

## NORTHERN NAVIGATORS Level D (Long-'O') event at Ingram & the Breamish Valley

Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> June 2015

## FINAL RESULTS

SHORT - 5.1km, 150m, 5 cont 1. Phillip Batts 2. Stephen Hopper 3. Dick Whitworth 4. Bob Cooper 5. Mike Bowden 6. Lorraine Batts 7. Angela Whitworth 8. David Patterson	M50 M55 M75 M70 M80 W55 W70 M50	CLOK CLOK BL NN NN CLOK BL RR	time mins/k 0:40:52 8:01 0:55:54 10:58 1:04:51 12:43 1:13:34 14:25 1:18:46 15:27 1:32:02 18:03 1:35:31 18:44 1:56:48 22:54	
MEDIUM - 9.9km, 450m, 7 cor 1. George Hare 2. Fiona Forrest 3. Pippa Archer 4. Julian Warren 5. Sally Poxon 6. Ian Peerless 7. Christopher Bradford 8. Pauline McAdam 9. Gerry Spalton 10. Debby Warren 11. Saskia Warren 12. Carolyn Rigby 13. Richard Rigby 14. Joy Rowley	M50 W40 W35 M50 W21 M55 M65 W60 M65 W50 W16 W45 M45	NATO RR CLOK NN ind CLOK NATO RR OD NN NN CLOK CLOK ind	1:27:01 8:47 1:30:12 9:07 1:31:37 9:15 1:34:56 9:35 1:37:07 9:49 1:38:55 9:59 1:46:56 10:48 1:52:58 11:25 1:54:17 11:33 2:06:52 12:49 2:12:56 13:26 2:14:29 13:35 2:15:12 13:39 2:41:59 16:22	
LONG - 20.3km, 800m, 9 control  1. Andrew Higgins  2. Ben Rowley  3. Francis Shillitoe  4. John Tullie  5. Jim Trueman  6. Mat Poxon  7. Alastair Mackenzie  8. Scott Watson  9. Barnaby Warren  10. Adrian Barnes  11. Dougie Nisbet  12. Michael Thompson	M21 M30 M40 M55 M50 M21 M55 M60 M20 M60 M50 M40	ind ind NATO RR MDOC ind CLOK NN NN NN NATO NN	2:15:01 6:39 2:33:57 7:35 2:38:27 7:48 2:41:34 7:58 2:55:14 8:38 2:58:58 8:49 3:06:46 9:12 3:20:03 9:51 3:27:05 10:12 4:06:02 12:07 4:38:46 13:44 4:48:43 14:13	

## Officials

Organiser - Boris Spence Planner - Barry Young Controller - Rob McKenna (NN)

## Controller's Comments - Rob McKenna

Well done to Barry on creating some well received courses - it is a pity that more competitors didn't come to sample the delights of the area. At this time of the year the bracken has only just started to grow and didn't provide any problems.

A long-'O' event is slightly different than a normal orienteering event and is basically a cross between orienteering and fell running, with fairly simple controls, but with some distance between them. The winning times on the courses show how fast the terrain can be if you are fit enough to handle it and well done to the course leaders. Some pre-event precautions had to be enforced to help ensure the safety of competitors. The weather on the day proved to be ideal, but it could have been a different situation if it had turned nasty - this can easily happen in these remote areas and if you do get into difficulties you are a long way from any help. Holding the event earlier or later in the year could have safety implications and would need the cover of a fell rescue team and possibly vetting of competitors, particularly on the longer courses.

The map was basically a copy of the 1:25000 OS version with a few changes to indicate walls / fences and some special contour features, but similar colours. It was difficult to survey the whole area accurately in the time before the event and much work was done from Google Earth, but I did have many a pleasant day checking controls sites and updating the map in those areas - I do hope you didn't find too many errors that caused you problems.

One drawback with this type of event is the setting and collecting in of controls and many thanks to the small band of club members who helped out here.

Many thanks also to all the farmers / landowners who allowed us to run over their land and offered their help and advice.

Comments on these results to - robmckenna@blueyonder.co.uk