

SCHOOL ORIENTEERING NEWS

APRIL/MAY 2019

Orienteering News for Schools and Youth Groups in Coventry, Warwickshire, Solihull, Daventry and Banbury

EXPERIENCE THE ACTIVE OUTDOOR NAVIGATION SPORT OF ORIENTEERING

With Octavian Droobers Orienteering Club www.octavian-droobers.org

Next School Event:

West Midlands Schools Orienteering Championships

Saturday 11th May 2019

10 – 12noon

**Shoal Hill, Cannock,
Staffordshire**

Open to all schools in the West Midlands area, who are allied to a West Midlands club

eg Octavian Droobers,

Courses for Year Groups 5 to 11+

Team categories, primary, middle and upper secondary.

Entry in pairs is permitted. Event centre is at Chase

Leisure Centre.

Pre-entry only,

full details and to download an entry form, see attached, go to

www.walton-chasers.co.uk or contact organiser

vickyroissetter@yahoo.co.uk

Closing date Friday 3rd May

Next events

around Warwickshire area, for juniors, parents and teachers.

Help is available at all events for beginners and improvers.

Wednesday 1 May, St Nicholas Park, Warwick, 6-7.30pm

Wednesday 8 May, Elmdon Park, Solihull, 6-7.30pm

Wednesday 15 May, Abbey Fields, Kenilworth * 6-7.30pm

Wednesday 22 May, Hay Wood, Baddesley Clinton, 6-7.30pm

Wednesday 29 May, Coombe Country Pk, Brinklow, 6-7.30pm

Wednesday 6 June, Rough Close Scout Camp, Coventry, 6-7.30pm

Saturday 8 June, Warwick University Campus, all day*

Sunday 9 June, Coventry City Centre – morning*

- *Coventry Weekend of Orienteering*

***World Orienteering Day 15 May.**

All schools are encouraged to take part in this special day. Please see WOD website and register your event if you are planning one on your school grounds or come along to

Abbey Fields, Kenilworth, and let's make it a big success. Last year we had over 100 children and adults enjoying orienteering as part of this world-wide event. See you there.

www.worldorienteeringday.com.

WORLD SCHOOLS ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS **2019 ESTONIA IN APRIL**

Best wishes to Florence and Tabitha Lunn, from Kenilworth School, who will represent England at these championships. They were selected after successful performances at the British Schools Orienteering Championships at the end of 2018. See www.bsoa.org for more information.

COVENTRY AND WARWICKSHIRE SCHOOLS **CHAMPIONSHIPS - RESULTS**

The club welcomed many school pupils from the Coventry, Warwickshire and surrounding areas to the annual school orienteering championships which were held this year at the Memorial Park, Coventry. Organiser John Middler and his team ensured the event went smoothly. Mike Snell was the planner who designed 3 courses of varying lengths and technicality to suit primary, lower secondary and upper secondary schools. This year the club welcomed many newcomers to the sport from schools and competitors from around the area who have formed links with Octavian Droobers.

Congratulations to all schools and pupils that took part and thanks to sponsors Link Mailing Ltd, printers and mailing service provider of Coventry who supplied certificates to winners and runners up.

The Primary Schools section of the competition was hard fought

and pupils from Winterfold House were declared the team winners with Balsall Common Primary School taking 2nd place and the youth group team - 74th Coventry Scouts - were third. In the Secondary Schools competitions Kenilworth School were winners of both the Lower and Secondary team prize.

Winterfold House was 2nd placed team in the Lower Secondary section and Princethorpe College were 3rd. Myton School was 2nd in the Upper Secondary School. Individual results are on the club website.



JUNIORS QUALIFY FOR FINAL AT SANDRINGHAM **ESTATE IN NORFOLK ON JULY 7th**

A fantastic opportunity for all junior orienteers to compete in a national competition at a fabulous venue. The club is running a coach and we urge all keen pupils of all standards and experience to compete for the club. We came 4th last year and need as many juniors to help us improve our position. Please encourage them to come along to events, to meet others and gain experience. Please contact junior coordinator:

kimberleylunn@yahoo.co.uk



The British Schools Orienteering Association is a valuable resource for schools. The website gives much information about how to introduce the sport, useful teaching programmes, how to map your school, kit to purchase, upcoming championships, etc. Membership is **FREE** www.bsoa.org

PERMANENT ORIENTEERING COURSES - visit country parks and woods around the area, download a free map and enjoy the great outdoors. See www.britisshorienteering.org.uk to find one near you.

Other useful contacts: infoschools@octavian-droobers.org

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