



Tchimes

The newsletter of Cleveland Orienteering Klub
April 2014

Change of Editor

A thank you and well done to Nick Barber for editing Tchimes for the last year. Nick moved on before Xmas to pastures new although he is still running for CLOK, and you will see him at all major events.

In response to the circulated plea for someone to step forward to edit Tchimes Lewis Bremner (lewis.bremner09@hotmail.co.uk) volunteered. Well done Lewis, the club needs more people like you! For those who do not know him, Lewis lives in Darlington, is still at school, has good IT skills, and goes to Chris Wright's Club Training at Darlington.

Lewis will be helped by (ex-editor) Jill Libby who will oversee the putting together of the future publications (jflibby@gmail.com). So a warm round of applause for Jill also. Please send any future articles to both of them.

This is a slim version of Tchimes, but expect it to be overflowing with news in the next edition as we get reports from the JK event at Easter, and the British Championships at the end of May.

Next copy date is 6th June 2014.

CONGRATULATIONS

To the CLOK Juniors, who came first in the Yvette Baker Trophy Heat at Slaley Forest on 16-Mar-2014, beating NATO Juniors by 2 points (891 to 889).

British Championships come to the North East

On Saturday 31st May and Sunday 1st June the British Orienteering Individual and Relay Championships are being put on by the North East Orienteering Association in Northumberland. The individual day is at Thrunton and Callaly just north of Rothbury, and the relay is at Cragg Estate and Chesterhope Common just off the A68. CLOK, as the largest club in the region, has already been heavily involved in some of the main mapping, planning and organising roles.

If you have never been to a major championship before, it is well worth going as there is a great atmosphere. Apart from the difference in size of the event, there is a finish in the assembly area, a commentary, lots of club tents and people shouting encouragement to their friends. Even if you are not running in the individual event or in a relay team, we might still need your help.

CLOK needs to provide lots of manpower to help put on the event for both days, alongside NATO and NN. The two helping roles we will be doing are both based in the Assembly Area: (1) in the main marquee for queries, colour coded entries, relay registration and competitor bib issue; and (2) at the finish, download and map collection area. We have already identified team leaders for these jobs, and we now want people to help them. Helpers will get a reduced price entry whether they run a championship or colour coded course. The following address <http://www.boc2014.org.uk/> is for the event web site, with a link to entries. The helper code is **kj637k**.

If you have not already entered as a helper, or told Paul Taylor, Marion or Peter Archer that you can help, please do so as soon as possible to marion@archerhome.demon.co.uk All helpers will be able to run as well.

As we certainly need lots of helpers, I am sure the club will look favourably on reimbursing the petrol cost for anybody who travels up to help but is not running. Thanks.

Marion and Peter Archer

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CLUB VACANCIES

We are urgently looking for volunteers to take on the vital role of...

OFFICIALS FINDER

The Officials Finder ensures that we have organisers, planners and controllers for all the main monthly events throughout the year.

Please contact me, peter@archerhome.demon.co.uk (01609 882420) or any member of the committee if you are willing to take on this job.

Event Officials

Organisers, Planners and Controllers are needed to ensure that our events programme is secure. As you know there is no "Officials Finder" appointed for 2014 therefore I have published the "Events Programme" below. Please consider taking on one of these very important tasks. Joan Selby (01642 782475) or joanselby.clok@uwclub.net

Note - The event scheduled for 30th March in Errington Woods had to be cancelled as there was no planner or controller.

Many thanks to all those who have volunteered so far this year, and here is the list of further opportunities. **It is now urgent that we get a planner and controller for the Whitby Town event on 29th June.**

Date	Location	Type	Organiser	Planner	Controller
11 th May	Newton Hanzard	Long Level C	Marion Archer	Ann Cranke	Duncan Archer
31 st May 1 st June	British	Championships		See page 2	for helping
29 th June	Whitby	Urban Level C	Maureen Webb		
14 th September	RoseberryNewton Woods	Long Level C	Juniors with mentor	Juniors with mentor	Juniors with mentor
19 th October	Northallerton	Urban Level C	Richard Rigby	Karen Poole	Christine Roberts
16 th November	Eston	Score Level C		Duncan Archer	Richard Rigby
14 th December	Ayton Moor	Level C		Richard Rigby	

