



NORTHERN NAVIGATORS
Level C event inc Yvette Baker Trophy
at **Low Redford & Windy Bank**
Sunday, 21st October 2012

YELLOW - 2.3km, 30m, 8c

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| 1. Lewis Eke | M12 | NATO | 16.51 |
| 2. Maya Wright | W10 | NN | 21.18 |
| 3. Hannah Brown | W10 | NATO | 22.10 |
| 4. Ted While | M14 | CLARO | 22.28 |
| 5. Yolanda Wright | W10 | NN | 37.54 |
| 6. Nicholas Hayes | M10 | NN | 39.24 |

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| 7. Hannah Eke | W10 | NATO | 40.40 |
| 8. Isabel Gaines | W5 | BL | 42.19 |
| 9. Rebecca Mayes | W4 | CLOK | 44.13 |
| 10. Isabel Mayes | W10 | CLOK | 44.14 |
| 11. Katie Jones | W4 | ind | 88.23 |

ORANGE - 2.7km, 75m, 9c

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| 1. Jeneba Wright | W10 | NN | 32.46 |
| 2. Michael Athey | M12 | NATO | 33.42 |
| 3. Alexandra Hare | W12 | NATO | 34.55 |
| 4. Adam Heseltine | M14 | ind | 35.47 |
| 5. Joseph Metcalfe | M12 | NATO | 37.44 |
| 6. Zach Killingbeck | M19 | UDOC | 39.15 |
| 7. Ben Orrell | M12 | NATO | 39.50 |
| 8. Eileen Bedwell | W80 | CLOK | 41.21 |
| 9. Sharlot Gaines | W35 | ind | 43.29 |
| 10. Dale Athey | M45 | NATO | 47.47 |
| 11. Lesley Athey | W45 | NATO | 48.00 |

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| 12. Tanya Bertram | W12 | NATO | 51.46 |
| 13. Andrew Swansbury | M18 | UNOC | 51.50 |
| 14. Alex Philip | W12 | NATO | 58.46 |
| 15. Richard/Jackie Whitehouse | M65 | ind | 58.48 |
| 16. Robbie Wright | M12 | NATO | 69.07 |

Disqualified / retired

Marco Miggeali M21 ind 47.56 m075

Light GREEN - 3.5km, 100m, 13c

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| 1. Katherine Marshall-Ivens | W35 | NN | 40.13 |
| 2. Peter Hayes | M45 | NN | 47.24 |
| 3. Peter While | M16 | CLARO | 51.00 |
| 4. Rfn S McCormack | M40 | 5 RRF | 54.55 |
| 5. Wendy Taylor | W55 | CLOK | 58.41 |
| 6. Marco Miggeali | M21 | IND | 59.34 |
| 7. Helen Rafferty | W65 | NATO | 62.30 |
| 8. Malcolm Hewitson | M50 | CLOK | 63.40 |

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| 9. Alison Hodgson | W60 | CLOK | 64.52 |
| 10. Thomas Athey | M16 | NATO | 66.36 |
| 11. Aoife Lakey | W14 | NATO | 66.40 |
| 12. Peter Firth | M65 | NATO | 69.01 |
| 13. Matthew Eke | M14 | NATO | 77.34 |
| 14. Jeneba Wright | W10 | NN | 78.14 |
| 15. Anne Lakey | W50 | NATO | 99.30 |

Disqualified / retired

Ian Smith M80 NATO 116.57 m054

Short GREEN - 3.2km, 110m, 11c

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| 1. Frank Major | M65 | NN | 64.53 |
| 2. Annette Egan | W55 | NATO | 65.42 |
| 3. Ruth Wilson | W21 | NATO | 66.02 |
| 4. Michele Williams | W50 | CLOK | 69.39 |
| 5. Carole Firth | W65 | NATO | 72.15 |
| 6. Andy Clarke | M55 | NATO | 76.29 |
| 7. Elaine Clarke | W55 | NATO | 77.19 |
| 8. Erin Weatherstone | W21 | UNOC | 78.16 |
| 9. Roy Malley | M80 | NATO | 78.22 |
| 10. Kris Smith | M21 | UNOC | 78.26 |

