



**NORTHERN NAVIGATORS**  
District event at  
**Black Banks & Knitsley Fell**  
Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> February 2005

**YELLOW** - 1.7km, 25m, 8 controls

1. Johnathan Clark	M9	EBOR	25.20
2. Hannah Clark	W11	EBOR	25.33
3. Abby Clark	W11	EBOR	33.12

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*disqualified / retired*

Paul Murray	M21	ind	16.37	m055
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**ORANGE** - 2.5km, 55m, 7 controls

1. Oban Lewsley	W12	BL	49.46
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**LIGHT GREEN** - 3.1km, 90m, 9 controls

1. David Smyth	M14	NATO	39.24
2. Emily Collingwood	W18	CLOK	48.56
3. Elaine Day	W50	CLARO	49.13
4. Patricia Davies	W50	NATO	51.30
5. Alan Morgan	M70	NN	54.35
6. Eileen Bedwell	W70	CLOK	62.34

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7. Dick Whitworth	M65	BL	71.25
8. Ruth Wilson	W21	NATO	74.03
9. Eileen Morgan	W65	NN	75.32
10. John Bedwell	M70	CLOK	75.41

*disqualified / retired*

Angela Ruckledge	W55	WCOC	103.39	m081
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**GREEN** - 4.6km, 110m, 12 controls

1. Paul Nuttall	M40	CLARO	46.21
2. Andrew Suddaby	M65	BL	48.53
3. Gary Russell	M21	NN	53.48
4. Maria MacKenzie	W21	CLARO	53.55
5. Tim Field	M40	LOC	55.42
6. Karen Blackburn	W55	BL	63.35
7. Amy Brown	W18	NN	64.24
8. Jon Williams	M60	CLOK	66.06
9. Debby Warren	W40	NN	67.09

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10. Judy Suddaby	W65	BL	73.14
11. Lorraine Porter	W45	CLOK	75.18
12. Caroline Mackenzie	W40	CLOK	75.31
13. Rob Tooze	M55	CLOK	77.54
14. Angela Whitworth	W60	BL	85.16
15. Eddie Leadbitter	M65	NN	86.13

*disqualified / retired*

David Floyd	M45	ind	93.55	m041
Robert Johnson	M60	NN	33.32	ret f4
Shelley Williams	W45	CLOK	--	ret

**BLUE** - 6.5km, 210m, 19 controls

1. Chris Bradford	M55	NATO	65.40
2. Douglas Henderson	M50	RR	65.49
3. Debbie Thompson	W45	BL	68.44
4. Paul Jameson	M50	NATO	73.40
5. Stella Lewsley	W50	BL	74.14
6. Boris Spence	M50	NN	78.27
7. Bob Cooper	M60	NN	82.30
8. Malcolm Ruckledge	M60	WCOC	91.27
9. Phillip Batts	M40	CLOK	97.50

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10. Paul Goad	M40	ind	99.23
11. Ian Hutchinson	M40	CLOK	115.10
12. Jeanette Hutchinson	W40	CLOK	125.31

*disqualified / retired*

David Riches	M40	ind	95.59
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**BROWN** - 9.1km, 295m, 27 controls

1. Duncan Archer	M21	CLOK	59.47
2. Heather Monro	W21	SLOW	70.08
3. Alastair MacKenzie	M45	CLOK	78.04
4. Patrick Smyth	M45	NATO	82.31
5. Andy Lewsley	M50	BL	84.02
6. John Collingwood	M45	CLOK	88.40

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7. Martyn Dean	M45	CLOK	104.36
8. Colin Blackburn	M40	NN	109.39

*disqualified / retired*

Sabine Poitz	W21	USV TU	105.27	m055
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**KEY:** m - control missed, f - control found, w - control wrong

**Split times**

A full copy of the all split times is available on the NN website.  
<http://www.northern-navigators.org.uk/results/311004s.html>

**NEOA Colour Award Scheme**

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

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**Officials**

Organiser - Rob McKenna (0191 4219659), [robmckenn@aol.com](mailto:robmckenn@aol.com)  
Planner - Dave Caudwell  
Controller - Julian Warren (NN)

**Organisers comments - Rob McKenna**

Many thanks for all turning up and supporting this event. I had visions when I woke on Sunday morning and saw the weather conditions that the event may have had to be cancelled. As it turned out, although bitterly cold, the Wear valley fared a lot better than Tyneside with regard to snow fall. Apart from a few flurries we seem to have escaped the worst of it. In fact out of the wind, conditions were rather pleasant - at least they were when we were collecting the controls.

Sorry for the lack of on the day results. The cold weather appeared to have affected the generator, which in turn burnt out the power supply to the laptop with the EMIT software on. Unfortunately there was not enough power in the laptop internal battery to last the competition. But with the EMIT system, the timing device and splits printer are self contained and powered - quite a compact unit.

Well done to Duncan Archer, who showed what can be done in spite of the conditions, although it was reported that he was seen walking up the hill across the field to the crossing point.

In spite of the cold conditions, most competitors seemed to enjoy the area and the courses set by Dave and were very complimentary at the finish.

The runability of the area seems to change every time we use it. Trees are fast disappearing in Black Banks itself and it will not be long before we loose the use of it. The varying condition of the heather on Knitsley Fell is due to the fact that the gamekeeper is not allowed to burn the heather round the quarried areas - the scrub trees in this area are protected by English Nature. On the South side of the fell the silver birch saplings are coppiced to provide material for wattle type fences. There may be an opportunity to extend the map south to connect with Dryderdale.

Thanks to the small band of club helpers, without their assistance the event could not have happened:

- Gary Russell, Bob Cooper (car parking)
- Mel and Amy Brown (reg car 1),
- Alan and Eileen Morgan (reg car 2)
- Bob Johnson, Eddie Leadbitter, Debby and Barnaby Warren (start)
- Boris Spence (download and EMIT expert)
- Dave Caudwell (planner) and Julian Warren (controller)

The proceeds from the parking field raised £26 - the club is to make this up to £40 and forward it to St.Cuthbert's Hospice, Durham - thanks for your generosity.

**Next NN event:**

17.4.05 Langley Woods (grid ref NY829610)  
Organiser - Norman Harris (tel 01434 683115)  
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Colour Coded W,Y,O,LG,G,BL  
EMIT system of electronic punching  
Maps will be overprinted and bagged.  
Registration from 10.00, starts from 10.30-12.30  
Fees - £3.50 senior, £2 junior.

For details of other future NN events contact:  
Rob McKenna (0191 4219659), email : [robmckenn@aol.com](mailto:robmckenn@aol.com)  
or visit the NN website - [www.northern-navigators.org.uk](http://www.northern-navigators.org.uk)

Details of future North East events can be found on the NEOA answerphone - 0191 2685449

Queries on these results to Rob McKenna