



NORTHERN NAVIGATORS
NE Score Championships at
Chopwell Woodland Park
Sunday, 10th November 2019

FINAL RESULTS

YELLOW - 2.2km, 65m, 9c

1. Maya Staykova	W6	ind	41:16
2. Logan Marshall-Ivens	M6	NN	46:43
3. Vihra Staykova	W12	ind	55:44

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4. Sam Retter-Jones	M4	CLOK	91:02
5. Finley Baker	M4	CLOK	91:15

SCORE - 45 minute, 32 controls

			ctrls	pts	time	pen	total
1. Paul Gaines	M45	BL	14	230	49:57	-50	180
2. Yolanda Hampshire-Wright	W12	NN	9	150	43:10	0	150
3. Ann Cranke	W60	CLOK	8	130	44:49	0	130
4. David Day	M70	CLARO	8	130	44:58	0	130
5. Mary Rack	W60	NATO	6	100	43:46	0	100
6. Adrian Barnes	M65	NATO	9	130	47:25	-30	100
7. Jonty Cope	M14	NATO	6	90	42:24	0	90
8. Lawrie Cope	M12	NATO	7	80	42:51	0	80
9. Billy Davies	M16	NATO	6	80	44:35	0	80
10. Isabel Gaines	W14	BL	5	60	41:07	0	60
11. Joan Selby	W75	CLOK	5	50	39:28	0	50
12. Isla Mathieson	W50	CLOK	4	40	43:18	0	40
13. Peter Archer	M70	CLOK	5	80	48:28	-40	40
14. Eileen Bedwell	W85	CLOK	3	30	45:22	-10	20
15. Helen Rafferty	W75	NATO	5	50	47:29	-30	20
16. Alan Cranke	M65	CLOK	7	140	57:04	-130	10
17. Maria Cookson	W50	ind	0	0	41:53	0	0
18. Bob Richardson	M65	NATO	3	30	55:28	-110	-80

SCORE - 60 minute, 32 controls

			ctrls	pts	time	pen	total
1. Duncan Archer	M40	CLOK	28	510	65:16	-60	450
2. Samuel New	M21	DUOC	20	390	59:34	0	390
3. Alice Rigby	W21	CLOK	20	360	62:49	-30	330
4. Clare Baker	W35	CLOK	16	320	58:35	0	320
5. Francis Shillitoe	M45	NATO	19	330	60:10	-10	320
6. Brendan Anglim	M45	CLOK	19	350	63:10	-40	310
7. Nicholas Wilson	M20	LEI	21	390	67:45	-80	310
8. Pippa Archer	W40	CLOK	16	300	57:24	0	300
9. George Hare	M55	NATO	15	290	59:53	0	290
10. Denes Albar	M19	DUOC	14	240	59:18	0	240
11. James Gardner	M45	NATO	11	240	59:25	0	240
12. Julian Warren	M55	NN	13	260	61:10	-20	240
13. Ballum Perman	M19	DUOC	11	220	59:22	0	220
14. Bob Cooper	M70	NN	12	230	60:16	-10	220
15. Jed Hampshire-Wright	M18	NN	13	210	59:21	0	210
16. Eric Stamp	M60	ind	12	230	61:19	-20	210
17. Authur Raffle	M21	DUOC	11	200	58:21	0	200
18. Debby Warren	W55	NN	11	200	59:24	0	200
19. Alad Pal	M18	DUOC	15	190	59:19	0	190
20. Susan Ford	W21	NATO	12	210	61:34	-20	190
21. Tom Finney	M16	CLOK	12	180	56:44	0	180
22. Dougie Nisbet	M55	NN	8	170	59:14	0	170
23. Rob Bailey	M60	CLOK	9	160	59:37	0	160
24. Ross Marshall-Ivens	M40	NN	12	190	62:05	-30	160
25. Carolyn Rigby	W50	CLOK	8	170	62:06	-30	140
26. Barry Young	M55	NN	12	200	66:24	-70	130
27. Dick Whitworth	M80	BL	8	120	59:22	0	120
28. Andrew Nicoll	M75	NATO	9	200	67:14	-80	120
29. Peter Finney	M50	CLOK	13	200	67:49	-80	120
30. William Finney	M14	CLOK	6	130	64:00	-40	90
31. Paul Goldsmith	M45	NATO	9	150	65:44	-60	90
32. David Peel	M40	NN	6	100	61:57	-20	80
33. Tim Jenkins	M50	NATO	8	120	64:53	-50	70
34. Peter Davies	M45	NATO	5	60	58:58	0	60
35. Caroline Cope	W45	ind	4	50	58:10	0	50
36. Elaine McLeod	W50	ind	4	50	58:12	0	50
37. Barry Harrison	M80	CLOK	5	100	64:36	-50	50
38. Mike Hardy	M80	CLOK	3	40	56:43	0	40
39. Jenny Authur	W21	DUOC	2	40	63:23	-40	0
40. Angela Whitworth	W75	BL	3	30	73:41	-140	-110
41. Margarita Staykova	W40	NATO	7	120	89:57	-300	-180
42. Kate Hampshire	W50	NN	32	560	139:58	-800	-240

Score courses - 10 point penalty for every minute or part of over time.

NE Score Champions 2019

Congratulations to the following competitors becoming NE Score Champions for 2016. Certificates will be available shortly.

