SCHOOL ORIENTEERING NEWS

APRIL/MAY 2018

Orienteering News for Schools and Youth Groups in Coventry, Warwickshire, Solihull, Daventry and Banbury

EXPERIENCE THE ACTIVE OUTDOOR NAVIGATION SPORT OF ORIENTEERING

With Octavian Droobers Orienteering Club

Next School Event:

West Midlands Schools Orienteering Championships

Saturday 12th May 2018 **Coombe Country Park** Binley, near Coventry

Open to schools in the West Midlands area Courses for Year Groups 5 to 11+ Team categories, primary, middle and upper secondary. Entry in pairs is permitted. Pre-entry only,

full details and to download an entry form go to www.octavian-droobers.org Closing date Monday 30th April

Next events

around Warwickshire and the Midlands, for juniors, parents and teachers. Help is available at all events for beginners and improvers. For specific coaching sessions see club website or contact coaching@octavian-droobers.org.

Saturday 14 April, Rugby Urban, Hillmorton 10-12noon Wednesday 25 April Nat'l Herb Centre, Warmington,3pm-6.30pm Wednesday 2 May, Borough Hill, Daventry, 6-7.30pm Wednesday 9 May, Hay Wood, Baddesley Clinton, 6-7.30 Saturday 12 May, W.Mids.SchoolsChamps. Coombe Country Park Sunday 13 May, Bentley Wood, Atherstone, 10-12noon Wednesday 16 May, Kingsbury Water Park, 6-7.30pm Wednesday 23 May, Abbey Fields, Kenilworth (WOD) 6-7.30pm* Wednesday 30 May Elmdon Park, Solihull, 6-7.30pm Wednesday 6 June, Hartshill Hayes C.Pk.Nuneaton 6-7.30pm

*World Orienteering Day 23 May.



day. Please see WOD

website and register your event if you are planning one on your school grounds or come along to Abbey Fields, Kenilworth, and let's make it a big success. Last year we had over 100 children and adults enjoying orienteering as part of this world-wide event. See you there. www.worldorienteeringday.com.

COVENTRY AND WARWICKSHIRE SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS

The club welcomed many school pupils from the Coventry, Warwickshire and surrounding areas to the annual school orienteering championships which were held this year at the Memorial Park, Coventry. Organiser Phil May and his team ensured the event went smoothly. Mike Snell was the planner who designed 3 courses of varying lengths and technicality to suit primary, lower secondary and upper secondary schools.

Park Hill Primary School, Kenilworth were the winners of the team prize for primary schools, Bablake Junior School, Coventry was 2nd and Staverton Primary, Daventry were 3rd. In the Lower Secondary category Kenilworth School were the winners, King Henry VIII, Coventry were 2nd and Southam College 3rd. Kenilworth Sc

hool also won the Upper Secondary School category, King Henry VIII were 2nd and Bablake, Coventry 3rd.

Individual winners, representing their schools:

Primary category on the White 1.4km course – 1st Year 5 Boy Max Straube-Roth 8.57mins Grange Farm, Coventry; 1st Year 5 Girl Tilly Flippance 9.36mins, Park Hill, Kenilworth, 1st Year 6 Boy Keelan Maddy 31 mins, 74th Scouts, Coventry, 1st Year 6 Girls Sophie Causser and Phoebe Causser 12.06mins, Crescent School, Rugby.

Lower Secondary category on the Yellow 1.4km course - 1st Girl Florence Lunn 12.58mins, Kenilworth School, 1st Boy Jacob Oxtoby 11.09mins, King Henry VIII, Coventry. Upper **Secondary** category on the Orange 2.6km course – 1st Boy Felix Lunn 11.02mins, Kenilworth School, 1st Girl Pippa Smart 15.50mins, Myton School, Warwick.

REWARD SCHEME

To encourage juniors new to the sport Octavian Droobers Orienteering Club have introduced a reward scheme. The Explorer Challenge Award Scheme (ECAS) is based on the number of control points visited on a course. An 'ACORN' Certificate will be awarded for achieving 10, a 'TREE' for 25, etc up to 100 for a 'FOREST' Certificate. Many juniors are now receiving certificates and accumulating points at all our local events. Come and find out all about it, we look forward to welcoming all students.

The British Schools Orienteering Association is a valuable resource for schools. The website gives much information about how to introduce the sport, useful teaching programmes, how to map your school, kit to purchase, upcoming championships, etc. Membership is FREE. www.bsoa.org

