

# WAFFLE

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## **Boxing Day Canter**

Several WIM members led by Kirsty, Lynn and Jane have been busy throughout the year coaching WIM Juniors and the Juniors responded by planning and organising the 2005 Boxing Day Canter. Many thanks to them all for another very popular event . Numbers topped 250 which caused a few worries just before the start!! We hope that the Juniors enjoyed being 'on the other side' of an event and will feel confident to join teams in future. Thanks also to all the WIM members who helped on the day and congratulations to Andy Kent and family on winning the fancy dress competition!



Canter Scenes: The 'Christmas Fairy' (Anne Bolton), 'All eyes down ' at Map issue!

#### **Chairman's Notes**

As I enter my third and final year as Chairman of Wimborne Orienteers I find myself struck down with that often talked about, but rarely experienced, complaint known as Writer's Block! I've never considered myself to be a natural writer (my three attempts at English 'O' level pay testament to that fact, when I'm sure the examiners only gave me a pass mark because of my persistence) but I have invariably found a subject to ramble on about just before I received the reminder from our esteemed Secretary that another issue of Waffle was due, I'm afraid dear reader that on this occasion it has been a real struggle to find something deep and meaningful and, hopefully, interesting to write about.

That being said my recent absence from the competitive scene over the past few weeks due to injury (how many noticed I wonder?) has resulted in me musing about the content of my very first Chairman's notes. In that edition of Waffle I reflected on the changes that had occurred in our sport during the period of my earlier, and apparently temporary retirement. Whilst technology had moved on the names of the competitors had remained the same, albeit that their age classes had larger numbers in them! I now realise that there has been one significant change which I had omitted to include.

I started running just prior to the boom of Fun Runs and Marathons which when it started saw the World and his wife donning trainers and 'getting fit'. The main topic of conversation when a group of these runners gathered invariably revolved around their recent PB (personal best if you're not into the jargon!) whether it was a training run or a competition. As many of these runners were also involved in orienteering this was also the common subject at 'O' events. Oh how things have changed! Today many of those self same people are gathering in little huddles only now they discuss the latest injury! Advancing years mean that ankles,knees,hips and lower backs are under discussion and our vocabulary now include terms of the human anatomy such as ligament and tendon, usually associated with an,'..osis' or '..itis' tagged on. As I find myself signing yet another cheque for the pension fund of my local Physiotherapist I sometimes wonder what it would cost to buy the body of someone half my age! Better yet, perhaps I could ask Father Christmas for one; after all it seemed to work for the children when they wanted an expensive present for Christmas. If Mum and Dad couldn't afford it then Father Christmas could provide it!

By the time you read this the Festive Season will be over and many of you will be breaking in the new bit of 'O' kit, whilst others will be moving into a new age category (It's a tough life Chris!). On behalf of the Committee I would like to wish you all a great New Year and one in which you achieve your personal goals. Now where did I put the address for Father Christmas?

Peter Brett

#### Food!!

Once again the club dinner will be held in the impressive John O'Gaunts Kitchen at Canford School on Friday February 17<sup>th</sup>, 7.30 for 8pm. Full details are enclosed on a separate sheet to be returned with your choice of menu by Friday February 10<sup>th</sup> at the latest. Trevor Bridle is again the co-ordinator of the event which also sees the presentation of the club awards for 2005.

## Did you remember?

Membership renewals for 2006 are now overdue. The majority of renewals have been received already and we hope that there will be more in the New Year. If the Christmas rush means that you can't remember whether you re-joined or not, please phone Trevor on 01258 – 454811

#### Note this date!

The qualifying round of the 2006 **CompassSport Cup** takes place on **Sunday April 9<sup>th</sup>**. There will be 6 events throughout the country and WIM are opting for the SN event at Wisley near Guidford as our preferred venue. Trevor Bridle will be acting as co-ordinator and we hope for a really big WIM turnout for an event which is both exciting and fun. WIM needs **YOU!** 

