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Our Next Event

Hartwood Country Park
Sunday 21st January 2018

Volunteer planners and organisers or people to assist with course planning or organising are required for this and future events, **particularly the Hadleigh Park event on Sunday 29 April 2018** – Contact Janet Biggs webmaster@orienteeing-havoc.co.uk if you would like more information.

Details for future HAVOC events are on the HAVOC website.

Last Month's Review

December is traditionally a slightly slower month as Christmas creates a bit of a lull in events. There are always a number of festive themed events though, and this year was no exception, with the last Kent Night Cup event of the year featuring a bonus control decorated with fairy lights and sporting a tub of Quality Street, and the traditional Trent Park score event on Boxing Day attracting 90 runners and a healthy dose of HAVOCs as part of the start list.

There were 20 events in our two local associations during the month, and HAVOC had runners in 8 of them, amassing 25 runs in total, including a couple of top five finishes, one for Paul Beckett and one for Mike Muggeridge. Top attended events were the final SE League event at Ash Ranges, which also formed the SN Trophy this year, and the aforementioned Trent Park Boxing Day Score. Both events get added to the HAVOC League for this season, taking the monthly total to four, following the Joydens Wood SE Score, and the Lynford Wood EAL events.

2017 Review

I haven't got a massive backlog of history to go on, to judge how this year compares to others, but looking at the last two years, we can see that HAVOC were slightly more prolific this last year, up to 407 runs over the year, from 393 in 2016. These are runs in our two local association areas only of course, so does not include events further afield, such as the Scottish, Welsh and other major events outside of our regions which normally see a large HAVOC entry. But, back to our local areas, and we saw 33 different members running (down from 35 in 2016), for an average of 12.33 runs per member. 12 members ran more than that average, with 66 events for me being the most (down from 72 last year), followed by 35 for Mike Muggeridge, down from 39. Of all the clubs in the two associations, it is no surprise to see that we had runners at every one of the CHIG events this year. SO, SAX and HH put on the most events (over 100 between the three clubs), and we were represented at over a third of them. There were 262 events in the two regions across the year, 125 having at least one HAVOC runner, and two SOS events attracted the most HAVOCs – 19 at Hockley in September, and 16 at

Writtle Forest in April, just after the Compass Sport Trophy heat, where HAVOC fielded a team of 12, and came 8th in the heat. We finished the season 97th in the Club UK Orienteering League, and 5th in Division 2 in the SE League. But pride of place has to be the trophy that now resides in the club cabinet – the GLOSS trophy, won in July by a superb team effort.

There were 160 day events, 38 evening ones and 64 taking place at night. 171 cross-country events, 90 score, and a relay event, made up the fixture list for the year, and 202 were in the forest (or parks) and 60 on the streets. Our attendance for these events was skewed by myself, as I tend to get to more midweek events now, which tend to be evening or night events (41), and as such are quite often score (41) rather than cross-country (25), and about 33% street.

In total we had ten events this year attracting six or more HAVOCs, and so if these events weren't already included in the HAVOC league they have been added.

Team HAVOC

The EA League doesn't produce club results after each event, but Paul and Barbara Beckett scored for HAVOC up at Lynford. The SN Trophy results are not yet posted, but with a strong HAVOC entry we will have done better than in recent years at this one. We should also continue to post a fast start in the SE League as the event also made up part of that, but again, those results have not yet been published.

Three more events in the participation league this month, as we had the SE Score event in nearby DFOK area, Joydens Wood, an EAL up in Lynford, put on by NOR and the aforementioned Ash Ranges SN Trophy and SEL event. We had 11 club runs, but they were all for different runners, so no changes at the top of the league as Janet Biggs and Mike Muggeridge stay two clear of the chasing pack with 11 runs each out of the 23 events held to date.

The next events are:

14/01/2018	Limpsfield Chart (DFOK)	SEL
28/01/2018	Baddow Ridge (SOS)	EAL
11/02/2018	South Ashdown (MV)	SEL
11/02/2018	High Ash (WAOC)	EAL

The participation league is based on EA League, SE League, UKOL, UK Relay League, and other local team events.

Club League

In the HAVOC league this month, we had a score event at Joydens Wood, an EAL at Lynford, and then two additional events due to size of HAVOC entry – the SN Trophy at Ash Ranges and the Trent Park Boxing Day Score.

I was the only runner at the SE Score, so as a club we didn't trouble the scorers here! But, I did get my 110 points to keep me in the top three in the club league.

Paul last won the club league in 2015, and is a little off the pace in 7th place at the moment but. he top scored at the snow-affected Lynford event, so gets 110 points to keep him in with a shout of getting a podium place. Defending champ, Mike Muggeridge, continued his incredible scoring for the season, getting top points at both of the added events this month. He didn't quite get first place in the Boxing Day score once adjustment factors were considered, Andrew Welsh just pipping him, but he was within half a point and when the scores are rounded he joined Andrew in getting 110 points for the event.

We have 12 members who have all run in five or more events so far this season, the best five is currently the maximum to score at the moment. Mike leads, with Chris Shaw just 13 points back in second and myself another 13 points behind. Garry Parmenter is in fourth, strangely, another 13 points behind.