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GREEN - 4.6km, 155m, 14c

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| 1. Heather Monro | W40 | IND | 39.05 |
| 2. Pippa Archer | W21 | CLOK | 48.37 |
| 3. Paul Taylor | M60 | CLOK | 52.11 |
| 4. Patrick Smyth | M55 | NATO | 58.15 |
| 5. Andrew Clark | M50 | EBOR | 63.28 |
| 6. Beth Woodley | W18 | UDOC | 65.42 |
| 7. Roy Bradley | M65 | CLOK | 69.38 |
| 8. Bill Burlton | M65 | NATO | 74.57 |
| 9. David Brook | M70 | NN | 75.41 |

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| 10. Caroline Mackenzie | W45 | CLOK | 77.46 |
| 11. Barry Harrison | M70 | CLOK | 79.21 |
| 12. Maja While | W45 | CLARO | 80.31 |
| 13. Patricia Davies | W55 | NATO | 81.45 |
| 14. Oliver Wright | M16 | NATO | 82.34 |

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| 15. Jackie Barnes | W65 | CLARO | 82.41 |
| 16. Mary Rack | W50 | NATO | 82.53 |
| 17. Dave Allison | M70 | CLOK | 83.36 |
| 18. Colin Turner | M55 | CLOK | 88.31 |
| 19. Jonathan Lakey | M18 | NATO | 89.12 |
| 20. Rob Newton | M55 | IND | 90.22 |
| 21. Zoe Eke | W40 | NATO | 90.34 |
| 22. Pam Heseltine | W50 | IND | 91.50 |
| 23. Thomas Dunn | M21 | IND | 96.48 |
| 24. Mike Heseltine | M60 | IND | 102.50 |
| 25. Bob Richardson | M60 | NATO | 103.44 |
| 26. Lorraine Batts | W55 | CLOK | 105.03 |
| 27. Anna Khoze | W8 | IND | 135.37 |

BLUE - 6.0km, 190m, 16c

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| 1. Alice Rigby | W16 | CLOK | 66.39 |
| 2. Adrian Barnes | M60 | NATO | 68.11 |
| 3. Willard Wright | M45 | NATO | 71.32 |
| 4. Paul Jameson | M60 | NATO | 72.12 |
| 5. Christopher Bradford | M60 | NATO | 73.46 |
| 6. Dylen Thompson | M40 | 5 RRF | 75.05 |
| 7. Diane Mayes | W40 | CLOK | 76.24 |
| 8. Bob Cooper | M65 | NN | 78.52 |
| 9. Stan Appleton | M60 | CLARO | 79.15 |
| 10. David Fairbairn | M55 | NATO | 80.43 |
| 11. Joanne Field | W35 | NATO | 81.20 |
| 12. Allen Barnes | M70 | CLARO | 81.37 |
| 13. Andrew Nicoll | M70 | NATO | 83.56 |
| 14. Jeremy Lakey | M50 | NATO | 86.51 |
| 15. Jane Malley | W50 | NATO | 94.02 |
| 16. Debby Warren | W45 | NN | 94.40 |
| 17. Fred Miller | M60 | NATO | 95.55 |
| 18. Sgt D Fenwick | M50 | 5 RRF | 96.57 |
| 19. Chris Petre | M50 | CLOK | 98.44 |

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| 20. Caroline Rigby | W45 | CLOK | 100.49 |
| 21. Martin Adamson | M70 | CLOK | 109.45 |
| 22. Valtin Khoze | M40 | IND | 146.45 |

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Capt A Ledger M45 5 RRF 79.55 m048
Phillip Batts M50 CLOK DNF

BROWN - 8.5km, 215m, 23c

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| 1. Duncan Archer | M35 | CLOK | 62.25 |
| 2. Nicholas Barber | M21 | CLOK | 70.18 |
| 3. Alastair Mackenzie | M50 | CLOK | 76.55 |
| 4. Richard Purkis | M20 | NATO | 79.20 |
| 5. Nigel Wright | M40 | NN | 79.42 |
| 6. Paul Gaines | M35 | BL | 81.23 |
| 7. Francis Shillitoe | M35 | NATO | 83.30 |
| 8. Adam Poole | M21 | UDOC | 85.22 |
| 9. Alasdair Wilson Craw | M55 | NATO | 86.24 |
| 10. Charles Mayes | M45 | CLOK | 88.09 |
| 11. Andy Blackett | M21 | IND | 88.21 |

