



## SCOA Chair's Report

### SCOA League

Thanks to Jerry Newcombe for his efforts to revive the League and for putting together the end of season results. Paul Thwaites, who now manages the League, will have a much easier system for uploading future results. The prize giving will be at BKO's event on 14<sup>th</sup> December at Black Park.

Please can clubs reps promote the League to their members as a way to increase participation in our sport. We have seven league events registered for the next season to date and it would be good to have a couple more.

### SCOA Bulletin

A Bulletin has recently been issued and any recommendations for improvement are always welcome. Please feel free to send me any content which you think might be useful for inclusion. The Bulletin is for circulation to orienteers in our region.

### CompassSport Article – Top Orienteers and Top Clubs 2025

I found David Nevell's article in the recent edition of CompassSport a good read which listed the top orienteers and top clubs using the British Orienteering ranking system.

The individual results taken at a point in time, 10<sup>th</sup> September 2025, certainly demonstrates that orienteering is a sport for all with Roger Mayer M85 (SO) taking the leading spot. SCoA's best placed individual was Sarah Rollins W45 (SN) in 5th place, followed by Nigel Bunn M60 (TVOC) in 15<sup>th</sup> and Jenny Thompson W85 (TVOC) 20<sup>th</sup> place. Our top club was BADO in 9<sup>th</sup> position. Well done to all who made it into the rankings.

Scoring systems are invariably open to scrutiny and the lack of younger orienteers in the table is a concern with only 12 orienteers born in this century featuring in the top 120 places.

Club	Position	Ranked Members
BADO	9	13
SN	25	96
BAOC	40	55
SOC	46	57
SARUM	58	35
TVOC	65	98
BKO	81	61

### Website

Having revamped the SCoA League, Jerry Newcombe will be focusing on the website to bring this up to modern day standards.

### Coaching Officer

Chris Poole has stepped down from this position, so we are currently looking for a replacement.

Ian Moran  
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