The full league schedule is included in the spreadsheet attachment, but the next few are:

Jan-14	Westerham	SEL	DFOK
Jan-25	TBC - Central Line Street	Night	CHIG
Feb-25	Tunstall	Forest	SUFFOC

Note that the CHIG night event still seems to be TBC in the fixture lists and no further details are on the club's website. Indeed, I am unsure if this series is actually taking place at all this year. Should that event not take place, I will add in another close to HAVOC or a DFOK KNC event later in the year.

Relay Entries

The main relay events will be back later in the year!

This Month's Highlights

HAVOCs next event takes place in January, on the 21st, at Hartswood. Don't forget to offer to help if you can. Come along and enjoy Andrew Welsh's courses.

In addition, we have a couple of close by events in the local leagues this month – Limpsfield Chart in the SEL, hosted by DFOK, and Badow Ridge in the EAL, hosted by SOS. The DFOK one is in the HAVOC league this month, alongside a CHIG Central Line Street O (if it takes place). Fair few of the leagues continue this month, with fixtures in the SOS winter series, the CHIG Street O, the Kent Night Cup, SLOW's Night O, MV's Street O, as well as HH's Saturday league, SAX's Sunday League, and the Kent Orienteering League.

Local Fixtures

Forthcoming local fixtures, over the next six weeks are listed below. Distance seems to have been removed from the majority of events on the BOF website, so I am now just listing events in the SEOA and EAOA. Please check before travelling to any, in case of last minute changes.

Thu 04/01/18	SO SONIC3 / KNC -	SO	Maidenbower and Tilgate Golf Course, Crawley	
Sat 06/01/18	HH Saturday League	HH	Sherrards Park Wood	
Sat 06/01/18	SO - SOG A7	SO	Sullington Warren, Storrington	
Sun 07/01/18	SAX Sunday League	SAX	Ightham	
Tue 09/01/18	Street O Series Race 5	SLOW	Richmond	
Wed 10/01/18	SOS Winter series No 3	SOS	Colchester	
Thu 11/01/18	DFOK Kent Night Cup	DFOK	Gravesend West	
Sun 14/01/18	NOR colour coded	NOR	Horsford Heath	
Sun 14/01/18	DFOK SE League event	DFOK	Limpsfield Chart	SEL, HAVOC League

Tue 16/01/18	MV Street O	MV	Dorking	
Thu 18/01/18	SAX Kent Night Cup	SAX	Kings Wood Challock	
Sat 20/01/18	DFOK KOL 5	DFOK	Shooters Hill	
Sat 20/01/18	SO - SOG A8	SO	Millennium Wood, Haywards Heath	
Sun 21/01/18	HAVOC SWELL event	HAVOC	Hartwood, Bremtwood	HAVOC Event
Sun 21/01/18	OK Nuts Trophy Blood Races	SLOW	Richmond Park	
Tue 23/01/18	Night O Series Race 3	SLOW	Barnes Common	
Thu 25/01/18	Central line StreetO series?? No details known	CHIG	London	HAVOC League
Thu 25/01/18	MV - Kent Night Cup	MV	Holmbush	
Sat 27/01/18	SO - SOG A9	SO	Pashley & The Warren, Eastbourne	
Sun 28/01/18	SOS Colour coded and ESSOL	SOS	Baddow Ridge	EAL
Thu 01/02/18	SAX Kent Night Cup (Street)	SAX	Orpington	
Sat 03/02/18	SE Middle Distance Champs	GO	Chapel Common	
Sat 03/02/18	HH Saturday League & Youth League	HH	Fairlands	
Sun 04/02/18	SAX Sunday League	SAX	Knole Park	
Tue 06/02/18	SO SONIC4	SO	Broadbridge Heath & West Horsham	
Wed 07/02/18	SOS Winter series No 4	SOS	Witham	
Thu 08/02/18	DFOK Kent Night Cup	DFOK	Plumstead/Woolwich	
Sat 10/02/18	SAX Kent Orienteering League	SAX	Kings Wood Challock	
Sat 10/02/18	SO - SOG S1	SO	Coates Common, Fittleworth, Pulborough	
Sun 11/02/18	WAOE High Ash	WAOE	High Ash	EAL
Sun 11/02/18	MV SE League event	MV	South Ashdown	SEL
Tue 13/02/18	London Night Street O Series race	LOK	North London	

Other News

Club kit:

The HAVOC Committee have discussed purchasing some new club O-tops. Chris Shaw is looking into the options and would like to know if anyone would like to buy a new O-top. If you are interested please let him know at treasurer@orienteering-havoc.co.uk . Please indicate your size and whether you prefer long- or short-sleeved tops. We need to have a rough estimate of the numbers of tops required in order to be able to provide a price. The tops will not be ordered until you have indicated that you are happy with the cost.

Dates for Diaries:

Sunday 21st January 2018	- HAVOC's next event – Hartswood
Sunday 21st January 2018	- Next SWELL event - Hartswood
Sunday 11 th March 2018	- CompassSport Cup/Trophy Round, Balcombe or Shouldham Warren
Sunday 29 th April 2018	- HAVOC event – Hadleigh Park
Saturday 19 th May 2018	- HAVOC Annual Dinner

Links:

HAVOC website	www.orienteering-havoc.co.uk
HAVOC facebook page Club/277659605610134	www.facebook.com/pages/Havering-South-Essex-Orienteering-Club/277659605610134
British Orienteering	www.britishorienteering.org.uk
Fabian4 (entries)	www.fabian4.co.uk
The Orienteering Foundation	www.orienteeringfoundation.org.uk