

# **SUMMER 2017**

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

## WORLD SCHOOLS ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS



CONGRATULATIONS to Kenilworth School and Sixth Form Years 9 and 10 boys team who came 3rd at the World Schools Orienteering Championships in Palermo, Sicily in April. Oliver Flippance, Cameron Williams-Stein, Oliver Lunn, Nathan Chapple and Felix Lunn with their bronze medals and cup and Felix with his silver medal for an individual 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the middle distance. Ian Lockren, school team manager, was very pleased with all the boy's performances and is looking forward to taking pupils to Estonia in 2019.

West Midlands Schools Orienteering Championships were held on Saturday 13 May at Severn Valley Country Park, Shropshire. Kenilworth School and Sixth Form won the trophy for best senior school team.

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Top three places were gained by several pupils from Coventry, Warwickshire and Banbury schools: Alfie Bullus, Warriner School, Banbury, was 1st in the Year 11+ category, and Hannah Matthews was 2<sup>nd</sup>, Kenilworth School, Year 11+ Girls. Felix Lunn  $2^{nd}$ , Oliver Lunn tied  $3^{rd}$  with Nathan Chapple, all Kenilworth School in the Year 9/10 Boys race and Pippa Smart, Myton School, 2<sup>nd</sup> in Year 9/10 Girls race. Peter Markham, Ash Green School, Coventry was  $1^{st}$  and Joe Quinney, Southam College,  $3^{rd}$  in the Year 7/8 boys race. Florence Lunn was 1st, Tabitha Lunn 2nd, both Kenilworth School and Josie Smart 3rd, Myton School in the Year 7/8 girls race. Giacomo MacGibbon, Bablake Junior School, Coventry, was 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Year 6 boys race. For full results see: www.wrekinorienteers.co.uk.

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

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Next events around Warwickshire and the Midlands, for juniors, parents and teachers. Help is available at all events for beginners and improvers.

Saturday 20 May, Ryton Pools (Beginners) 11-3pm Wednesday 24 May, Abbey Fields, Kenilworth (WOD) 6-7.30pm\* Wednesday 31 May Bentley Woods, Atherstone 6-7.30pm Wednesday 7 June, Warwick University, Coventry 6-7.30pm Wednesday 14 June, Hillfield Park, Solihull 6-7.30pm Wednesday 21 June, Coombe Country Park 6-7.30pm Wednesday 28 June, Sutton Park, Sutton Coldfield, 6-7.30pm Wednesday 5 July, Rough Close, Coventry 6-7.30pm Wednesday 12 July, Brueton Park, Solihull 6-7.30pm Wednesday 19 July, Itchington Holt, Harbury 6-7.30pm Wednesday 26 July, Memorial Park, Coventry 6.7.30pm Wednesday 9 August, Cawston Grange, Rugby 6-7.30pm Wednesday 16 August, Tudor Grange, Solihull 6-7.30pm Wednesday 23 August, Ryton Pools C.Pk, Bubbenhall 6-7.30pm Wednesday 30 August, Burton Dassett C.Pk, 6-7.30pm

# \*World Orienteering Day 24 May.



Come along to Abbey Fields, Kenilworth, and let's make it a big success. Last year we had World Orienteering Day over 100 children and adults

enjoying orienteering as part of this world-wide event. See you there. www.worldorienteeringday.com.

# **WORLD ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2019 ESTONIA**

Pupils born in the years 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, can qualify for the next World Championships. School teams of 5, boys or girls, or individual pupils need to compete regularly at events, take advantage of coaching opportunities, and then do well at British Schools Championships selection races. For more information see www.bsoa.org.

#### **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.

Other useful contacts:

Let's get your pupils and school there.

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