

NORTHERN NAVIGATORS GNF Team Relays St.Pauls and the River Don Wednesday, 6th July 2005

Charlies Park - Warm up event - Team Mass Score, 30 controls, 5 minutes.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	time	pts
The Divots		В	С	С	С	С	С	С	Α	С	В	С	С	В	С	В	С	В	Α	В	Α	С		С	С	С	Α		В	В	5.10	23
Funky Monkeys	С	В	С	С	С	С	С	С	Α	С	С	С	С	В	С	В	С	В	Α	В	Α	С	С		С	С	В	Α	С	С	5.34	21
Ratcliffe Girls		С		С												В	С	В	Α	В	Α	С	С	С	С	С					5.25	9
The misfits	С	Α	В	С	С	С	С	С	Α	В	В	С	С		С	В					В	Α	С	С				С		С	5.00	15

I was surprised checking the cards that no team managed to get all the controls – I thought that this would have been a relatively easy task for one person, but maybe the logistics of managing a team got in the way of good strategy. This would certainly have been a more difficult task using the original rules, ie map and control card staying at the start. It was interesting observing the tactics employed by each team – the Divots ran round as a team of three, spinning off at various points then re-assembling; a similar tactic seemed to be employed by the Funky Monkeys; I didn't see much of the Ratcliffe girls (surprising given their bright, matching NEJS tops) so not sure what their tactic was; the Misfits split their card three ways, which would have worked if the controls had been split that way.

Sorry, I didn't make a master control list so can't confirm the variance in controls. For the clashes, if you assume that the majority were right then discount the ones where there is no majority and allowing for a 1 point penalty for each 10 seconds over time then the overall points would be as indicated.

St.Pauls and the River Don - Main event - Team Relay - 9 separate maps

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				dist (km)	2.48k	2.49k	2.09k	1.09k	1.36k	1.15k	0.72k	1.0k	0.73k
1	. Funky Monkeys	S	30.07										
	Patrick Smyth David Smyth Kath Ivens	(1,3,4) (9,8,6,7) (2,5)	M45 M14 W21	NATO NATO NN	10.57	18.05	12.29	6.41	12.45	6.12	9.07	7.23	4.43
2	. The Divots		43.22										
	Geoff Sutcliffe	(2,1,3)	M45	NN	11.58	16.25	14.16	40.00	10.11	40.44			
	Mick Seed David Oliver	(4,5,6) (7,8,9)	M45 M45	ind ind				12.39	12.44	13.11	13.49	19.14	10.19
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3	. The Misfits		46.30										
	Gary Russell	(1,4,7)	M21	NN	15.30			13.25			7.08		
	Fred Miller Bob Pinkney	(2,5,8)	M50 M65	NATO NATO		22.25	27.40		11.20	11.00		7.52	7.50
	BOD FILIKITEY	(9,3,6)	MOS	NATO			27.40			11.00			7.50
4	. Ratcliffe girls		53.10										
	Natasha Ratcliffe	(, , ,	W18	NATO	18.50		18.12			10.12			
	Kathryn Ratcliffe	(9,5,7)	W16	NATO		25 50		10.27	25.16		11.40	10.40	6.14
	Emma Ratcliffe	(2,8,4)	W14	NATO		25.50		10.37				10.49	

Many thanks for all turning up on what turned out to be a pleasant evening, given the earlier weather.

Again different tactics were used by each team in an attempt to play to their own strengths / weaknesses, but I think that Patrick's strong running proved a bit too much for the other teams on the night. I must apologise for the mis-placing of one of the controls - I had thought about this as I was putting it out and meant to double check it before the start, as I didn't have a control description list with me at the time. Unfortunately I think that the rain had watered down my power of reasoning by the time the event started and I completely forgot about it - sorry.

I hope you all enjoyed this small but interesting area. My thanks to Dave Caudwell not only for creating and printing the maps, but also for his invaluable help on the night.

Rob McKenna – organiser / planner