## British Schools Championships 2005 Nov 19/20

This year the British Schools Champs were back in Yorkshire with a selection race for the British team for the World Schools Champs on the Saturday and a training event for everyone else, at Storthes Hall, Huddersfield (used for the championships the last time the event was up North, five years ago) with the championships themselves at Temple Newsam, Leeds on the Sunday. WIM members from the Dorset Schools League competing were Terence Furlong (Poole GS) and the Clayesmore School team, with a fair number of Sarum juniors representing their schools in our league. These days, competition in these championships is always hotly contested by the top juniors in the country, with international selection a possibility for both individuals and also school teams.

On the Saturday Terence had a disappointing run in the selection race, whilst Clayesmore had nobody competing, Stef Blomquist now being too old for selection, which was for M/W14 & M/W16) – she has however, been selected on two previous occasions. For Clayesmore, Seb Sheehan did win the Orange course at the Training event. Julia Blomquist & Alice Butt both won their selection races.

When we were last at Temple Newsam, back in '91, it had been so foggy you could barely see your hand in front of your face all day. This time, for the 1000+ competitors it was a brilliantly sunny winter morning, cold & crisp, with the magnificent Jacobean mansion of Temple Newsam a wonderful backdrop to the finish arena, the courses taking in some fairly ordinary, if brambly, woodlands with a complex path network, before finishing with a few controls in glorious parkland originally laid out by Capability Brown.

The organising clubs, AIRE, EBOR & EPOC, had worked hard to give the event a real championship feel, with excellent commentary, a spectator/radio control at a Greek Temple in full, if distant, view from the finish, excellently planned courses and prize-giving which started promptly in the open air theatre and gave everyone a clear view of proceedings.

This time, Terence had a much better run, coming 7<sup>th</sup> in Year 11Boys. Clayesmore lacked sufficient strength in depth to defend their small schools trophy this year (they have won it 8 times in the last 12 years) but Stef Blomquist took the 13G title. With her sister Julia winning 10G, Alice Butt 11G & Emily Benham 12G, it was nearly a clean sweep for the Sarum juniors in the girls races. Lucy Benham was 4<sup>th</sup> in 9G and Lucy Butt recorded the fastest time in 7G but had mispunched (should we really be putting controls 153 & 135 within 50m in junior classes?). Add to those successes Harry Butt's 3<sup>rd</sup> place in 5B and Jack Benham's win in 7B and the Sarum contingent had a really good day. All have been regular competitors in the Dorset Schools League since its inception and used the schools league event in Moors Valley the week previously to practice running courses similar to those expected at Temple Newsam.

Julia Blomquist, Alice Butt & Emily Benham have all been selected for the World Schools Championships in Slovakia next year.

Temple Newsam is being used at the JK next year, hosting the Friday Sprint-O, Trail-O and Training events: lets hope the weather is just as kind as this time.

Dick Keighley

## **Ian Taylor**

We were sorry to have a letter from Ian telling us that advancing years have compelled him to retire from Orienteering. He joined WIM from WEYOR when that club closed having been one of their most active and competitive members. Ian only took up Orienteering when he reached the age of 60 but then proceeded to achieve real success in competitions all over the country. Running in the same age group as the legendary Ron Ley, Ian is particularly pleased to have beaten Ron on several occasions! Ian does not intend to give up competitive sport and is now keenly involved in Bowling.

#### **Junior News**

Wimborne juniors have been busy during the last few months and some of our youngest members deserve a special mention :-

At Moors Valley on November 13<sup>th</sup> Sarah Horsler was the first to finish the white course having read all the numbers herself and on the same course Sophie Smith finished way ahead of her shadow.

Fraser Smith clocked his fastest time of the season, again on the white course. Ben Fale has been successfully leading his Grandma round both string and white courses. Younger still, Elizabeth Horsler completed the SI string course at Bovington unaided.

The older juniors have also been out in the forests.