Women

Open.....	Alice Rigby (W21) CLOK
Veteran (40+).....	Pippa Archer (W40) CLOK
Super Veteran (55+).....	Ann Cranke (W60) CLOK
Ultra Veteran (65+).....	Joan Selby (W75) CLOK
Junior (16-).....	Yolanda Hampshire-Wright (W12) NN
Young Junior (12-).....	Yolanda Hampshire-Wright (W12) NN

Men

Open.....	Duncan Archer (M40) CLOK
Veteran (40+).....	Duncan Archer (M40) CLOK
Super Veteran (55+).....	George Hare (M55) NATO
Ultra Veteran (65+).....	David Day (M70) CLOK
Junior (16-).....	Jonty Cope (M14) NATO
Young Junior (12-).....	Lawrie Cope (M12) NATO

These positions have been decided in accordance with the NE Score Championship guidelines, see the following document for further details:

<http://neorienting.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/NEOA-Championship-rules.pdf>

NEOA Colour Award Scheme

Members of NEOA may purchase the relevant colour badge on completion of three NEOA events (one may be from outside the area), finishing above the colour line.

For further details, contact Margaret Crosby, Email: nsoa@hotmail.co.uk

The Navigation Challenge

BO members are eligible for a Navigation Challenge certificate after successfully completing 3 colour coded courses at the same Technical Difficulty (TD) standard. The certificates are 'star' based e.g. 1 star for TD 1 up to 5 Star for TD 5.

The Racing Challenge

BO members are also eligible for a Racing Challenge certificate after successfully completing 3 colour coded courses (of the same TD) within the following times.

- Gold - Participants time < Course length (km) x 12.5 mins
- Silver - Participants time < Course length (km) x 15 mins
- Bronze - Participants time < Course length (km) x 20 mins

Receiving Your Certificate

The certificates will be automatically generated via the results that clubs have uploaded into the BO website. They will be available for you to download via the members area of the BO website.

Officials:

- Organiser - Boris Spence
- Planner - Maya Hampshire-Wright
- Controller - Rob McKenna (NN)

Planner's comments - Maya Hampshire-Wright

I thought that Chopwell Woodland was a great area to hold the North East Score Championships because of the range in navigational and physical difficulties. The north and south west side of the area is generally less steep with more controls near paths than in the hillier area in the south east which includes a steep stream valley. The area did have lots of paths which allowed for fast running between areas of the wood and back to the finish if competitors were running late. I chose to have different scoring controls to add an extra level of complexity and split the competitors among different routes between which it would be hard to choose. This is my first event I have ever planned and I am so happy that it went okay! Many thanks for your support.

Controller's comments - Rob McKenna (NN)

I'll start by trying to explain a bit about the history of this event and how it evolved into what it was. Although score events are generally not well liked by some orienteers, the region feels that we need to maintain a diversity within the sport and thus supports the notion of finding the best competitors in not only normal cross country orienteering, but night and score disciplines also. To this end we have the three NE Championship events that generally rotate around the three open NEOA clubs each year. It was the turn of Northern

Navigators to host the NE Score Champs this year so mapping and planning started several months ago.

The event has to be planned fairly early when using Forestry Commission land as they need to vet the proposed control sites at least 8 weeks in advance, before approving permission for the event to go ahead. Following the submission of a large number of control sites, the FC rejected quite a few on the grounds that thinning operations were to take place in the blocks of woodland where the controls were sited. So we hurriedly marked those blocks as out of bounds and reviewed what was left to see if it was still feasible to put on a reasonable and challenging event. At that time the planner came up with what we thought was a good 60 minute score event that would provide both a physical and mental challenge and after a few tweaks we decided to go with it. All the hard work had been done and just the final organisational details needed to be ironed out. The maps were printed based on numbers from previous NE Championship events hosted by the club and we were ready to go. Then by chance I discovered that NEOA recommended that there be a shorter course for the younger and older competitors - something I should have checked earlier, so sorry for that. The initial thought of the organiser was to leave it as 60 minutes for all, but I thought that due to the thinning operations the majority of the controls were down hill from the start and may prove too much of a challenge for some older competitors, probably being tempted to go further than they should then struggle to get back, so the decision was made to have a 45 and 60 minute course in line with the NEOA guidelines.

In the end it seems that the area and the location of some of the controls did prove a tremendous challenge for quite a few competitors, both young and old, from comments that I heard at download.

Maya's initial points system would have worked quite well for the 60 minute event, but didn't seem too fair for the 45 minute course, which in fairness, it wasn't planned for. I did hear from one competitor that a 30 pointer in the middle of the wood could have changed the strategy for which controls to visit. In retrospect, if the maps hadn't been printed, one easy solution would have been to remove the controls north of the approach road for the 45 minute course and replace them with the 9 Yellow course controls, which although technically easy would have given that course a lot more to think about.

To make matters worse, the Forestry Commission's thinning operations were not due to start till next weekend, although they had closed quite a lot of the woodland and tracks. This was something that we had not been informed of and found out from a local resident, hence the note from the start that the track leading north could be used even though marked as OOB.

I do hope that you found the new EMIT system easy to use as it is a good improvement on the older one and a lot more reliable, though still lacks the audible backup that some seem to prefer when using SI. Boris did have a few teething problems at download as he got to grips with the updated software but future events should see him back to his usual slick routine.

The weather turned out to be quite kind to us on the day although the previous days of rainfall had left the ground wet and treacherous in places.

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