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| 12. David Steel | M45 | IND | 94.27 |
| 13. Ross Marshall | M35 | NN | 113.28 |
| 14. George Hare | M45 | NATO | 116.48 |
| 15. Barnaby Warren | M16 | NN | 132.04 |
| 16. Richard Rigby | M45 | CLOK | 136.09 |
| 17. Michael Thompson | M40 | NN | 152.00 |

Disqualified / retired

Kate Hampshire W40 NN DNF

Key : m - missed, w - wrong, f - found.

Officials

Organiser - Boris Spence
Planner - Rob McKenna
Controller - Julian Warren (NN)

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.

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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 award - Participants time < Course length (km) x 12.5 mins

Silver award - Participants time < Course length (km) x 15 mins

Bronze award - 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.

Planner's comments – Rob McKenna

Many thanks for all turning up and supporting this event – the weather does make all the difference to the ambience at an event. I hope you enjoyed the courses and relaxing in the warm sunshine after your runs discussing them.

Many thanks for the pleasant comments at the download station – it has been a lot of hard work over the past few weeks to stage this event and it was gratifying to see so many smiling faces.

Although I had updated the map for this event and spent some time 'cleaning' up control sites and possible routes there were still a few grotty areas – particularly on route to the finish – sorry if you got tangled up in these.

My original plan of basing the start and finish near the Visitor Centre to utilise the facilities there seemed excellent from an organising point, but created problems for planning. Firstly, the start was in a narrow funnelled out area from the bridge, which is why some of the longer courses went round that felled area. With the start here it meant that the finish had to be on the Low Redford side of the stream. From past experience I knew that getting off the paths here got you into some rather unpleasant undergrowth, which is why there were only a few controls there. Unfortunately, the longer courses, on route to the final controls, had the choice of running straight and some competitors got caught up in there – sorry.

This area of the map used to be one of the best parts of Hamsterley until a few years ago when they decided to go in and thin out the coniferous trees leaving only deciduous ones. They went in with large machines which left deep ruts and once thinned the vegetation took over. Grass, reeds, brambles and gorse proliferated, generally occurring the deep ruts – not a pleasant place to be.

I was asked to put on a Short Green course to fit in with the planned NATO club Championships. Unfortunately I don't have any experience of who may turn up to run this course, so the quantity of maps printed was a bit of a guess – sorry if you didn't get a chance to run the course you wanted. It's a learning experience and hopefully we will know better next time.

The event was to host the NE round of the Yvette Baker Trophy, but for some reason it appears that the CLOK juniors didn't put a team forward. I am not sure what this means with regard to who goes through, hopefully John will be able to sort this out.

On paper the courses looked correct to the guidelines but competitors on some of the courses obviously found the going tough in places.

The Short Green and Blue in particular have some overly long times and not what I expected. Some people mentioned the undergrowth, some the climb – I am not really sure what the problem was.

Technical course (all above Light Green) are a bit of problem to plan in this area due to the fact that it is rather narrow with parallel paths so you need to plan legs at right angles to the paths – unfortunately this involves either going up or downhill. There are some quite nice control sites but these can end up being quite easy given the path network.

I am not sure if you noticed the abundance of 'pink' markings on many of the trees leading away from the start – it would seem that the Forestry Commission have plans to thin Windy Bank. This is inevitable in any coniferous forest but lets hope they leave it in a reasonable state afterwards. One last point is the popularity of mountain bikers that use the area – new tracks are being created in some unusual areas. This is a recreational forest but I hope that their enjoyment did not spoil yours.

I take the point about using red lines for the bike tracks – this was originally to emphasise the caution needed to be exercised if using them (I believe the Forestry Commission may have insisted on this some time ago). Unfortunately this makes them harder to read on the map with the contours being so close in places. It's a dilemma and we will have to look at this for next time.

Lastly, many thanks to Boris and his team for the efficient organising of the event, to Julian for guiding me through the planning and checking controls and to the band of club helpers who stayed behind to help collect controls in – much appreciated after a hard few days.