Congratulations go to Terence Furlong for gaining his Gold award for JM4M for 2005. He finished the season with a storming run round the Blue course at the SOC event on 4<sup>th</sup>. December and so retained his Club League title.

Anne Bolton has retained the junior women's title.

Katherine Hodge has maintained her 100 % record in schools' league events.

Well done to you all.

Lynn Branford

#### **Brian Sutton**

It is with sadness that we have to report the death of one of our longest standing members. Brian Sutton and his family were regular competitors in the early years of Wimborne Orienteers. As well as being a keen orienteer Brian always was happy to volunteer to help at events and for some years acted as the equipment officer for WIM.

John Shucksmith and Trevor Bridle represented the club at Brian's funeral early in December.

## Congratulations!

Sue Hands has had an outstandingly successful year with great performances in local, regional and National competitions. Her success has been crowned with the announcement of her selection to represent England in the 2006 'Interland 'competition. Congratulations Sue and every good wish for success in 2006!

Another great achievement in 2005 has been Terence Furlong winning the club league. Terence and Dad ,(Mike) have travelled far and wide to gain experience in all manner of demanding competitions and judging by his performance in the recent SOC event he is becoming a real force to be reckoned with. Orienteering is not the only sport in which Terence excels, he is also a very good cricketer and competitive horseman.

Finally, Helen Bridle, WIM's very own member of the British Team ,has once again been selected to represent GB in 2006 and is now training for the World Championships to be held in Denmark . Congratulations Helen we wish you every success in the coming year.

## Wimborne Orienteers Club League

Place	Name	Clas s	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н	I	J	K	Score	Events	Total
1	T. Furlong	M16	76		95	88	90	75	78		86	87	98	544	9	773
2	R. Brightman	M65	82	100	74	90	97	66				80	91	540	8	680
3	C. Branford	M55	92	96	69	82	89	0	79	75	79	85	87	531	11	833
4	T. Horsler	W35	72	100	71	100	100	60	54	73		74	82	529	10	786
5	J. Shucksmith	M55	95	93	68	80	80		78	89	76	69	79	516	10	807
6	K. Staunton	W45	80	80	81	75	89	80		83		94	81	508	9	743
7	S. Hands	W55	71	83	76		100	75	67	0		70	83	488	9	625
8	V. Crawford	W60	83	100			94	64	54			65	67	473	7	527
9	S. Horsler	M35	74	89	68	79	86	70	60	40			67	466	9	633
10	J. Walmsley	M50	80	72	62	91				81	0	63	76	463	8	525
10	A. Bolton	W16		100	72	81		47	71	70	65	69		463	8	575
12	P. Brett	M55	76				80	68	79	79		80		462	6	462
13	D. Bland	M65		93	61	81	75	68	57	68		61	72	457	9	636
14	T. Britton	M21	69	80	71	70	81	75				63		446	7	509
15	J. Crompton	W65	51	72	82	100				54	44	79	53	440	8	535
16	M. Furlong	M45	81		44	55	50	64	68	80	78	46	68	439	10	634
17	B. Roberts	M21			85	91	99	88				72		435	5	435
18	K. French	W35	72	96			75	59				67	64	433	6	433
19	M. Christopher	M50	83	72	52					76		72	70	425	6	425
19	R. Hills	M70	69		69	62	83				67	57	75	425	7	482
19	J. Stanley	W55	55	95			88			67		55	65	425	6	425
22	J. Pickering	W18	70		79	54	62		56		78	71		416	7	470
23	L. Branford	W55	59		59	77	79	62	46	58	48	66	0	402	10	554
23	H. Bolton	W40	58		43	83		64	59	66	59	71		402	8	503
25	P. Fale	M65	56	69	39	72	75			58			63	393	7	432
25	M. Kite	M55	63	80	47	53	63	49	61	63	63	55		393	10	597
27	C. Christopher	W50	66	67	66					62		60	61	382	6	382
28	S. Lawrence	W70	64	64	46	100						60	44	378	6	378
29	H. Pickering	W50	70	46		51	91		45		44	58		361	7	405
30	M. Spillar	W21	71	100		98						85		354	4	354
31	J. Warren	M65	55	68	46	58	60	57		53	47	50	54	352	10	548
31	J. Bland	W65		66		78	62	44	34	38		64	33	352	8	419

