

SOUTH CENTRAL ORIENTEERING ASSOCIATION FIXTURES SECRETARY REPORT - 2019

During 2019, approximately 76 level A – D events (2018: 78) and 82 activities (2018: 94) were registered in the South Central region, attended by a total of at least 17,803 people (2018: 10,837), of whom 13,146 (2018: 7,989) were seniors and 4,657 (2018: 2,848) were juniors.

The figures relating to these events are shown in the table below (with 2018 data in brackets).

The 2019 data are heavily affected by our hosting the JK last year, boosting participation numbers significantly. The total number of events and activities was slightly lower than last year, as clubs focused their efforts on the JK. Most BAOC events are now excluded from the statistics due to these being insured elsewhere and participation data no longer being gathered by British Orienteering (previously, BAOC events contributed around 10,000 individual runs, compared with 250 this year).

There were 43 events or activities with missing participation data (another 10% rise over last year). Whilst this number of events is large and growing, most are activities and so the missing participation is likely to be relatively minor.

Four level A events were hosted in the region during 2019 (JK). Six level B events were held, (2 x JK trail-O events, the CompassSport Cup round and November Classic by SOC and the Chiltern Challenge by TVOC) plus the British Schools Orienteering Championships by BKO.

The SCOA League had a programme of 7 events in 2019, representing a welcome increase over just five in 2018. The 2018/2019 season included 4 events in 2018 and 2 events in 2019. Most clubs held one or more series of small/introductory events or activities at various times during the year (except OUOC and SOFA).

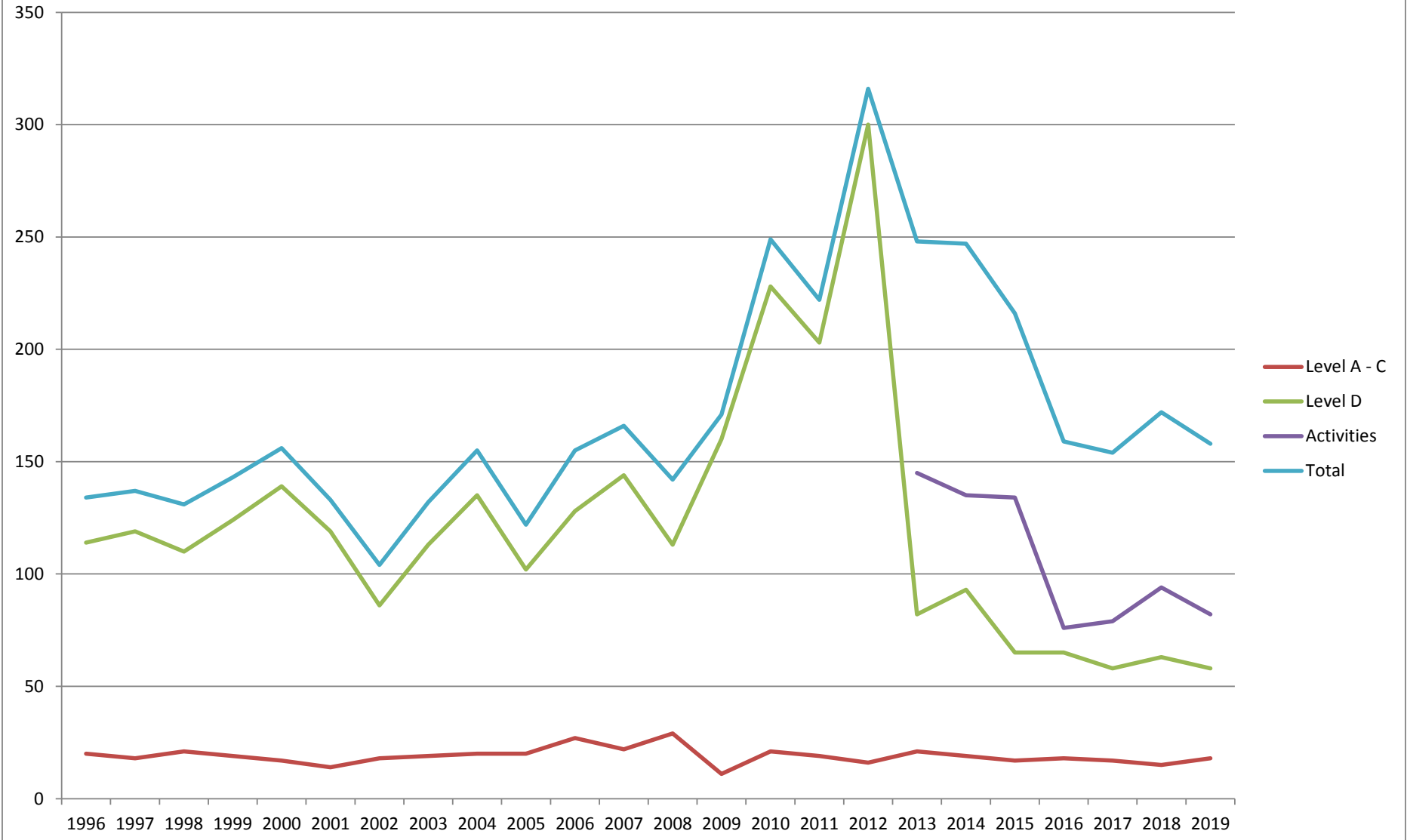
I have updated the graphs of the annual number of events in the region and participation to cover the period from 1996. Following a large increase in the number of small events in the first half of the 2010's, this now appears to have returned closer to the long term average. The gross participation chart shows 2019 lying within the expected range, with very similar numbers to 2003, another year when the JK was in SCOA.

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2019 SCOA data table

Club	A – C		D		Activities		Seniors		Juniors		Total	
BADO	1	(1)	2	(2)	8	(2)	265	(215)	13	(9)	278	(224)
BAOC	3	(1)	4	(4)	0	(0)	1,072	(740)	482	(68)	1,554	(808)
BKO	4	(3)	7	(7)	2	(16)	2,632	(1,537)	1,298	(838)	3,930	(2,375)
JOK	0	(1)	0	(4)	22	(24)	0	(123)	0	(71)	0	(194)
OUOC	0	(2)	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(174)	0	(54)	0	(228)
RAFO	0	(0)	0	(0)	6	(7)	93	(53)	12	(15)	105	(68)
SCOA	1	(0)	0	(0)	0	(0)	897	(0)	319	(0)	1,216	(0)
SN	1	(1)	1	(5)	32	(30)	2,518	(1,067)	807	(506)	3,325	(1,573)
SOC	5	(3)	9	(13)	11	(12)	2,189	(1,868)	253	(290)	2,442	(2,158)
SOFA	0	(0)	0	(0)	0	(1)	0	(11)	0	(2)	0	(13)
TVOC	3	(3)	30	(23)	1	(2)	3,354	(2,054)	1,419	(904)	4,773	(2,958)
WIGHT	0	(0)	5	(5)	0	(0)	126	(147)	54	(91)	180	(238)
Total	18	(15)	58	(63)	82	(94)	13,146	(7,989)	4,657	(2,848)	17,803	(10,837)

Number of events registered in SCOA



Participation at SCOA events

