

#### **NORTHERN NAVIGATORS & DUOC**

Level C event incorporating the NE Night Championships at

# **Durham City**

Saturday, 24th February 2018



## FINAL RESULTS

Course 'A' - 6.4km, 240m, 2 1. Duncan Archer 2. Luke Piper 3. Samuel New 4. Daniel Murphy 5. Alexander Machin 6. Barnaby Warren 7. Henry Ling	M40 M21 M21 M21 M21 M21 M21 M21 M20	CLOK DUOC DUOC DUOC NATO NN NUFOC	time 52.26 60.58 62.09 67.17 67.34 75.35 82.40	mins/k 8.11 9.31 9.42 10.30 10.33 11.48 12.55	NE
8. Eilidh Brown 9. Mariya Perep 10. Eleonora Crosignani 11. Bronwen Mansel 12. Kari Campbell 13. Fraser Hofie 14. Paul Turner 15. Peter Welms 16. Steven Powell 17. Katie Skinner 18. Martin Edney	W21 W21 W20 M21 M20 M60 M21 M50 W18 M50	NUFOC NUFOC DUOC SUFFOC AROS DUOC SELOC NUFOC CLOK MAROC NATO	82.57 83.52 85.15 88.30 92.09 92.37 95.15 95.28 96.34 100.08 105.00	12.57 13.06 13.19 13.49 14.23 14.28 14.52 14.55 15.05 15.38 e-tag fa	NE ailure
disqualified / retired Clare Higgins Heather Monro	W21 W45	DUOC BOF	92.21 	m183 retired	
Course 'B' - 5.3km, 185m, 2 1. Alasdair Wilson Craw 2. Martyn Dean	22c M60 M55	NATO CLOK	74:01 74:12	13.57 14.00	NE
Course 'C' - 4.2km, 150m, 2 1. Adrian Barnes 2. Debby Warren 3. Stephen Round 4. Bob Cooper 5. Fred Miller	M65 W55 M65 M65 M70 M65	NATO NN SELOC NN NATO	55:34 64:13 70:56 71:24 77:13	13.13 15.17 16.53 17.00 18.23	NE NE
Course 'D' - 3.3km, 110m, 17c no competitors					
Course 'E' - 2.4km, 55m, 17  1. Jeneba Hampshire Wright  2. Dominic Green  3. Liam Green  4. Yolanda Hampshire Wright  5. Thomas Puschmann  6. Ryan Edney  disqualified / retired  Maya Hampshire Wright	W16 M16 M14	NN CLOK CLOK NN IND NATO	25:50 30:23 33:20 35:38 36:53 100:11 27:30	10.45 12.39 13.53 14.50 15.22 41.44 m154	NE NE NE

**Key:** m - missed, w - wrong, f - found, **NE** - NE Night Champion

### **Course combinations**

A - Open (Men), V Men (M40+) Open (Women)
B - SV Men (M55+) V Women (W40+)
C - UV Men (M65+) SV Women (W55+)
D - HV Men (M75+) UV Women (W65+)
HV Women (W75+)
E - Junior (M16-) Junior (W16-)
Junior (M12-)

V - Vet, UV - Ultra Vet, SV - Super Vet, HV - Hyper Vet

NE Night Champions 2018	
Mens Open	Duncan Archer (M40) CLOK
Mens Vet (M40+)	Duncan Archer (M40) CLOK
Mens Super Vet (M55+)	Alasdair Wilson Craw (M60) NATO
Mens Ultra Vet (M65+)	Adrian Barnes (M65) NATO
Mens Hyper Vet (M75+)	undecided
Junior (M16)	Dominic Green (M16) CLOK
Junior (M12)	Ryan Edney (M10) NATO
Womens Open	Eleonora Crosignani (W21) DUOC
Womens Vet (W40+)	undecided
Womens Super Vet (W55+)	Debby Warren (W55) NN
Womens Ultra Vet (W65+)	undecided
Womens Hyper Vet (W75+)	undecided
Junior (W16)	Jeneba Hampshire Wright (W16) NN
Junior (W12)	Yolanda Hampshire Wright (W12) NN

Champions have been decided in accordance with eligibility rules http://neorienteering.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/NEOA-Championship-rules.pdf

Certificates will be available shortly c/o DUOC

#### Officials:

Organisers - Boris Spence (NN), Matthew Foskett (DUOC) Planners - Michael Hallett, Andrew Stemp (DUOC) Controllers - Rob McKenna, Julian Warren (NN)

#### Planner's comments - Andrew Stemp (DUOC)

This was my first time planning an event, something which I found very enjoyable which was good considering that I had to re-plan the original courses twice with the two sets of unsuccessful permission applications. As a result, the area that I was left with was rather small and was left short of challenging areas suitable for sprint legs (around the Hill colleges) or areas difficult in the night (the riverbanks). My main worry was not making the longer courses repetitive whilst knowing that there would be some areas that they would be passing through on multiple occasions. I chose to balance this with planning courses to be longer than in the previous edition of the race, so the winning times were longer than 40 minutes which I consider to be very short for what is an urban race with fairly easy running compared to a forest. The main focus for planning the courses was to give route choice on as many legs as possible, on some controls for some runners this may result in running out from the control the same way as in, which is inevitable when planning routes with a 50:50 choice. But it is often hard to pick this route even if it's slightly shorter because you subconsciously want a nice flow out from each control. On the 'A' course, it was possible to cross eight of the nine bridges on the map with sensible route choices, but unlike in Koenigsberg, the most competitors completed their courses! Thanks for all the assistance with the event from NN and I certainly hope that I will get the chance to plan another event in my time studying in Durham.

# Controller's comments - Rob McKenna

It had been a stressful week or so for me leading up to the event, together with the fact that I was in hospital for a few days, there was a delay in permissions and there were also fears that the event may have had to be cancelled. All credit to the planners for coming up with a different set of courses to utilise the area that we had left available and my thanks to Julian Warren who kindly stood in for me at the last minute to do the running around.

I had initially thought the courses may have been a bit too demanding, with many doglegs and multiple crossings of the Wear and also given that Durham is not flat, but listening to comments at download the majority of competitors seemed to enjoy the challenges set.

There was one control (152) used by all the long courses that did give problems to some competitors. It was an indistinct path junction but without any canes available, the kite was hung on the nearest tree about 5m from the junction, which was quite difficult to spot at night. The Junior course also proved to be quite hard for at least one young competitor who almost gave up, but bravely battled on and now has a Championship certificate, so well done to him.

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