33	S. Branford	M21		64	45	0	69			56	0	49	67	350	8	350
34	K. Henderson	M60		83	83							79	95	340	4	340
35	M. Hawker	W40		84	76			41	64	67				332	5	332
36	D. Tonge	M65	49	60		61			45	0		55	57	327	7	327
37	E. Staunton	M45	84		75	57		45				63		324	5	324
38	C. Warne	W40		59	44	57	69			50		44		323	6	323
39	J. Smith	W35	54	91			76	51					50	322	5	322
40	K. Pickering	M50		64	65		66	67				57		319	5	319
41	C. Hodge	W12	54						75	72	52		44	297	5	297
41	S. Hawker	M40		64	55			53	63	62				297	5	297
43	J. Warne	M16			65	100	96			34				295	4	295
44	S. Warne	M16		53	53	81	50					51		288	5	288
45	D. Warne	M40		59		65	51			61		49		285	5	285
46	R. Moore	M45	53				39		44	59		53	34	282	6	282
47	H. Miller	W16				44		49	58	62	58			271	5	271
48	J. Bolton	M14	68	66		77		28	27					266	5	266
49	J. Tilsley	M55		74				59	68	64				265	4	265
50	D. Tilsley	W50		72				57	63	64				256	4	256
51	P. Staunton	M16	86				100	0	67					253	4	253
52	P. Harwood	W75		0		100			31	29	24	56		240	6	240
53	C. Morris	W50	83					35		0		40	78	236	5	236
54	B. Warren	W70	52			76		34				59	0	221	5	221
55	M. Buckland	W60					75			46		64		185	3	185
56	R. Keighley	M60	37			44	44	40			19			184	5	184
57	W. White	W60	82						100					182	2	182
58	C. Tween	W65				82	60		28					170	3	170
59	E. Brett	M50	77										84	161	2	161
60	N. Smith	M16	26						68	61				155	3	155
61	J. Richardson	W35	60			63				25				148	3	148
62	N. Smith	M40		72			67							139	2	139
63	M. Heath	M70							18	34	28	54		134	4	134
64	S. Spillar	W50									34	47	52	133	3	133
65	P. Smith	M40	79						22	24				125	3	125
66	T. Bridle	M60									63	54		117	2	117

67	R. Holehouse	M55		67		0				44			111	3	111
68	T. Staunton	M20					100						100	1	100
69	A. Heath	M35	88										88	1	88
70	R. Staunton	W18						35	49				84	2	84
71	A. Brain	M10	50					33					83	2	83
72	A. Dobson	M21										78	78	1	78
73	B. Burlton	M14			69								69	1	69
74	A. Mitchell	M21								32	34		66	2	66
75	L. Goodwin	M14							65				65	1	65
76	C. Evans	M45							61				61	1	61
77	H. Norris	M45	55										55	1	55
78	N. Brain	M40						45					45	1	45
79	P. Stubbs	M18							43				43	1	43
80	K. Hodge	W10										40	40	1	40
81	B. Penny	M60	39										39	1	39
82	E. Evans	W50							36				36	1	36

Events:

A. 6th February - SOC: Redshoot (47)
B. 13th February - WIM - Bovington (40)
C. 27th February - QO: Ramscombe (35)
D. 20th March - SARUM: Big Wood (40)

E. 3rd April - WSX - Shillingstone (38)

Average WIM attendance: 38

F. 22nd May - SARUM: Hamptworth (36)

G. 11th September - WSX - Rempstone (38)

H. 23rd October - WIM: Bovington - 2 (42)

I. 30th October - SARUM: Longleat (23)J. 6th November - SOC: The Reptile Centre (46)

K. 4th December - SOC: Denny Lodge (35)

#### JK 2006 Relays -Easter Monday

This year the JK weekend takes place in North Yorkshire with the Relays being held at Bramham Park near Wetherby. If you are planning to have an orienteering Easter Weekend and would like to be part of a WIM Relay team then get in touch with Kevin or Hilary Pickering (01425 – 657202) to let them know that you are available to run in a team. The JK weekend has a great social atmosphere and it's a chance to meet and get to know other members.

