekend. Who was the cook? The Skittles Evening was at the Sheep Heid. Bob and Jane Cherry were soon to be parents. Charlie had now been elevated to Chairman and was encouraging us to volunteer to help for The Scottish Champs at Birnam the following year. Robin and Lucy organised a memorable Club Champs at Colinton Dell which involved, in no particular order, shouting out "Hello Sexy!", painted beards and lips, collecting stones, leaves and cans, running up the Water of Leith and putting your trainers on the wrong feet amongst other things. Donald Watson sent a report on APOC in British Columbia and NAOC in Alberta. How about something from France, Donald? Janet Fallon made a plea for club members to consider becoming controllers. We had eight at the time. Ian McIntyre and Jane Smith announced their engagement. BOF subscriptions were now £11.50 and £16.80. I for some mad foolish flight of fancy had taken up orienteering.

The Newsletter Editor in 101 poked fun at the Queen Mother and her hip replacement as well as some senior members of the club. He jokingly said that Pat Squire had been waiting 60 years for his! The committee was considering changing the name of Interlopers to the Anthony Squire Holiday Fund as all we seemed to do at the time was give him money. We organised the Scottish Relays at Dunalastair on yet another miserable weekend. I think Janet remembers the Car Park. The event was kept solvent by the generous sponsorship of Treasurer Steve Ambler. Mark Haley arrived and Lesley Kenworthy was expecting. Steve Terry wrote an article about the Hilary Smith Woodland Trust. Andy Kitchin came home 1st in M21E at the Six Days in Strathspey. A young Gordon Riemersma was a very creditable 7th. Carol won W50A. Our long held tradition of organising events miles away from Edinburgh continued with Scotlandsaloppen 7 at Anagach. There was a confusing night in the Royal Hotel with Colin Eades, Colin McNeil and Colin Inverarity. I got given the wrong map (M45L) and ended up being thrashed by old fogies Mason and Barrow. ESOC took the LBOA Champs to Linn of Tummel and only 12 Interlopers bothered turning up. None of them won! The McIntyres were in Malaysia. I found their September issue in a pile in my bedroom. Andy and Hilary Spenceley organised a memorable World Mountain Running Championships in the Pentlands and Holyrood Park. A lot of credit to course director, Martin Hyman for a stunning race along the skyline of the Arthur's Seat and Salisbury Crags. I abandoned my principles and took part in the BUPA Caledonian Run, hopelessly out of condition. I did beat Frank Bruno though!



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It's after midnight and you start thinking will anyone notice if I just leave the same piece I wrote in the last issue. Does anyone actually read this guff? What if I left large areas of white space? Would club members demand their money back? Well, tough! You won't get anything!

What have I missed out this issue? God only knows! Somewhere along the line I seem to have forgotten about Jo Mein. Sorry, Jo. Welcome to Interløpers. Your address is on the list if people want to know where to get in touch with you. Rob Peacock has headed down to Bradford and thinks he won't be renewing his membership. I'm sure he can be persuaded to change his mind and stay a club-only member or associate member or whatever they're called these days. Danish piano players, Irish standup comics, Stephen Hawking lectures, outdoor pursuit shops money off days and slide shows, Billy Elliot, Irish folk nights, Billy Bragg concerts. These are just some of the things you could have enjoyed in the past few months with your Interløpers Club Card. God bless Tim Lenton and associate social secretary Brad Connor for getting their acts together and pushing us lazy lot into some cultural pursuits. Needless to say I haven't been to any of them but I'm sure your efforts are much appreciated.

What's been happening in Inverarity land? It's been dullsville as per usual. My 83 year old

mother with heart condition was in PMR getting a hip replacement. Lots of visits up there while she recuperated so the training fell by the wayside and the pounds piled on. It seems to have worked wonders for my mother. She's probably faster than me now. My eldest has just got a job at IKEA on Saturday mornings so he has to get driven out there every week at the crack of dawn. No long lies for me and no discounts for you lot - don't bother asking! The middle sized one is playing rugby for Boroughmuir and the Capital Crusaders. If that's not enough he's also in the rock group for the Christmas Concert and he's also been playinng with the Edinburgh Guitar Ensemble at a Childline Concert in the Queen's Hall. Junior just needs to be taken to football on a Saturday morning after I come back from IKEA and before I go out to Meggetland. And we've had the 3rd Year Exams, the 4th Year Prelims, the 1st Year Reports and Parents' Evening, the 3rd, 5th and 6th Parents' Evening. I'm in the Staff panto at the Christmas Concert tomorrow and we're being inspected in January. Finally found out after over 20 years as a failing teacher. Name and shame me and give me early retirement now. Chris Woodhead was right! As you can tell from this diatribe I'm going to be in great shape for the club championships this weekend, especially when I get my typically ludicrous handicap from Messrs. Caban and Daly.

But 'tis the season to be jolly. Let's look forward

to 2001 and the proper start to the millennium. Watch out for the early closing dates for the major orienteering events and save yourselves some money. I've a feeling that Lochaber will be great. Just remind of this when I moan endlessly about it in the September newsletter. JK in the Forest of Dean if the flood waters have subsided. And a trip across the sea to Northern Ireland for the British Championships could be fun. Closer at hand, Dalkeith Park in January, always a nice area to run in and the familiarity, but somehow always surprising somehow Holyrood Park in February. Support your social secretary. Make it a New Years resolution to go to as many club events as possible and suggest others or even organise one yourself! Get out and get some of the turkey and Christmas pudding off. There's a host of small local events on over Christmas and New Year all over the country. Set your targets for next year. I'm not going to be beaten by Hilary. I'm going to be Scottish Champion. I want a good placing in ESOL. I want to beat Andy Kitchin. I want to run a course without a single error. I want to run under 15 mins/km. I don't want any course over 350m climb. I want my son/ daughter to do well. I don't want to be last back. I want to find the ESOC thicket. Whatever your goal I hope you succeed. Have yourself a merry little Christmas and may all your controls be red and white unlike Interløpers ones which are more a sort of dirty orange...

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