New Category of CLOK Membership

There are number of people who have been active members of the club for many years, are still involved with CLOK, but no longer orienteer. The committee has decided to introduce a new membership category of life member to allow people still to be club members. Membership will be free to join, and this will enable members to get Tchimes and participate in all aspects of the club (attending AGM, going to annual dinner etc) but they will not be members of British Orienteering, and not be able to compete as CLOK. People who wish to become life members should apply to the membership secretary at the beginning of each calendar year.

The Membership Secretary is Maureen Webb maureenwebb1@virginmedia.com or telephone to 01287 280918.

Three footnotes:

- Life members will not be members of British Orienteering, and as such, in accordance with our Constitution, will not be eligible to vote at our AGM – but I cannot remember there ever being a contested vote!
- The committee has deliberately not tried to define what is a long enough time to have been a member, or who has contributed enough to the club to warrant Life Membership status. It is felt that people applying will make their own assessment.
- Although we are using the term “Life Member”, we are asking people to renew each year.

Peter Archer

STOCKTON DUATHLON

From The Organisers

On **Sunday, 27 April 2014**, test yourself in the challenging but fun Stockton Duathlon. Once again, we've partnered with racing experts TriHard and British Triathlon to create the perfect run-cycle-run challenge.

The event is run over three distances:

- **Novice:** 2k run, 10k cycle, 1k run
- **Sprint:** 5k run, 20k cycle, 2.5k run
- **Standard:** 10k run, 40k cycle, 5k run

Stockton Duathlon Festival is perfect for elite athletes as well as absolute beginners and we'll try hard to ensure the last person over the finish line feels just as special as the first. While many participants will race to win, others may see it as a personal challenge and some may just enter for the joy of participation!

We think that our multi lap format, with fully closed road circuit will help this event to become one of the premiere duathlon events in the country and for 2014 we are delighted to announce that the day will host two international qualification races:

- The **Sprint** Race will be a qualifier for the **GB Age-Group Team** for the **ETU European Championships of 2015**
- **Standard** Race will be the final qualifier for the **GB Age-Group Team** for the **2014 World Championships in Pondevedra, Spain**

This should mean that there will be some good standard athletes taking part, but the races are very much still open to any anybody of any ability who feels that they can manage the distance. A bit like the Great North Run.

For more information and to enter visit www.stockton.gov.uk/duathlon

Hunters Win Joe Wright Trophy

Clare and Neil Hunter were presented with the Joe Wright Trophy at the Club dinner in Sedgefield on Friday 28th March. The trophy is awarded to people who have made an outstanding contribution to the running of the club in the previous year. Clare and Neil have worked tirelessly with the CLOK juniors, taken weekly training sessions, helped organise and plan events, and played a major role in the computing at events. The trophy, in memory of her late husband, is being presented by Connie Wright. Well done Clare and Neil – it was thoroughly deserved!



Coming Events

The next **Sunday** event is at **Newton Hanzard** on 11th May.

See Club Web Site for the flyer at

http://www.clok.org.uk/Events2014/140511_Hanzard.htm .

This is a lovely area for orienteering, containing runnable open woodland, a network of stream valleys and sections of newer, managed plantation. A full range of colour coded courses is on offer. Housing development is gradually covering the area in concrete, so this could be one of the last times we can get full length courses here. Don't miss it! If anyone would like to help, let [Marion Archer](#) know or ring on 01609 882420 (even if you have never helped before).

Summer series

There are seven events planned this year on Thursday evenings during May, June and July. The series is being co-ordinated by Maureen Webb and Joe Trigg, and will feature a wide range of areas. They have both undertaken extensive IT training to allow the events to use SI cards. A full list of events with details will appear on the club web site shortly.

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If you need to know something it is probably on the CLOK web site.

The next edition will feature reports from the JK and the British Championships (why not volunteer to write them), and feedback from the recent survey of members about orienteering publicity.