## Forthcoming Events

(All events use S/I or EMIT electronic punching unless otherwise stated)

#### January

Sunday 8th BOK District Colour Coded Event – Silk Wood – Westonbirt-

Tetbury. GR ST855894 Contact: Stephanie Milne 01666 890491 S/I

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> SOC Night League Event – Fritham Plain – New Forest

GR: SU225135 Contact: Kevin Bracher 02380 860477 EMIT

Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>	NWO District Colour Coded/Galoppen – West Woods – Marlbord GR: SU166667 Contact: Louise Phelps 01793 430010 EN	ough IIT
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	DEVON District Colour Coded/Galoppen – Woodbury Common	_ S/I
Also	BADO District Colour Coded Event – Chawton Park – Alton.	EMIT
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup>	BKO British Night Championships – Hawley & Hornley – Cambel GR: SU 827585. Pre entry by 07/01. Contact: Tim Booth	rley MIT
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup>	BKO National Event – Concorde Chase & Southern Championsh Cold Ash – Hermitage – Newbury. GR: SU521734. Pre-entry onl By 07/01. Entries Contact: Tim Booth 01189 734662	
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Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup>	WIM Regional Badge Event – Godshill & Millersford – Fordingbri Parking at Sandyballs Holiday Centre. Pre entry by 20/01 Entries contact: Cris Tween 01258 861804	dge S/I
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup>	WSX Night League Event – Bisterne Close – Burley GR: SU2250 Contact: Julie Astin 01590 670080	045 S/I
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> Also	QO District Colour Coded/Gallopen – Castle Neroche – Taunton GR: ST269156 Contact: Ted Heath 01823 251985 — Joe Lee sy MV Regional Badge Event – S.Ashdown Forest - East Grinstead GR: TQ 469289. Pre entry by 03/02 Entries contact: Mike Bolton 01273 670732	ystem
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	WIM Annual Club Dinner – Canford School – 7.30pm See note elsewhere in Waffle and enclosed Flyer for details.	
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> Also	NGOC District Colour Coded/Gallopen – Moseley Green – Blake Forest of Dean GR:SO 666061 Contact: Roger Coe 01594 5104 Happy Herts Regional Badge Event – Burnham Beeches – Beaconsfield GR: SU 955871. Pre entry by 04/02 Contact: Eric/Lesley Brown 01923 242673	
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>	WIM Night League Event – Inside Park – Blandford GR: ST8640 Contact: Dick Keighley 01258 860935	
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>	WIM Dorset Schools/Informal Event – Inside Park – Blandford	
Also	GR: ST864052. Contact: Helen Bolton 01258 – 450648 TVOC Chiltern Challenge Regional Badge Event – Bradenham – High Wycombe. GR: SU 975835. Pre –entry by 11/02	S/I -
March	See TVOC website for information E	MIT
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup>	WIM/SOC New Forest Long O/District Colour Coded Event – Bu New Forest GR: 230060 Parking in Burley Village. Pre-entry only Long O, EOD for all Colour Coded Courses. See flier for details Long O enquiries to Chris Branford 01258 453716 EMIT SBOC Regional Badge/Welsh Championships – Ogof Ffyon Ddu GR SN 856155 . See website/fliers for details	/ for
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>	SO Regional Badge Event – Selhurst Park – Arundel GR: SU919 Look out for details.	9139 S/I