

## CLOK Mapping Sub-Committee Report 2015

This year the Mapping Sub-Committee has failed to have a meeting. The reasons for this includes the excuse that the Chairman (Paul Thornton) has been working in the USA and another member (Jon Williams) has been too ill.

The major tasks of the sub-committee have been carried out at a general meeting of the CLOK Committee to establish target areas for mapping work along with a plan for 2016 events.

Update requirements during 2015 have been identified for many event maps on a needs/must basis, bearing in mind the fact that for level C and D events this should not be regarded as a priority. We have done a little better than this with substantial updates for most events, even level D.

Level B events deserve a fully up to date map. This was managed for the Acorn event (Hutton Mulgrave and Skelder) and October Odyssey (Eston and Silton) but we struggled to get a 'better than' satisfactory map of Silton due to a late change of venue.

A new map of Flatts Lane was produced for the New Year event and a new map of a new area (South Gare) was produced for the September event.

Several issues continue to give cause for concern:

- Duplication of map files continues to cause frustration and extra work from time to time where updates are carried out on inappropriate files, for instance where updated maps have not been forwarded back to map 'owners/keepers' and updates have been made onto older map files. The map 'owner/keeper' should control the process but in some cases the system has been by-passed.
- We are short of mappers. We could do with a few volunteers to have a go at what is a most rewarding activity.

Dave Allison has retired from voluntary mapping and also his position of 'owner/keeper' of many map files. Dave has been the main man in CLOK mapping for over 4 decades and we owe him a great deal – his work will be greatly missed. CLOK gives thanks to Dave, for all the work he's put in with some epic mapping projects over the years. We hope he will be able to continue to offer input on mapping issues in the future.

Jon Williams has had serious health problems for several years and has sadly deteriorated further during the last year. He is now in no position to take part in mapping discussions. Jon's presence at Orienteering events and meeting will be missed in many ways.

Paul Taylor