



SCOA Chair's Report

Squad Selections for 2026

The following athletes have been selected from our region. Congratulations and good luck to all.

Junior World Orienteering Championships (JWOC) in Sweden: Jocie Hilton (SN)

The World University Orienteering Championships in Portugal: Jocie Hilton (SN). Adam Methven (BKO) is currently a reserve.

European Trail Orienteering Championships (ETOC) in Poland and three out of the seven team are from our region. Charles Bromley-Gardner (BAOC), Tom Dobra (TVOC) and David Jukes (BKO).

European Youth Orienteering Championships in Slovenia; Jake Hilton (SN),

Orienteering Foundation

The Orienteering Foundation is inviting applications for project funding to help grow, innovate and broaden participation in orienteering. They are particularly keen to hear ideas around technology innovation, club development and volunteering, but if a project supports the Foundation's aims, they are keen to hear about it.

Applications are reviewed quarterly, and the next deadline is 30th June 2026. Full details and application guidance can be found here:

<https://www.orienteeringfoundation.org.uk/apply-for-funding>

or contact the SCOA representative – Christine Currie

Safeguarding

Following our last meeting, discussions have taken place with British Orienteering who recognise that guidance does need to be reviewed, particularly where coaching of young people is involved.

Land Access and Forestry England

British Orienteering have been promised a more responsive approach given that they have gained some additional resources, presumably due to the receipt of parking fees which are being imposed at many Forestry England locations. Incidentally, Mike Seddon, the current CEO of Forestry England was a great supporter of orienteering when he was responsible for the New Forest region of FE.

BOF Annual Awards - Silva Award Winner – Mark Thompson (TVOC)

Congratulations to Mark. The citation reads "Mark has been a cornerstone of TVOC for nearly 30 years. He led the club, created the Saturday Series, and continues to shape mapping and events across the region. His mapping work has saved the sport thousands of pounds, and his planning and controlling span everything from British Championships to Military League events. Mark is the volunteer who always steps in, mentors others, and keeps the club thriving."

It is volunteers such as Mark which make our sport what it is today.



South Central Orienteering Association

JK2029

SCOA has received an approach from British Orienteering to bring forward by one year our turn to host the JK as the South West is currently not able to host the event in 2028. The offer has been declined.

Discussions remain ongoing for which areas should be considered for 2029. A verbal report will be given at the meeting. Please keep the matter on your Club agenda as 2029 will soon be with us.

SCOA League

The SCOA League progressed well this year after eight events. Question; should the League be run on a calendar year basis as opposed to the traditional season ending in May?

Individual Leader Board

Course	Name	Class	Club	E01	E02	E03	E04	E05	E06	E07	E08	Total
White	Henrietta Mansfield	W10	SN	73.6	100		100	100		100	400	
Yellow	Philippa Mansfield	W10	SN	100	100		100	73.7	70		100	400
Orange	Francis Mansfield	M12	SN	100	82.6		100	100	100			400
Light Green	David Gook	M35	BADO				100			91.4	58.1	250
Short Green	Elisabeth Dickson	W65	BAOC	93.7	91.4		94.1	96.9	92.7	66	71.6	377
Green	Alun Jones	M70	TVOC	99.5		100		100		100	90	400
Blue	Paul Thwaites	M60	SOC	98.6	100		100	100	100		100	400
Brown	Peter Daplyn	M45	SN	95.3	100	79		92.6				367

The full results can be found [here](#).

The club results are below.

Club	E01	E02	E03	E04	E05	E06	E07	E08	Runners	Points	Score
BAOC	87.66	86.5	74.59	79.53	82.84	80.14	83.31	75.77	46	3765.81	650.34
BKO	82.4	69.34	77.92	76.26	73.55	74.92	79.99	79.53	142	11030.32	613.91
SOC	71.42	74.44	57.39	83.23	79.44	81.03	77.51	74.61	123	9701.44	599.07
BADO	76.63	69.98	74.38	80.05	77.74	67.67	72.64	69.8	52	3858.38	588.89
SN	86.5	86.44	75.21	81.95	83.08	81.87		82.34	131	10946.42	577.39
TVOC	83.83	74.7	86.38	80.53	78.24		89.05	79.33	216	18120.87	572.06
SARUM	91.65	71.8			66.35	90.87	90.63	68.04	8	617.48	479.34
OUOC							66.07		2	132.14	66.07

Southern Championships Medals for Juniors

The South East agrees that we should award medals for the first three juniors. No feedback from the South west to date.

Controller's List

A full list of Controllers is posted on the British Orienteering website in the members area. Access is restricted to club and association Chairs, Secretaries and Fixtures Secretaries.

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