## Chairman's News Letter November 2012

Welcome to the November 2012 Chairman's news letter. Whilst I know many of you there are many members of Wimborne Orienteers who I don't know, and who may not know me.

I have been orienteering on a regular basis since 2008 after an extended innings of playing cricket for Chertsey in the Surrey Championship and latterly Cranborne in the Dorset League. Karen has been orienteering since 1988 and upon the arrival of Grace in 2007 it was a case of "if you can't beat them join



them", so to avoid being a stay at home weekend Dad I decided that I should give it a go. That was that as they say and I have enjoyed the sport and the people involved.

I feel it is an honour to be involved in what is a very social and progressive club which is defined by it's members and that has now extended to being elected Chairman.

We are a few weeks into the new season and we have had some excellent orienteering. The second weekend in November was our Galoppen in Ringwood North, with possibly some of the most physical courses I have run on. They certainly sorted the "wheat from the chaff", so well done to Steve Mallinson on some excellent planning. The event was well supported by the membership and we had over 270 runners at the event.

Looking forward we have a full programme of events over the next few months and we are always looking for more helpers, so please contact any of the committee or the event organisers if you wish to help.